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Welcome...

to your brand-new issue of **Your Crochet & Knitting!**



We're so excited to bring you our first **Christmas** issue of the year, and we haven't held back on the **festive fun**. Inside you'll find **great gift ideas**, stocking stuffers and **warming** makes to get you ready for the **most wonderful time of the year**.

This month, your kit contains six **exclusive** shades to bring you plenty of **merry and bright inspiration**. If it's **crochet** projects you're looking for, we've got a little bit of everything for you! You can't miss the **amazing** Gingerbread Helpers (page 8) they're the most **joyful** pair and we know you'll love them. We've also got a **super-handy** project bag (page 16), the most **amazing cushion** (page 28) and even some warming **accessories** (page 56) to keep you busy all season long. Plus, one of our **favourite** things about Christmas is decorating our homes, and we've got a **must-make** wall hanging for you (page 42) that is sure to bring plenty of **charm** to your space.

Knitters, there's plenty of **ideas and inspiration** inside for you, too! Deck your home with some **gorgeous** décor, like the Candyland wreath (page 12) or why not use your **stash** to create a warm and **cosy** blanket for Christmas movie nights (page 54)? We've also got a great collection of wearables for you to try, from stranded **colourwork** mitts (page 22) to the most amazing accessory set (page 32) where you can make a striking cowl or cosy beanie with your **limited-edition** kit! Plus, don't miss the nutcrackers (page 50) – they're a great toy to bring out year after year.

Happy crafting,

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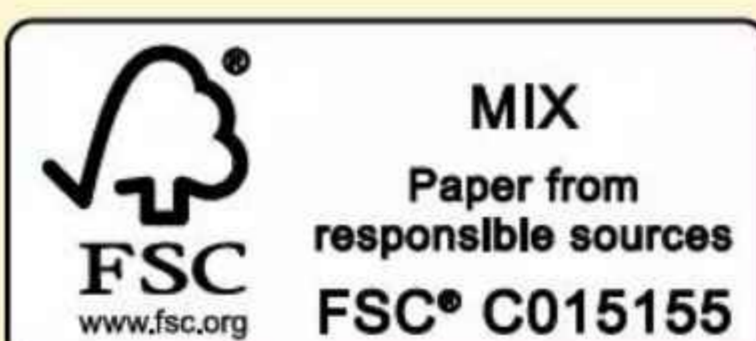
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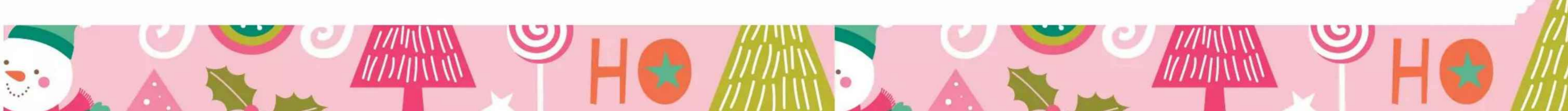
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IN YOUR KIT

- ★ 6 balls of yarn
- ★ Needles
- ★ Crochet hook

ALL ABOUT YOUR KIT

Your yarn is a standard DK, with 22g per ball, made up of 100% polyester fibre. You can substitute any standard DK yarn, but check the yardage of the yarn you buy to make sure you have enough to complete your project. Tension is given in each pattern – make sure you check your tension to be sure that the finished project will be the right size. If your tension is loose, you may need more yarn than specified.



What's NEW

We're bringing you the latest and greatest from the woolly community



SHARING IS CARING

Care Bears are back – and now you can crochet your own to gift or keep. These officially licensed kits have everything you need to make a cuddly bear, and inside the box you'll find yarn, stuffing, safety eyes, a hook, stitch marker, darning needle and label. There's even a tote bag, and a special tummy patch to match its personality. If you're new to crochet, don't worry – full step-by-step video tutorials are included, accessed via a password-protected QR code. Six kits are available: Sunshine Bear, Wish Bear, Friend Bear, Grumpy Bear, Good Luck Bear and Cheer Bear. Whether you're adding to a collection or starting your first project, these kits make it easy to stitch up a little bit of nostalgia. You can find the kits at www.crochetsociety.co.uk



BUCKETS OF FUN!

These bucket hat patterns from the King Cole team are a must-make for any vacations, or staycations, you've got lined up! Cottonsoft DK is one of our favourite cotton yarns – it's super soft, and available in a wonderful collection of shades to suit all projects and seasons. These on-trend accessories are sure to keep you cool and stylish all season long.

www.kingcole.com





Forever Fable



We love the Fable yarn range from West Yorkshire Spinners, and we're so excited to celebrate the launch of four new shades! Phoenix, Rubus, Fjord and Shadow are the latest additions to the collection, and we're loving the bright pops of colour they're bringing to the palette. Fable is a fantastic fibre, made from a unique blend of Falkland wool, British alpaca and British mohair, which is then gently brushed to create the most gorgeous soft halo effect. To accompany these lovely new additions, the West Yorkshire Spinners team have released some brand-new patterns that are perfect for autumn, and we can't wait to try them out!

www.wyspinners.com



RECORD BREAKING CRAFT



The Girls Friendly Society (GFS) is attempting to break an amazing world record for the longest friendship bracelet ever made! They're reaching out to crafters across the country to help braid a piece of something beautiful, and anyone can take part. Whether you're into embroidery, weaving, or just love making things, this is a great cause to get behind, and you can have fun with friends and family whilst doing it. If you wish to get involved, you can order a free bracelet pack, then braid your segment using the materials provided, and return it by October 31. Each piece will be stitched into one enormous, continuous bracelet – built by thousands of hands from living rooms, schools, and offices across the UK!
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A SWIRL OF INSPIRATION

Meet Cotton Wonder from Yarnsmiths – a swirl of colour designed to spark your creativity. Made from 100% pure cotton, it's soft, breathable and a joy to work with. This DK-weight yarn is versatile enough for everything from summer tops to beach bags or bright home décor. With shades inspired by seaside breezes and garden blooms, there's something for every mood. Because it's pure cotton, your finished makes will feel as good as they look – gentle on skin, naturally cool and long-lasting. For more information, visit www.woolwarehouse.co.uk



Gingerbread HELPERS

This little pair just love to help Father Christmas get all the presents and sweet treats ready for the big day, and would make the most adorable stocking fillers!



Andreia Ferreira

 Kit yarn  4mm

YARN USED

Kit yarn

1 ball each in Emberglow (A), Pinecrest (B), Frosted Rose (C), Mulberry (D), Dark Pink (E) & Icicle (F)

ABOUT THE YARN

DK; 66m per ball;
100% polyester

TENSION

30 sts x 25 rows = 10cm
measured over dc

HOOK USED

4mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

- ✓ 4 black safety eyes, 10mm
- ✓ toy stuffing
- ✓ tapestry needle
- ✓ stitch markers
- ✓ black thread

SIZING

15cm

ABBREVIATIONS

See page 63 for
all abbreviations

You can make either the boy or girl Gingerbread Helper with your kit!

Sewing pins can be very handy; make sure to use them to place the pieces in the correct position before you start sewing. It's also very useful to raise the stitches of the body from under the dress when sewing it to the head.

Beg 1 ch does not count as a st.

Parts worked in the round are worked in the amigurumi style, in a spiral without slip stitching or turning chains. Use a stitch marker or waste yarn to keep track of the first stitch of each round.

➔ Start crocheting...

Head

Rnd 1: With A and working into a magic ring, 6 dc. 6 sts

Rnd 2: 2 dc in each st to end. 12 sts

Rnd 3: *1 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end. 18 sts

Rnd 4: *2 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end. 24 sts

Rnd 5: *3 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end. 30 sts

Rnd 6: *4 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end. 36 sts

Rnd 7: *5 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end. 42 sts

Rnds 8-10: Dc around.

Rnd 11: *6 dc, 2 dc in next st;

rep from * to end. 48 sts

Rnds 12-15: Dc around.

Rnd 16: *6 dc, 1 dc2tog; rep from * to end. 42 sts

Rnd 17: *5 dc, 1 dc2tog; rep from * to end. 36 sts

Insert safety eyes between rnds 12 and 13, 10 sts apart.

Start stuffing, cont as you go.

Rnd 18: *1 dc, 1 dc2tog; rep from * to end. 24 sts

Rnd 19: *2 dc, 1 dc2tog; rep from * to end. 18 sts

Rnd 20: *1 dc, 1 dc2tog; rep from * to end. 12 sts

Rnd 21: 6 dc2tog. 6 sts

Fasten off and sew the hole closed. With black thread, embroider a mouth on Rnd 15 between the eyes, and a few lashes above the eyes for the

Girl Gingerbread Helper.

Cheeks

Make 2

Rnd 1: With C and working into a magic ring, 5 dc. 5 sts

Rnd 2: 2 dc in each st to end. 10 sts

Sl st in next st to end spiral.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Sew Cheeks between rnds 14 and 16, next to the eyes.

Legs

Make 2; either in B & A or D & A

Rnd 1: With B/D and working into a magic ring, 6 dc. 6 sts

Rnd 2: 2 dc in each st to end. 12 sts



Rnds 3-4: Dc around. Change to A in last st.
Rnds 5-9: Dc around.
Rnds 7-9: Dc around. Fasten off first Leg, cont to Body for 2nd Leg. Stuff firmly.

Body

Rnd 10: 3 ch, starting in first st of first Leg, 12 dc, [1 dc in next ch] 3 times, working around 2nd Leg, 12 dc, working in unused loops, [1 dc in next ch] 3 times. 30 sts
Rnds 11-13: Dc around.
Rnd 14: *8 dc, 1 dc2tog; rep from * to end. 27 sts
Rnds 15-17: Dc around.
Rnd 18: *7 dc, 1 dc2tog; rep from * to end. 24 sts
Rnds 19-21: Dc around.
Rnd 22: *6 dc, 1 dc2tog; rep from * to end. 21 sts

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Stuff Body firmly. Sew Body to bottom of Head for Boy Gingerbread Helper only. Using photograph as a guide, tie a length of F around the bottom of each leg of Boy Gingerbread Helper to create his shoes.

Arms

Make 2; either in A & D or A & B

Rnd 1: With A and working into a magic ring, 6 dc. 6 sts
Rnd 2: *1 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end. 9 sts Change to D or B in last st.
Rnds 3-4: Dc around. Change to A in last st.
Rnds 5-12: Dc around.. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Stuff lightly. Sew Arms on each side of Body

between rnds 21 and 22.

BOY GINGERBREAD HELPER

Overalls

Bib

With B, chain 11.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, 10 dc. Turn. 10 sts

Row 2: 1 ch, 10 dc. Turn.

Row 3: 1 ch, 10 dc, 22 ch. 32 sts

Rise

Beg to work in spiral rnds, make sure the chain isn't twisted.

Rnd 4: Starting in first st made in Row 3, 10 dc, [1 dc in next ch] 22 times.

Rnds 5-7: Dc around.

Rnd 8: 32 dc, 5 dc (to reach the middle front).

First Leg

Rnd 9: Miss next 16 sts, 16 dc.

Fasten off B 16 sts

Rnd 10: With D, 16 dc, 8 dc, sl st in next st. Fasten off.

Second Leg

For the second leg, attach the yarn with a sl st to the stitch on the left of the first leg. Start the next round in the same stitch.

Rnd 9: Join B with sl st in first missed st on Rnd 8, 16 dc.

Fasten off B. 16 sts

Rnd 10: With D, 16 dc, 8 dc, sl st in next st. Fasten off.

Sew the gap between the legs.

Overalls Strap

With B, chain 19.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, 15 dc, miss last 3 chs, 16 ch, starting in 2nd ch from hook, 15 dc, starting in first missed ch, 3 dc. 33 sts

Fasten off, leaving a long tail



for sewing.

Sew end of short strap to Row 3 on the centre back of Overalls, sew end of each long strap to Row 1 on each top corner of Bib. Dress the Boy Gingerbread Helper with the overalls, with the straps over the arms.

Bow Tie

Rnd 1: With D and working into a magic ring, 1 dc, 1 htr, 2 tr, 1 htr, 2 dc, 1 htr, 2 tr, 1 htr, 1 dc, 1 sl st. 13 sts

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Wrap the yarn tail around the centre tightly a few times to give a Bow Tie shape and secure with a stitch. Sew Bow Tie to top of Body.

Hat

Rnd 1: With E and working into a magic ring, 6 dc. 6 sts

Rnd 2: *1 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end. Fasten off. 9 sts
Change to C.

Rnd 3: Dc around, changing to CC1 in last st.

Rnd 4: *2 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end. 12 sts

Change to F.

Rnd 5: *3 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end. 15 sts

Rnd 6: *4 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end. 18 sts

Change to E.

Rnd 7: *5 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end. 21 sts

Rnd 8: *6 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end. 24 sts

Change to C.

Rnd 9: *7 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end. 27 sts

Rnd 10: *8 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end. 30 sts

Change to F.

Rnd 11: *9 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end, change to CC1 in last st. 33 sts

Rnd 12: *10 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end. 36 sts

Change to E.

Rnd 13: *11 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end, change to CC2 in last st. 39 sts

Rnd 14: *12 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end. 42 sts

Change to C.

Rnd 15: *13 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end. 45 sts

Rnd 16: *14 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end. 48 sts

Change to F.

Rnd 17: *15 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end, change to CC2 in last st. 51 sts

Rnd 18: *16 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end. 54 sts

Rnd 19: Dc around, change to CC3 in last st. Turn (to have WS facing).

Fasten off CC1 and CC2.

Rnd 20: 1 ch, dc around.

Rnd 21: Dc in BLO around.

Rnd 22: Dc around.

Rnd 23: *1 sl st, [1 tr, 1 ch, 1 tr] in next st, 1 sl st; rep from * to end. 72 sts

Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Place the hat on Head.

GIRL GINGERBREAD HELPER Dress

With B, chain 24. Join with sl st to first ch to beg working in the rnd, being careful not to twist.

Rnd 1: Starting in same ch as join, 4 dc, 6 ch, miss 4 ch, 5 dc, pm in ch just worked into, 3 dc, 6 ch, miss 4 ch, 4 dc. 28 sts

Rnd 2: *4 dc, [1 dc in next ch] 6 times, 4 dc; rep from * once more.

Rnd 3: *13 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end. 30 sts

Rnd 4: *9 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end. 33 sts

Rnds 5-7: Dc around.

Rnd 8: *10 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end. 36 sts

Rnd 9: Dc around.

Rnd 10: *11 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end. 39 sts

Rnds 11: Dc around.

Rnd 12: With D, dc around. Sl st in next st. Fasten off.

Weave in ends.

With C, embroider two French knots to the front of the dress on rnds 4 and 8.

Dress Collar

Row 1: With the bottom of the dress facing away from you, join C with a sl st in unused



loops of marked foundation ch, rm, working in unused loops of foundation ch, 3 tr in next st, 2 htr, 16 dc, 2 htr, 3 tr in next st, 1 sl st. 28 sts

Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Dress Body of the Girl

Gingerbread Helper with the dress, with Arms going through the gaps. Sew Body to Head.

Mistletoe Leaves

Make 2

With B, chain 8.

Rnd 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, [1 sl st, 4 ch, starting in 2nd ch from hook, 1 sl st, 2 dc] twice, [1 sl st, 3 ch, starting in 2nd ch from hook, 1 sl st, 1 dc] twice, 3 sl st, rotating as you go, work on the other side of the chain, 3 sl st, [3 ch, starting in 2nd ch from hook, 1 sl st, 1 dc, 1 sl

st] twice, [4 ch, starting in 2nd ch from hook, 1 sl st, 2 dc, 1 sl st] twice. 34 sts

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Mistletoe Berry

Rnd 1: With C and working into a magic ring, 6 dc. 6 sts

Rnd 2: *1 dc, 2 dc in next st; rep from * to end. 9 sts

Rnds 3-4: Dc around.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Sew the hole closed.

Mistletoe Headband

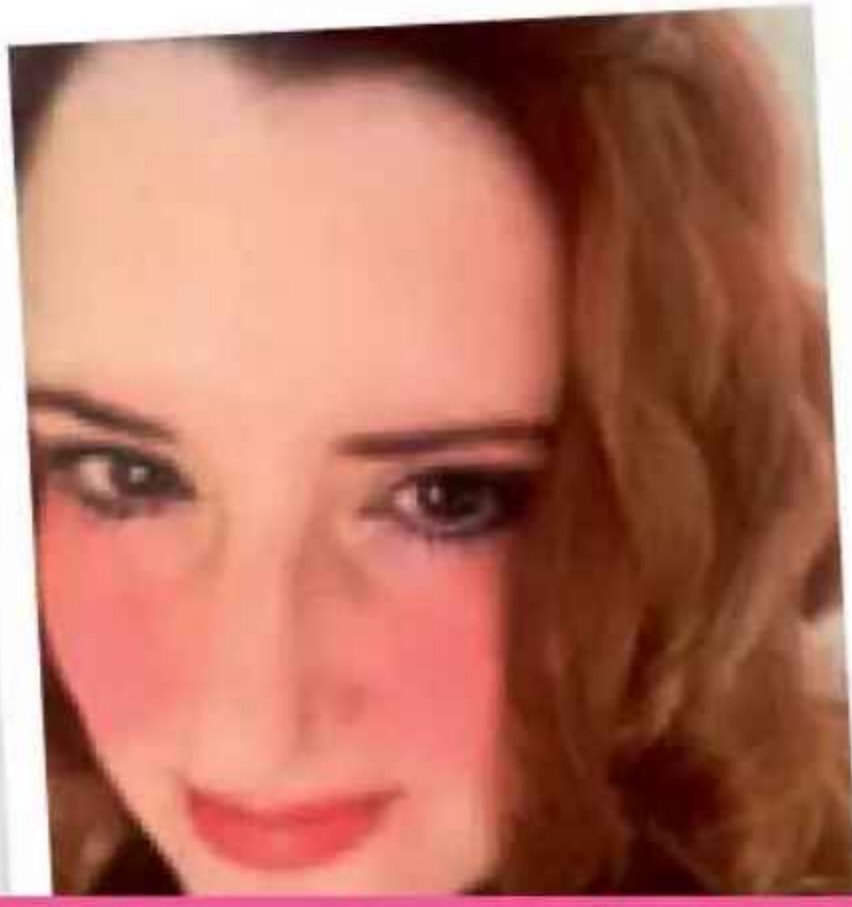
With B, chain 45. Fasten off.

Sew Mistletoe Leaves to Headband, sew Berry in front of Leaves. Wrap Headband around Head and tie the yarn tails into a bow at the back of the head. 🧶



Candyland
WREATH

This bright wreath will look great on your door this Christmas!



Nicola Valiji

Kit yarn 4mm

YARN USED

Kit yarn

1 ball each in Frost Rose (A), Sugar Plum (B), Mulberry (C), Icicle (D), Pinecrest (E) & Emberglow (F)

ABOUT THE YARN

DK; 22g per ball; 100% polyester

TENSION

22 sts x 28 rows = 10cm measured over St st

NEEDLES USED

4mm straight

OTHER SUPPLIES

- ✓ toy stuffing
- ✓ oddment of black DK yarn
- ✓ pair of toy eyes, 5mm
- ✓ tapestry needle
- ✓ stitch holder
- ✓ drinking straw
- ✓ polystyrene wreath, 20cm
- ✓ light blue ribbon 1.5cm wide, 40cm
- ✓ clear glue

SIZING

20cm diameter

ABBREVIATIONS

See page 65 for all abbreviations

The main wreath cover is worked flat in a striped pattern. The decorations are worked separately and sewn or glued on afterwards.

Start knitting...

Wreath Cover

With C, cast on 20 sts.

Rows 1-4: Starting with a k row, work in St st. Break C and join E.

Rows 5-8: Work in St st. Break E and join B.

Rows 9-12: Work in St st. Break B and join D.

Rows 13-16: Work in St st. Break D and join A.

Rows 17-20: Work in St st.

Rows 21-100: Maintaining stripes as now set, rep rows 1-20 four times. Cast off.

Place Wreath Cover over polystyrene base and join cast-on and cast-off edges tog. Sew row edges tog with seam at back of wreath.

Gingerbread Man

Make 2

With F, cast on 8 sts.

Row 1 (WS): Purl.

Row 2: Kfb, k to last st, kfb. 10 sts

Rows 3-9: Starting with a p row, work in St st.

Row 10: K2tog, k6, k2tog. 8 sts

Row 11: P2tog, p4, p2tog. 6 sts

Row 12: Cast on 7 sts, k to end. 13 sts

Row 13: Cast on 7 sts, p to end. 20 sts

Row 14: Knit.

Row 15: Purl.

Row 16: Cast off 5 sts, k to end. 15 sts

Row 17: Cast off 5 sts, p to end. 10 sts

Rows 18-21: Starting with a k row, work in St st.

Row 22: Kfb, k to last st, kfb. 12 sts

Row 23: Purl.

Row 24: K6, turn, leaving rem 6 sts on a holder. 6 sts



Rows 25-28: Work in St st.

Row 29: P2tog, p2, p2tog. 4 sts. Cast off.

With RS facing, rejoin F to held 6 sts.

Rows 24-28: Work in St st.

Next Row: P2tog, p2, p2tog. 4 sts

Cast off.

Bow Tie

With C, cast on 25 sts.

Row 1 (WS): Purl.

Cast off.

With WS tog, sew around edges of Gingerbread Man pieces leaving a gap. Turn RS out, insert toy eyes, stuff and



HINTS & TIPS

Pin all the pieces to the wreath before glueing them to get the placement correct

close gap. Make up Bow Tie by gathering up middle and winding a length of D around to form a bow. Sew this to neck of Gingerbread Man. With black yarn and using photo as a guide, embroider a mouth and tummy buttons. With B embroider zigzag stitches for hands and feet.

Candy Swirl Outer

With C, cast on 40 sts.

Rows 1-6: Knit.

Cast off.

Candy Swirl Inner

With A, cast on 30 sts.

Rows 1-6: Knit.

Cast off.

Candy Swirl Ends

Make 2

With C, cast on 6 sts.

Rows 1-5: Knit.

Row 6: [K2tog] 3 times. 3 sts
Break yarn leaving a long tail and thread through rem sts. Pull tight to fasten.

Holding Inner and Outer pieces tog so that Inner is on inside, roll Candy Swirl into a circle and secure with a few stitches at the back. Use yarn tail at fasten-off end to sew each End into place at each side of Candy Swirl.

Candy Cane

With A, cast on 8 sts.

Rows 1-2: With A and starting with a k row, work in St st.

Rows 3-4: With B, work in St st.

Rows 5-18: Maintaining stripes as now set, work in St st.

Break yarn and thread through rem sts. Pull tight to fasten.

Candy Cane Bow

With E, cast on 25 sts.

Row 1 (RS): Knit.

Cast off.

Gather up cast-off sts of Candy Cane and join row edges. Place drinking straw inside knitted tube, trim to length and sew across bottom to enclose straw. Fold Candy Cane Bow into a

bow shape and secure with a few stitches in E at the middle. Attach Bow to Candy Cane.

Gingerbread House

Front/Back

Make 2

With F, cast on 14 sts.

Rows 1-16: Starting with a k row, work in St st.

Row 17 (RS): K2tog, k to last 2 sts, k2tog. 2 sts dec'd

Row 18: Purl.

Rows 19-24: Rep rows 17-18 three times. 6 sts

Row 25: As Row 17. 4 sts

Row 26: [P2tog] twice. 2 sts
Cast off.

Roof Eaves

Make 2

With A, cast on 12 sts.

Rows 1-3: Starting with a p row, work in St st.

Row 4 (RS, picot): K1, [k2tog, yo] 5 times, k1.

Rows 5-7: Work in St st.
Cast off.

Roof Bow

With D, cast on 25 sts.

Row 1 (RS): Knit.

Cast off.

Door

With D, cast on 4 sts.

Rows 1-6: Starting with a k row, work in St st.

Row 7: [K2tog] twice. 2 sts
Cast off.

Windows

Make 2

With C, cast on 4 sts.

Rows 1-4: Starting with a k row, work in St st.

Cast off.

With RS tog, sew around edges of Gingerbread House pieces leaving a gap. Turn RS out, lightly stuff and close gap. Using photo as a guide, sew Windows and Door onto House and embroider a doorknob in B. Using back stitch and B, embroider around Windows and Door. Using contrasting yarns, embroider zig zags and chain stitches across front of



Gingerbread House on each side of Door. Fold Roof Eaves piece in half lengthwise and sew cast-off and cast-on edges tog to expose picot edge. Sew Roof Eaves to Gingerbread House joining the two pieces at top. Fold Roof Bow piece into a

bow shape and secure with a few stitches in D at the middle. Attach Roof Bow to top of roof where Roof Eaves pieces meet.

Tree Sides

Make 2

With E, cast on 15 sts.



