

# Braided Cable Napkin Ring

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This is the second napkin ring that I designed for what became a “sampler” set of six napkin rings.

I chose the braided cable because it’s one of my favorite stitch patterns—I love the undulating lines it produces and think it’s such an elegant cable. Like the other patterns I chose for the sampler set, I thought the braided cable would be an attractive complement to the napkins I fancied, which were quite colorful and had both writing and figures on them (see top photo).

If you use Lorna’s Laces Green Line DK, as I did, you can make six napkin rings from just one hank—a beautiful bargain!

## YARN

1 hank Lorna’s Laces Green Line DK (100% organic merino wool; 145 yd/2 oz), shown at right in Chocolate (top) and Growth (bottom).



## NEEDLES & NOTIONS

US 4 (3.5 mm).

Cable needle.

Napkin ring inserts, 44 mm diameter  
(optional; see **NOTES**).

Darning needle to finish.

## GAUGE

6 sts and 8 rows = 1” in Rev St st, however gauge is not critical (see **NOTES**).

## FINISHED SIZE

Unseamed and laid flat with edges uncurled but not stretched, approx 2.5” wide and 6.75” long.



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## NOTES

The beginning five stitches and ending five stitches (in Rev St st) form the napkin ring's interior. If you don't want to use inserts, visit [MakerKnit.com](http://MakerKnit.com) and search "napkin ring" for suggestions on changing the pattern and for other finishing alternatives.

The stated gauge will produce a knitted tube that fits around 44 mm inserts, with the finished napkin ring being about 1.5" high and 7.25" around. So unless you choose to use similar inserts or want your napkin rings to be exactly that size, gauge is not critical.

To use the long-tail CO method, leave yourself a 12" tail when making your slipknot. Note that this pattern is knitted flat and then seamed to form a ring.

## INSTRUCTIONS

CO 19 sts.

Row 1 (RS): p5, k9, p5.

Rows 2, 4, 6, and 8: k5, p9, k5.

Row 3: p5, slip 3 sts pwise onto cn and hold in back, k3, k3 from cn, k3, p5.

Row 5: repeat Row 1.

Row 7: p5, k3, slip 3 sts pwise onto cn and hold in front, k3, k3 from cn, p5.

Repeat rows 1 through 8 six more times (for a total of seven repeats, or 56 rows).

## FINISHING

BO pwise leaving 18" tail for seaming. Use BO tail to seam CO and BO edges tog over napkin ring insert (if using) and then seam up the side edges using invisible weaving for Rev St st, tucking in CO tail under seam as you go. For finishing help, visit [MakerKnit.com](http://MakerKnit.com) and enter "napkin ring" in the search box.

## ABBREVIATIONS

approx approximately

BO bind off

cn cable needle

CO cast on

k knit

mm millimeter(s)

oz ounce(s)

p purl

pwise purlwise, as if to purl

Rev St st Reverse Stockinette stitch

RS right side

st(s) stitch(es)

tog together

yd yard(s)



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