



Needles: U.S. size 7

yarn needle

tapestry needle to tie button

With this quick, cute straw keeper, straws stay clean until use. After use, the keeper absorbs any stray moisture. It's made of the same cotton yarn we love to use in dishcloths and washcloths, so it pops into the washer & dryer, ready to go again.

Always carry a spare for a friend in need! Directions are for individual size with family size changes in []. The individual size holds up to 2 straws, the family size holds up to 6.

Materials:

red, white and blue cotton yarn 1 button

CO 36 sts with red yarn, using backward loop Switch to white yarn, do not cut red yarn *rows 1-2*: K with white

Pick Up red rows 3-4: K with red

Repeat *rows 1-4* 2 [6] more times
Repeat *rows 1-2* 1 more time
With red, K 1 more row, 4 [8] stripes of each color. The red CO edge & the final red row will be joined together as one red stripe.

Before joining the seam, sew the button in the center, 2" from the short edge. I use a short length of white yarn, pulling off 2 strands to tie the button on, burying the ends into the knitting.





Join Seam:

\* PU 1 st from CO edge, place on left needle, K2tog, repeat from \*, binding off as you go, fasten off.

Flap:

PU 3 [6] sts on either side of the join, for a total of 6 [12] sts start with blue yarn on the right side

rows 1-18: K

row 19: K3 [6], YO. K3 [6]

row 20: K0 [K2tog 3x, K1, K2tog 3x]

row 21: (K1, K2tog) 2x, K1, 5 sts

rows 22-25: K5

row 26: K2tog, K1, K2tog

row 27: SI, K2tog, PSSO

fasten off, sew bottom & finish yarn ends.

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CO cast on K knit PU pick up K2tog knit 2 together SI slip one PSSO pass slipped st over st(s) stitch(es) X times