Rows 1-4: Knit.
Row 5 (RS): K2tog, k11, k2tog.
 13 sts
Rows 6-8: Knit.
Row 9: K2tog, k to last 2 sts,
 k2tog. 2 sts dec'd
Rows 10-21: Rep rows 6-9
 three times. 5 sts
Row 22: Knit.
Row 23: As Row 9. 3 sts
Row 24: Sk2p and fasten off.

Tree Trunk

With F, cast on 8 sts.

Rows 1-5: Knit.
 Cast off.

With RS tog, sew around edges of Tree Sides leaving cast-on edges open. Turn RS out, stuff and close gap. Fold Tree Trunk piece in half and join row edges. Sew Tree Trunk to base of Tree. With A, B, C & D, and using photo as a guide, embroider baubles on front of Tree.

Christmas Pudding Front/Back

Make 2

With B, cast on 7 sts.

Row 1 (WS): Purl.

Row 2: K1, m1, k5, m1, k1.
 9 sts

Row 3: P1, m1, p7, m1, p1.
 11 sts

Row 4: K1, m1, k9, m1, k1.
 13 sts

Rows 5-13: Starting with a p row, work in St st.

Row 14: K2tog, k9, k2tog.
 11 sts

Row 15: P2tog, p7, p2tog. 9 sts

Row 16: K2tog, k5, k2tog. 7 sts
 Cast off.

Icing

With A, cast on 13 sts.

Rows 1-3: Starting with a p row, work in St st.

Row 4 (RS, picot): K1, [yo, k2tog] 6 times.

Rows 5-11: Work in St st.

Row 12: P2tog, p9, p2tog.
 11 sts

Row 13: K2tog, k7, k2tog. 9 sts

Row 14: P2tog, p5, p2tog. 7 sts
 Cast off.



Holly Leaves

Make 3

With E, cast on 11 sts.

Rows 1-2: Starting with a k row, work in St st.

Row 3 (RS, picot): K1, [yo, k2tog] 5 times.

Rows 4-5: Work in St st.
 Cast off.

Berry

With B, cast on 3 sts.

Row 1 (RS): [Kfb] 3 times. 6 sts


Rows 2-4: Starting with a p row, work in St st.

Row 5: [K2tog] 3 times. 3 sts
 Break yarn and thread through rem sts. Pull tight to fasten.

With RS tog, sew around edges of Christmas Pudding pieces leaving a gap. Turn RS out, stuff and close gap. Fold picot edge of Icing to expose scalloped edge. Sew Icing to top of Christmas Pudding. For Holly Leaves, sew cast-on and cast-off edges tog to expose picot edge. Fold each Leaf in half and sew down middle to form a leaf

shape. For Berry, gather around edges and add a small amount of stuffing to form a ball and secure with a few stitches. Sew Holly Leaves to top of Christmas Pudding, then sew Berry between Holly Leaves.

Finishing

Arrange all of pieces onto wreath using photo as a guide for placement. Glue or sew into place. Place ribbon around wreath to make a hanging loop and sew or glue into place. 



In a Flurry DRAWSTRING BAG

We love a handmade project bag; they're great for keeping your makes safe or for gifting to a fellow crafter!



Natasha Emmerson

 **Kit yarn**  **4mm**

YARN USED

Kit yarn

1 ball each in Sugarplum (A), Frost Rose (B), Emberglow (C), Mulberry (D), Pinecrest (E) & Icicle (F)

ABOUT THE YARN

DK; 22g per ball;
100% polyester

TENSION

23 sts x 23 rows = 10cm
measured over tr

HOOK USED

4mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

✓ tapestry needle

SIZING

23cm tall

ABBREVIATIONS

invisible join: Cut yarn, leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle, insert needle in 2nd st of rnd under both top loops, insert needle in BLO of last st of rnd, tug gently until join matches tension of underlying sts. Weave in end

securely on WS.
See page 63 for all
other abbreviations

➔ Start crocheting...

Rnd 1: With A and working into a magic ring, 3 ch (does not count as a st here or in foll rnds), 12 tr, sl st in starting 3 ch. *12 sts*

Rnd 2: 3 ch, [2 tr in next st] 12 times, sl st in first tr. *24 sts*

Rnd 3: 3 ch, [2 tr in next st] 24 times, sl st in first tr. *48 sts*

Rnd 4: 3 ch, [3 tr, 2 tr in next st] 12 times, sl st in BLO of first tr. *60 sts*

Rnd 5: 3 ch, working in BLO [18 htr, 1 tr2tog] 3 times. *57 sts*

Rnd 6: 3 ch, 57 htr. Fasten off with an invisible join in first htr.

Rnd 7: Join B with a sl st in invisible join sp, 2 ch (counts as 1 tr), 2 tr in same sp as 2 ch, [1 ch, miss 2 sts, 3 tr in next st] 18 times, 1 ch, sl st in starting 3 ch, [1 sl st in next htr] twice, sl st in 1 ch-sp. *19 3-tr groups*

Rnd 8: 3 ch (counts as 1 tr throughout), 2 tr in same sp, [1 ch, miss 2 sts, 3 tr in next 1 ch-sp] 18 times, 1 ch, sl st in first 3 ch.

Fasten off.

Rnd 9: Join C with a sl st in any 1 ch-sp, 3 ch, 2 tr in same sp, [1 ch, miss 2 sts, 3 tr in next 1 ch-sp] 18 times, 1 ch, sl st in first 3 ch, [1 sl st in next tr]



twice, 1 sl st in 1 ch-sp.

Rnd 10: 3 ch, 2 tr in same sp, [1 ch, miss 2 sts, 3 tr in next 1 ch-sp] 18 times, 1 ch, 1 sl st in first 3 ch.

Fasten off.

Rnds 11-12: With D, rep rnds 9-10.

Rnds 13-14: With E, rep rnds 9-10.

Rnds 15-16: With F, rep rnds 9-10.

Rnds 17-18: With A, rep rnds 9-10.

Fasten off an invisible join in first tr.

Rnd 19: From invisible join, join B with a sl st into 2nd tr of 3-tr group, 1 ch (does not

count as a st), [4 tr in next 1 ch-sp, 1 sl st in 2nd tr of next 3-tr group] 18 times, 4 tr in next 1 ch-sp.

Fasten off with invisible join in first 1 ch.


Weave in ends.

Tie

Cut four lengths of B to 300cm before beginning.

With four ends of B held tog, chain 61.

Break yarn and knot at both ends of tail to secure.

Weave Tie in and out through the 1 ch-sp of Rnd 16 leaving one 1 ch-sp at centre. 

Hilde **BABY CARDIGAN**

This classic design is a quick and easy
make that you will love to knit





Torya Winters



YARN USED

Stash yarn

1 ball each in white (MC), cerise (CC1), turquoise (CC2), light pink (CC3), blue (CC4), deep pink (CC5) & icy blue (CC6)

ABOUT THE YARN

4-ply; 66m per 16.5g ball; 100% polyester

TENSION

26 sts x 32 rows = 10cm measured over St st

NEEDLES USED

3.5mm straight

OTHER SUPPLIES

- ✓ 2 stitch holders
- ✓ 7 buttons, 1cm
- ✓ tapestry needle

SIZING

0-3 (3-6, 6-12, 12-18) months
Shown in size 12-18 months
See schematic for measurements

ABBREVIATIONS

See page 65 for all abbreviations

This little cardigan is worked in one piece to the armholes. It has slipped stitch borders and a simple striped pattern that is easy enough for a beginner to follow. The cardigan has minimal shaping, making it loose fitting and comfy for babies and toddlers. Slip all sts p-wise.

Stitch Patterns

Slipped-stitch Border

Row 1 (RS): With CC1, k1, *k1, sl1; rep from * to last st, k1.

Row 2: With CC1, k1, *p1, k1; rep from *

to last st, k1.

Row 3: With CC2, k1, *sl1, k1; rep from * to last st, k1.

Row 4: With CC2, k1, *k1, p1; rep from * to last st, k1.

Rows 5-6: With CC3, as rows 1-2.

Rows 7-8: With CC4, as rows 3-4.

Rows 9-10: With CC5, as rows 1-2.

Rows 11-12: With CC6, as rows 3-4.

Stripe Pattern

8 rows CC2

4 rows CC3

2 rows CC5

6 rows CC4

4 rows CC1

10 rows CC6

4 rows CC3

2 rows CC2

4 rows CC4

8 rows CC5

2 rows CC3

6 rows CC1

4 rows CC6

Rep these 64 rows for stripe patt, noting that each size will end the pattern at a different point and will not complete a full second repeat.

➔ Start knitting...

Body

With MC, cast on 110 (118, 126, 134) sts.

Work 4 rows in G st.

Changing colours for stripe patt as needed, work Slipped St Border patt once.

Cont in Stripe patt throughout, work as follows:

Next Row (RS): K2, *sl1, k1; rep from * to end.

Starting with a p row, work 39 (43, 47, 51) rows in St st.

Divide for armholes

Next Row: K24 (26, 28, 30) and place sts just worked onto holder for right front, cast off next 4 sts, k until there are 54 (58, 62, 66) sts on RH needle and place these sts on holder for back, cast off next 4 sts, k to end. 24 (26, 28, 30) sts

Turn and work only on rem sts for left front.

Left Front

Cont in Stripe patt and starting with a p row, work 12 (12, 12, 14) rows in St st,

ending after a RS row.

Next Row (WS): Cast off 3 (3, 4, 4) sts, p to end. 21 (23, 24, 26) sts

Shape left front neck

Row 1 (RS): K to last 2 sts, k2tog.

1 st dec'd

Row 2: P2tog, p to end. 1 st dec'd

Rep these 2 rows 1 (2, 2, 3) times, then rep Row 1 a further 1 (1, 1, 0) more time.

16 (16, 17, 18) sts

Starting with a k (k, k, p) row, work 9 (9, 11, 10) rows in St st, ending after a WS row.

Shape shoulder

Next Row (RS): Cast off 8 (8, 8, 9) sts, k to end. 8 (8, 9, 9) sts

P 1 row.

Cast off rem sts.

Back

With WS facing, rejoin yarn to 54 (58, 62, 66) sts on hold for back.

Cont in Stripe patt and starting with a p row, work 27 (29, 31, 33) rows in St st, ending after a WS row.

Shoulder shaping

Row 1 (RS): Cast off 8 (8, 8, 9) sts, k to end. 46 (50, 54, 57) sts

Row 2: Cast off 8 (8, 8, 9) sts, p to end. 38 (42, 46, 48) sts

Row 3: Cast off 8 (8, 9, 9) sts, k to end. 30 (34, 37, 39) sts

Row 4: Cast off 8 (8, 9, 9) sts, p to end. 22 (26, 28, 30) sts

Place rem 22 (26, 28, 30) sts on holder for neckband.

Right Front

With WS facing, rejoin yarn to 24 (26, 28, 30) sts on holder for right front.

Cont in Stripe patt and starting with a p row, work 11 (11, 11, 13) rows in St st, ending after a WS row.

Next Row (RS): Cast off 3 (3, 4, 4) sts, k to end. 21 (23, 24, 26) sts

HINTS & TIPS

Leave a tail of yarn about 8cm long when changing colours; this gives you plenty of yarn to weave in or to sew up the seam for each stripe

Shape right front neck

Row 1 (WS): P to last 2 sts, p2tog. 1 st dec'd

Row 2: K2tog, k to end. 1 st dec'd

Rep these 2 rows 1 (2, 2, 3) times, then rep Row 1 a further 1 (1, 1, 0) time more.

16 (16, 17, 18) sts

Starting with a k (k, k, p) row, work 9 (9, 11, 10) rows in St st, ending after a RS row.

Shape shoulder

Next Row (WS): Cast off 8 (8, 8, 9) sts,

p to end. 8 (8, 9, 9) sts

K 1 row.

Cast off rem sts.

Sleeves

Work both the same

With MC, cast on 34 (36, 38, 40) sts.

Work 4 rows in G st.

Changing colours for stripe patt as needed, work Slipped St Border patt once.

Cont in Stripe patt throughout, work as follows:

Next Row (RS): K2, *sl1, k1; rep from * to end.

Purl 1 row.

Shape sleeve

Next Row (RS, inc): K1, m1, k to last st, m1, k1. 2 sts inc'd

Starting with a p row, work 3 rows in St st.

Work RS inc row. 2 sts inc'd

Rep last 4 rows 7 (6, 6, 7) more times. 52 (52, 54, 58) sts

SIZES 3-6M, 6-12M & 12-18M ONLY:

Starting with a p row, work 5 rows in St st.

Work RS inc row. 2 sts inc'd

Rep last 6 rows - (0, 1, 1) more time. - (54, 58, 62) sts

ALL SIZES:

Starting with a p row, work 7 (9, 9, 9) rows in St st.

Cast off.

Right Front Border

With MC, RS facing and starting at lower edge, pu and k50 (54, 56, 60) sts along right front.

Work 10 rows in G st.

Cast off.

Left Front Border

With MC, RS facing and starting at neck edge, pu and k50 (54, 56, 60) sts along left front.

Work 5 rows in G st.

Next Row (RS, buttonhole): K5 (4, 5,



5), yo, k2tog, [k6 (7, 7, 8), yo, k2tog] 5 times, k3 (3, 4, 3).

Work 4 rows in G st.

Cast off.

Neckband

Join shoulder seams.

With MC, RS facing and starting at top of right front border, pu and k20 (22, 26, 26) sts up right front neck, k22 (26, 28, 30) sts from back holder, pu and k20 (22, 26, 26) sts down left front neck. 62 (70, 80, 82) sts

Work 3 rows in G st.


Next Row (RS, buttonhole): K to last

4 sts, yo, k2tog, k2.

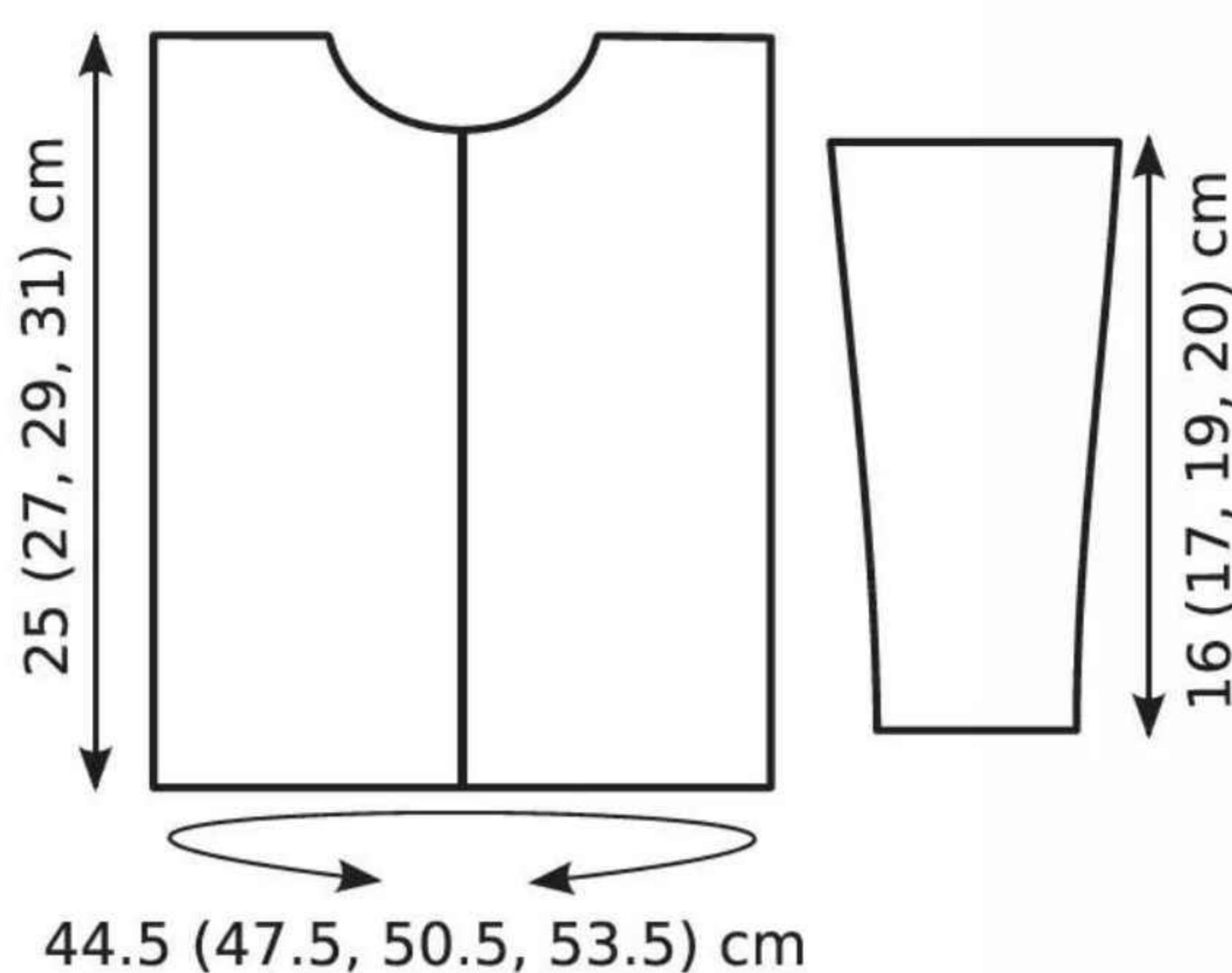
Work 3 rows in G st.

Cast off.

Making up

Join sleeve seams. Placing sleeve seam at centre of armhole cast off, set in sleeves. Join side seams. Weave in ends and block to dimensions given in schematic. Attach buttons to correspond with buttonholes. 

Schematic



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Snowfall **MITTENS**

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SPECIAL STITCHES

Ribbed cable cast-on

Make a slip knot, then cast on 1 st with the long tail method. Place needle with 2 sts in Left hand.
*Insert RH needle from front to back between first 2 sts on LH needle and pull through loop as if to knit, leaving sts on LH needle and placing new st on LH needle, insert RH needle from back to front between first 2 sts on LH needle and pull through loop as if to purl, leaving sts on LH needle and placing new st on LH needle; rep from * until required number of sts are on LH needle



DESIGNED BY

Evelyn Siatra

YARN USED

Kit yarn

1 ball each in Frost Rose (MC), Emberglow (CC1), Sugarplum (CC2), Mulberry (CC3), Pinecrest (CC4), Icicle (CC5)

ABOUT THE YARN

DK; 66m per ball; 100% polyester

TENSION

26 sts x 32 rows = 10cm measured over St st

NEEDLES USED

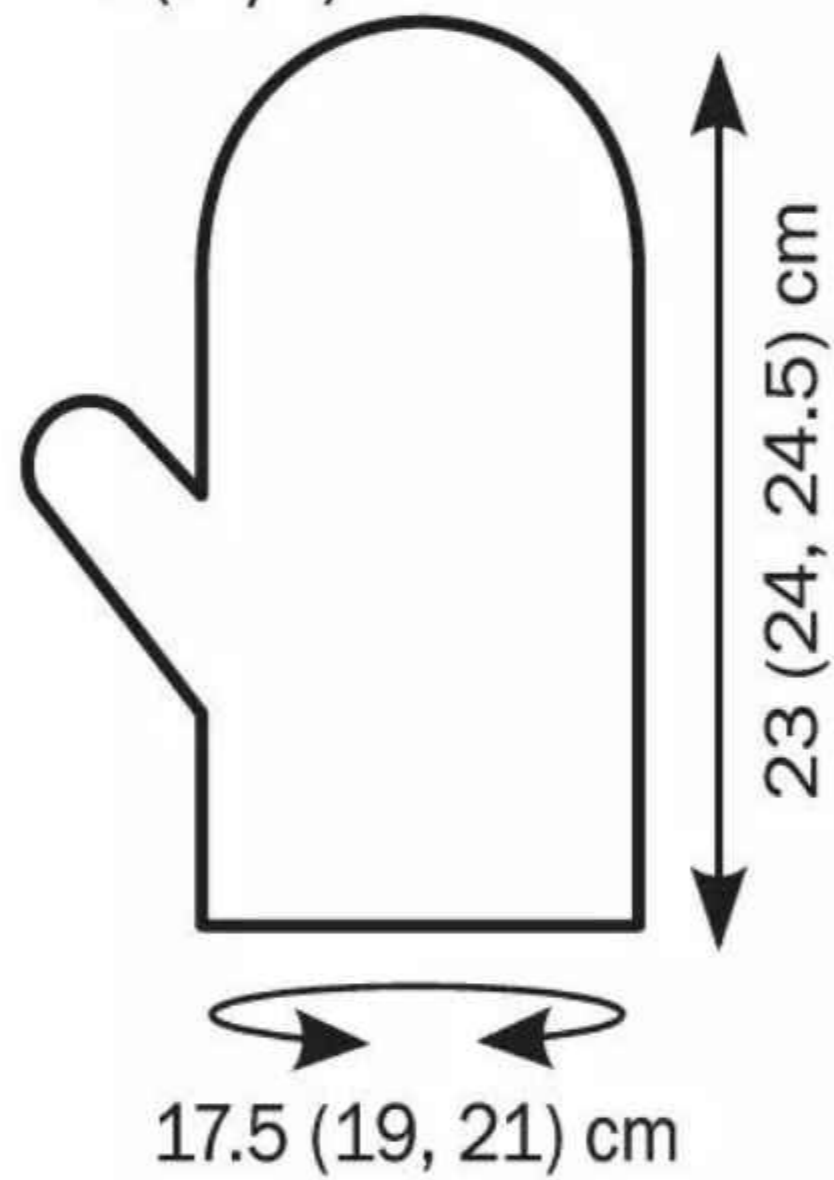
4mm DPNS

OTHER SUPPLIES

- ✓ tapestry needle
- ✓ stitch markers
- ✓ waste yarn

SIZING

S (M, L)



ABBREVIATIONS

See page 65 for all abbreviations

The mittens are worked in the round from the bottom up.

You can use your kit to knit the S or M size mittens. Size L may need additional or alternative yarn. Sample shown is size M.

Start knitting...

Body

With CC2, cast on 40 (44, 48) sts using ribbed cable cast-on. Join to work in the rnd, being careful not to twist. Pm for start of rnd. Join to work in the rnd, being careful not to twist. Pm for start of rnd. Work in 1x1 rib for 6cm. Joining yarns as needed and

repeating sts 10 (11, 12) times around, work rnds 1-3 of Chart A.

Thumb Gusset

RIGHT MITTEN ONLY:

Set-up Rnd: M1r, pm, work Rnd 4 of Chart A to end. 41 (45, 49) sts

Next Rnd: Work Row 5 of Thumb Chart for your size, sm, work Rnd 5 of Chart A to end. 43 (47, 51) sts

LEFT MITTEN ONLY:

Set-up Rnd: Work 20 (22, 24) sts in Rnd 4 of Chart A patt, pm, m1l, pm, work 20 (22, 24) sts in Rnd 4 of Chart A patt. 41 (45, 49) sts

Next Rnd: Work 20 (22, 24) sts in Rnd 5 of Chart A patt, sm, work Row 5 of Thumb Chart for your size, sm, work 20 (22, 24) sts in Rnd 5 of Chart A patt. 43 (47, 51) sts

BOTH MITTENS:

Cont in patt as set until Rnd 16 (18, 18) of Thumb Chart has been worked and there are 13 (15, 15) thumb sts between markers. 53 (59, 63) sts

Cont for hand

RIGHT MITTEN ONLY:

Next Rnd: Place 13 (15, 15) thumb sts on waste yarn, rm, work in patt to end. 40 (44, 48) sts

LEFT MITTEN ONLY:

Next Rnd: Work in patt to marker, rm, place 13 (15, 15) thumb sts on waste yarn, rm, work in patt to end. 40 (44, 48) sts

BOTH MITTENS:

Cont in patt until Chart A is complete. Break all yarns except MC. Knit 0 (2, 4) rnds.

Shape top

Rnd 1: K1, ssk, k14 (16, 18), k2tog, k1, pm, k1, ssk, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1. 36 (40, 44) sts

Rnd 2: [K1, ssk, k to 3 sts before marker, k2tog, k1, sm] twice. 4 sts dec'd

Rnd 3: Knit.

Rnds 4-8: Rep Rnd 2 five times. 12 (16, 20) sts

Break yarn and thread through rem sts. Pull tight to fasten.

Thumb

Place 13 (15, 15) thumb sts onto DPNS,

rejoin MC and pu and k3 (5, 5) sts where base of thumb meets hand, join to work in the rnd and pm for start of rnd. 16 (20, 20) sts

Cont in Thumb chart patt as set for your size until Thumb Chart is complete.

