Dorothy's* Yarn Winder









This is a great tool to use for those partial skeins that tend to get unruly! You just need to start with some extra yarn and a tube that's about 6" long and 1" (or so) in diameter. An empty toilet paper tube works okay, but if you can find something stiffer that's a bit more slender, that's perfect. Dorothy found her tube in the produce department of her grocery store (it's the center of the role of plastic produce bags).

- $oldsymbol{1}$ Thread one end of the yarn through the tube and secure it with a piece of clear tape to the tube.
- 2 Start at the other end of the tube and simply wrap the yarn around the tube, starting about an inch down. Periodically make a quarter turn to the tube to create a round ball of yarn at the end. When you get to the end of the yarn, just tuck the final piece under some of the wound yarn to secure it.
- 3 Once a large ball is formed at the end (or you run out of yarn) just untape the other end and slide the ball of yarn off the tube. The yarn will now unwind from the inside out.







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