

# SHOWER SCRUBBIE

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**Sizes** – One size: approximately 5" in diameter

**Gauge** – not important, but loose!

**Needles** – 1 set of 4 double-pointed needles (dpns) in US size 15

**Yarn** – 1 skein Gedifra Clou (100% nylon. 50 grams, 50 yards) – now discontinued. You can substitute a heavy cotton or nylon yarn or tape. Try Plymouth Oh My!, Moda Dea Ticker Tape, or Lana Grossa Tiramisu.

**Abbreviations:**

K – knit

YO – yarnover

**Note:**

You can knit this scrubbie using any cotton or nylon yarn, at any gauge, with any number of stitches. Use this pattern as a guide and make sure what you are knitting is at a loose gauge.

**Cast-on:**

Using a long-tail cast-on (pull out about 18" – you want to leave about a 12" tail after casting on), cast on a total of 6 stitches over three dpns – 2 stitches per needle. Join and work in the round as follows:

Row 1: (K1, YO) 6 times – 12 stitches total

Row 2: Knit around

Row 3: (K1, YO) 12 times – 24 stitches total

Row 4: Knit around

Row 5: (K1, YO) 24 times – 48 stitches total

Rows 6 & 7: Knit around

Bind off loosely and cut the working yarn, leaving about a 12" tail. You have a circular piece of knitting.



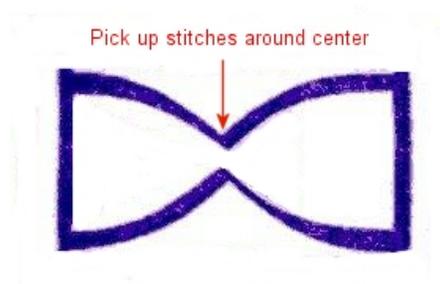
**Create a second circular piece joined to the first piece:**

Lay your circular piece of knitted fabric flat, with either side facing up. Leaving about a 12" tail of yarn, pick up and knit 1 stitch in each stitch of your original cast-on for a total of 6 stitches picked up, join and knit a second circular piece identical to the first one. The second piece will be joined together to the first piece at the cast-on stitches. Bind off as directed, leaving about a 12" tail of yarn.

**Create the "petals":**

Grasp one circular piece in each hand and pull gently in opposite directions so that the outside of the center join is visible. Your piece will now resemble an hourglass shape – the center of the piece is the small point of the hourglass, as shown.

Leaving a 12" tail of yarn, pick up and knit 6 stitches halfway around the outside of the center of the piece, in-between the two circular pieces as shown in the graphic. These stitches don't have to be picked up perfectly at the center of the piece – wherever you can see a place to pick up and knit is fine. Work this piece, knitting back and forth as follows:



Row 1: K1 (YO, K1) 5 times – 11 stitches total  
Row 2: Knit across.  
Row 3: K1 (YO, K1) 10 times – 21 stitches total  
Row 3 & 4: Knit across

Bind off loosely and cut the working yarn, leaving about a 12" tail. You have a "petal" attached at the center of your piece.

Work a second petal around the other half of the center of the piece.

**Note:**

You can work extra petals if you like, picking up stitches from the center wherever you can find a spot to pick up from. Make these petals as large or as small as you like, until you run out of yarn.

**Finishing:**

Pull all loose ends of yarn through the hole in the center of the piece, all in the same direction. There is no need to weave in ends, just pull on the ends so they are all together – sort of like the tentacles on an octopus. They will pull the edges of the knit pieces towards the center – this is what you want. Divide the ends into two groups and braid each group separately, then tie the two braids together at the free end to create a loop to use to hang the scrubbie when not in use.



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