Shape thumb

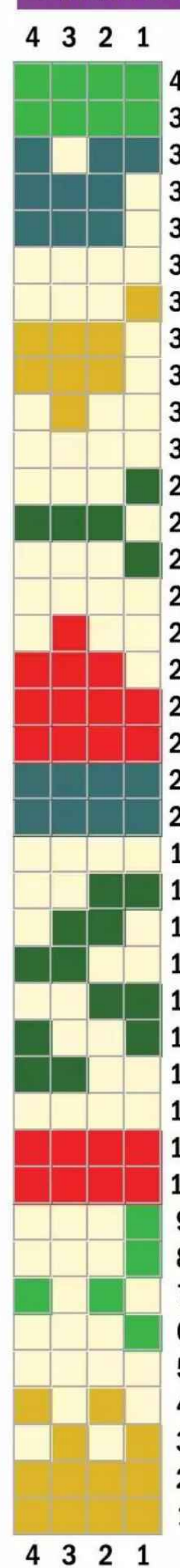
Rnd 1: [K1, k2tog] 5 (6, 6) times, k1 (2, 2). 11 (14, 14) sts

Rnd 2: [K2tog] 5 (7, 7) times, k1 (0, 0). 6 (7, 7) sts
Break yarn and thread through rem sts. Pull tight to fasten.

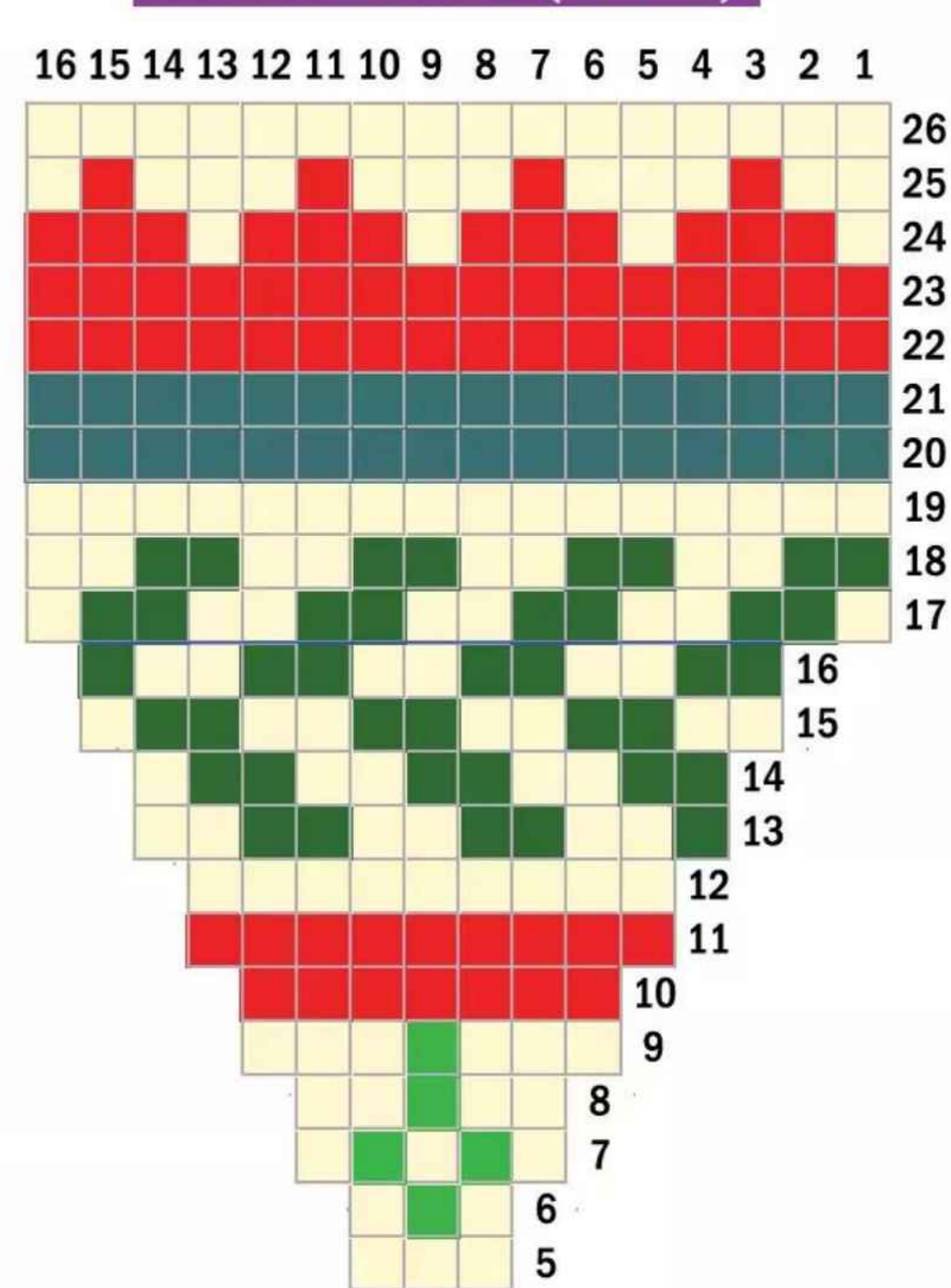
Finishing

Weave in ends, closing gaps at base of thumb with tail if needed, block to measurements.

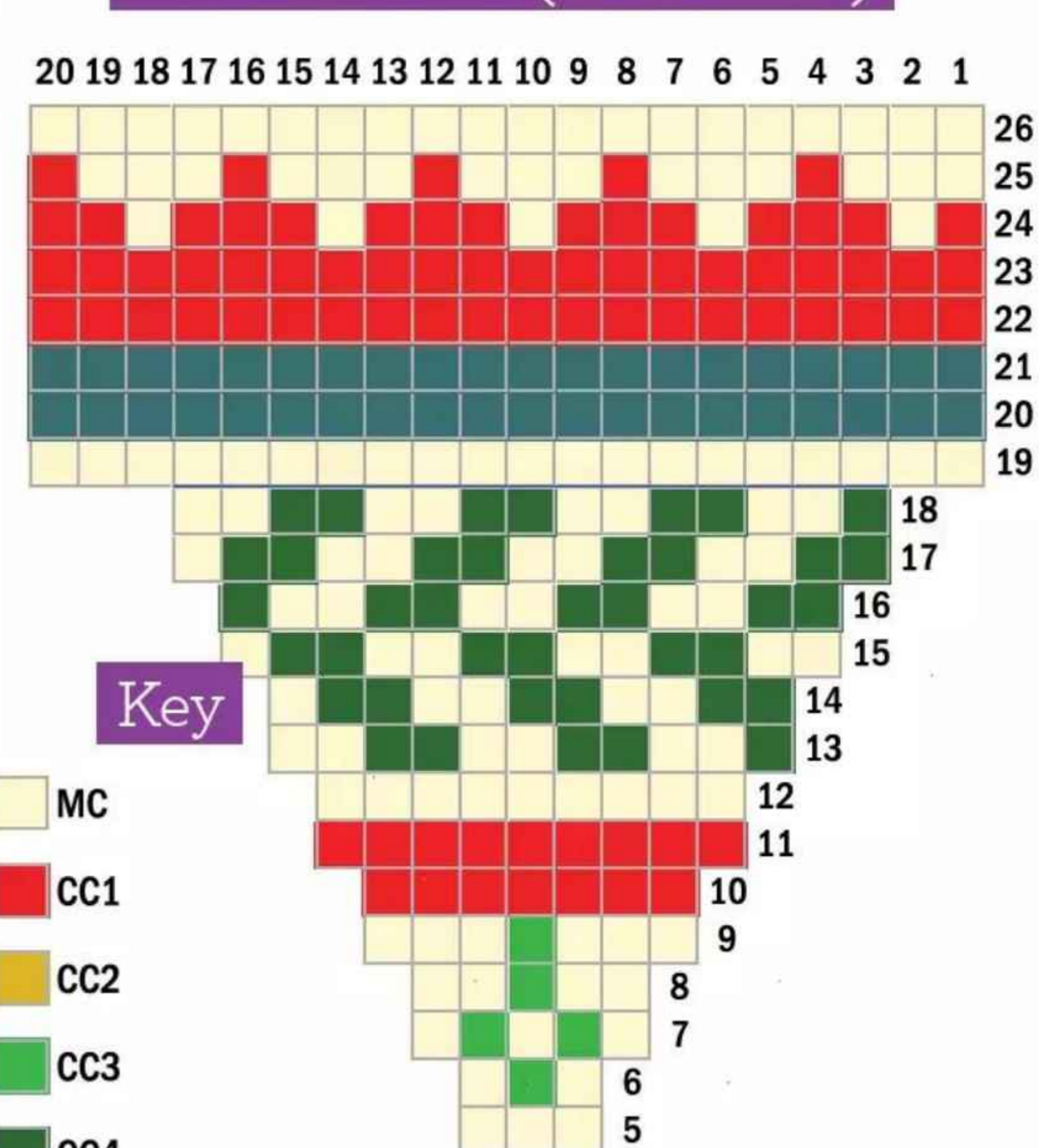
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Thumb Chart (Size S)

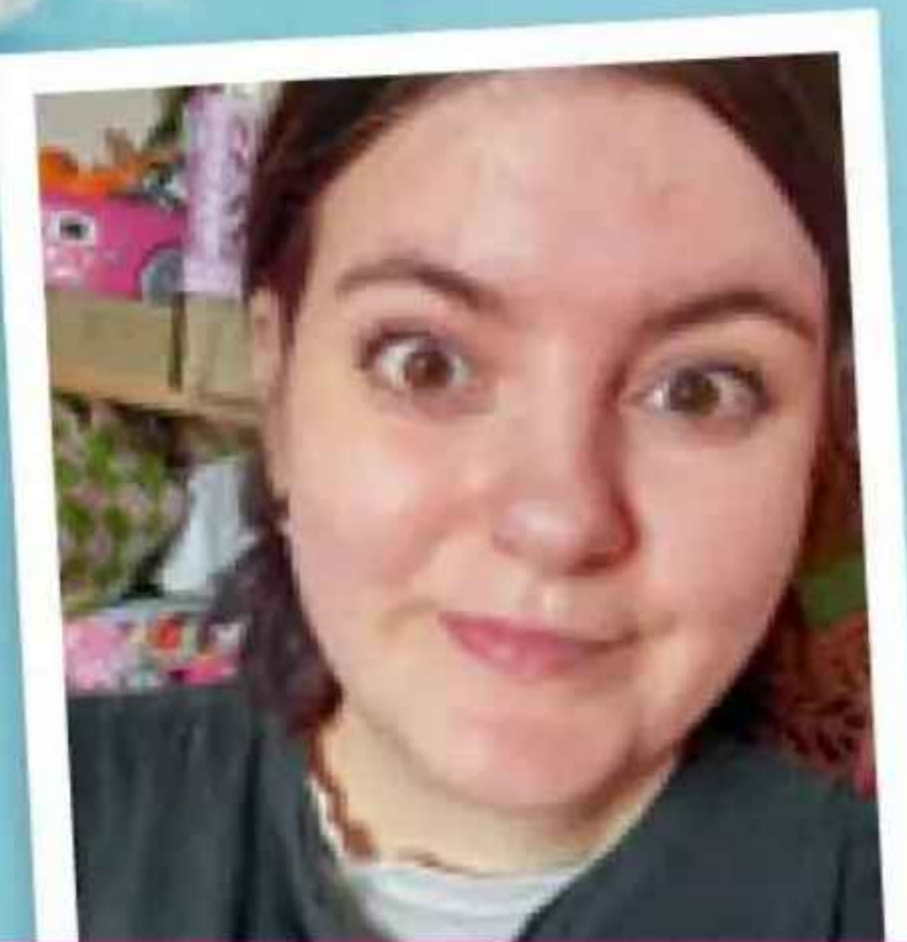


Thumb Chart (Size M & L)



Key

- MC
- CC1
- CC2
- CC3
- CC4
- CC5
- m1l
- m1r
- end of thumb gusset



Natasha Emmerson

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 **Kit yarn**  **4mm**

YARN USED

Kit yarn

1 ball each in Sugarplum (A), Emberglow (B), Mulberry (C), Icicle (D), Frost Rose (E) & Pinecrest (F)

ABOUT THE YARN

DK; 22g per ball; 100% polyester

TENSION

15 sts x 8 rows = 10cm measured over tr

HOOK USED

4mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

✓ tapestry needle

SIZING

23.5cm wide x 13cm tall

ABBREVIATIONS

BBL: [Yrh, insert hook in st, yrh, pul, yrh, draw through 2 loops] 5 times into same st, yrh draw through all 6 loops on hook.

invisible join: Cut yarn, leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle, insert needle in 2nd st of rnd under both top loops, insert needle in BLO of last st of rnd, tug gently until join matches tension of underlying sts. Weave in end securely on WS.

See page 63 for all other abbreviations



➔ Start crocheting...

Main Piece

With A, chain 32.

Rnd 1: Starting in 4th ch from hook, 28 tr, 6 tr in next st, 28 tr, 6 tr in next st, sl st into first tr to join. 68 sts

Rnd 2: 3 ch (does not count as a st throughout), 68 tr, sl st to join.

Fasten off A.

Rnd 3: Join B in starting 3ch, 2 ch (does not count as a st throughout), 68 tr, sl st to join.

Rnd 4: 3 ch, 68 tr, sl st to join.

Fasten off B.

Rnds 5-6: With C, rep rows 3-4. Fasten off C.

Rnds 7-8: With D, rep rows 3-4.

Fasten off D.

Change to new colour on final yrh of final st in old colour and carry unused colour across as you go.

Rnd 9: Join E in starting 3ch, 2 ch E, 11 tr E, change to F and work 11 tr F, 46 tr E, sl st E to join.

Rnd 10: 3 ch E, 14 tr E, 5 tr F, 49 tr E, sl st to join.

Ties

Rnd 11: 1 ch E, 11 htr E, 25 ch E, change to A and work 3 ch, working in 3 ch from hook BBL A, change to E and working back down chain 25 sl st E, 1 htr E into same sp as ch, 13 htr E, 25 ch E, change

to B and working in 3rd ch from hook BBL B, change to E and working back down chain 25 sl st E, 1 htr E into same sp as ch, 21 htr E, 25 ch E, change to C and working in 3rd ch from hook BBL C, change to E and working back down chain 25 sl st E, 1 htr into same sp as ch, 13 htr E, 25 ch E, change to D and working in 3rd ch from hook BBL D, change to E and working back down chain 25 sl st E, 1 htr E into same sp as ch.

Fasten off with invisible join in first htr.

Weave in ends.

Roof

Row 1: With opening of the cover facing down, starting 11 sts before B tie at side edge and working in BLO throughout, join E, 2 ch (does not count as a st), 16 tr, 1 htr, 1 dc, 1 sl st, 1 htr, 1 dc, 16 htr. Turn. 37 sts

Row 2: 3 ch (does not count as a st throughout), 15 tr, 2 htr, 1 dc, 1 sl st, 1 dc, 2 htr, 15 tr. Turn.

Row 3: 3 ch, 2 tr in next st, miss 1 st, [1 sl st, miss 1 st, 5 tr in next st, miss 1 st] 8 times, 1 sl st, miss 1 st, 3 tr in last st.

Fasten off.

With E, sew the sides of rows 1-3 to main panel at each side edge, leaving bottom edge of scallop border unsewn.

Door

With A, chain 9.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, 8 dc. Turn. 8 sts

Row 2: 1 ch (does not count as a st here and throughout), 8 dc. Turn.

Change to new colour on final yrh of final st in old colour.

Row 3: 1 ch, 2 dc, change to C and work BBL, change to A and work 5 dc. Turn.

Rows 4-6: 1 ch, 8 dc. Turn.

Row 7: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 4 dc, 1 dc2tog. Turn. 6 sts

Row 8: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 2 dc, 1 dc2tog. Turn. 4 sts

Row 9: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 2 dc. Turn. 3 sts

Border

Row 10: 1 ch, 2 dc, 3 dc in next st, turn to work down row edges, 9 dc, 2 dc in foundation ch, 6 dc, 2 dc in next st, turn to work up row edges 9 dc, 2 dc in next st.

Fasten off with invisible join in first dc leaving a long tail.

Centre Door at bottom front of Rnd 1 on Main Piece and use yarn tail to sew around Door to attach to front of Main Piece.



Windows

Make 2

Rnd 1: With A and working into a magic ring, 6 dc. 6 sts

Rnd 2: [2 dc in next st] 6 times. 12 sts

Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 18 sts


Rnd 4: Dc around.

Fasten off with an invisible join, leaving a long tail.

Place a Window each side of Door over rows 5-6 of front of Main Piece and use yarn tails to sew around each Window to

attach to front of Main Piece. With D and using photo as a guide, embroider a cross on each Window.

Finishing

Weave in all ends. 

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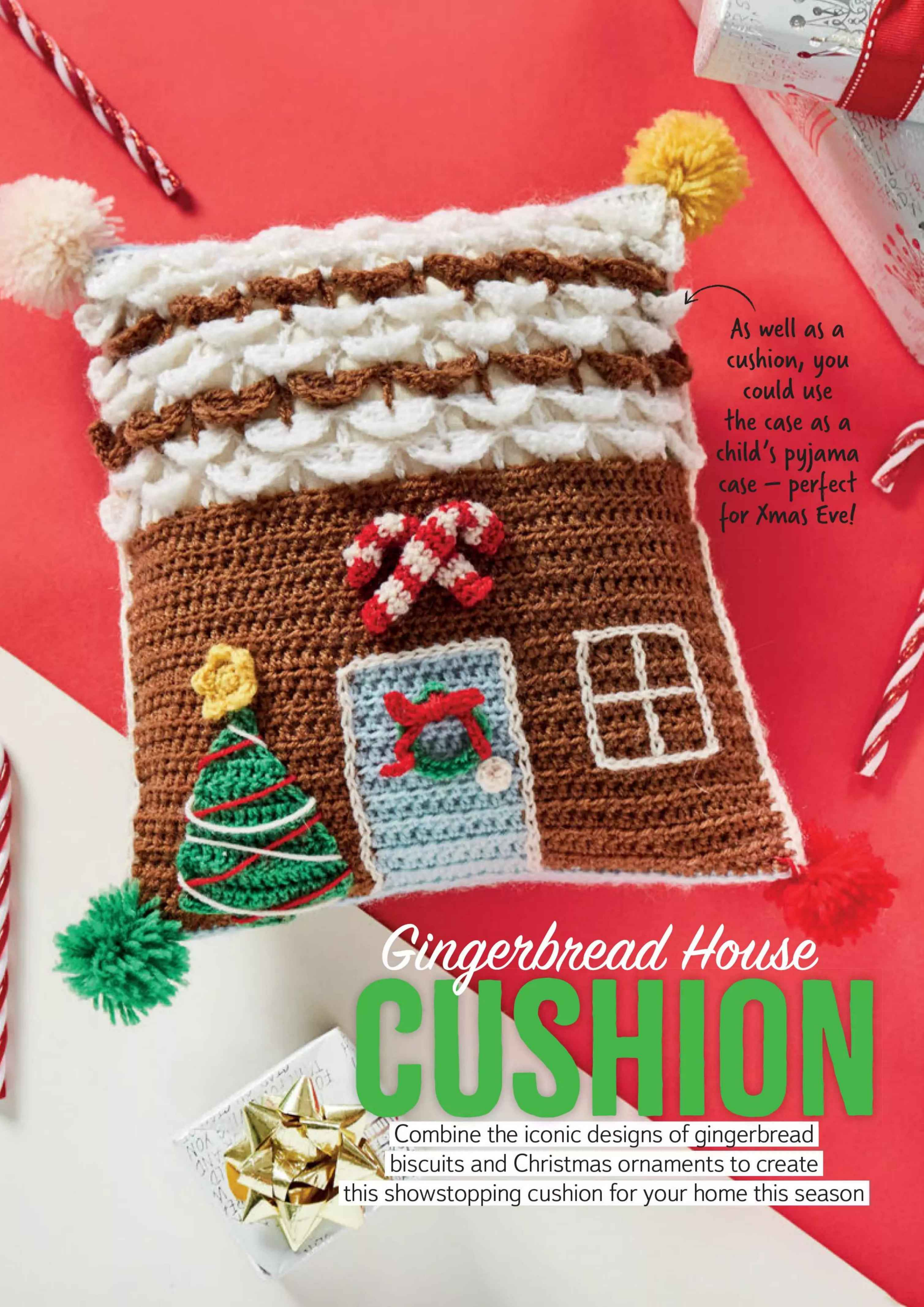
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As well as a cushion, you could use the case as a child's pyjama case – perfect for Xmas Eve!

Gingerbread House **CUSHION**

Combine the iconic designs of gingerbread biscuits and Christmas ornaments to create this showstopping cushion for your home this season



HAE Barker

4-ply 3mm

YARN USED

Stash yarn

1 ball each in blue (A), cream (B), red (C), green (D), yellow (E), brown (F) & white (G)

ABOUT THE YARN

4-ply; 66m per ball; 100% acrylic

TENSION

20 sts x 22 rows = 10cm
measured over htr
4 sts x 18 rows = 10cm
measured over cl st

HOOK USED

3mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

- ✓ 25cm-square cushion pad
- ✓ tapestry needle

SIZING

22x48cm
22cm square once sewn up

ABBREVIATIONS

Spike htr: Yrh, insert hook in st two rows below, yrh, pul, drawing loop level with other htr on working row, yrh, draw through all 3 loops on hook
8 treble cluster (8tr-cl): work 4 tr around post of first tr from top of st to bottom, 1 ch, work 4 tr around post of second tr from bottom of stitch to top.
See page 63 for all other abbreviations

The cushion is worked as one long rectangle, with the sides sewn together at the end. Colour changes at end of row should be done with the turning chain. Colour changes

mid-row should be done on the final yrh of the st before. When crocheting the front of the Gingerbread House, rather than carrying F behind A for the door, work one side using one strand of F from the outside of the yarn ball and the other side using one strand of F from the inside of the yarn ball. This will ensure you have enough yarn for the pattern.

Unless otherwise stated, turning chains do not count as a stitch.

Stitch Pattern

Stripe Sequence

Work 3 rows in each of C, D, E, A, B, C, D, E, A

➔ Start crocheting...

Cushion Body

With A, chain 46.

Row 1 (RS): Starting in 3rd ch from hook, 44 htr. Turn. *44 sts*

Row 2 (WS): 2 ch (does not count as a st here and throughout), htr across. Turn.

Rows 3-4: Rep Row 2. Fasten off A. Join B.

Row 5: 2 ch, [1 htr, 1 spike htr] to end. Turn.

Rows 6-7: Rep Row 2. Fasten off B.

Rows 8-34: Following Stripe Sequence, rep rows 5-7 nine times.

Row 35: Join F, 2 ch, htr in BLO across. Turn.

Row 36: 2 ch, 17 htr in F, 10 htr in A, 17 htr in F. Turn.

Tip: When dropping non-working yarn, drop it on the side facing you. This way, it will always be ready to pick up from the back when working the next row.

Rows 37-52: As Row 36. Fasten off A.

Row 53: 2 ch, 44 htr in F (using same strand). Turn.

Fasten off unused strand of F.

Rows 54-62: Rep Row 53.

Drop F. Rather than fastening off each colour change for this section, drop at the end of row and pick up again

when needed.

For rows 63-78 RS is always facing. Join G.

Row 63 (RS): With G, 3 ch (counts as first tr), 1 tr in first st, *2 ch, miss 2 sts, 1 tr, 2 ch, miss 2 sts, 2 tr in next st; rep from * 5 more times, 2 ch, miss 2 sts, 1 tr, 2 ch, miss 2 sts, 2 tr. *23 tr*

Keeping RS facing, rotate piece to work back along row just made.

Row 64 (RS): With G, 3 ch (counts as first tr of 8tr-cl), 8tr-cl round first tr pair, *sl st in top of first single tr, 8tr-cl round tr pair; rep from * 6 more times. *8 clusters made*

Keeping RS facing, rotate to work back along the bottom of row just made.

Row 65: With G, 3 ch (does not count as a st), 1 tr in centre of first 8tr-cl, *2 ch, 2 tr in sl st, 2 ch, 1 tr in centre of 8tr-cl; rep from * 6 more times. *22 tr*

Keeping RS facing, rotate piece.

Row 66: With G, sl st in top of first tr, *8tr-cl round first tr pair, sl st in top of single tr; rep from * 6 more times. *7 clusters made*

Keeping RS facing, rotate piece.

Row 67: With F, 3 ch (counts as first tr), 1 tr in sl st, *2 ch, 1 tr in centre of first 8tr-cl, 2 ch, 2 tr in sl st; rep from * 6 more times. *23 tr*

Row 68: With F, as Row 64.

Rows 69-71: With G, rep rows 65-67.

Row 72: With G, as Row 64.

Rows 73-74: With F, rep rows 65-66.

Fasten off F.

Row 75: With G, as Row 67.

Rows 76-78: Rep rows 64-66.

Row 79 (RS): With G, 2 ch (counts as first htr), htr in sl st, *2 htr around next tr post of 8tr-cl, htr in centre of same 8tr-cl, 2 htr around next tr post of same 8tr-cl, htr in sl st; rep from * to end. Turn. *44 sts*

Fasten off G.

Row 80 (WS): Join A, 2 ch, htr in FLO across. Turn.

Row 81 (RS): 2 ch, htr across. Turn.

Rows 82-86: Rep Row 81. Do not fasten off.

