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Hello!

My parents used to own a caravan in West Mersea and I'd love visiting them, whiling away **sunny days** with beach strolls and delicious seafood platters. The beach huts are renowned – of course we'd talk about which one we'd own given the chance! – and walking sandals were essential to compete with the pebbly coastline. As you've probably guessed, it was the inspiration behind this somewhat **nautical edition**.

There's a magnificent lighthouse, sailor doll, seal, dinky seafaring motifs, mermaids and a **trio of whales**. Plus, bunting featuring those quintessential beach huts. And your can't-get-it-anywhere-else Horizon yarn kit is to thank. Say hello to **six lovely DK yarns**, 3mm bamboo needles and a 3mm metal hook. Oh, and the yellow skein has a gold sparkle running through it – snazzy!

If the beach isn't your thing, there's still plenty for you to enjoy. Dawn Finney's vase cosy is a beaut, **Sachiyo Ishii's rabbit** is a cutie, and Irene Strange's car and caravan is so much fun. Plus, Hannah Cooper is back with part two of our Party Animals crochet-along – they're holding a birthday banner, for crying out loud!

You'll be pleased to hear there's **even more crafty amazingness** beyond that. And although I'm ridiculously excited at just how good this issue is, it's also tinged with sadness for me. This will be my last issue as editor, so I must say a fond farewell. It's been an absolute pleasure, readers.

Rosie

ROSIE SAVAGE, EDITOR



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"From beach huts to nautical sailor stripes, we were channelling some of our favourite summer pastimes when we came up with this bespoke pack. Hope you have as much fun crafting with it as we did creating it!"

ROSIE SAVAGE, EDITOR

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Newsflash!

Celebrate the sunny season with some cool new projects

Summer fun

Magazine 48 is new from Bergere de France, featuring 30 summery patterns for ages 0-12. Designs range from cardigans and T-shirts to dresses, skirts and shorts, made in natural, cotton-based yarns that are perfect for the season. Purchase the collection in booklet form for £7 or as individual PDF patterns for £2 each from bergeredefrance.co.uk.



My Pretty Brown Doll

Crochet Patterns for a Doll that Looks Like You

Yolanda Jordan



Diversity dolls

Having a doll that resembles you is truly special and hasn't always been accessible for everyone. *My Pretty Brown Doll* by Yolanda Jordan (£15.99, Abrams) is a new collection of customisable crochet dolls with skin tones that "embrace the pretty in every shade of brown," including instructions for hairstyles such as Afro Puffs. abramsbooks.com.



Story time

Disney and Stitch & Story have come together to celebrate the joy of storytelling with a new collection of Mickey and Minnie Mouse crafting kits. Each comes with all necessary tools and yarns, stitch-by-stitch instructions, and a handy How To Guide. The amigurumi crochet kits have an RRP of £36. Find out more at stitchandstory.com.



Sustainable stitches

Eco-conscious crafters will love this new DK yarn from Knitcraft by Hobbycraft. Called Make The Change, it's made from recycled plastic bottles! There's a colour palette of eight modern shades and it costs £3 per ball. There's also a Make The Change pattern collection, focusing on garments that can be worn again and again. Find out more at hobbycraft.co.uk.

Blooming cute

Bloom is the name of Rowan's dedicated brand for mama and baby, featuring its tactile and comforting Cotton Wool yarn plus a series of pattern booklets for mindful crafting whilst waiting for the new arrival. Bloom 3 features ten designs by Georgia Farrell including babywear, blankets and nursery accessories. It costs £9.95 from knitrowan.com.



On sale now!

This sunny crocheted tee in Finesse Cotton Silk DK is one of a bundle of lovely new releases from King Cole. The pattern has an RRP of £3. Also launching is Merino Blend Undyed 4ply, a 100% pure new wool that's suitable for home dyeing with an RRP of £13.99 – £16.79. Find stockists at kingcole.com.

