

## BOTTOMS UP KNOCKER KNIT FLAT WITH TWO NEEDLES

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**Materials:** 1 pair needles, size 4(5). Sport or (DK) weight soft, washable non wool yarn.\*\* See below for approved yarns for distribution by knittedknockers.org groups, stitch marker to mark needle 1, tapestry needle. Gauge- 6st= 1" (5st= 1"). Counts in ( ) are for DK/US 5 needles

### BOTTOM PIECE:

Starting with a 20" tail, cast on 17 stitches.

Foundation Row: Knit one, place marker, (knit five, place marker) 3 times. Knit one.

Row 1 (rs) – Knit 1, (slip marker and knit in the front and the back of the next stitch, knit to the last stitch before marker, knit in the front and the back of that stitch) 3 times, slip marker and knit last stitch.(inc 6st total this round)

Row 2 (ws) – Knit 1, (slip marker, purl to the last stitch before marker, knit in the front and the back of that stitch) 3 times, slip marker and knit one. (inc 3st total this round)

Repeat rows 1 and 2 until you have number of stitches for the cup size you desire.

- A cup – stuffed diameter equals 4.5" (across) .....72(66)
- B cup – stuffed diameter equals 5" (across) .....78(72)
- C cup – stuffed diameter equals 5.5" (across) .....90(84)
- D cup – stuffed diameter equals 6" (across) .....102(90)
- DD/E cup – stuffed diameter equals 6.5" (across) .....108(96)

\*See notes for larger sizes. Each size goes up about ½" in diameter. Sizing is a bit of an art. Looser knit 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

### Turning Rows:

Row 1 (rs): Knit one, purl to the last stitch, knit one.

Row 2 (ws): Knit across.

### TOP PIECE

Row 1 (rs): Knit one (slip marker, knit to the last 2 stitches before marker, knit two together) 3 times, slip marker, knit one.

Row 2 (ws): Knit one (slip marker, purl two together, purl to marker) 3 times, slip marker, knit one.

Continue rows 1 and 2 until you have 5 sts on the needle.

Clip the yarn leaving a 14" tail, thread it through tapestry needle and run it through the stitches, removing markers as you go & cinch up. Tack down the yarn tail at nipple area and use remaining tail to sew knocker closed. Use a mattress stitch and catch each knit stitch at edge for seaming. Continue seaming until you end at cast-on edges, then fasten off leaving a hole that is approximately the size of a quarter. If you don't want to seam them and are sending to us feel free to leave that to our "expert" seamers 😊.

| <i>Legend</i>           |                                    |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>CO</b>               | - Cast On                          |
| <b>kfb</b>              | - Knit into front & back of stitch |
| <b>K</b>                | - knit                             |
| <b>P</b>                | - purl                             |
| <b>k2tog</b>            | - knit 2 stitches together         |
| <b>rs</b>               | - right side                       |
| <b>ws</b>               | - wrong side                       |
| Gauge- 6st=1" (5 st=1") |                                    |

**Final Step To Finish Bottom Piece:** Weave beginning tail through every other cast-on stitch around the hole. This will make a draw-string like closure so the knocker stuffing level can later be adjusted by the wearer.

Fill with Premium Poly Fiber Fil™ (optional, we can fill them for you to save on postage.)

Visit [www.knittedknockers.org](http://www.knittedknockers.org) for tips and videos on how to make the Bottoms Up Knitted Kocker Knit Flat with 2 Needles for help with making the knockers.

\*For larger sizes:

- F (7") – repeat rows 1 & 2 – 1 more time.
  - Complete turning rows
  - After the turning rows and before starting top piece:
    - Row 1 (rs): Knit
    - Row 2 (ws): knit one, purl to the last stitch, knit one
- G (7.5")-repeat rows 1 & 2 – 2 more times.
  - Complete turning rows
  - After the turning rows and before starting top piece add a total of 4 rows as follows:
    - Rows 1 & 3 (rs): Knit
    - Rows 2 & 4 (ws): Knit one, purl to the last stitch, knit one
- H (8") & Beyond- Repeat rows 1 & 2 an additional time per size
  - Complete turning rows
  - After the turning rows and before starting top piece add a total of 4 rows as follows:
    - Rows 1 & 3 (rs): Knit
    - Rows 2 & 4 (ws): Knit one, purl to the last stitch, knit one

\*\*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 50 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](#).

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 make the bottom piece with a bright or fun color using the same type of yarn changing to a neutral color 2-3 rows prior to the purl rows. 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. Check out the video at [knittedknockers.org](#) on How to Size your Knockers for sizing tips.