Christmas Tree Border

When following the colour chart, carry the non-working yarn on the WS. Always make sure to drop D on the WS at the end of the rep, ready to pick up on the next row.

Row 87: 2 ch, 2 htr, *work Row 1 from Tree Chart; rep from * 3 more times, 2 htr. Turn.

Rows 88-97: 2 ch, 2 htr, *work next row from Tree Chart; rep from * 3 more times, 2 htr. Turn.

Fasten off A and D.

Rows 98-102: With G, htr across. Turn.

Row 103: Sl st across. Fasten off.

Door Outline & Window

With B, starting at one end, surface crochet around to outline front door. For the window outline, surface crochet a square, approximately 8 sts across and 8 rows in height. Surface crochet a line through the middle of the square horizontally, then vertically.

Door Knob

Rnd 1: With B and working into a magic ring, 6 dc. Join with a sl st to first st. Fasten off, leaving a long tail to sew to Door.

Door Wreath

With D, chain 18 loosely, join with a sl st to beg ch. Fasten off, leaving a long tail and sew to Door.

Ribbon

With C, chain 40 tightly. Fasten off and weave in ends. Tie around Wreath in a bow.

Christmas Tree Appliqué

With D, chain 2.

Row 1: 1 tr in the 2nd ch from

SURFACE CROCHET

Holding working yarn behind piece and hook in front of piece, insert hook through piece, yrh, draw yarn through piece and loop on hook (as a sl st). Insert hook through piece where you want st to end, yrh, draw yarn through piece and through loop on hook. To finish, cut and pull tail end through to RS, use needle to sew to the WS

hook. Turn. 1 st

Row 2: 1 ch (does not count as a st here and throughout), 2 tr in st. Turn. 2 sts

Row 3: 1 ch, 2 tr in each st. Turn. 4 sts

Row 4: 1 ch, 2 tr in first st, 2 tr, 2 tr in next st. Turn. 6 sts

Row 5: 1 ch, 2 tr in first st, 4 tr, 2 tr in next st. Turn. 8 sts

Row 6: 1 ch, 2 tr in first st, 6 tr, 2 tr in next st. Turn. 10 sts

Row 7: 1 ch, 10 tr. Turn.

Row 8: 1 ch, 2 tr in first st, 8 tr, 2 tr in next st, Turn. 12 sts

Row 9: 1 ch, 12 tr. Turn.

Row 10: 1 ch, 2 tr in first st, 10 tr, 2 tr in next st, Turn. 14 sts

Row 11: 1 ch, 14 tr. Turn.

Row 12: 5 sl st, 4 htr, leave rem sts unworked. Turn. 4 sts

Row 13: 1 ch, 4 htr. Turn.

Row 14: 1 ch, 4 htr, 2 sl st down side of trunk, 5 sl st in unworked sts of Row 12.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail.

Star

Rnd 1: With E and working into a magic ring, 5 dc. 5 sts

Rnd 2: 2 dc in each st around. 10 sts

Rnd 3: *[1 htr, 1 tr, 1 htr] in first st, 1 sl st; rep from * 4 more times, join with sl st to beg htr. 20 sts

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Candy Canes

Make 2

Rnd 1: With C and working into a magic ring, 6 dc. 6 sts



Rnd 2: Dc around.

Rnds 3-4: With B, rep Rnd 1.

Rnd 5: With C, rep Rnd 1.

Rnds 6-17: Rep rnds 2-5 three more times.

Rnd 18: As Rnd 2.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail. Sew end closed (do not fasten off).

Making up

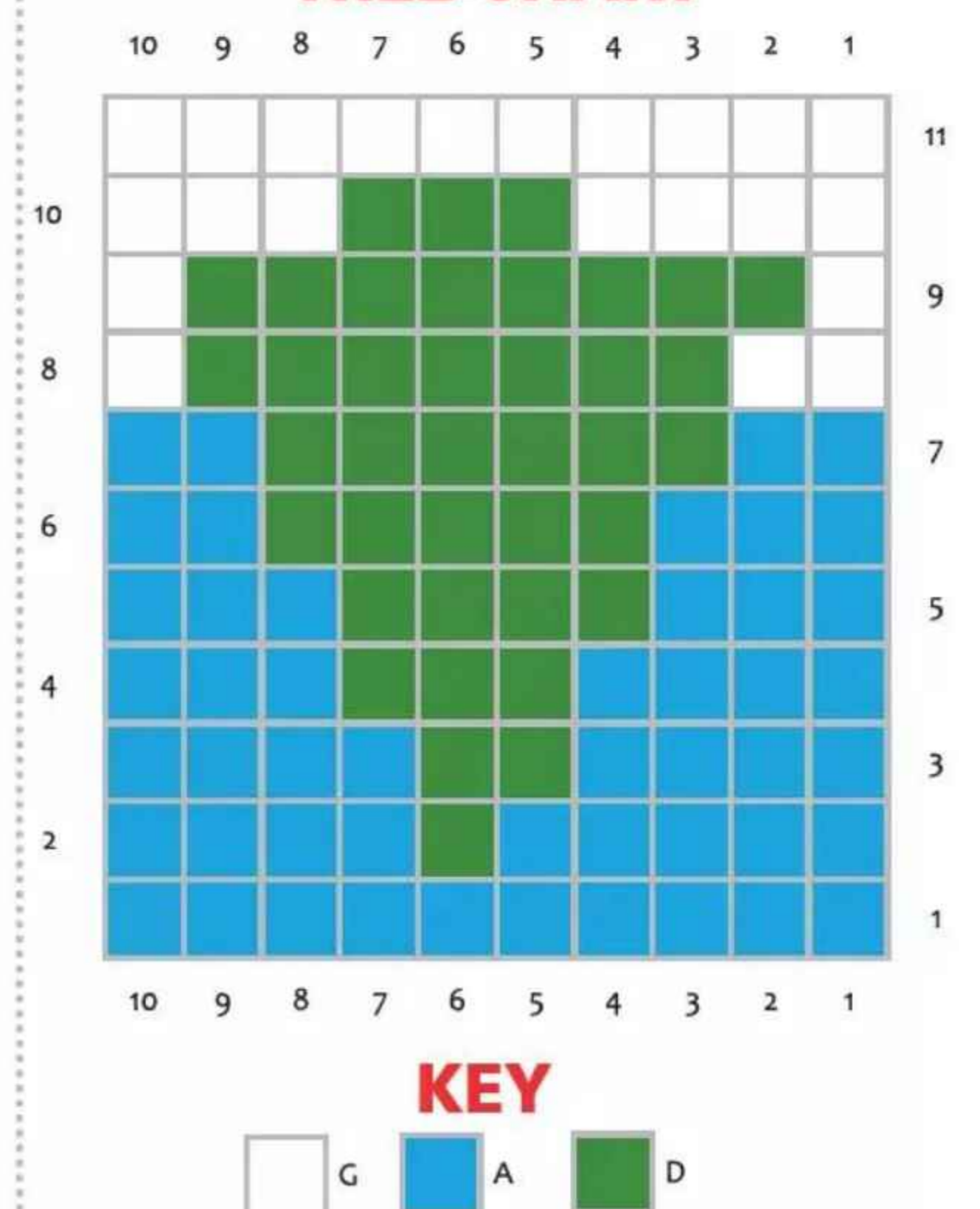
Block the cover before adding appliqué and sewing up to ensure it all lines up correctly. The cluster stitches can be pressed, steamed or pinned down when wet blocking to flatten them.

Attach the decorations to the cushion cover before sewing up. Sew Tree to cushion by the side of the Door. Once attached to the cushion, using photograph as

a guide and the colours of your choice, sew long stitches across Tree for decoration. Attach Star to top of Tree with a stitch between each point of the star so it doesn't lie too flat. Bend Candy Cane to shape and sew each Candy Cane above the door so that they cross over each other. Fold over the bottom section of cushion placing WS together, so the side seams line up and with B, dc together along the edge of each side. The top of the bottom section should reach to approximately the top of the first line of cluster stitches. Fold over the top section so it overlaps the bottom section by approximately 9 rows. Line up the side seams and with B, dc together along the edge of each side. Insert the cushion pad. Using colours of

your choice, make 4 pom-poms by wrapping yarn around two fingers, then tying round the middle and cutting loops. Trim pom-pom. Sew one to each corner.

TREE CHART



4-ply 4mm

DESIGNED BY

Tracey Coldwell

YARN USED

Stash yarn

1 ball each in green (MC)
yellow (CC1) &
red (CC2)

ABOUT THE YARN

4-ply; 66m per ball;
100% polyester

TENSION

24 sts x 20 rows = 10cm
measured over dc

HOOK USED

4mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

- ✓ small amount of brown yarn
- ✓ toy stuffing

SIZING

one size: 7.5x15.5cm

ABBREVIATIONS

See page 63 for
all abbreviations

This pattern is worked in the amigurumi style, in a spiral without slip stitching or turning chains. Use a st marker or waste yarn to keep track of the first st of each rnd.

➔ Start crocheting...

Tree

- Rnd 1:** With MC and working into a magic ring, 6 dc. 6 sts
- Rnd 2:** Dc around.
- Rnd 3:** [2 dc in next st] 6 times. 12 sts
- Rnds 4-6:** Dc around.
- Rnd 7:** [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 18 sts
- Rnds 8-10:** Dc around.
- Rnd 11:** [2 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 24 sts
- Rnds 12-14:** Dc around.

- Rnd 15:** [3 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 30 sts
- Rnds 16-18:** Dc around.
- Rnd 19:** [4 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 36 sts
- Fasten off. Fill Tree with wadding.


Base of Tree

- Rnd 1:** With MC and working into a magic ring, 6 dc. 6 sts
- Rnd 2:** [2 dc in next st], 6 times. 12 sts
- Rnd 3:** [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 18 sts

- Rnd 4:** [2 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 24 sts
- Rnd 5:** [3 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 30 sts
- Rnd 6:** [4 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 36 sts
- Do not fasten off. To attach base to tree, work 36 dc through all 4 loops of both pieces. Make sure hook goes through tree first, then base.

Trunk

- Rnd 1:** With C1 and working into a magic ring, 6 dc. 6 sts

- Rnd 2:** [2 dc in next st] 6 times. 12 sts
- Rnd 3:** [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 18 sts
- Rnd 4:** Dc in BLO around.
- Rnds 5-8:** Dc around. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Fill with wadding and sew onto bottom of tree. Weave in ends. With C2 and C3, decorate the tree with French knots. 

Don't overfill the tree with stuffing or it may bulge out of shape

O CHRISTMAS TREE!

This mini make will look great on your mantelpiece or Christmas table!



HINTS & TIPS

There are some long floats in this pattern, so make sure you don't let your work bunch up on your needles

Use stitch markers between chart repeats to help keep your place

Christmas Cheer **HAT & COWL**

Get cosy with this fun little festive hat and cowl, featuring sweet snowmen and terrific trees



Kate Heppell

“The hat or cowl would make such a lovely Christmas gift! My favourite motif is the little Christmas trees”

Kit yarn **4mm**

YARN USED

Kit yarn

1 ball each in Sugarplum (A), Icicle (B), Frost Rose (C), Mulberry (D), Emberglow (E) & Pinecrest (F)

ABOUT THE YARN

DK; 22g per ball; 100% polyester

TENSION

22 sts x 28 rows = 10cm measured over St st

NEEDLES USED

4mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

- ✓ tapestry needle
- ✓ stitch markers

SIZING

Hat: 37cm circ, 18cm tall
Cowl: 59cm circ, 16.5cm tall

ABBREVIATIONS

See page 65 for all abbreviations

Both pieces are worked flat from the bottom up and seamed. The colourwork is worked using the stranded method from a chart. Carry the unused yarn loosely along the WS of the work. Your kit contains enough

yarn to make either the cowl or the hat.

➔ Start knitting...

HAT

With A, cast on 82 sts.

Row 1 (WS): P2, *k2, p2; rep from * to end.

Row 2: K2, *p2, k2; rep from * to end.

Rows 3-7: Rep rows 1-2 twice, then rep Row 1 once more. Join and break yarns as needed.

Work Chart A once in full.

Work Chart C once in full.

Break all yarns and join in B. Row 36 & foll WS rows: Purl.

Row 37: K1, [k6, k2tog] 10 times, k1. 72 sts

Row 39: K1, [k5, k2tog] 10 times, k1. 62 sts

Row 41: K1, [k4, k2tog] 10 times, k1. 52 sts

Row 43: K1, [k3, k2tog] 10 times, k1. 42 sts

Row 45: K1, [k2, k2tog] 10 times, k1. 32 sts

Row 47: K1, [k1, k2tog] 10 times, k1. 22 sts

Row 49: K1, [k2tog] 10 times, k1. 12 sts

Row 50 (WS): [P2tog] 6 times. 6 sts

Break yarn and thread through rem sts. Pull tight to fasten.

Finishing

Steam block to even out stitches. Sew back seam using mattress stitch. Weave in ends.



Make a pom-pom and attach to top of hat.

COWL

With A, cast on 130 sts.

Row 1 (RS): K2, *p2, k2; rep from * to end.

Row 2: P2, *k2, p2; rep from * to end.

Rows 3-4: Rep rows 1-2. Join and break yarns as needed.

Work Chart A once in full.

Work Chart B once in full.

Work Chart C once in full (note

that this chart begins on a WS row for Cowl).

Break all yarns and join in A. Rep Rows 1-2 twice. Cast off.

Finishing

Steam block to even out stitches. Sew back seam using mattress stitch. Weave in ends.

Chart A

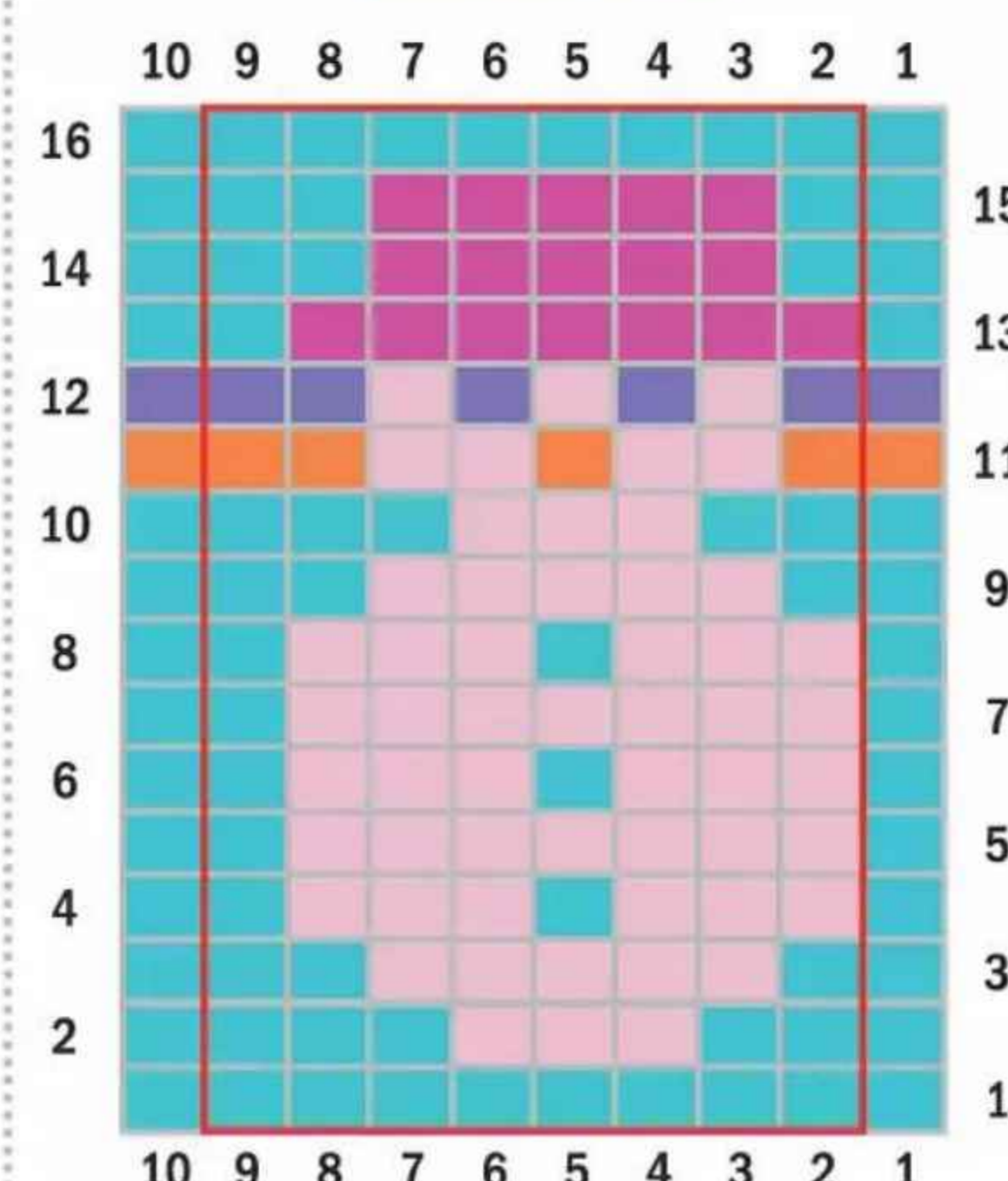


Chart B

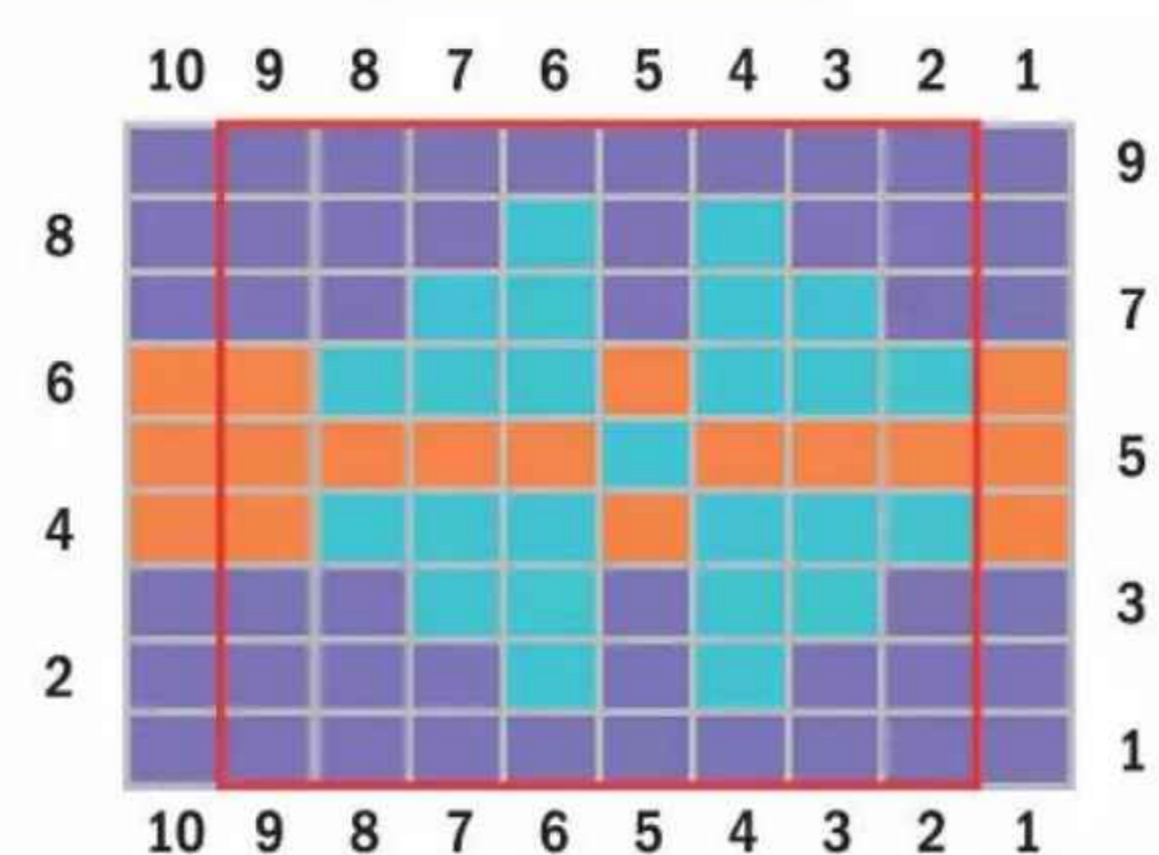
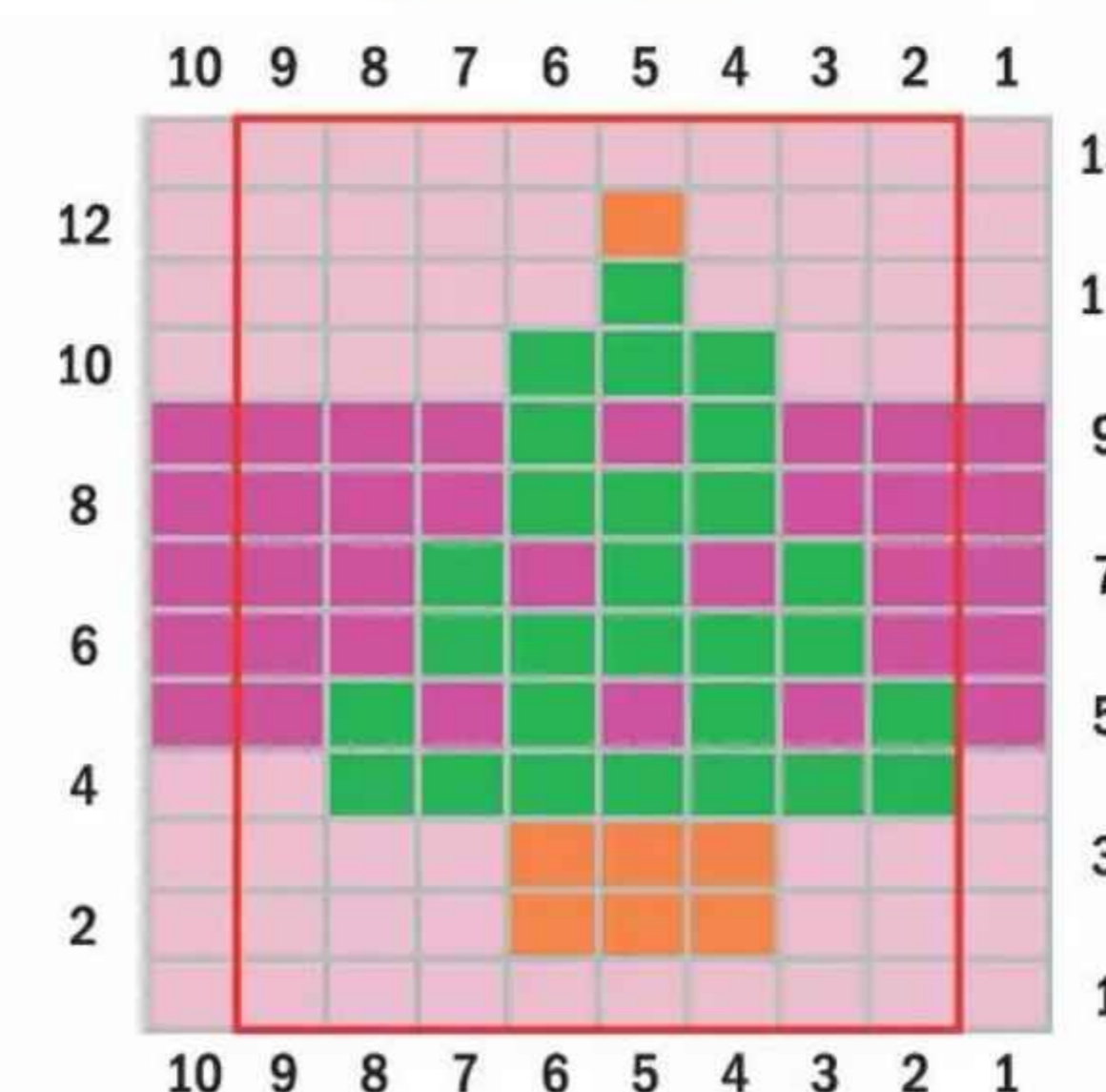


Chart C



Key

- knit
- repeat
- A
- B
- C
- D
- E
- F



Deck the Halls **GARLAND**

Bring some festive fun to your space with
this stash-busting garland!



Sian Brown

"I wanted a colourful project that uses all of the kit colours. The trees and baubles use simple stitches and techniques. Different motifs could be used to change the look of the garland"

Kit yarn **4mm**

YARN USED

Kit yarn

1 ball each in Pinecrest (A), Sugarplum (B), Mulberry (C), Emberglow (D), Icicle (E) & Frost Rose (F)

ABOUT THE YARN

DK; 22g per ball; 100% polyester

TENSION

23 sts x 28 rows = 10cm measured over St st

NEEDLES USED

4mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

- ✓ tapestry needle
- ✓ toy filling
- ✓ 3m of ribbon, 10mm wide
- ✓ sewing needle & matching thread

SIZING

Tree: 6cm wide x 7.5cm tall
Baubles: 4.5cm wide

ABBREVIATIONS

See page 65 for all abbreviations

The garland is made up of garter stitch trees and colourful baubles with a stranded colourwork band. These are stuffed and attached to a ribbon. The project is a simple one for beginners.

