

Yummy Scrummy Cupcakes & Minis

You will need:

Some small amounts of suitable colour yarn for case, cake and icing. I used dk yarn, but anything will do, your cupcake will just be slightly bigger, or smaller!)

Double pointed needles (I used 4 size 4mm/UK 8/US6 dpns, but substitute for an appropriate size for your yarn if necessary)

Yarn needle

Cardboard (for cake base)

Stuffing

Cupcake:

With cake case colour, and leaving a length of yarn to sew up bottom of case, cast on 12 sts onto dpns (4 on each needle)

Row I k row (and next 3 odd rows)

Row 2 (k1, kfb) repeat to end - 18 sts (6 on each needle)

Row 4 (kl, kfb) repeat to end - 27 sts (9 on each needle)

Row 6 (k2, kfb) repeat to end - 36 sts (12 on each needle)

Rows 8-15 (kl, pl) repeat to end

Row 16 (kfb, p1) repeat to end - 54 sts (18 on each needle)

Row 17 & 18 (k2, p1) repeat to end

Row 19 cast off, keeping stitch pattern (k2, p1) correct

Sew in the cast of end and using yarn left from casting on, catch up a few stitches from around the hole at the bottom and draw up tight to close the hole. Turn the whole case inside out so that the purl (bumpy) side of the bottom is now facing out (This makes the cake sit nicely and also shows the cake ribbing off nicely.)

With cake colour, pick up 45 stitches (15 on each needle) evenly around inside of case

Row I & 2 k to end

Change to icing colour

Row 3 (k4, m1) repeat this twice more, k3 (repeat instructions for next two needles) - 54 sts (18 on each needle)

Row 4-6 p to end

Row 7 (p4, p2tog) repeat to end - 45 sts (15 on each needle)

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Row 8 & 9 p to end

Row 10 (p3, p2tog) repeat to end - 36 sts (12 on each needle)

Row II & I2 p to end

Row 13 (p1, p2tog) repeat to end - 24 sts (8 on each needle)

Row I4 & I5 p to end

Cut out a cardboard circle base to go in the bottom of the cake and stuff

Row 16 p2tog across - 12 sts (4 on each needle)

Row 17 & 18 p to end

Add any extra stuffing required, cut yarn leaving a length long enough to sew up, remove knitting needles and using a yarn needle, thread end of yarn through remaining stitches and pull tight.

Add lovely buttons, sparkles and flowers as you see fit to make your cupcake look stunning!

Mini Cup cakes:

With cake case colour, and leaving a length of yarn to sew up bottom of case, cast on 12 sts onto dpns (4 on each needle)

Row I k row (and next 2 odd rows)

Row 2 (k1, kfb) repeat to end - 18 sts (6 on each needle)

Row 4 (k2, kfb) repeat to end - 24 sts (8 on each needle)

Rows 6-9 (kl, pl) repeat to end

Row 10 (kfb, p1) repeat to end - 36 sts (12 on each needle)

Row II & I2 (k2, p1) repeat to end

Row 13 cast off, keeping stitch pattern (k2, p1) correct

Sew in the cast of end and using yarn left from casting on, catch up a few stitches from around the hole at the bottom and draw up tight to close the hole. Turn the whole case inside out so that the purl (bumpy) side of the bottom is now facing out (This makes the cake sit nicely and also shows the cake ribbing off nicely.)

With cake colour, pick up 30 stitches (10 on each needle) evenly around inside of case

Row I k to end

Change to icing colour

Row 3 (k4, m1, k3, m1, k3) repeat this twice more - 36 sts (12 on each needle)

Row 4-6 p to end

Row 7 (p2, p2tog) repeat to end - 27 sts (9 on each needle)

Row 8 & 9 p to end

Row 10 (p1, p2tog) repeat to end - 18 sts (6 on each needle)

Row II & I2 p to end

Cut out a cardboard circle base to go in the bottom of the cake and stuff

Row 13 p2tog across - 9 sts (3 on each needle)

Row 14 p to end

Add any extra stuffing required, cut yarn leaving a length long enough to sew up, remove knitting needles and using a yarn needle, thread end of yarn through remaining stitches and pull tight.