We realize that knitting on double pointed needles is not the easiest so we developed this beautifully contoured, one piece knocker knit flat on two needles and seamed up. It is an easy, fun and portable project taking most people between 3-4 hours to make one. There is a video designed specifically for the Bottoms Up Knocker Knit Flat with Two Needles at [knittedknockers.org](#). Watch Laureen, the Knocker Quality Queen teach Barb how to make knockers from the bottom up on 2 needles.

If you don't have someone to give your beautiful knocker to please send them to us for distribution (always free to the recipient). We need lots of them! Send with the yarn label to Knitted Knockers, 1780 Iowa Street, Bellingham, WA 98229. Be sure and include your contact info so we can thank you! Visit <http://www.knittedknockers.org/> (the one with the pink ribbon logo on it) to learn more and to link yourself as a provider, or to locate a group in your area. We have print materials we can help support you with including care instructions, cards and brochures. Thank you so much!!!

# KNITTED KNOCKERS APPROVED YARNS

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**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.**

## Bellatrista Yarn

Milk Protein- Knit and crochet

## Berroco

Modern Cotton DK- Knit and crochet

## Cascade Yarns

Cherub DK (Acrylic for swimming only)

Sateen (Acrylic for swimming only)

Ultra Pima-(Knit and crochet)

Ultra Pima Fine (Great for crochet)

## Cloudborn

100% Pima Cotton DK- (Knit and Crochet)-Available at Craftsyt.com\*

## Classic Elite Yarns

Provence- (Knit)

## Ella Rae

Phoenix DX- (Knit and crochet)

## Fiesta Yarns

Cottonista-(Knit)

## HiKoo

CoBaSi DK- (Knit)

## Jaeger

Aqua Cotton- (Knit)

## Katia

Mississippi 3- (Knit)

## Kertzer Yarns

Fine Cotton- (Knit)

## King Cole

Cottonsoft DK- (Knit)

## Kraemer Yarns

Tatamy- (Knit)( Acrylic blend for swimming)

## Knit Picks

Comfy Sport-(Knit) (Acrylic blend for swimming)

Comfy Fingering- (Knit and Crochet)(Swimming)

## Paintbox

Cotton DK- (Knit and Crochet)

## Patons

Grace- (Knit and crochet) Available at Craftsyt.com\*

## Plymouth Yarns

Anne- (Knit and Crochet)

Cleo- (Knit) Available at Craftsyt.com\*

## Premier Yarns

Afternoon Cotton- (Knit & Crochet) Available at Craftsyt.com\*

Cotton Fair- (Knit and Crochet) (Acrylic for Swimming)

## Reynolds

Top Seed Cotton- (Knit)

## Rowan

Cotton Glace- Knit

## Sostene Grene

Anna & Clara- (Knit and crochet)

## Vinnis Colours South African Yarns

Serina- (knit and crochet)

## Tahki

Cotton Classic DK- (Knit)

Cotton Classic Lite- (Knit and Crochet)

## Thomas B Ramsden & Co (Bradford)

Wendy Supreme 100% luxury cotton dk- (Knit)

## Trendsetter Yarns

Lana Grossa Elastico- (Knit)

## Universal Yarn

Bamboo Pop- (Knit and Crochet)

Cotton Supreme DK- (Knit)

## Valley Yarns

Southwick- (Knit)

## KNITTED KNOCKERS APPROVED YARNS

We have moved away from distributing knockers made with acrylic due to feedback from recipients. Acrylic knockers are reserved for filling orders for swimming because they are not worn daily, just for an hour or so at a time. The acrylic knockers will be used, but there is a very low demand for them.

We have compiled a list of approved yarns for our knitters and crocheters. All yarns on this list are washable, stay soft after air drying, breathable, durable, of the correct weight and are beautiful. Our challenge has always been to identify yarns that are preferred by our recipients, available and 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 each depending on brand, or sales. Very affordable when you think about the difference it makes to the woman who wears them! Most yarns can be found at your local yarn shop, or online. You can find Afternoon Cotton by Premier Yarns at Walmart and Joanns and Paton's Grace at Michaels. Please note that I Love this Cotton from Hobby Lobby is too heavy and washes up stiff when air dried so is not appropriate for knitted knockers. Please include the yarn label when sending to us and your contact information.

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 and crocheters choose a yarn that we've already tested and know that every knocker created will be gratefully received and loved by the wearer. We receive constant affirmation that these ladies truly appreciate the time and talent that a caring volunteer took to make these for them. Check out some testimonies from grateful recipients if you ever want to remind yourself that what you are doing is making a difference! <http://www.knittedknockers.org/testimonials/>

If sending to us mail unstuffed to Knitted Knockers Support Foundation, 1780 Iowa St., Bellingham, WA 98229. **Include your contact information and the type of yarn used or label from the yarn.**

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

\* Craftsy.com will give Knitted Knockers Support Foundation a portion of your purchase at no extra cost to you! Click here to shop at [craftsy.com](https://www.craftsy.com).