➔ Start knitting...

Main Tree Pieces

Make 8

With A, cast on 15 sts, leaving a long tail.

Rows 1-3: Knit.

Row 4 (RS): K2tog, k11, k2tog. 13 sts

Rows 5-6: Knit.

Row 7: K2tog, k9, k2tog. 11 sts

Rows 8-9: Knit.

Row 10: K2tog, k7, k2tog. 9 sts

Rows 11-12: Knit.

Row 13: K2tog, k5, k2tog. 7 sts

Rows 14-15: Knit.

Row 16: K2tog, k3, k2tog. 5 sts

Row 17: Knit.

Row 18: K2tog, k1, k2tog. 3 sts

Row 19: Knit.

Row 20: K2tog, k1. 2 sts

Cast off, leaving a long tail.

Trunks

Make 8

With D, cast on 7 sts, leaving a long tail.

Rows 1-10: Knit.

Cast off, leaving a long tail.

Baubles

Make 1 each in B, C & E as MC

With MC, cast on 5 sts, leaving a long tail.

Set-up Row (WS): Purl.

Row 1: [K1, m1] 4 times, k1. 9 sts

Rows 2, 4 & 6: Purl.

Row 3: K1, [m1, k1] 8 times. 17 sts

Row 5: K1, [m1, k2] 8 times. 25 sts

Row 7: K1, [m1, k3] 7 times, m1, k2, m1, k1. 34 sts

Cont with MC and join F. Strand unused yarn loosely along WS when not in use.

Row 8 (WS): P2 MC, [p1 F, p3 MC] 8 times.

Row 9: K2 MC, [k3 F, k1 MC] 8 times.

Row 10: As Row 8.

Break F and cont in MC only.

Row 11: Knit.

Row 12: Purl.

Row 13: K1, [k2tog, k2] 7 times, [k1, k2tog] twice. 25 sts

Row 14: [P1, p2tog] 8 times, p1. 17 sts

Row 15: K1, [k2tog] 8 times. 9 sts

Row 16: [P2tog] 4 times, p1. 5 sts

Cast off, leaving a length of yarn.

Making up

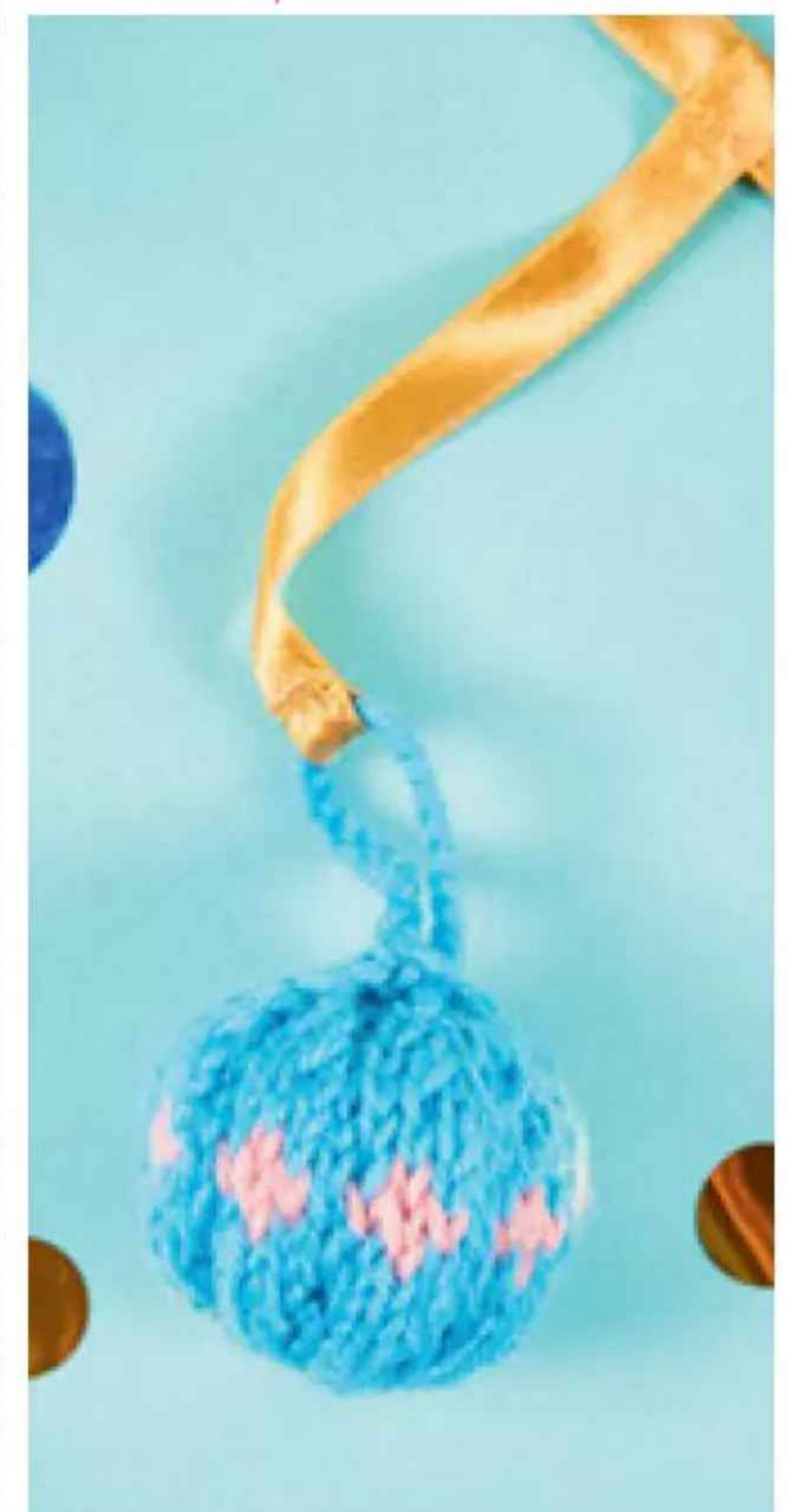
Trees: Sew two Trunk Pieces tog around sides and bottom, leaving top open, and stuff lightly. Sew this to inside of one Main Tree Piece as back of Tree. Place another Main Tree Piece on top, sandwiching Trunk between both Main Tree Pieces. Sew across bottom seam of Main Tree Pieces with Trunk inside. Pin and sew side seams of Main Tree Pieces, stuffing lightly as you go, and leaving a gap and a length of yarn at top of Tree. Rep for three more Trees.

Baubles: Sew seams on each Bauble, stuffing as you go and leaving a small gap at the top and a length of yarn. Cut three lengths of yarn 16 cm long, in each of the main colours for the bauble, and plait to form a tie. Place into top of Bauble and secure using the long tail.

Garland: Cut 110 cm ribbon for main garland. For each end, turn the raw edges over twice and sew in place to form a loop for hanging. Cut 7 lengths of ribbon, 15cm long. On one end of each length, turn over a small amount and sew in place. Place a length into top of each tree and sew gap closed with ribbon inside. Place sewn end of rem lengths through bauble loop and sew in place. Mark a position on each ribbon length 10cm from top of bauble or tree.



Overlap the 7 lengths perpendicular to the main garland ribbon at regular intervals, folding over the ribbon lengths at the marked point and pinning so that 10cm of ribbon shows between top of the tree/bauble and top of the main garland ribbon. Fold top of the ribbon lengths over and around main garland ribbon twice to neaten and sew in place.





Sarah Reed

HINTS & TIPS

Weave in the loose ends before attaching the motifs to the bauble

Play with the length of the yarn used to suspend the motifs to the can hang at a length you like

Holly Jolly BAUBLES

These 3D baubles add some Christmas magic to your tree

 **Kit yarn**  **4mm**

YARN USED

Kit yarn

1 ball each in Emberglow (A), Mulberry (B), Pinecrest (C), Icicle (D), Frost Rose (E) & Sugarplum (F)

ABOUT THE YARN

DK; 22g per ball;
100% polyester

TENSION

19 sts x 23 rows = 10cm
measured over dc

HOOK USED

4mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

- ✓ tapestry needle
- ✓ stitch marker

SIZING

13cm long x 8cm wide

ABBREVIATIONS

invisible dc2tog (inv-dc2tog): [Insert hook in FLO of next st] twice (3 loops on hook), yrh, draw through 2 loops, yrh, draw through both loops on hook. *1 st dec'd*

invisible join: Break yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle, insert needle in 2nd st of rnd under both top loops, insert needle in BLO of last st of rnd, tug gently until join matches tension of underlying sts. Weave in end

securely on WS
See page 63 for all
other abbreviations

Worked in the amigurumi style in a continuous spiral, these seasonal decorations feature delicate hanging Christmas ornaments within the domed bauble. Each one is made from an inner and outer bauble and a top where the hanging loop comes out, with a matching 3D motif dangling inside.

➔ Start crocheting...

Outer Baubles

Make 1 each in A, B, C & D

Rnd 1: Working into a magic ring, 6 dc. *6 sts*

Rnd 2: [2 dc in next st] 6 times. *12 sts*

Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. *18 sts*

Rnd 4: [2 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. *24 sts*

Rnd 5: [3 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. *30 sts*

Rnd 6: [4 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. *36 sts*

Rnd 7: [5 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. *42 sts*

Rnds 8-15: Dc around. Fasten off.

Inner Baubles

Make 2 each in E & F

Rnd 1: Working into a magic ring, 6 dc. *6 sts*

Rnd 2: [2 dc in next st] 6 times. *12 sts*

Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6



times. 18 sts

Rnd 4: [2 dc, 2 dc in next st]
6 times. 24 sts

Rnd 5: [3 dc, 2 dc in next st]
6 times. 30 sts

Rnd 6: [4 dc, 2 dc in next st]
6 times. 36 sts

Rnd 7: [5 dc, 2 dc in next st]
6 times. 42 sts

Rnds 8-14: Dc around.
Fasten off.

Bauble Top

Make 2 each in E & F

Rnd 1: Working into a magic ring, 6 dc. 6 sts

Rnd 2: Working in BLO, dc around.

Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc in next st]
3 times. 9 sts

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Present

With A, chain 4.

Rnd 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, 2 dc, 3 dc in next ch, turning as you go, work into the other side of the chain 1 dc, 2 dc into same chain as starting st. 8 sts

Rnds 2-5: Dc around.
Fasten off.

With F and using photo as a guide, embroider a cross on the present to create the ribbon.

Stocking

Rnd 1: With E, chain 8, sl st to join in the rnd.

Rnd 2: Dc around. 8 sts
Change to B.

Rnds 3-4: Dc around.
Work back and forth in rows.

Row 1: 2 dc. Turn.

Row 2: 1 ch (does not count as a st throughout), 2 inv-dc2tog.
Turn. 2 sts

Work in the rnd again.

Rnd 1: 1 ch, 2 dc, 1 dc on row edge, 4 dc, 1 dc on row edge.
8 sts

Rnds 2-4: Dc around.
Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Weave in front loops and pull tight to close.

Tree

Rnd 1: With C and working into

a magic ring, 6 dc. 6 sts

Rnd 2: Dc around.

Rnd 3: [2 dc, 2 dc in next st]
twice. 8 sts

Rnd 4: Dc around.

Rnd 5: [3 dc, 2 dc in next st]
twice. 10 sts

Rnd 6: Dc around.

Rnd 7: [4 dc, 2 dc in next st]
twice. 12 sts

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Sew across bottom of the tree to close.

Tree Bucket

With F, chain 3.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, 2 dc. Turn. 2 sts

Row 2: 1 ch (does not count as a st), 2 dc.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Attach to bottom of Tree.

With F, embroider diagonal lines on Tree to create garland.

Hat

Rnd 1: With E, 12 ch, sl st to join. 12 sts

Rnd 2: Dc around.
Change to D.

Rnd 3: Dc around.

Rnd 4: 1 inv-dc2tog, 10 dc.
11 sts

Rnd 5: 1 inv-dc2tog, 9 dc.
10 sts

Rnd 6: 1 inv-dc2tog, 8 dc. 9 sts

Rnd 7: 1 inv-dc2tog, 7 dc. 8 sts

Rnd 8: 1 inv-dc2tog, 6 dc. 7 sts

Rnd 9: 1 inv-dc2tog, 5 dc. 6 sts

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Weave in front loops and pull tight to close and join to side of hat, fasten off.

Pompoms

Make 2 in E and 1 in F


Rnd 1: With E and working in a magic ring, [yrh, insert hook into ring, yrh, pul] 4 times, yrh, draw through all 9 loops on hook, sl st into ring.
Fasten off.

Making up

Use photos as a guide throughout and make up each bauble as follows:



Insert Inner Bauble into Outer Bauble. Rejoin same colour yarn as Inner Bauble and dc around into both sets of sts to join. Sew Bauble Top to match Inner Bauble onto top of each bauble. Fasten off with an invisible join. Attach a Pompom to top of Tree, Present and Hat, using colour to match Inner Bauble.

Cut a length of matching yarn and attach Tree, Present, Hat & Stocking charms inside each bauble so they hang loosely inside the bauble. Using same colour as Outer Bauble, join to top of Bauble Top, chain 22 and sl st into same place on Bauble Top for hanging loop. Weave in any rem ends. 

Tea-riffic COSY

Whether you're a tea traveller or an espresso explorer, this speedy make will have your brews hot for hours



Helen Bunting

"I've designed this mug cosy in Granite Lace stitch, which has a really interesting texture and works really well with stripes. I particularly love the effect that changing the yarn colour at this point in the pattern gives"

 **DK**  **3.25mm**

YARN USED

Stash yarn

1 ball each in light pink (MC), purple (CC1), orange (CC2), pink glitter (CC3) & green (CC4)

ABOUT THE YARN

DK; 22g per ball; 100% polyester

TENSION

22 (28) sts x 40 (35) rows = 10cm measured over G st (stripe patt)

NEEDLES USED

3.25mm straight

OTHER SUPPLIES

- ✓ 1 button, 1cm
- ✓ tapestry needle

SIZING

25cm x 7cm, excluding strap, to fit an average-sized mug

ABBREVIATIONS

See page 65 for all abbreviations

The cosy is worked in one piece, from bottom to top, with the side borders and tab worked by picking up and knitting along the edges afterwards. It fastens with a garter stitch buttonhole tab which goes through the mug handle.

➔ Start knitting...

Main Piece

With MC, cast on 50 sts.

Rows 1-4: Knit.

Change to CC1.

Row 5 (RS): K1, *m1, k4; rep from * to last st, m1, k1. 63 sts

Row 6: Purl.

Row 7: Knit.

Row 8: K1, *k2tog; rep from * to end. 32 sts

Change to CC2.

Row 9: *Kfb; rep from * to last st, k1. 63 sts

Row 10: Purl.

Row 11: Knit.

Row 12: As Row 8. 32 sts

Change to CC3.

Rows 13-16: Rep rows 9-12. Change to CC4.

Rows 17-20: Rep rows 9-12. Change to MC.

Row 21: As Row 9. 63 sts

Row 22: *K2tog, k4, k2tog, k2; rep from * to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1. 50 sts

Rows 23-25: Knit.

Cast off k-wise.

Weave in ends.

Side Border

With RS facing and MC, pu and k16 sts evenly along first side.

Rows 1-4: Knit.

Cast off k-wise.

Side Border with Buttonhole Strap

With RS facing and MC, pu and k16 sts evenly along second side edge.

Rows 1-4: Knit.

Row 5 (WS): Cast off 6 sts k-wise, k to end. 10 sts

Row 6: Cast off 5 sts k-wise, k to end. 5 sts


Rows 7-25: Knit.

Row 26 (buttonhole): K2, yo, k2tog, k1.

Rows 27-28: Knit.

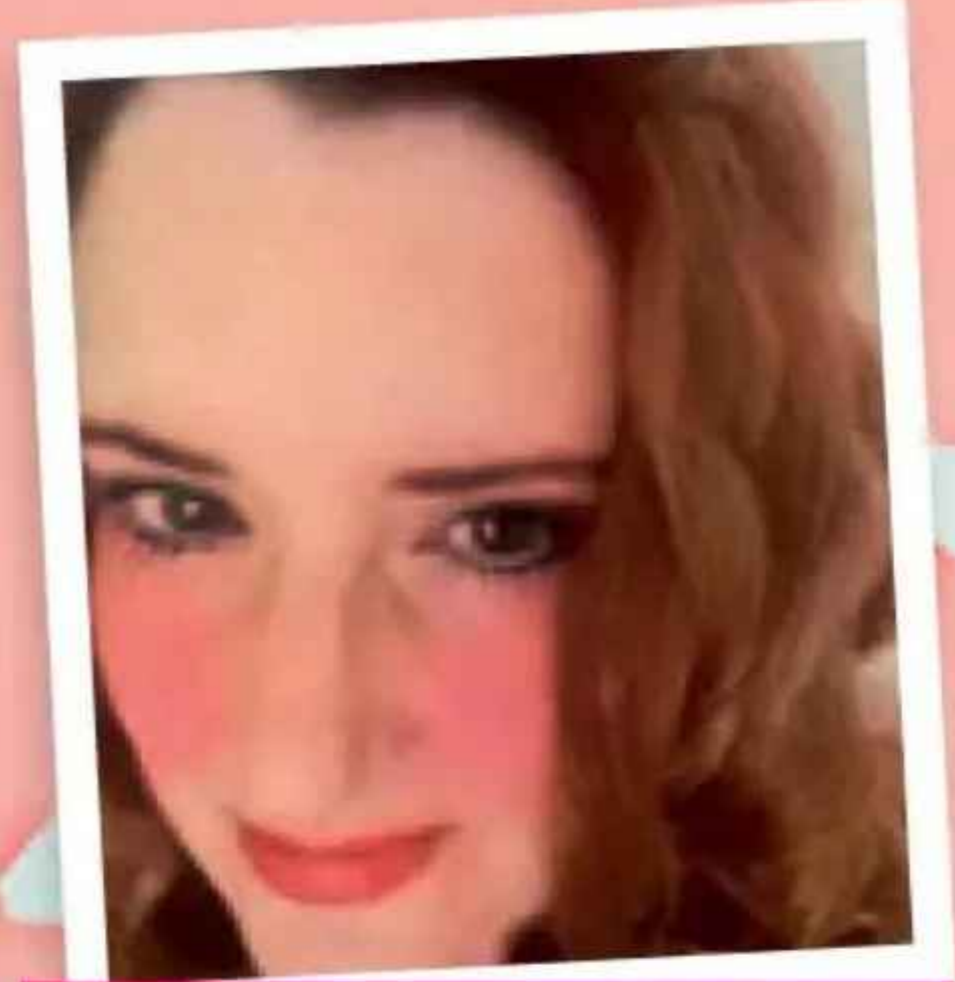
Cast off k-wise.

Finishing

Weave in any rem ends. Sew button in place to correspond with buttonhole. 

HINTS & TIPS

- Weaving in yarn ends after finishing the main piece makes picking up stitches along the side much easier
- If you're making this for a particular favourite mug, try the cosy on the mug before you attach the button; then you can position the button exactly right to get a snug fit



Nicola Valiji



HINTS & TIPS

Use a dinner fork if you don't have a tiny pompom maker

Gingerbread Party STOCKING

Fill this bright stocking with gifts for your loved ones this Christmas

 **Kit yarn**  **4mm**

YARN USED

Kit yarn

1 ball each in Frost Rose (A), Sugar Plum (B), Mulberry (C), Icicle (D), Pinecrest (E) & Emberglow (F)

ABOUT THE YARN

DK; 22g per ball; 100% polyester

TENSION

22 sts x 28 rows = 10cm measured over St st

NEEDLES USED

4mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

- ✓ toy stuffing
- ✓ oddment of black DK yarn
- ✓ stitch holder
- ✓ tassel maker
- ✓ small pompom maker
- ✓ tapestry needle

SIZING

26cm x 17cm

ABBREVIATIONS

See page 65 for all abbreviations

➔ Start knitting...

Back

With A, cast on 30 sts.

Row 1 (WS): Purl.

Row 2: K1, m1, k to last st, m1, k1. *2 sts inc'd*

Rows 3-6: Rep rows 1-2 twice. *36 sts***

Break A and join B.

Row 7: Purl.

Row 8: K1, m1, k to end. *1 st inc'd*

Rows 9-12: Rep rows 7-8 twice. *39 sts*

Break B and join C.

Rows 13-18: Starting with a p row, work in St st.

Break C and join D.

Rows 19-23: Work in St st.

Row 24: K2tog, k37. *38 sts*

Break D and join E.

Row 25: Purl.

Row 26: K2tog, k to end. *1 st dec'd*

Rows 27-28: Rep rows 25-26. *36 sts*

Row 29: Purl.

Row 30: Cast off 10 sts, k to end. *26 sts*

Break E and join A.

*****Rows 31-36:** Work in St st.

Break A and join B.

Rows 37-42: Work in St st.

Break B and join C.

Rows 43-48: Work in St st.

Break C and join D.

Rows 49-54: Work in St st.

Break D and join E.

Rows 55-60: Work in St st.

Break E and join A.

Rows 61-66: Work in St st.

Break A and join D.

Row 67: Purl.

Rows 68-76: Knit.

Cast off.

Front

Work as given for Back as far as **.

36 sts

Break A and join B.

Row 7: Purl.

Row 8: K to last st, m1, k1. *1 st inc'd*

Rows 9-12: Rep rows 7-8 twice.

39 sts

Break B and join C.

Rows 13-18: Starting with a p row, work in St st.

Break C and join D.

Rows 19-23: Work in St st.

Row 24: K37, k2tog. *38 sts*

Break D and join E.

Row 25: Purl.

Row 26: K to last 2 sts, k2tog. *1 st dec'd*

Rows 27-28: Rep rows 25-26. *36 sts*

Row 29: Purl.

Row 30: K26, cast off rem sts. *26 sts*

Break E and join A.

Complete as given for Back from ***.

Hanging Tag

With D, cast on 40 sts.

Row 1: Knit.

Cast off.

Gingerbread Man

Make 2

With F, cast on 8 sts.

Row 1 (WS): Purl.

Row 2: Kfb, k to last st, kfb. *10 sts*

Rows 3-9: Starting with a p row, work in St st.

Row 10: K2tog, k6, k2tog. *8 sts*

Row 11: P2tog, p4, p2tog. *6 sts*

Row 12: Cast on 7 sts, k to end. *13 sts*

Row 13: Cast on 7 sts, p to end. *20 sts*

Row 14: Knit.

Row 15: Purl.

Row 16: Cast off 5 sts, k to end. *15 sts*

Row 17: Cast off 5 sts, p to end. *10 sts*

Rows 18-21: Starting with a k row, work in St st.

Row 22: Kfb, k to last st, kfb. *12 sts*

Row 23: Purl.

Row 24: K6, turn, leaving rem 6 sts on a holder. *6 sts*

Rows 25-28: Work in St st.

Row 29: P2tog, p2, p2tog. *4 sts*

Cast off.

With RS facing, rejoin F to held 6 sts.

Rows 24-28: Work in St st.

Next Row: P2tog, p2, p2tog. *4 sts*

Cast off.

Bow Tie

With D, cast on 7 sts.

Row 1 (WS): Purl.

Cast off.

Finishing

With WS tog, sew around Gingerbread Man edges, leaving a gap. Turn RS out, stuff and close gap. Gather up middle of Bow Tie and wind a length of D around to form a bow. Sew to neck of Gingerbread Man. With black yarn, embroider eyes, mouth and tummy buttons. With A, embroider zigzag stitches for hands and feet. Sew Back and Front of stocking tog on WS leaving cast-off edge open. Turn RS out. Make a 6cm tassel in each of A, B, C, D, E & F. Attach to bottom of stocking. Fold Hanging Tag in half and attach to top of stocking. Make 11 small pompoms (2 each in B, C, D, E & F and 1 in A). Attach pompoms around top of stocking below G st section. 

HINTS & TIPS

Space out the bulbs and alternate colours across the string. Our sample has 8 bulbs on each string



'Tis the Season WALL HANGING

Bring some Christmas cheer into your home with this sweet wall hanging



Zoe Potrac

Kit yarn 4mm

YARN USED

Kit yarn

1 ball each in Icicle (A), Pinecrest (B), Frost Rose (C), Sugarplum (D), Emberglow (E) & Mulberry (F)

ABOUT THE YARN

DK; 22g per ball;
100% polyester

TENSION

20 sts x 21 rows = 10cm
measured over dc

HOOK USED

4mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

- ✓ tapestry needle
- ✓ ribbon for hanging
- ✓ wooden dowel or alternative (spare wooden knitting needle, chopstick, etc)

SIZING

22cm wide x 31cm long

ABBREVIATIONS

3trcl –3 treble cluster (3trcl)
*Yrh, insert hook into same st, yrh, pul, yrh, draw through 2

loops; rep from * twice more in next 2 sts, draw through all 4 loops on hook
See page 63 for all other abbreviations

This wall hanging is worked flat, with the motif worked from a chart. Turning chains do not count as stitches. When working from the chart, carry the unused colour along WS and work over with the working yarn.

