



**Free Knitting Pattern  
Lion Brand® Lion® Cotton  
Tea Towel Topper  
Pattern Number: 50144-K**



This classic dish towel hanger buttons over a drawer handle and it will always be just where you need it. Note: Click here for the [crochet](#) kitchen towel top.

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**SKILL LEVEL:** Easy (Level 2)

**SIZE:** One Size

Pattern is written in two versions. The first is designed for a decorative cotton tea towel (shown) while version 2 is written for a larger terry kitchen towel.

**CORRECTIONS:** None as of Oct 3, 2016. To check for later updates, click [here](#).

#### MATERIALS

- 760-158 Lion Brand Lion Cotton Yarn: Banana  
1 Ball
- Lion Brand Knitting Needles- Size 8 [5 mm]
- Additional Materials  
1 skein White embroidery floss  
Embroidery needle  
100% cotton tea towel 18" x 24" [45.5 cm x 61 cm] OR  
100% cotton terry kitchen towel 21" x 28" [53.5 cm x 71 cm]  
1" [25 mm] button

\**Lion Cotton* (Article #760). 100% Cotton; package size: **Solids:** 5 oz./140g; 236yd/212m balls  
**Multi:** 4 oz/113g; 189 yd/170m balls.



#### GAUGE:

18 sts + 16 rows= 4" [10 cm] in pattern

When you match the gauge in a pattern, your project will be the size specified in the pattern and the materials specified in the pattern will be sufficient. The needle or hook size called for in the pattern is based on what the designer used, but it is not unusual for gauge to vary from person to person. If it takes you fewer stitches and rows to make your swatch, try using a smaller size hook or needles; if more stitches and rows, try a larger size hook or needles.

#### Making a Gauge Swatch

#### STITCH EXPLANATION:

Thread embroidery needle with embroidery thread and make a small knot at the end. With the right side of the towel facing up, bring the needle up from underneath the towel to the top; make a small loop and hold it in place against fabric with thumb. Bring needle back down to underside, in same space where it came up.

\*Bring needle up inside loop just made, toward the top, and make a new loop which will lay outside the stitch made, by bringing needle back down in space where it came up. Repeat from \* for required number of chains. End by bringing needle up inside loop and then bringing it down outside the loop to anchor final stitch.

#### TOWEL

##### Version 1 – Cotton Woven Tea Towel

Unfold towel and lay flat – do not press open. Measure and cut a length of embroidery floss 3 times the width of the towel. Thread embroidery needle with 3 strands of embroidery floss (most embroidery floss has 6 strands, so you will need to split off what you need) and, working along center width fold line, make 69 Embroidered Chain Stitches, evenly spaced. Fasten off embroidery floss and secure ends.

Change to Lion Cotton and knitting needles. With RS facing, pick up and knit 1 stitch in each embroidered chain stitch – 69 sts.

#### Row 1

K 3,\* p 3, k 3; repeat from \* to end.

**Row 2** P 3, \*k 3, p 3; repeat from \* to end.

**Row 3** Repeat Row 1.

**Rows 4 and 5** Knit.

**Row 6 (First Decrease Row)** K2tog tbl, p 1, \*k 3, p 3; repeat from \* to last 3 sts; end k2tog, k 1. – 67 sts.

**Row 7** K 2, p 3, \*k 3, p 3; repeat from \* to last 2 sts, end k 2.

**Row 8** P 2, k 3, \*p 3, k 3; repeat from \* to last 2 sts, end p 2.

**Row 9** Knit.

**Row 10** K 1, \*k2tog, k 1; repeat from \* to end – 45 sts.

**Row 11** P 3,\*k 3, p 3; repeat from \* to end.

**Row 12** K 3,\* p 3,k 3; repeat from \* to end.

**Row 13** Repeat Row 11.

**Row 14** Knit.

**Row 15** \*K 1, k2tog; repeat from \* to end – 30 sts.

**Row 16** \*K 3, p 3; repeat from \* to end.

**Row 17** \*P 3, k 3; repeat from \* to end.

**Row 18** Repeat Row 16

**Row 19** Knit.

**Row 20** \*K2tog, k 1; repeat from \* to end – 20 sts

**Row 21** \*K2tog, k 1; repeat from \* to last 2 sts, k2tog – 13 sts

**Row 22** K2tog, knit to last 2 sts, k2tog – 11 sts.

**Rows 23-40** Knit.

**Row 41** K 4, bind off 3 sts, knit to end.

**Row 42** K 4, cast on 3 sts, knit to end.

**Rows 43-50** K2tog at beginning of next 8 rows, k to end – 3 sts at end of final decrease row.

Bind off remaining 3 sts.

#### FINISHING

Measure 3" [7.5 cm] from bottom of knitting and mark center. Sew on button; weave in ends.

#### Version 2

##### – Cotton Terry Towel

Begin as for Version 1, but make 78 Embroidered Chain Stitches evenly spaced. Fasten off embroidery floss and secure ends.

Change to Lion Cotton and knitting needles. With RS facing, pick up and knit 1 stitch in each embroidered chain stitch – 78 sts.

**Row 1** \*K 3, p 3; repeat from \* to end.

**Row 2** \*K 3, p 3; repeat from \* to end.

**Row 3** Repeat Row 1.

**Rows 4 and 5** Knit.

**Row 6** K2tog tbl, k 1, \*k 3, p 3; repeat from \* to last 3 sts, end k 1, k2tog tbl – 76 sts.

**Row 7** P 2, \*k 3,p 3; repeat from \* to last 2 sts, end k 2.

**Row 8** P 2, \*k 3,p 3; repeat from \* to last 2 sts, end k 2.

**Row 9** Knit.

**Row 10** K 1, \*k2tog, k 1; repeat from \* to end – 51 sts.

**Row 11** P 3, \*k 3, p 3; repeat from \* to end.

**Row 12** K 3,\* p 3, k 3; repeat from \* to end.

**Row 13** Repeat Row 11.

**Row 14** Knit.

**Row 15** K 4, k2tog to last 5 sts, k 5 – 30 sts.

**Row 16** \*P 3,k 3; repeat from \* to end.

**Row 17** \*P 3,k 3; repeat from \* to end.

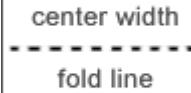
**Row 18** Repeat Row 16.

**Row 19** Knit.

**Row 20** \*K2tog, k 1; repeat from \* to end – 20 sts.

**Row 21** \*K2tog, k 1; repeat from \* to last 2 sts, k2tog – 13 sts.

**Row 22** K2tog, knit to last 2 sts, k2tog – 11 sts.



**Rows 23-40** Knit.

**Row 41** K 4, bind off 3 sts, knit to end.

**Row 42** K 4, cast on 3 sts, knit to end.

**Rows 43-50** K2tog at beginning of next 8 rows – 3 sts remain after all decreases have been completed.

Bind off remaining 3 sts.

**FINISHING**

Measure 3" [7.5 cm] from bottom of knitting and mark center. Sew on button; weave in ends.

**ABBREVIATIONS / REFERENCES**

Click for explanation and illustration

k = knit

k2tog = knit 2 together

p = purl

RS = right side

st(s) = stitch(es)

tbl = through the back loop

Learn to knit instructions:<http://www.lionbrand.com/learn/how-to-knit>

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