Coming next month! Keep 'em peeled for issue 143, where we will be bringing you a spectacular pattern to use with your King Cole yarn

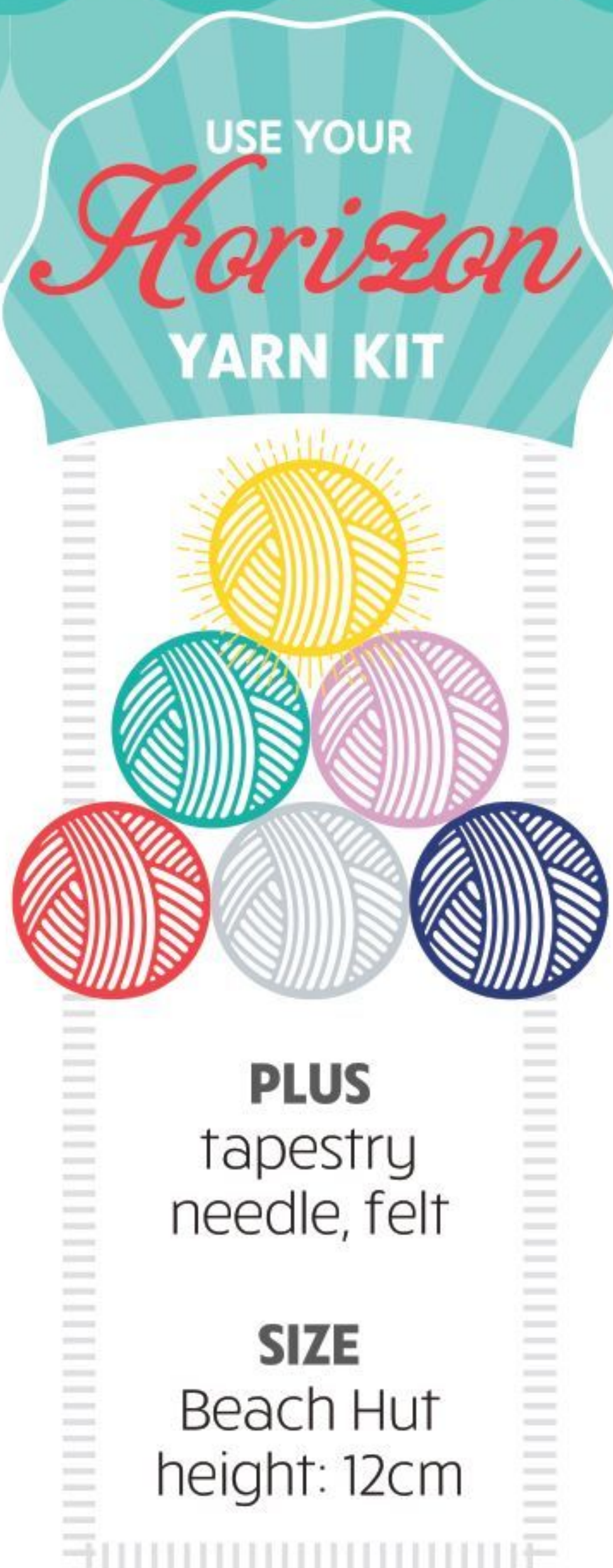


HANG OUT THE BUNTING WITH...

Stuart Hillard

This month we're all about summer! Getting outside is what I enjoy best and if I can take my crafting with me then I'm really happy. I love that my favourite hobbies are so portable and I can easily while away a whole day on the beach, working a few rows back and forth, looking out to sea in search of the horizon, which just so happens to be the name of this issue's yarn pack. And what a beauty it is! I adore the combination of colours this month – rich Ruby Red and Soft Grey look so classy together, I love mixing Deep Navy with Light Pink, plus there's a fabulous Bold Teal and a gold which literally shimmers with metallic thread running through it, just like summer sun bouncing off the waves that come crashing on the beach. Why not make some fabulous mini bunting like I have? To knit or crochet simple striped triangles, I'd start with around 31 to 41 stitches, and after you've worked the eyelet row just decrease a stitch at either end of every third row until you get down to the point. Create narrow or broad stripes using your favourite colour combos from your pack. It's easy to add little holes or 'eyelets' at the top of the triangle when you're knitting – just work the first couple of rows in knit, then on the third row knit the first stitch, then work a yarn forward followed by a knit two together. Keep repeating this sequence of yfwd and k2tog until the end of the row. After that you just have to knit each row. The eyelet pattern will create little holes that you can thread a crochet chain or knitted i-cord through to hang your bunting and if the weather turns out to be less than summery you can always just enjoy your yarns and look for better things on the horizon!

