## **Robin and Nest Dishcloth**

Size 7 US needles (4.5mm)

Main Color (beige or brown), I used 1 ball (2 oz) Peaches & Creme, color 02012, Good Earth. I did have to use the yarn from both ends of the ball for rows 23-34. It is easier to use 2 balls.

2 yrds blue (eggs), Peaches & Creme, color 01742, Bright Blue.

2 yrds orange (Robin's breast), I Love This Cotton, Color 42, Orangeade.

Finished size is about 8-inches square.

## **Abbreviations:**

**C4B**: slip next 2sts onto cable needle and hold at back of work, knit next 2sts from left-hand needle, then knit 2sts from cable needle.

**C4F**: slip next 2sts onto cable needle and hold at front of work, knit next 2sts from left-hand needle, then knit 2sts from cable needle.

**C5Bdec** (Cable 5 Back decrease): slip next 3sts to cable needle and hold at back of work, K2, [K2tog, K1] from cable needle.

K: knit

**K1tbl**: knit 1 through the back loop (to twist a yarn over and not leave a hole)

**K2tog**: knit 2sts together

**K4tog**: knit 4sts together (top of bobble)

**M1K** (Make 1 st Knitwise): pick up strand of yarn lying between last st worked and next st and knit into back of it. The new stitch is twisted to prevent a hole that would otherwise form.

MB (with blue yarn): Make Bobble, with blue yarn (K1, P1, K1, P1) all into next st, turn and P4, turn and K4, turn and K4 turn

MC: main color

P: purl

**P2tog**: purl 2sts together

**Pfb**: purl in the front and the back of the stitch (makes 2 purl sts out of 1)

**rep**: repeat **RS**: right side

**SSK**: slip 1 as if to knit and slip another as if to knit (2 twisted, but still not knitted, sts on right-hand needle), put left-hand needle in through the front of both sts (from the left to the right) and knit them together.

st: stitch sts: stitches

**T5C4B** (Twist – total of 5sts while Cabling 4 Back): slip 3sts to cable needle and hold at back of work, K2, [K2, P1] from cable needle

**T5C4Binc** (Twist - total of 5sts while Cabling 4 Back and increase 1st): slip 3sts to cable needle and hold at back of work, K2, [K2, YO, P1] from cable needle.

**T5C4F** (Twist – total of 5sts while Cabling 4 Front): slip 2sts to cable needle and hold at front of work, P1, K2, [K2] from cable needle.

**T5C4Finc** (Twist – total of 5sts while Cabling 4 Front and increase 1st): slip 2sts to cable needle and hold at front of work, P1, YO, K2, [K2] from cable needle.

WS: wrong side

x: times

**YO**: yarn over

Cast on 36 sts

**Row 1**(RS): With yarn in front, slip one stitch as if to purl, put yarn in back and knit remaining 35 sts. (Slip the first st of every row as row 1.)

**Row 2**(WS): slip 1, K13, P2, K10, P2, K8

Row 3: slip 1, K6, YO, K2tog, K10, K2tog, K1, YO, K14

Row 4: slip 1, K14, P2, K 9, P2, K8

Row 5: slip 1, K6, YO, K2tog, K9, K2tog, K1, YO, K15

**Row 6**: slip 1, K15, P2, K8, P2, K8

Row 7: slip 1, K6, YO, K2tog, K8, K2tog, K1, YO, K16

**Row 8**: slip 1, K16, P2, K4, (Pfb)4x, P1, K8 (40sts)

*Row 9*: slip 1, K4, P2, YO, K2tog, C4B, YO, C4F, P3, K2tog, K1, YO, P12, K5 (41sts)

Row 10: slip 1, K17, P2, K3, P4, K1tbl, P5, K8

Row 11: slip 1, K4, P3, T5C4Binc (slip 3sts to cable needle, hold at back of work, K2,

[K2, YO, P1] from cable needle), P1, T5C4Finc (slip 2sts to cable needle, hold at front of work, P1, YO, K2, [K2] from cable needle), P1, K2tog, K1, YO, P13, K5 (43sts)

Row 12: slip 1, K18, P2, K1, P4, K1tbl, K3, K1tbl, P4, K8

**Row 13**: slip 1, K4, P2, T5C4Binc (as in row 11), P5, T5C4Finc (as in row 11), K2tog, YO, P14, K5 (45sts)

Row 14: slip 1, K19, P5, K1tbl, K7, K1tbl, P4, K7

**Row 15**: slip 1, K4, P2, C4B, P4, MB, P4, C4F, P2tog, P14, K5 (44sts)

**Row 16**: slip 1, K19, P4, K9, P4, K7

*Row 17*: slip 1, K4, P2, K4, P3, MB, P1, MB, P3, K4, P15, K5

**Row 18**: slip 1, K19, P4, K9, P4, K7

*Row 19*: slip 1, K4, P2, C4F, P2tog, P2, MB, P2, P2tog, C4B, P9, K1, P5, K5 (42sts)

