

Braided Candy Cane – Left Opening

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Supplies: about 18” of three 1-1/2” strips of wool.

Instructions:

1. Make a T start. If using white as one strand, place it to the *right* side of the T. This will allow the white to be every other loop across the top of the cane, and make pretty stripes.

2. Start braiding by flipping the left strand over the center. Braid R-R-L five times. Pull the crossover loops snugly to get a good curve.

3. Continue to braid normally to an inch beyond desired length, about 3 sets plus another set for finishing.

4. Finish with T-end, blunt ending, or tie across bottom of braid with thread and fringe tails. For blunt ending, mark each strand across at desired length, place a stopper pin a few braids up, unbraid, cut 1/4” below marks on each strand. Make blunt ends, re-braid and sew bottom together.

5. Add a hanging cord.