➔ Start crocheting...

Main Panel

Row 1 (RS): With A and working into a magic ring, 1 dc. Turn. 1 st

Row 2: 1 ch (does not count as a st throughout), 3 dc in first st. Turn. 3 sts

Row 3: 1 ch, 2 dc in first st, 1 dc, 2 dc in last st. Turn. 5 sts

Row 4: 1 ch, 2 dc in first st, dc across to last st, 2 dc in last st. 2 sts *inc'd*

Rows 5-23: Rep row 4 nineteen more times. 45 sts

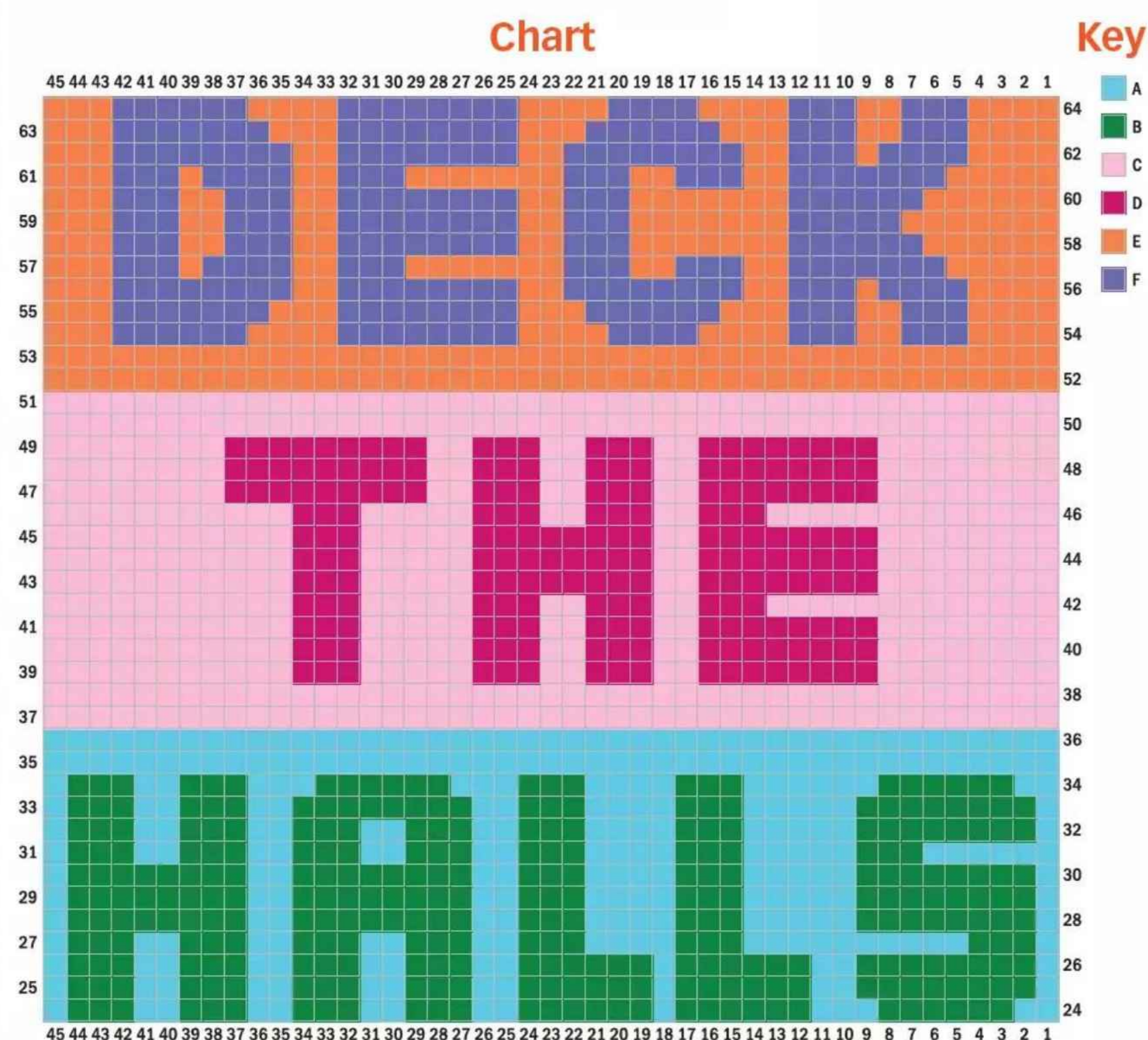
Set chart

Rows 24-64: 1 ch, dc across following Chart for colour changes. Turn. Break all colours except E.

Row 65-72: 1 ch, dc across. Turn.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail end for sewing.

Chart



Light Strings

Make 3

With B, wind off about 150cm of yarn, then place a slip knot at that point. Put slip knot on hook. *Yarn under with the long tail end, yarn over with the working yarn and pull through both loops; repeat from * approximately 60 times, or until string fits nicely across width of Main Panel with some waves in it (see photo as a guide). Fasten off.

With A, D, E & F, add bulbs along string as follows: With slip knot on hook, insert hook into any st on string where you'd like to add a bulb and sl st. Chain 3, 3trcl into 3rd ch from hook, 3 ch, 3trcl into top of previous 3 trcl, then sl

st into the chain that first 3 trcl was made in, thus folding both halves of bulb tog. Fasten off, leaving tail ends to attach to wall hanging.

Finishing

Weave in ends of Main Panel and block to measurements. Use tail ends from bulbs to sew each Light String in place in a wavy pattern, using photos as a guide to positioning. Fold top edge of Main Panel down to Row 66, and sew across width in E with a running stitch to create a channel for hanging. Insert dowel into channel and tie a ribbon to each end for hanging.

HINTS & TIPS

To make the most of your yarn kit, make the pompoms after knitting the tree pieces, just to make sure you don't run out of a particular colour when you are knitting

Use an ordinary knitted cast-on throughout unless otherwise instructed



Festive Pride **CUSHION**

Decorate your space with this fun and festive cushion!



Amanda Berry

“Combine knits and purls to make the stacked triangles pattern for this colourful tree, and decorate with pompom baubles”

Kit yarn **4mm**

YARN USED

Kit yarn

1 ball each in Emberglow (A), Frost Rose (B), Icicle (C), Mulberry (D), Pinecrest (E) & Sugarplum (F)

ABOUT THE YARN

DK; 22g per ball;
100% polyester

TENSION

22 sts x 28 rows = 10cm
measured over St st

NEEDLES USED

4mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

- ✓ tapestry needle
- ✓ toy filling
- ✓ pompom maker, 4cm

SIZING

one size: 33cm tall x
43cm wide

ABBREVIATIONS

See page 65 for
all abbreviations

This tree is made from two pieces then seamed tog around the edges. The pompoms are sewn to the top and sides as decorations.

➔ Start knitting...

Tree Front

Start at top.

With E, cast on 3 sts.

Row 1 (RS): [kfb] twice, k1.
5 sts

Row 2: Purl.

Row 3: K1, kfb, p to last 2 sts,
kfb, k1. 2 sts *inc'd*

Rows 4-11: Rep rows 2-3 four
times. 15 sts

Break E and join C.

Row 12 & foll WS rows: Purl.

Row 13: K1, kfb, p1, k9, p1,
kfb, k1. 17 sts

Row 15: K1, kfb, p3, k7, p3,
kfb, k1. 19 sts

Row 17: K1, kfb, p5, k5, p5,
kfb, k1. 21 sts

Row 19: K1, kfb, p7, k3, p7,
kfb, k1. 23 sts

Row 21: K1, kfb, p9, k1, p9,
kfb, k1. 25 sts

After Row 21, break C and join D.

Row 22 & foll WS rows: Purl.

Row 23: K1, kfb, *p1, k9; rep
from * to last 3 sts, p1, kfb,
k1. 2 sts *inc'd*

Row 25: K1, kfb, *p3, k7; rep
from * to last 5 sts, p3, kfb,
k1. 2 sts *inc'd*

Row 27: K1, kfb, *p5, k5; rep
from * to last 7 sts, p5, kfb,
k1. 2 sts *inc'd*

Row 29: K1, kfb, *p7, k3; rep
from * to last 9 sts, p7, kfb,
k1. 2 sts *inc'd*

Row 31: K1, kfb, *p9, k1; rep
from * to last 11 sts, p9, kfb,
k1. 2 sts *inc'd*

Rows 32-41: With F, rep rows
22-31. 45 sts

Rows 42-51: With A, rep rows
22-31. 55 sts

Rows 52-61: With B, rep rows
22-31. 65 sts

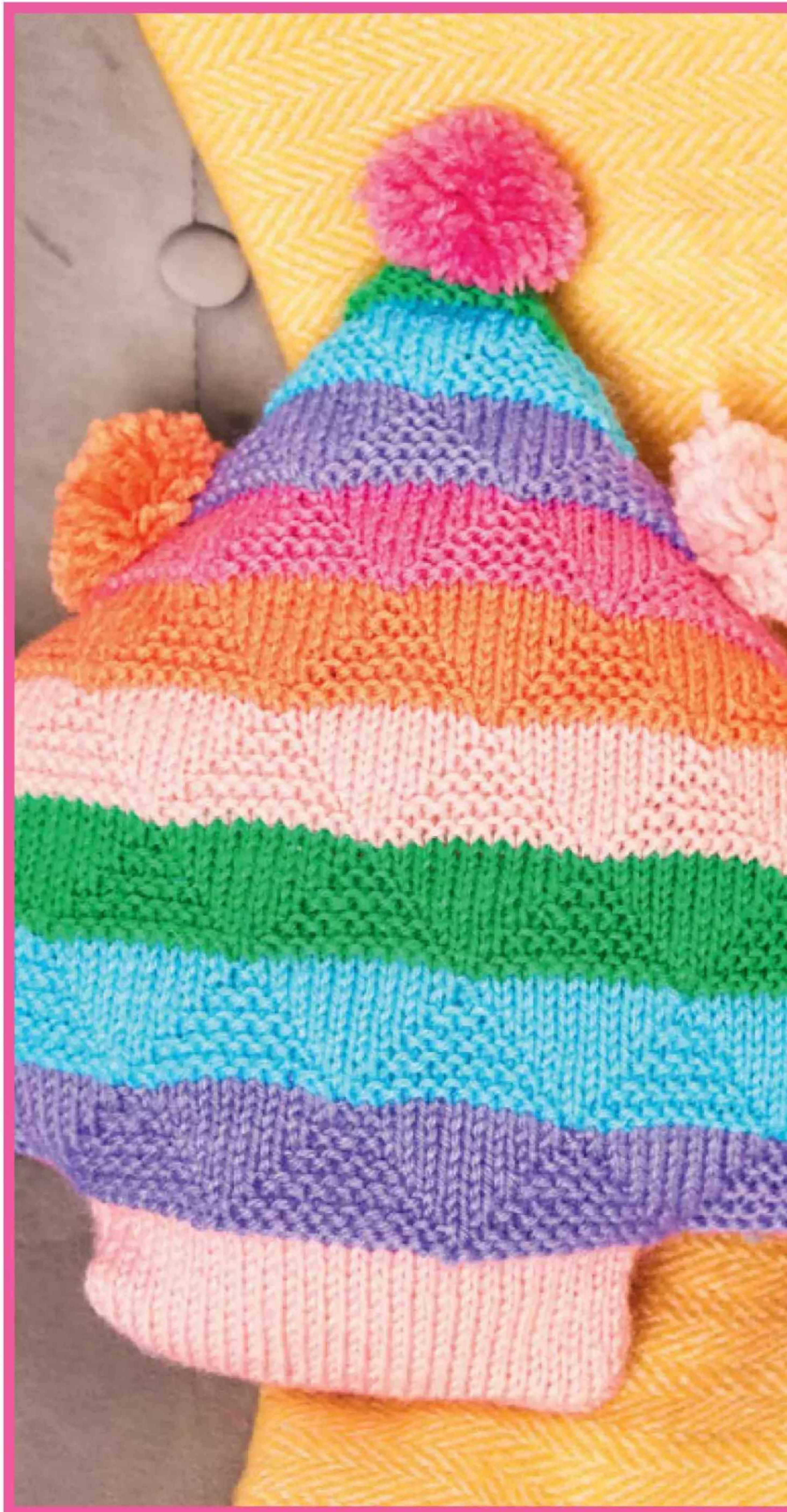
Rows 62-71: With E, rep rows
22-31. 75 sts

Rows 72-81: With C, rep rows
22-31. 85 sts

Rows 82-91: With D, rep rows
22-31. 95 sts

Row 92: Cast off 32 sts k-wise,
k to last 32 sts, cast off rem
32 sts. 31 sts

Break D. With RS facing, join B
to rem sts.



Tree Trunk

Rows 93-106: Starting with a
k row, work in St st.
Cast off.

Tree Back

Work as for Tree Front, except
using F instead of D for rows
82-92. (Note that this is to avoid
running out of D).

Making up

With WS of both pieces held
tog and using mattress stitch,
join Front and Back pieces tog
around all edges, stuffing as
you go. Use rem yarn to make
seven pompoms, then sew
one on top of Tree and 3 down
each side.

William & Wendy **THE GNOMES**

These cheerful gnomes are great decor pieces or brilliant doorstops!





Julie Langham

**YARN USED****Stash yarn**

Bearded Gnome: 1 ball each in Pinecrest (A), Emberglow (B), Mulberry (C), Frost Pink (D)

Gnome with Plaits: 1 ball each in Icile (A), Sugarplum (B), Mulberry (C), Frost Pink (D), Emberglow (F) & Pinecrest (G)

ABOUT THE YARN

4-ply; 66m per ball; 100% polyester

TENSION

26 sts x 32 rows = 10cm measured over St st

NEEDLES USED

3.5mm straight

OTHER SUPPLIES

- ✓ toy stuffing
- ✓ tapestry needle
- ✓ baking beans (optional)
- ✓ cardboard circle,
- ✓ 9cm diameter (optional)
- ✓ stash black yarn (E)

SIZING

33cm tall

ABBREVIATIONS

k3tog: Knit three together

loop1: Holding third finger of your left hand over yarn behind work, k1 (this includes the finger in the new stitch being formed) but do not slip this stitch from the needle; transfer the stitch just worked back onto the LH needle and with the new stitch and the original stitch k2tog tbl, removing your finger from the loop as you do so
See page 65 for all other abbreviations

Both gnomes are worked from the bottom using St st and G st. To use

them as doorstops, add a cardboard circle in the base for stability and baking beans for weight. Or, if you just want a gnome to cuddle, these additions are optional.

➔ Start knitting...

BEARDED GNOME**Base**

With A, cast on 8 sts

Row 1 (RS): Knit.

Row 2: P1, m1, p to last st, m1, p1.
2 sts inc'd

Row 3: K1, m1, k to last st, m1, k1.
2 sts inc'd

Rows 4-5: Rep rows 2-3 once more.
16 sts

Row 6: As Row 2. *18 sts*

Row 7: Knit.

Row 8: P1, m1, p to last st, m1, p1.
20 sts

Rows 9-10: Work 2 rows straight in St st.

Row 11: K1, m1, k to last st, m1, k1.
22 sts

Rows 12-21: Work 10 rows straight in St st.

Row 22: P2tog, p to last 2 sts, p2tog tbl.
20 sts

Rows 23-24: Work 2 rows straight in St st.

Row 25: Ssk, k to last 2 sts, k2tog.
2 sts dec'd

Row 26: Purl.

Row 27: As Row 25. *16 sts*

Row 28: P2tog, p to last 2 sts, p2tog tbl.
2 sts dec'd

Row 29: Ssk, k to last 2 sts, k2tog.
2 sts dec'd

Rows 30-31: Rep rows 28-29 once more. *8 sts*

Row 32: Purl.
Cast off.

Body & Hat

With A, cast on 70 sts.

Body

Rows 1-6: Starting with a k row, work 6 rows in St st.

Row 7: K10, [ssk, k2tog, k19] twice, ssk, k2tog, k10. *64 sts*

Rows 8-16: Work 9 rows straight in St st.

Row 17: K9, [ssk, k2tog, k17] twice, ssk, k2tog, k9. *58 sts*

Rows 18-26: Work 9 rows straight in St st.

Row 27: K8, [ssk, k2tog, k15] twice, ssk, k2tog, k8. *52 sts*

Rows 28-36: Work 9 rows straight in St st.

Row 37: K7, [ssk, k2tog, k13] twice, ssk, k2tog, k7. *46 sts*

Rows 38-42: Work 5 rows straight in St st.

Hat

Change to B.

Rows 43-46: Work 4 rows in G st.

Rows 47-50: Starting with a k row, work 4 rows in St st.

Row 51: K6, [ssk, k2tog, k11] twice, ssk, k2tog, k6. *40 sts*

Rows 52-60: Work 9 rows straight in St st.

Row 61: K5, [ssk, k2tog, k9] twice, ssk,



k2tog, k5. 34 sts

Rows 62-70: Work 9 rows straight in St st.

Row 71: K4, [ssk, k2tog, k7] twice, ssk, k2tog, k4. 28 sts

Rows 72-80: Work 9 rows straight in St st.

Row 81: K3, [ssk, k2tog, k5] twice, ssk, k2tog, k3. 22 sts

Rows 82-90: Work 9 rows straight in St st.

Row 91: K2, [ssk, k2tog, k3] twice, ssk, k2tog, k2. 16 sts

Rows 92-100: Work 9 rows straight in St st.

Row 101: K1, [ssk, k2tog, k1] twice, ssk, k2tog, k1. 10 sts

Rows 102-110: Work 9 rows straight in St st.

Row 111: [K2tog] 5 times. 5 sts

Row 112: Purl.

Break yarn and thread through rem sts. Pull tight to fasten.

Arms

Make 2 the same

With A, cast on 15 sts.

Rows 1-24: Starting with a k row, work 24 rows in St st.

Change to D.

Rows 25-30: Work 6 rows in St st.

Row 31: [K1, k2tog] 5 times. 10 sts

Row 32: [P2tog] 5 times. 5 sts

Break yarn and thread through rem sts. Pull tight to fasten.

Nose

With D, cast on 3 sts.

Row 1: K1, m1, k to end. 1 st inc'd

Row 2: P1, m1, p to end. 1 st inc'd

Rows 3-4: As rows 1-2. 7 sts

Rows 5-6: Work 2 rows straight in St st.

Row 7: Ssk, k to end. 1 st dec'd

Row 8: P2tog, p to end. 1 st dec'd

Rows 9-10: As rows 7-8. 3 sts

Cast off.

Shoes

Make 2 the same

With E, cast on 7 sts.

Rows 1-6: Work 6 rows in G st.

Rows 7 & 8: Ssk, k to end. 5 sts

Row 9: K1, k3tog, k1. 3 sts

Cast off.

Beard

With 2 strands of C held together throughout, cast on 4 sts.

Rows 1-3: Work 3 rows in G st.

Row 4: *Loop1; rep from * to end.

Rows 5-6: Work 2 rows in G st.

Row 7: K1, m1, k to last st, m1, k1. 2 sts inc'd

Rows 8-19: Rep rows 4-7 three more times. 12 sts

Row 20: As Row 4.

Rows 21-23: Work 3 rows in G st.

Rows 24-31: Rep rows 20-23 twice more. Cast off, or leave sts on a thread if you prefer to Swiss darn the Beard in place.

Making up

Join back seam of Body & Hat, stuffing lightly as you go. Stitch Base to lower edge of body, leaving an opening. Add baking beans and cardboard base, if required and finish stuffing. Join remaining seam at base.

Join seam on each Arm beg at fasten-off end for hand and stuff lightly as you go. Join top seam of Arms. Sew top of Arms to either side of Body, approximately 6 rows below start of Hat.

Attach Shoes to lower edge of body, using the photo as a guide.

Placing Beard just below start of the hat, either sew cast-off edge of Beard to centre of Body or Swiss darn in place. Make a running stitch around all edges of the Nose. Place a small amount of stuffing at WS of nose and draw running stitch to enclose stuffing within the Nose. Fasten off.

Using photo as a guide, attach Nose to Body in centre of Beard, just below the start of the Hat.

GNOME WITH PLAITS

Work Base, Body & Hat, Nose, Arms and Shoes as for Bearded Gnome using alternate colours as given at start of pattern

Apron

With F, cast on 15 sts.

Rows 1-20: Work 20 rows in G st.

Apron Strings

Change to G.

Row 21: Cast on and k across 45 sts, k15, cast on another 45 sts. 105 sts

Row 22: Knit. Cast off all sts.

Plaits

Make 2 the same

With C, cut 18 lengths of 40cm and lay them out together. Tie the lengths firmly at the centre and fold in half at the tied

point so that you now have a bundle of 36 threads. Split the bundle into three groups of 12 threads and plait to required length. Secure end of plait by wrapping yarn firmly around it and securing. Trim the ends.

Making up

Make up as for Bearded Gnome, but place Nose at centre front of Body, just below the start of the Hat.

Stitch each Plait in place at either side of the Nose, using photo as a guide.

With G and using chain stitch, embroider heart-shaped motif on Apron, using the photo as a guide. Fasten apron around Body and secure with a bow at the back.





BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH



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Nut-crackin' **KNITS**

Take a trip to the ballet with Amanda's creations to love for many seasons to come



 **Kit yarn**  **4mm**

DESIGNED BY

Amanda Berry

YARN USED

Kit yarn

1 ball each in Icicle (D), Mulberry (A), Pinecrest (F), Sugarplum (B), Emberglow (C) & Frost Rose (E)

Instructions given are for the nutcracker with the blue hat, but use whatever shades you wish you make your own unique version!

ABOUT THE YARN

DK; 66m per ball; 100% polyester

TENSION

23 sts x 28 rows = 10cm measured over St st

NEEDLES USED

4mm straight

OTHER SUPPLIES

- ✓ toy filling
- ✓ stitch holder
- ✓ 2 safety eyes per doll, 6mm
- ✓ scrap black yarn
- ✓ 4mm crochet hook
- ✓ safety pin
- ✓ tapestry needle

SIZING

24cm diameter

ABBREVIATIONS

See page 65 for all abbreviations

These fun Christmas nutcrackers are worked flat in pieces and seamed. Use a regular knitted cast-on throughout unless otherwise instructed.

➔ Start knitting...

Head, Body & Legs

Make 3

Start at top of Head. With E, cast on 11 sts.

Rows 1-2: Starting with a k row, work in St st.

Row 3 (RS): K1, [kfb] 9 times,

k1. 20 sts

Row 4: Purl.

Row 5: K1, [kfb, k1] 9 times, k1. 29 sts

Row 6: Purl.

Row 7: K1, [kfb, k5] 4 times, kfb, k3. 34 sts

Rows 8-19: Work in St st.

Row 20: P1, [p2tog, p2] 8 times, p1. 26 sts

Row 21: Knit.

Row 22: P1, [p2tog, p1] 8 times, p1. 18 sts

Row 23: Knit.

Row 24: P1, [p2tog] 8 times, p1. 10 sts

Row 25: Knit.

Break E and join F.

Row 26: Purl.

Row 27: K1, [kfb] 7 times, k2. 17 sts

Row 28: Purl.

Row 29: K1, [kfb, k1] 7 times,

k2. 24 sts

Rows 30-46: Work in St st.

Row 47: Cast off 2 sts, k to last 12 sts, cast off 2 sts, k to end. 20 sts

Break F and join A.

Left Leg

Row 48: P10, turn, leaving rem 10 sts on a holder. 10 sts

****Rows 49-60:** Work in St st. Break A and join D.

Rows 61-65: Work in St st.

Row 66: [P2tog] 5 times. 5 sts Break yarn and thread through rem sts. Pull tight to fasten.

Right Leg

With WS facing, return held 10 sts to needles and rejoin A.

Row 1 (WS): Purl.

Complete as given for Left Leg

from **.

Arms

Make 2

Start at shoulder.

With F, cast on 9 sts.

Rows 1-6: Starting with a k row, work in St st.

Break F and join B.

Row 7: Work in St st.

Break B and join E.

Rows 8-18: Work in St st.

HINTS & TIPS

- Use mattress stitch for seaming for a neat finish
- Keep the tiny pieces safe by pinning them together with a safety pin until you're ready to sew up



Break yarn and thread through rem sts. Pull tight to fasten.

Hat

Start at brim.

With D and using the long-tail cast-on for a stretchy edge, cast on 37 sts.

Rows 1-15: Starting with a p row, work in St st.

Row 16 (RS): Purl.

Rows 17-18: Work in St st.

Row 19: P1, [p2tog, p2] 9 times.
28 sts

Row 20: Knit.

Row 21: P1, [p2tog, p1] 9 times.
19 sts

Row 22: Knit.