Stu X



Beach hut bunting

Why not personalise Sarah-Jane Hicks' latest pattern?



BEACH HUT BUNTING

Make six (two in Ruby Red and Light Pink, two in Bold Teal and Soft Grey, two in Deep Navy and Light Pink)
Using 3mm hook and Light Pink or Soft Grey make 15ch
Row 1: starting in second ch from hook, 1dc in each st to end, turn. 14 sts
Row 2: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end, turn
* Change to Ruby Red, Bold Teal or Deep Navy (do not cut prev yarn)
Rows 3-4: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end, turn
Change to Light Pink or Soft Grey (do not cut prev yarn)
Rows 5-6: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end, turn *
Rows 7-13: rep from * to *, ending on a Light Pink or Soft Grey row
Row 14: 1ch, dc2tog, 10dc, dc2tog, turn. 12 sts
Change to Ruby Red, Bold Teal or

Deep Navy
Row 15: 1ch, dc2tog, 8dc, dc2tog, turn. Ten sts
Row 16: 1ch, dc2tog, 6dc, dc2tog, turn. Eight sts
Change to Light Pink or Soft Grey
Row 17: 1ch, dc2tog, 4dc, dc2tog, turn. Six sts
Row 18: 1ch, dc2tog, 2dc, dc2tog, turn. Four sts
Change to Ruby Red, Bold Teal or Deep Navy
Row 19: 1ch, (dc2tog) twice, turn. Two sts
Row 20: 1ch, dc2tog. One st
Fasten off and weave in ends

edging

Make six
Using Ruby Red, Bold Teal or Deep Navy, join yarn to any st along bottom of Beach Hut, 1ch, 1dc in each st to end, working 3dc in bottom corners,

2dc in ends of Row 13 and 3dc in top point, join with a sl st to top of first st
Fasten off and weave in ends

roof

Make six

Using Ruby Red, Bold Teal or Deep Navy, join yarn to first of two sts at one end of Row 13, 1ch, 2dc in first st, 1dc in each st to top of Beach Hut, working 3dc in top point, 1dc in each st down other side to second of two sts at other end of Row 13 on other side, 2dc in this st, leaving rest of sts around Beach Hut unworked
Fasten off

door

Make six (one in each colour from kit)

Using 3mm hook and chosen yarn make 7ch

Row 1: starting in second ch from hook, 1dc in each st to end, turn.

Six sts

Rows 2-10: 1ch, 6dc, turn
Fasten off, leaving a long tail

bunting

Make two

Using 3mm hook and Deep Navy make 4ch

Row 1: 1dc in second ch from hook, 1htr, change to Light Pink, 3ch, 1dc in second ch from hook, 1htr, change to Sparkle, 3ch, 1dc in second ch from hook, 1htr, change to Ruby Red, 4ch, 1dc in second ch from hook, 1htr, 1ch. Four bunting flags made
Fasten off, leaving a long tail

life ring

Make two

Using 3mm hook and Ruby Red make 6ch, join with a sl st to make a ring

Rnd 1: 1ch, 12dc into ring, join with a sl st to first st. 12 sts
Fasten off, leaving a long tail

to make up

Embroider French knot on each Door in contrasting colour to form handle. Sew Doors to Beach Huts. Sew Bunting above Doors of Ruby Red and Light Pink Beach Huts. Using Light Pink, sew four stripes around Life Rings. Sew Life Rings above Doors of Bold Teal and Soft Grey Beach

