

Beeskep Pincushion with Bee Thimble Holder

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A whimsical little pincushion and thimble holder to add to your collection, or make for a friend.

Necessities

- Spool
- Stuffing
- 2 - 4" x 5" gold wool pieces for beeskep
- 1 - 1 ½" x 2 ¾" gold wool piece for bee
- Scrap of brown wool or roving
- Scrap of black wool for bee wings
- Brown and black floss
- Hook & Eye



Beeskep Pincushion

Trace pattern onto wool. Sew on the traced line, leaving the bottom open. Trim, turn right side out. Stuff. Embellish with several rows of feather stitch using two strands of brown floss. Stitch a few black French knots to represent little bees. Needle felt or appliqué the door. Sew the hook from the hook and eye in place on the side of the beeskep. When completed, slip it onto a spool, may need to be tightened with a drawstring or use a little glue. I wrapped the spool with a narrow green wool strip, which is optional.

Bee Thimble Holder

Using the 1 ½" x 2 ¾" gold wool, embellish with a running stitch or needle felt with several black stripes along the length of the piece. Then with right sides together, fold in half width wise, sew using ¼" seam. Trim away as much as possible. Run a gathering stitch as close to the bottom edge as possible. Gather up the bottom until there is no opening left, stitch to secure. Turn the bee right side out. Cut out 2 wings and stitch in place. Attach a floss hanging thread on opposite sides of the bee and knot them together. Hand the bee from the hook.

