

These directions have been borrowed from the Knitted Knockers Foundation. Knockers provided to the Pinnacle Health Auxiliary will be donated to patients treated at the UPMC Pinnacle Breast Care Center.



Additional instructions and information can be found www.knittedknockers.org.

CROCHET KNOCKERS REVISITED 3-21-18 by Claudia Barbo rev3

Size: A (B, C, D, DD)

Materials:

- 1 (1, 1, 2, 2) skeins Ultra Pima Fine or other yarn from the knitted knocker approved yarn list*. The yarn choice is very important.
- Size G (4.5mm) crochet hook (or size needed to get gauge)
- 3 locking stitch markers (1 in a different color for start of round)
- Tapestry needle

Gauge: 4 ½ sc and 5 ½ rows = 1 inch

Abbreviations:

- Ch = chain
- Pm = place marker
- Rnd = round
- Sc = single crochet
- Rep = Repeat
- Inc = work 2 scs in next sc
- Dec = work 2 scs together (sc2tog)



NOTES:

- To form a magic ring leave approximately 6" of "tail" wrap yarn around index finger twice and work desired number of sc over both strands. When complete pull up tail to close ring. Continue to work in the round from here.
- Knockers are crocheted in a continuous spiral.
- Move markers up as you go.

Front

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Form a magic ring

Rnd 1: Work 6 sc in ring. Close ring.

Rnd 2: Inc in each sc around. (12 scs)

Rnd 3: (Work 2 sc, inc in next 2 sc, pm) 3 times (on the last repeat use a different colored marker). (18 sc)

Rnd 4: (Work 4 sc, inc in next 2 sc) 3 times. (24 scs)

Rnd 5: (Work 7 sc, inc in next sc) 3 times. (27 scs)

Rnd 6: (Work to 1 sc before marked sc, inc in next 2 sc) 3 times.

Rnd 7: (Work to marked sc, inc marked sc) 3 times.

A cup – Rep rnds 6 & 7 3 times until you have 63 sc, (stuffed diameter equals 4.5” across)**

B cup – Rep rnds 6 & 7 4 times until you have 72 sc, (stuffed diameter equals 5” across)**

C cup – Rep rnds 6 & 7 5 times until you have 81 sc, (stuffed diameter equals 5.5” across)**

D cup – Rep rnds 6 & 7 6 times until you have 90 sc, (stuffed diameter equals 6” across)**

DD cup – Rep rnds 6 & 7 7 times until you have 99 sc, (stuffed diameter equals 6.5” across)**

Work 2 rnds even through the back loop only.

Back

Rnd 1: (Sc2tog, sc to 1 sc before marked sc, sc2tog) 3 times.

Repeat rnd 1 until you have 15 sc left.

Cut yarn leaving a 10” tail. Thread tapestry needle and weave through front loop only of 15 sc. Stuff with fiber fill and pull tail to tighten. Tuck tail into knocker so that filling can be adjusted as needed.



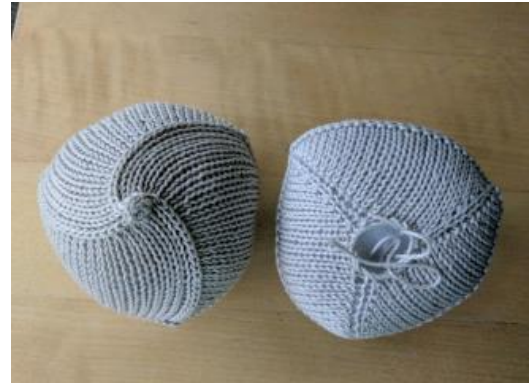
*Knitted Knockers Support Foundation has created a list of tested and approved yarns appropriate for knitted knockers. Please note that only knockers made from this list will be used to fill orders from knittedknockers.org so if knitting or crocheting for us please only use these yarns. While “Knitted” Knockers are a great “stash buster” taking only about 70 yards of yarn, the knockers may be worn against sensitive skin and must be durable, breathable and stay soft after washing. Also note the acrylic yarns are only used for swimming knockers. Here is a link to the approved yarn list [Approved Yarns for Knitted Knockers](#). Yarns appropriate for crochet knockers have been identified on the list.