Row 23: P1, [p2tog] 9 times.
10 sts

Break yarn and thread through rem sts. Pull tight to fasten.

Hat Jewel

Start at outer edge.

With B and using the long-tail cast-on for a stretchy edge, cast on 8 sts.

Break yarn and thread through rem sts. Pull tight to fasten.

Hat Plume

With C, cast on 9 sts.

Row 1 (RS): Cast off 7 sts, k1.
2 sts

Row 2: K2, use backward loop method to cast on 7 sts. 9 sts

Rows 3-4: Rep rows 1-2.

Cast off.

Epaulettes

Make 2

Start at outer edge.

With C, cast on 12 sts.

Row 1 (RS): Knit.

Row 2: [P2tog] 6 times. 6 sts

Break yarn and thread through rem sts. Pull tight to fasten.

Making up

Head, Body, Legs & Arms:

Starting at cast-off end, sew side edges of each Leg tog, adding stuffing as you go and ending at the short cast-off pieces at crotch. Then sew side edges of Body tog up back, stuffing as you go. Sew closed the short cast-off edges at crotch. Insert safety eyes at Front of Head, with a 4-stitch gap in between. Seam side edges of Head tog up back, stuffing as you go, and gather cast-on sts tog at top. With E, embroider nose between eyes using 5 horizontal embroidered stitches, 1 knitted stitch wide. Embroider a collar in chain stitch around Row 26 in yarn matching Body colour. For each Arm, sew side edges tog (not stuffed) and gather cast-on sts tog at shoulder. Sew top of each

Arm onto top side of Body with seam facing back.

Embroider mouth in a V-shape and eyebrows using black embroidery thread. Embroider jacket decoration using A in 3 horizontal stitches, 3 knitted sts wide. For each Epaulette, sew side edges onto Body over top of each Arm. For Hat, sew side edges tog, add a little stuffing inside top, place over Head and attach around brim using D and a running back stitch. For chin strap, using 4mm crochet hook and C crochet 24 chain and break yarn. Sew each end of chin strap onto side of Hat. For Hat Plume, sew straight side edge onto front of Hat. For Hat Jewel, sew first and last sts tog to form a small circle, and sew this onto Hat over bottom of Hat Plume. 🧶



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 **Aran**  **5mm**

YARN USED

Lily Sugar'n Cream

3 balls each in Hot Green (A), Hot Blue (C), Hot Purple (D), Hot Pink (F) & Tangerine (G)

Lily Sugar'n Cream Twists

3 balls each in Green Twists (B) & Rose Twists (E)

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ABOUT THE YARN

Aran; 109m per 70.9g ball (Sugar'n Cream), 86m per 57g (Sugar'n Cream Twists); 100% cotton

TENSION

18 sts x 24 rows = 10 cm measured over St st

NEEDLES USED

5mm circular, 80cm

SIZING

117x139.5cm

ABBREVIATIONS

See page 65 for all abbreviations

p1; rep from * to last 5 sts, k5. Last row forms Seed St patt and Garter St side edges.

Rep last row 9 more times.

Next Row (RS): With C, knit.

Next Row: K4, purl to last 4 sts, k4.

Rep last 2 rows 4 more times.

With D, work in Garter St for 10 rows. With E, work in Seed St for 10 rows. With F, work in Garter St for 10 rows.

Next Row (RS): With G, knit.

Next Row: K4, purl to last 4 sts, k4.

Rep last 2 rows 4 more times.

With A, work in Garter St for 10 rows.

Rep from ** until Blanket measures approximately 137 cm, ending after 10 rows of G. With A, knit 9 rows.

Cast off knitwise (WS). 



➔ Start knitting...

With A, cast on 199 sts. Do not join in rnd. Starting with a WS row, work in Garter st for 9 rows.

****Row 10 (RS):** With B, k4, *k1,



Karen Hubbard

Winterberry WRIST WARMERS

Hook up these colourful gloves in no time to keep the evening chill away from your hands

 **Kit yarn**  **4mm**

YARN USED

Kit yarn

1 ball each in Pinecrest (A), Icicle (B), Mulberry (C), Sugarplum (D), Emberglow (E) & Frosted Rose (F)

ABOUT THE YARN

DK; 66m per ball;
100% polyester

TENSION

16 sts x 10 rows = 10cm
measured over main st patt

HOOK USED

4mm

SIZING

19.5cm long x 22cm
circumference at widest part

ABBREVIATIONS

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all abbreviations

➔ Start crocheting...

The cuff is worked first in rows, then joined to make a tube. The first round of the main body of the wrist warmer is worked into the ends of the cuff rows.

From Rnd 3 of the main part, you are crocheting in the gap between two tr stitches rather than in the top of them.

When changing colours, make the join in the new colour and sl st again into the space between the trebles of the first 2tr-group so you are in the correct place to start your next round.

Beg 1 ch does not count as a st.
Beg 2 ch counts as first htr.
Beg 3 ch counts as first tr.

Cuff

With A and smaller hook,
chain 19.

Row 1 (RS): Starting in 2nd ch from hook, 18 dc. Turn. 18 sts

Row 2 (WS): 1 ch, dc in BLO across. Turn.

Rows 3-36: Rep Row 2.

Hold bottom of Row 1 and top of Row 36 tog and, working through both rows at the same time, sl st across. Do not fasten off.

Main Body

Row 1 (RS): With B and larger hook, 1 ch, 1 dc in each row end, join with sl st to beg dc. 36 sts

Rnd 2: 3 ch, 1 tr in first st, miss 1 st, *2 tr in next st, miss 1 st; rep from * to end, join with sl st in top of beg 3 ch, sl st in sp between beg 3 ch and first tr. 18 2tr-groups

Rnd 3: 3 ch, 1 tr in same sp as last sl st, miss 2 sts, working in centre sp of each 2tr-group, *2 tr in next sp between sts, miss 2 sts; rep from * to end, changing to C, join with sl st in top of beg 3 ch, sl st in sp between beg 3

ch and first tr.

Rnd 4: Rep Rnd 3.

Rnd 5: Rep Rnd 3, changing to D at end.

Rnd 6: Rep Rnd 4.

Rnd 7: Rep Rnd 3, changing to E at end.

Rnd 8: Rep Rnd 4.

Rnd 9: 3 ch, 1 tr in same sp as last sl st, working in centre sp of each 2tr-group, [miss 2 sts, 2 tr in next sp between sts] 6 times, miss 10 sts (leaving 4 2tr-groups unworked; forms

thumb hole), [2 tr in next sp between sts, miss 2 sts] 7 times, join with sl st in top of beg 3 ch, sl st in sp between beg 3 ch and first tr. 14 2tr-groups

Rnd 10: With E, rep Rnd 7.

Rnds 11-12: With F, rep rnds 5-6

Rnd 13: With B, rep Rnd 7.

Rnd 14: With B, 2 ch, htr around, join with sl st in top of beg 2 ch.

Fasten off. Weave in ends. 





Sian Brown

Snowfall Stripes **HOT WATER BOTTLE COVER**

Bring on those cold, snowy days spent inside with this warming hottie cover

Kit yarn **4mm**

YARN USED

Kit yarn

1 ball each in Pinecrest (A), Sugarplum (B), Mulberry (C), Emberglow (D), Icicle (E) & Frost Rose (F)

ABOUT THE YARN

DK; 22g per ball;
100% polyester

TENSION

23 sts x 28 rows = 10cm
measured over St st

NEEDLES USED

4mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

✓ tapestry needle

SIZING

18cm wide x 28cm long

ABBREVIATIONS

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all abbreviations

The hot water bottle cover fits a 1 litre hot water bottle. It is worked in stocking stitch stripes, with an intarsia motif square which is sewn on. The top border is in a 2x2 rib, and a tie is used to close.

➔ Start knitting...

Stripe patt

Rows 1-4: With A and starting with a k row, work in St st.

Rows 5-8: With B, work in St st.

Rows 9-12: With C, work in St st.

Rows 13-16: With D, work in St st.

Rows 17-20: With E, work in St st.

Rep these 20 rows for patt.

Striped Rib patt

Row 1 (RS): With C, k1, *p2, k2; rep from * to last st, k1.

Row 2: With C, p1, *k2, k2; rep from * to last st, p1.

Rows 3-4: With D, rep rows 1-2.

Rows 5-6: With E, rep rows 1-2.

Rows 7-8: With A, rep rows 1-2.

Rows 9-10: With B, rep rows 1-2.

Rows 11-12: With C, rep rows 1-2.

These 12 rows form patt.

➔ Start knitting...

Main Cover Pieces

Make 2

With A, cast on 43 sts.

Next Row (WS): Purl.



Work in patt

Breaking and joining colours as needed, work 68 rows in Stripe patt, ending after a B stripe. Change to C.

Next Row (RS): Knit.

Next Row (eyelets): P5, [p2tog, yo, p4] 5 times, p2tog, yo, p1, p2tog. 42 sts

Rib Border

Work Striped Rib patt once in full.

With C, cast off k-wise.

Motif Squares

Make 1 using House chart and 1 using Tree chart

With F, cast on 23 sts.

Work chart

Break and join yarns as required while working chart, use a separate end for each section and cross yarns at colour changes to prevent holes (intarsia technique). Work chart once in full. With F, cast off k-wise.

Tie

Cut 6 lengths of yarn 85cm long, and plait to form a tie.

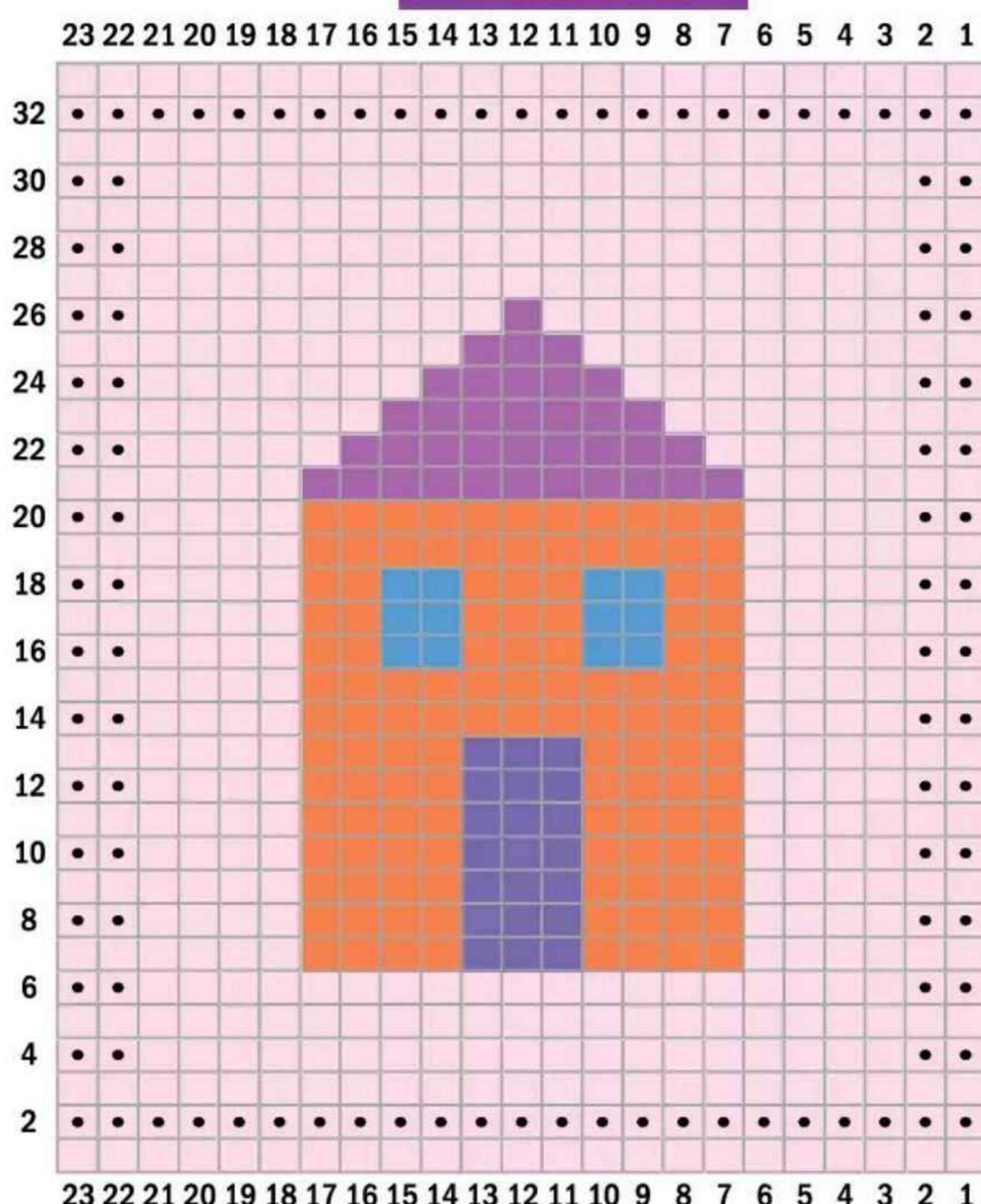
Making up

Weave in ends and block pieces. Pin one Motif Square to centre of each Main Cover Piece and sew in place. Join bottom and side seams of Main Cover Pieces. Thread Tie through eyelet holes and knot ends tog.

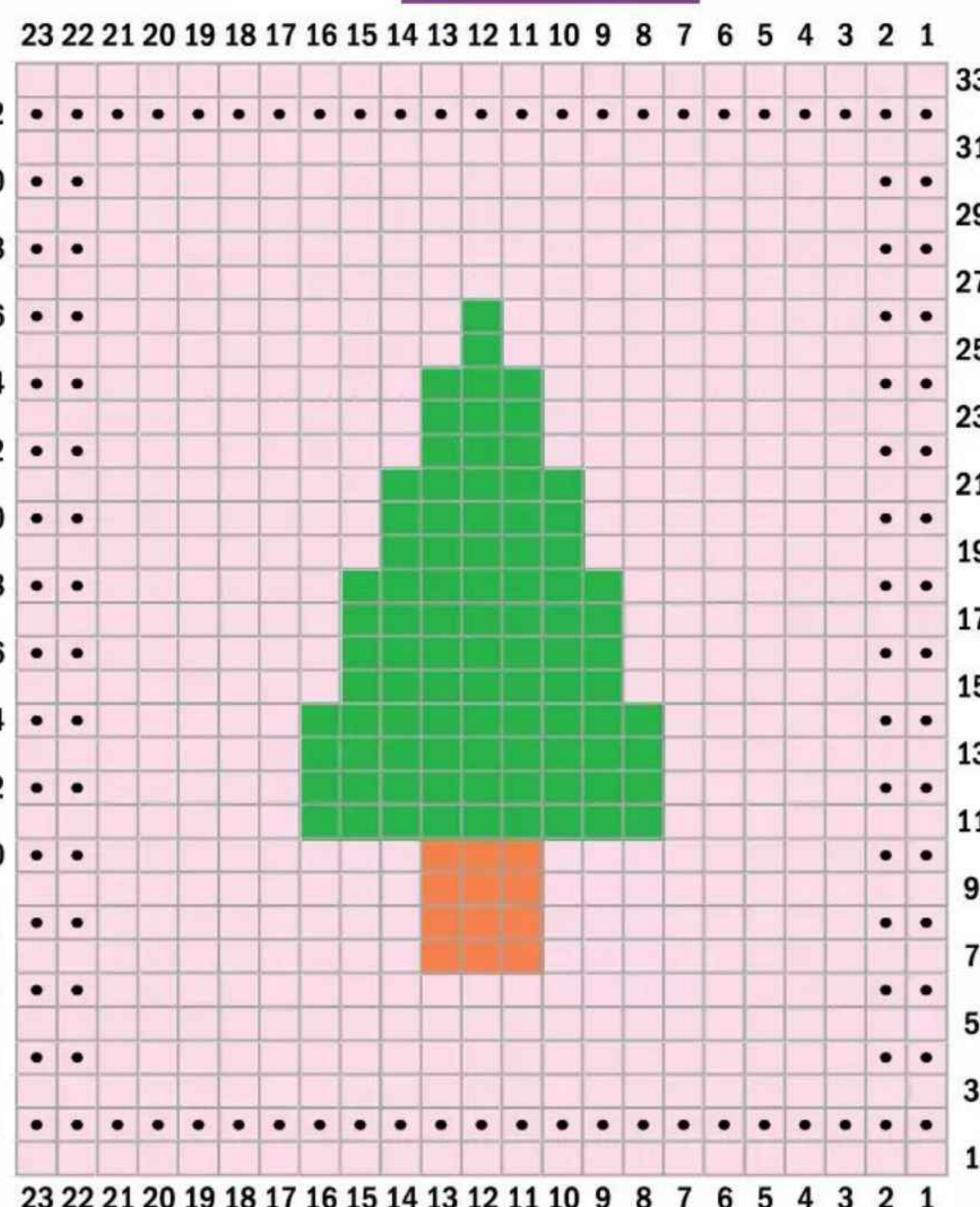
HINTS & TIPS

Wind small amounts of yarn for each colour used in a row before starting the intarsia

House chart



Tree chart



Key

- RS: knit
- WS: purl
- ◻ RS: purl
- ◻ WS: knit
- A
- B
- C
- D
- E
- F
- F



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YARN USED

Stash yarn

1 ball each in purple (A), light green (B), blue (C), peach (D), orange (E) & pink glitter (F)

ABOUT THE YARN

DK; 22g per ball; 100% polyester

TENSION

14 sts x 9 rows = 10cm measured over tr

HOOK USED

3.75mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

- ✓ stitch marker
- ✓ tapestry needle

SIZING

one size

ABBREVIATIONS

See page 63 for all abbreviations

➔ Start crocheting...

Chain Loop

Make 12,

alternating colours

With first colour, chain 31.

Rnd 1: Starting in 4th ch from hook, 1 tr, 1 tr into same sp, 2 ch, 3 tr into same sp, *1 ch, miss 2 ch,

3 tr into next ch; rep from * 7 more times, miss 2 ch, [3 tr, 2 ch] twice into last ch, 3 tr into same ch, rotate to work on opposite side of foundation ch, **1 ch, miss next 2 ch, 3 tr into same sp as 3 tr on opposite side; rep from ** 7 more times, 1 ch, 3 tr into same sp as 3 ch, 2 ch, join with sl st into top of 3rd starting ch.

Rnd 2: With second colour, insert hook into corner 2ch-sp, pul, 3 ch (counts as first tr), 2 tr into same 2ch-sp, 2 ch, 3 tr into same sp, 1 ch, (3 tr, 2 ch, 3 tr) into 2ch-sp, *1 ch, 3 tr into 1ch-sp; rep from * 8 more times, 1 ch, (3 tr, 2 ch, 3 tr) into 2ch-sp, 1 ch, (3 tr, 2 ch, 3 tr) into next 2ch-sp, **1 ch, 3 tr into 1ch-sp; rep from ** 8 more times, 1 ch, sl st into top of 3rd starting ch.

Fasten off.

With yarn colour matching Rnd 2, fold piece in half so short sides meet. Making sure sts are lined up, sl st into back loops of both short sides all the way across to join tog. Fasten off.

Before joining, thread next Chain Loop through centre of first, then fold and sl st along back loops to join as before. Rep for all Chain Loops to create a chain.



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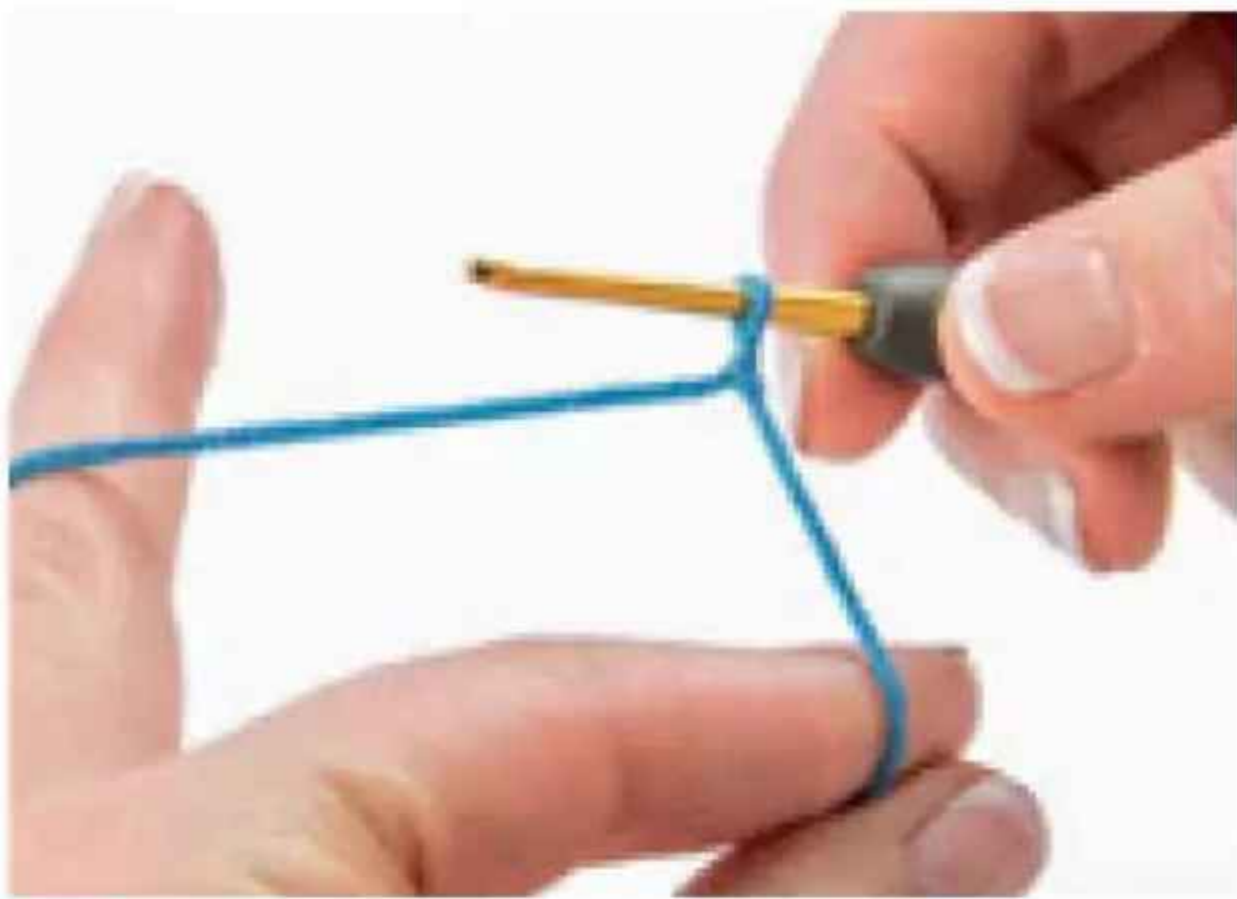


Crochet – Learn the basics

Master the essential techniques you'll need for the projects in this issue



Holding the yarn



- 1 The key is to ensure tension in the yarn. This technique shows the tail held between the index finger and thumb, and the working end over the middle finger.

Making a slipknot

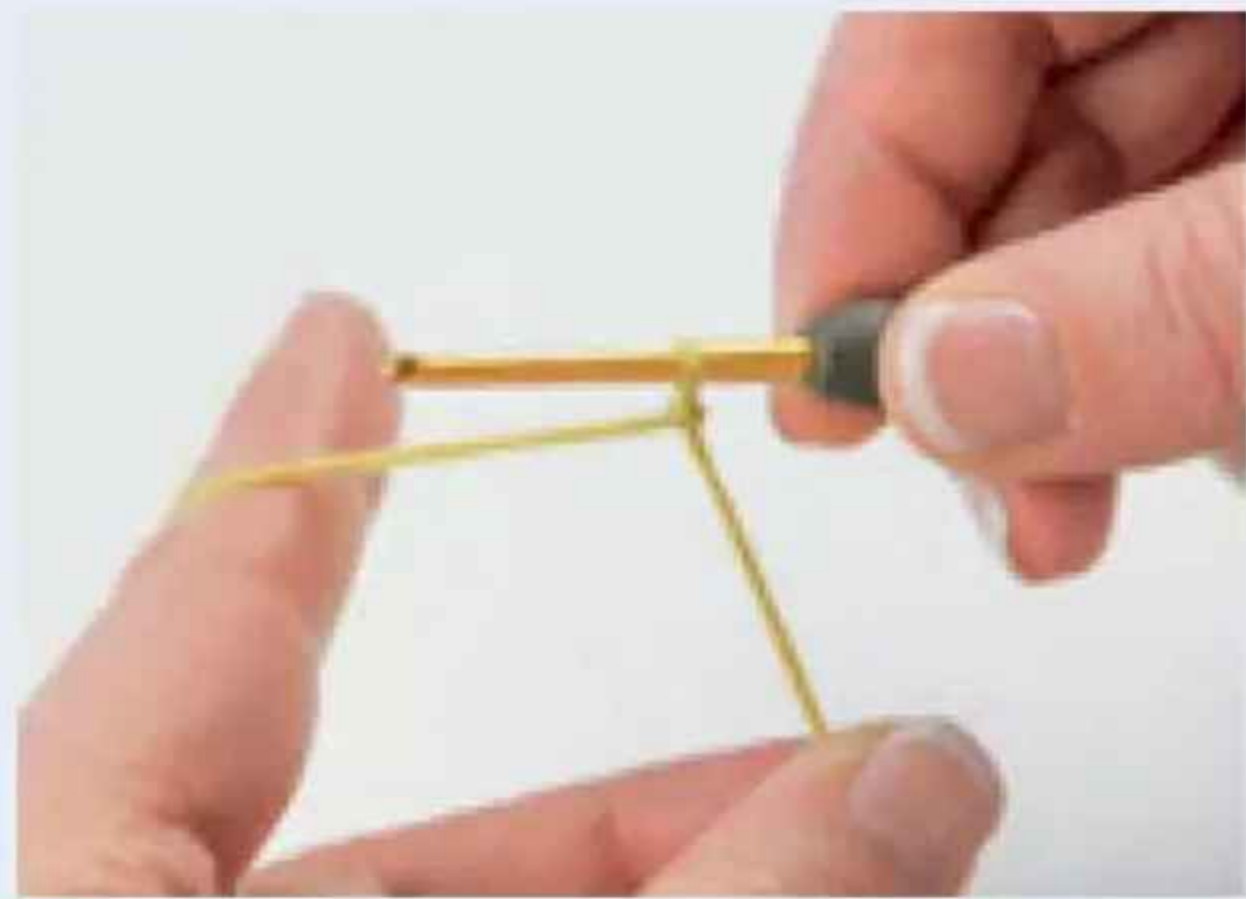


- 1 Holding the tail end firmly, wrap the working end of the ball of yarn around two fingers to make a loop.