Row 20: slip 1, K9, P1, K9, P4, K7, P4, K7

**Row 21**: slip 1, K4, P2, C4F, (P2tog)3x, C5Bdec (slip 3sts to cable needle, hold at back of work, K2, [K2tog, K1] from cable needle), P9, K1, P5, K5 (38sts)

*Row 22*: slip 1, K8, P3, K8, P4, K3, P4, K7

Row 23: slip 1, K4, P2, T5C4F (slip 2sts to cable needle, hold at front of work, P1, K2,

[K2] from cable needle), P1, T5C4B (slip 3sts to cable needle, hold at back of work, K2,

[K2, P1] from cable needle), P3, K4, K4, P4, K5

*Row 24*: slip 1, K8, P4, P5, K3, P4, K1, P4, K8

**Row 25**: slip 1, K4, P3, C4F, T5C4B (as row 23), P2, K6, K4, P4, K5

Row 26: slip 1, K9, P3, P7, K2, P8, K8

Row 27: slip 1, K4, P3, YO, SSK, K1, SSK, P5, K4, K5, P6, K5 (37sts)

**Row 28**: slip 1, K11, P5, **P4**, K4, P3, K9

Row 29: slip 1, K4, P3, YO, K2tog, K3, P3, K4, K4, P8, K5

**Row 30**: slip 1, K12, P4, P4, P7, K9

*Row 31*: slip 1, K4, P2, P2tog, YO, K3, P2, K1, P1, K3, K4, P9, K5

Row 32: slip 1, K14, P3, P3, K4, P3, K9

Row 33: slip 1, K4, P1, P2tog, YO, K2tog, K2, P4, K3, K3, P10, K5 (36sts)

**Row 34**: slip 1, K15, P2, P2, P1, K4, P3, K8

Row 35: slip 1, K4, P2, YO, K2tog, K1, YO, SSK, P3, K5, P11, K5

Row 36: slip 1, K16, P3, K4, P1, K1, P2, K8

Row 37: slip 1, K4, P2, YO, K2tog, K1, P1, YO, SSK, P3, K3, P12, K5

**Row 38**: slip 1, K17, P2, K3, P1, K2, P2, K8

Row 39: slip 1, K4, P2, YO, K2tog, K1, P2, YO, SSK, P1, K2, P14, K5

Row 40: slip 1, K18, P2, K1, P1, K3, P2, K8

Row 41: slip 1, K4, P2, YO, K2tog, K1, P3, YO, SSK, K2, P14, K5

**Row 42**: slip 1, K19, P2, K4, P2, K8

Row 43: slip 1, K4, P2, YO, K2tog, K1, P4, YO, K2tog, M1K, P15, K5 (37sts)

Row 44: slip 1, K17, K2tog, P2, K5, P2, K8 (36sts)

Row 45: slip 1, K4, P2, YO, K2tog, K1, P5, K1, YO, SSK, P13, K5

Row 46: slip 1, K17, P1, K1, P2, K4, P2, K8

Row 47: slip 1, K4, P2, YO, K2tog, K1, P4, K1, P2, YO, SSK, P12, K5

**Row 48**: slip 1, K16, P1, K8, P2, K8

Row 49: slip 1, K6, YO, K2tog, K27

Row 50: slip 1, K25, P2, K8

**Row 51**: rep row 49

**Row 52**: rep row 50

**Row 53**: rep row 49

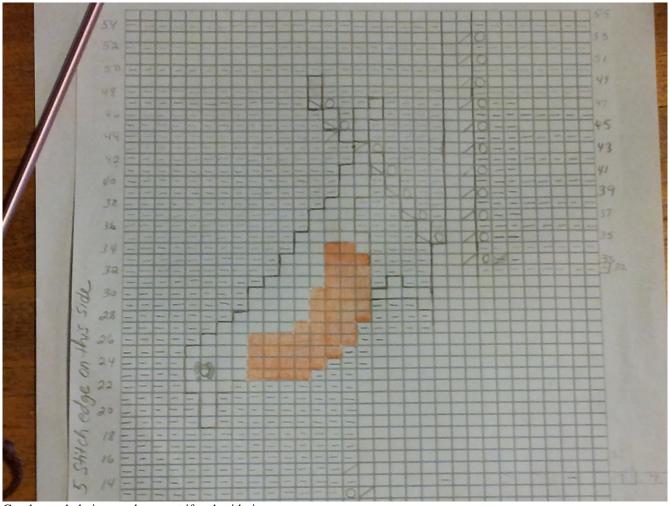
**Row 54**: rep row 50

Row 55: slip1, K across

Row 56: BO in K. Weave in all the ends.



Eye details (optional) were embroidered on afterward using black size 3 crochet cotton (french knot eye) and white size 10 crochet cotton (chain stitch around eye and a few running stitches on neck).



Graph may help in eye placement if embroidering.