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** Sizing is a bit of an art. Looser crochet will stretch more when stuffed. Stuffed knockers should measure the diameters listed above measured straight across the back from the point to the mid of the opposite side.

The most requests are for pairs of neutral colors. If you don't have enough of one color to finish a knocker feel free to finish the inner piece with a complimentary color using the same type of yarn. If you get bored with the flesh tones by all means make a creative, bright pair if you want. We do get requests for those too :-). Don't stress too much about the sizing. The most important thing is to make sure that all pairs are the same size (same number of stitches). About 75% of the requests are for sizes B and C with the rest size A, D and DD.



Knitted Knockers has posted a video on how to make great crochet knockers at www.knittedknockers.org. Grab a cup of coffee and enjoy watching Bunny (expert crocheter) teach Barb (novice crocheter) how to make great crochet knockers. Bunny only has to rap Barb's knuckles a couple of times! If you see differences in the video go by the pattern as it may have been revised after the video was done.

KNITTED KNOCKERS APPROVED YARNS - revised 12/16/18

Please note that only knockers made from the following list will be used to fill orders from knittedknockers.org so if knitting or crocheting for us please only use these yarns. All are good for knitting, some are also good for crochet where indicated "C". Acrylic yarns are approved only for swimming and indicated with "A".

Berroco, Modern Cotton DK

(Note only DK weight is approved)- C

Cascade Yarns, Cherub DK - C, A

Cascade Yarns, Ultra Pima - C

Cascade Yarns, Ultra Pima Fine - C

Cloudborn, 100% Pima Cotton DK - C

Ella Rae, Phoenix DK - C

Euro Baby, Kid Cotton

Fair Isle, Harbor - C

Fiesta Yarns, Cottonista

HiKoo, CoBaSi DK

Jaeger, Aqua Cotton

Katia, Mississippi 3

Kertzer Yarns, Butterfly Super 10

Kraemer Yarns, Tatamy - A

Knit Picks, Comfy Sport - A

Knit Picks, Comfy Fingering - C, A

Lion Brand COBOO - C

Paintbox, Cotton DK

Patons, Grace - C

Plymouth Yarns, Anne - C

Plymouth Yarns, Cleo

Premier Yarns, Cotton Fair - C, A

Rowan, Cotton Glace

Schachenmayr, Catania C

Sostrene Grene, Anna & Clara - C

Tahki, Cotton Classic DK (Must be DK)

Tahki, Cotton Classic Lite - C

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TB Ramsden, Wendy
Supreme 100% luxury
cotton DK (Must be DK)

Trendsetter Yarns, Lana
Grossa Elastico
Universal Yarn, Bamboo Pop
- C

Universal Yarn, Garden 3 – C
UY- Fibra Natura, Radiant
Cotton
Valley Yarns, Southwick

We have carefully compiled this list of approved yarns for our knitters & crocheters. All approved yarns have been tested and proven to be washable, stay soft after air drying, breathable, durable, the correct weight & make beautiful knockers. Our challenge has always been to identify yarns that are preferred by our recipients, available & affordable. The list has over 30 choices that can be purchased at local yarn stores, online or at "Big Box" stores at a variety of price points. The cost per average sized knocker using these yarns can vary from about \$1.20 to \$2.00 per knocker. Very affordable when you think about the difference it makes to the woman who wears them!

For the wearer, it is crucial that the knocker fiber not exacerbate a highly sensitive part of a woman's body that may have already suffered from surgical scarring, nerve damage, and possible radiation burns. To minimize the chances of this happening we ask that knitters & crocheters choose a yarn that we've already tested & know that every knocker created will be gratefully received & loved by the wearer. We receive constant affirmation that these ladies truly appreciate the time & talent that a caring volunteer took to make these for them. Check out some testimonials from grateful recipients if you ever want to remind yourself that what you are doing is making a difference!
<http://www.knittedknockers.org/testimonials/>.

Please note that "I Love this Cotton" from Hobby Lobby is too heavy & washes up stiff when air dried so is not appropriate for knitted knockers.

If stuffing, use a high quality poly fiber fill. Slightly overstuff & leave back open for adjustment. We use Premium Poly Fiber Fill made by Fairfield & found at Joann's & Walmart.

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