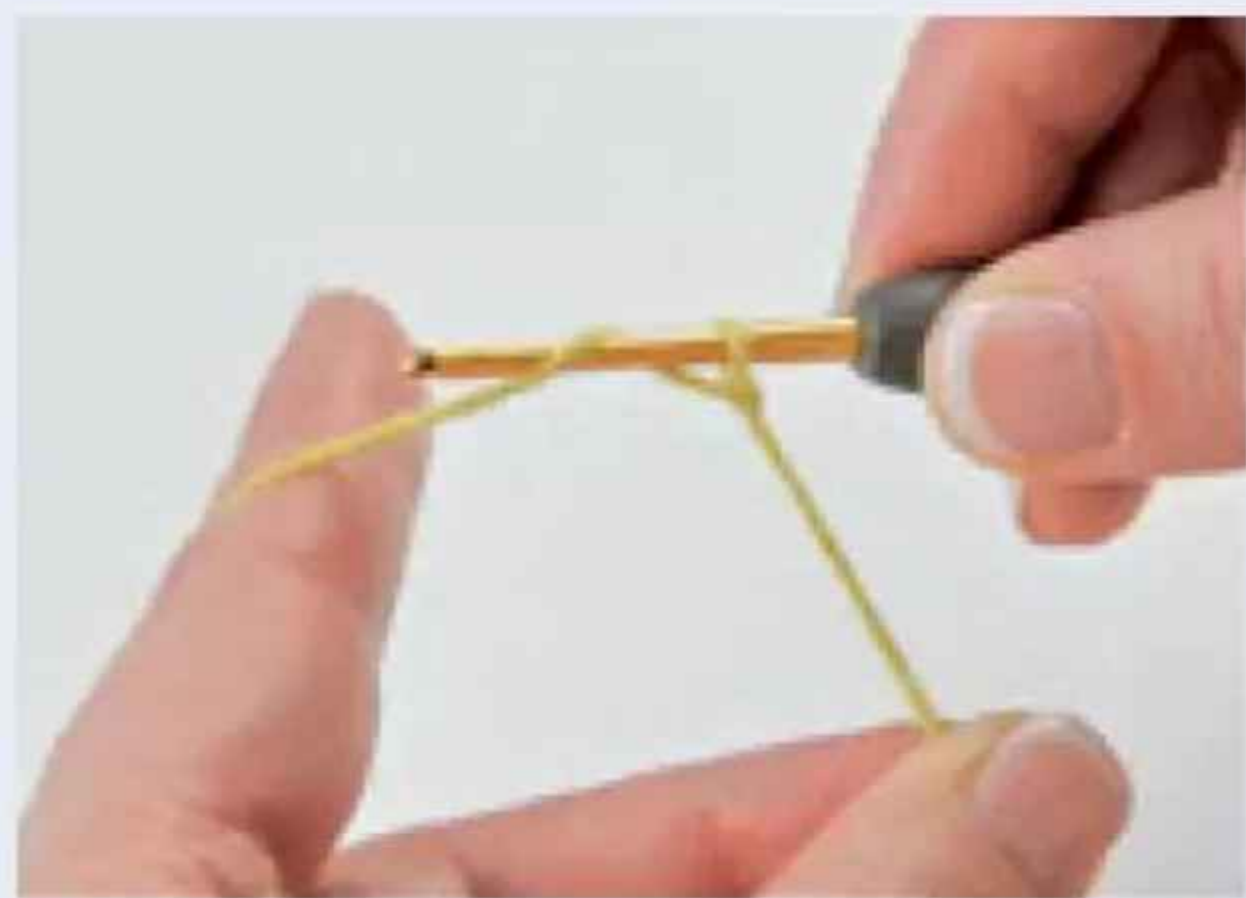


- 2 Pull a loop from the working end of the ball of yarn up through the centre of the loop you've just made. Remove the loop from your fingers and you should have something that looks like this. Pull the tail end of the yarn to close the slipknot – it's now ready to be popped onto your crochet hook and pulled tight to close.

Chain stitch (ch)



- 1 This is what the start of any crochet project looks like – a slipknot on a hook.



- 2 To begin making your first chain, first wrap the yarn around the hook (yrh).



- 3 Pull the hook towards the first loop on the hook – always be sure to move the crochet hook and not the yarn to make your stitches – this will catch the yrh in the head of the hook.



- 4 Continue to move the hook until you pull your yrh through the first loop on the hook – you've made your first chain stitch!

Double crochet (dc)



- 1 Insert your hook into the next stitch from front to back. Wrap the yarn round the hook (yrh).



- 2 Pull up a loop through the stitch. You will now have two loops on the hook.



- 3 Yarn round the hook again.



- 4 Pull through both loops on hook. You've made your first double crochet.

Treble (tr)



- 1 First up, yarn round the hook.



- 2 Insert the hook into the next stitch and pull up one loop. There are three loops on the hook.



- 3 Yarn round the hook and pull through two loops. There are two loops left on the hook.



- 4 Yarn round the hook again and pull through the remaining two loops. One treble crochet stitch made.

Half treble (htr)



1 First up, yarn round the hook.



2 Insert the hook into the next stitch, yrh and pull through one loop. There are three loops on the hook.



3 Yarn round the hook again.



4 Pull through all three loops. One half treble stitch made.

Magic ring



1 A magic ring allows greater control over the size of the centre ring of your project.



2 To start off, make a slipknot by making a loop around your fingers with the end of the yarn.



3 Pull through a loop of the working end of the yarn, place hook into new loop; don't pull the tail to make slipknot.



4 In this example, we're double crocheting into the magic ring. To secure the magic ring, make one chain.



5 Continue to work desired double crochet stitches into magic ring, ensuring loop and tail are caught in the stitches.



6 Pull the tail end of the yarn and the magic ring will close up as tightly as it is able, depending on the number of stitches.

Double crochet 2 together (Dc2tog)



1 This stitch is a common decrease in double crochet. First up, work a double crochet stitch as far as Step 3. Then, insert your hook into the next stitch, yrh and pull up a loop. You will have three loops on the hook.



2 Yarn round the hook again.



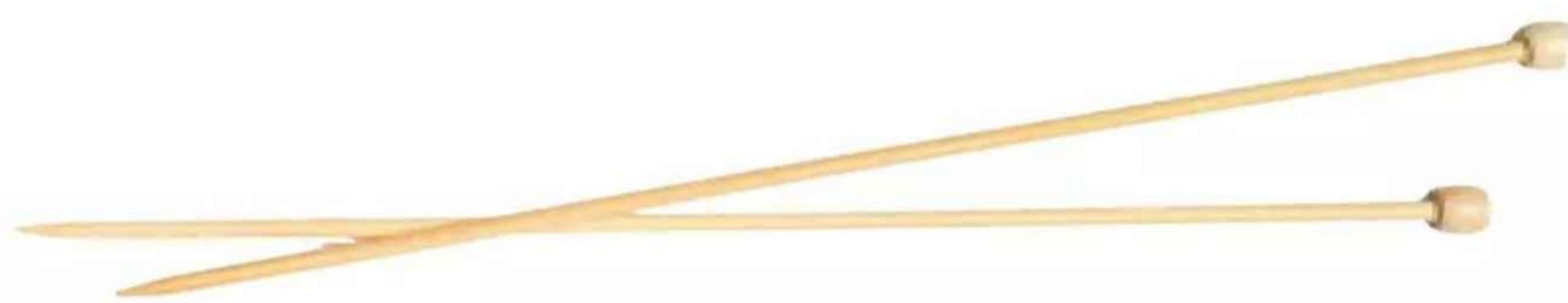
3 Pull through all three loops on the hook.

Crochet Abbreviations

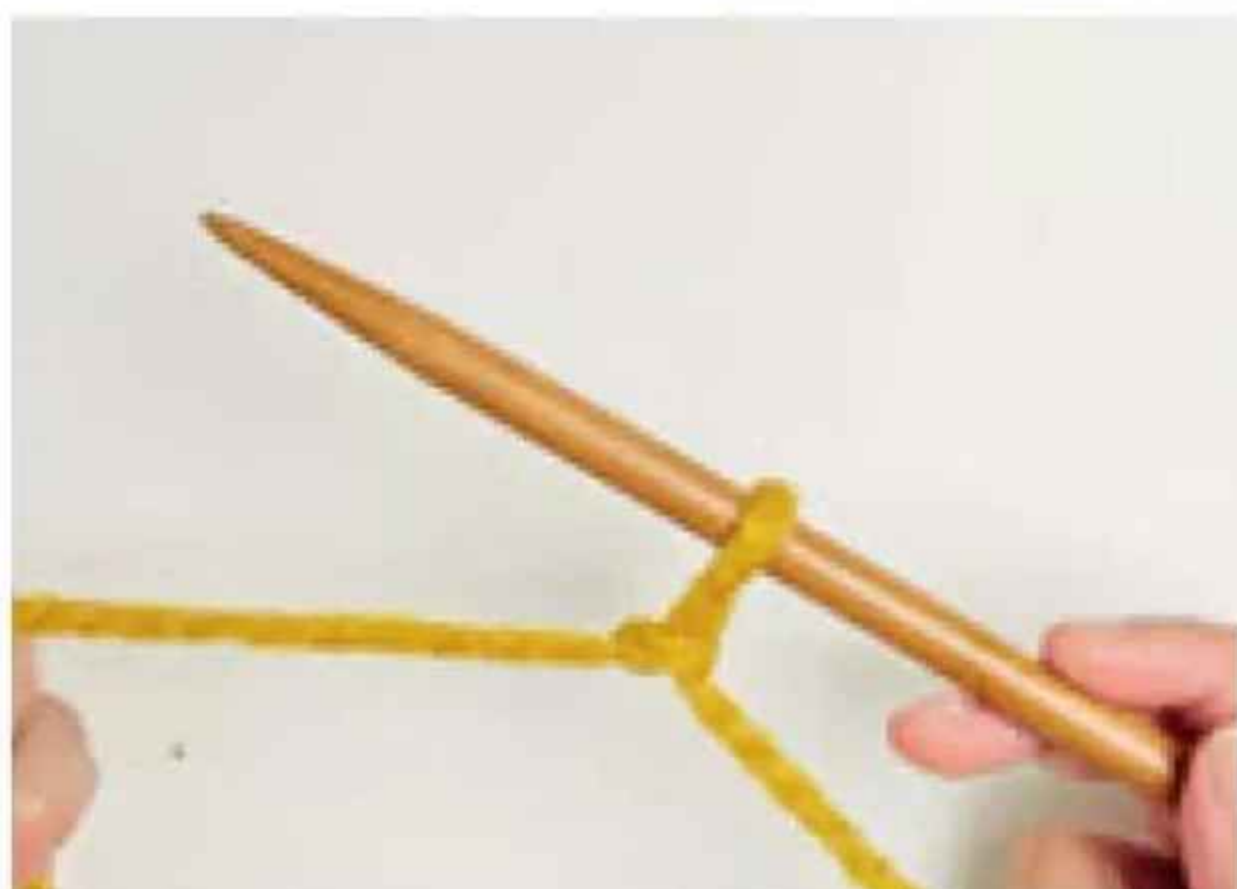
BLO	<i>work in back loops only</i>
ch	<i>chain</i>
ch-sp	<i>chain space</i>
dc	<i>double crochet</i>
dc2tog	<i>work two double crochet stitches together</i>
fdc	<i>foundation double crochet</i>
FLO	<i>work in front loops only</i>
htr	<i>half treble crochet</i>
pul	<i>pull up a loop</i>
RS	<i>right side</i>
sl st	<i>slip stitch</i>
sp	<i>space</i>
st(s)	<i>stitch(es)</i>
tbl	<i>through the back loop</i>
tr	<i>treble</i>
ttr	<i>triple treble</i>
tr2tog	<i>work two treble crochet stitches together</i>
WS	<i>wrong side</i>
yrh	<i>yarn round hook</i>

Knit – Learn the basics

Master the essential techniques you'll need for the projects in this issue



Cast on



1 Make a slipknot, leaving a long tail of yarn. Place slipknot on needle and draw up.



2 Hook left thumb under working yarn, back to front. Insert needle into front of loop on left thumb.



3 Use RH to bring tail under needle, R to L. Take between thumb and needle, over top of needle, hold to right. Wrap yarn clockwise as if to knit.



4 Lift loop on left thumb over tip of needle, remove thumb and draw up working yarn. 2 sts on RH needle. Repeat steps 2-4 until number of sts required has been cast on.

Knit (k)



1 Insert RH needle from left to right into front of next st.



2 Wrap yarn clockwise around RH needle.



3 Holding working yarn firmly, pull loop through.



4 Drop old st off LH needle. 1 knit st has been made.

Purl (p)



1 Insert RH needle from right to left into front of next st.



2 Wrap yarn anti-clockwise around RH needle.



3 Holding working yarn firmly, pull loop through.



4 Drop old st off LH needle. One purl st has been made.

Cast off



1 Knit 2 sts.



2 Insert the tip of left hand needle into front of first st on RH needle.



3 Lift this st over the 2nd st and lift off needle. 1 st is left on RH needle.



4 Knit next st from the LH needle and lift 2nd st over this. Rep until 1 st remains. Thread yarn through.

Make one (m1)



1 Insert LH needle from back to front below the strand between the two needles, lifting the strand onto the LH needle.



2 Insert the tip of the RH needle from front to back into the front of the new loop on the LH needle. Knit this st.

Yarn over (yo)



Between knit sts: Start with yarn at back. Bring yarn forward from back to front between the needles and back over the RH needle.



Between purl sts: With the yarn at the front of the work, take it from front to back over the top of the RH needle, continue round, under RH needle, and hold to front ready to purl next st.

Slip, slip, knit (ssk)



1 Insert the RH needle into the next st k-wise, then slip it onto the RH needle without knitting it.



2 Insert the RH needle into the next st p-wise, then slip onto the RH needle. You have 2 slipped sts on the RH needle, 1 slipped k-wise, 1 slipped p-wise.



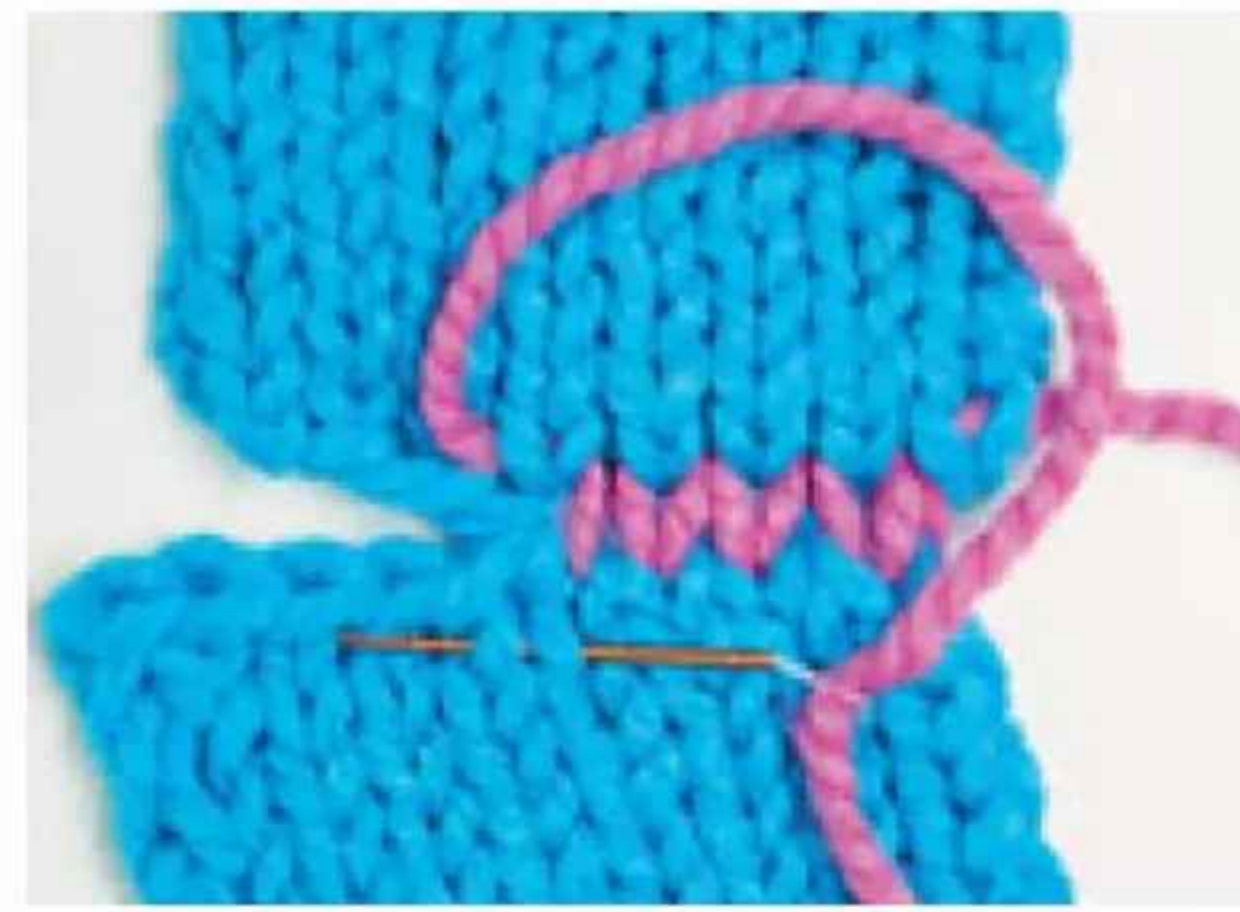
3 Insert the tip of the LH needle from left to right up into the front of the two slipped sts (the RH needle is behind the LH needle). Knit these two sts tog.

Knit 2 together



Knit to required place, insert RH needle knitwise through next 2 sts, knit them as 1 st.

Mattress stitch



End to end: Lay pieces RS up together. Thread yarn onto darning needle (DN). Secure two corners at RH edge. R to L, *insert DN under V of next st in top piece, pull gently, insert DN under V of opposite st in bottom piece, pull gently; rep from *.



Side to side: Lay pieces RS up together. Thread yarn onto darning needle (DN). Secure two corners at RH edge. R to L, *with DN, catch first rung of ladder on RH piece. Catch opposite rung on LH piece and pull gently until the two edges meet; rep from *.

Knit Abbreviations

cdd	centred double decrease – slip 2 stitches knitwise together, knit 1, pass slipped stitches over	psso	pass slipped stitch over
cm	centimetres	sk2p	slip 1, knit 2 together, pass slipped stitch over
CN	cable needle	skp	slip 1, knit 1, pass slipped stitch over
DPN	double-pointed needle	sl	slip stitch – slip p-wise unless specified
G st	garter stitch. Knitting flat: Knit every row. Knitting in the round: Knit and purl alternate rounds	ssk	slip one knitwise, slip one purlwise, knit two slipped stitches together
k	knit	ssp	slip one, slip one, purl two slipped stitches together
k-wise	knitwise	St st	stocking stitch. Knitting flat: Alternate knit and purl rows. Knitting in the round: Knit all rounds
kfb	knit one through the front then through the back (same stitch)	tbl	through back loop
k2tog	knit two together	wyib	with yarn in back
m1	make one by lifting the bar between stitches onto LH needle and knitting into it	wyif	with yarn in front
p	purl	yo	yarnover
p-wise	purlwise		
p2tog	purl 2 together		

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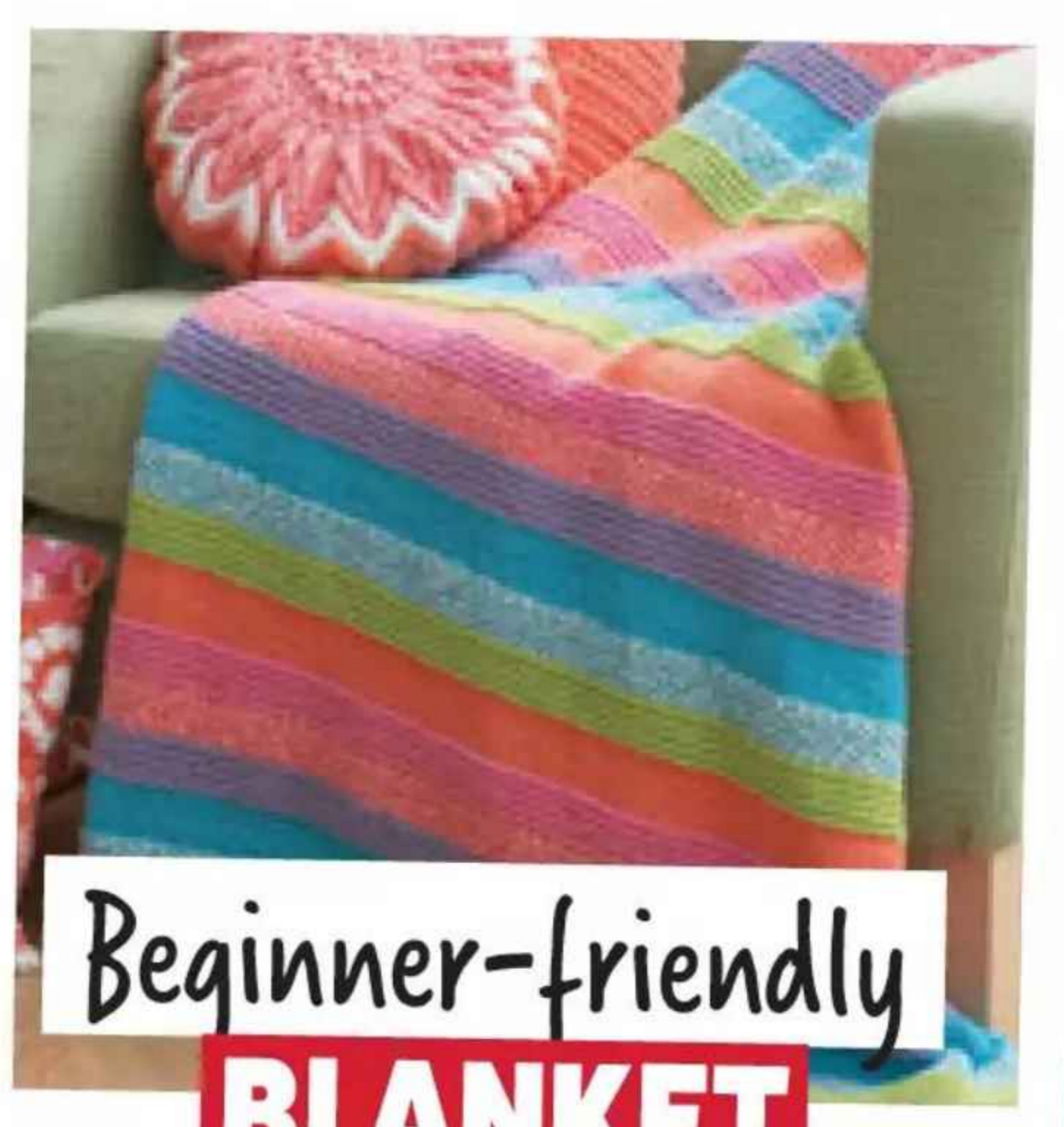


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