Huts. Using Sparkle, embroider anchor above doors of Deep Navy and Light Pink Beach Huts. To stiffen Beach Huts and help them lay flat, sew or glue felt of the same shape onto the back of each one. Thread length of Sparkle through top of each Beach Hut for hanging. Weave in all ends

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tapestry
needle,
stuffing,
washed stone
or other
weight,
cardboard or
thin plastic disc

SIZE
Height: 35cm



LIGHTHOUSE

Note: leave short tails throughout unless otherwise stated
Using 3mm needles and Soft Grey cast on ten sts



GREAT ADVICE

MAKE IT STURDY

To increase the stability of your lighthouse, insert a cardboard or plastic disc cut to fit the diameter of the base (10cm) and insert washed stones or other weights when finishing the base



Lighthouse

Add nautical splendour to your home with us

Isn't it terrific? **DAWN FINNEY'S** knitted lighthouse just makes us smile. The subtle glow from our Sparkle yarn, the embroidered windows, the clever indents in those all-important rocks... there's lots of fun to be had. And speaking of fun, here's a fact for you: the oldest existing lighthouse in the world is considered to be La Coruna in Spain, which dates back to 20BC. Wow!



Row 1 (RS): k1, (kfb) eight times, k1. 18 sts

Row 2 and every even-numbered row: p

Row 3: k1, (kfb, k1) eight times, k1. 26 sts

Row 5: k1, (kfb, k2) eight times, k1. 34 sts

Row 7: k1, (kfb, k3) eight times, k1. 42 sts

Row 9: k1, (kfb, k4) eight times, k1. 50 sts

Row 11: k1, (kfb, k5) eight times, k1. 58 sts

Row 13: k1, (kfb, k6) eight times, k1. 66 sts

Row 15: k1, (kfb, k7) eight times, k1. 74 sts

Change to Ruby Red, leaving a long tail of Soft Grey

Rows 16-28: starting with a p row work in st st

Row 29: k1, (k16, k2tog) four times, k1. 70 sts

Row 30: p

Change to Light Pink

Rows 31-42:

starting with a k

row work in st st

Row 43: k1, (k15, k2tog) four times, k1. 66 sts

Row 44: p
Change to Ruby Red

Rows 45-56: starting with a k row work in st st

Row 57: k1, (k14, k2tog) four times, k1. 62 sts

Row 58: p
Change to Light Pink

Rows 59-70: starting with a k row work in st st

Row 71: k1, (k13, k2tog) four times, k1. 58 sts

Row 72: p
Change to Ruby Red

Rows 73-84: starting with a k row work in st st

Row 85: k1, (k12, k2tog) four times, k1. 54 sts

Row 86: p
Change to Light Pink

Rows 87-98: starting with a k row work in st st

Row 99: k1, (k11, k2tog) four times, k1. 50 sts

Row 100: p

Change to Deep Navy

Rows 101-106: k
Change to Sparkle

Rows 107-120: starting with a k row work in st st

Change to Deep Navy

Rows 121-126: k
Change to Bold Teal

Row 127: k

Row 128 and every even-numbered row: p

Row 129: k

Row 131: k1, (k4, k2tog) eight times, k1. 42 sts

Row 133: k

Row 135: k1, (k3, k2tog) eight times, k1. 34 sts

Row 137: k

Row 139: k1, (k2, k2tog) eight times, k1. 26 sts

Row 141: k

Row 143: k1, (k1, k2tog) eight times, k1. 18 sts

Row 145: k

Row 147: k1, (k2tog) eight times, k1. Ten sts

Row 149: k

Row 151: k1, (k2tog) four times, k1. Six sts

Cut yarn leaving a

long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

large rock

Using 3mm needles and Soft Grey cast on eight sts

Row 1 (RS): (kfb) to end. 16 sts

Row 2: p

Row 3: (kfb) to end. 32 sts

Rows 4-22:

starting with a p row work in st st

Row 23: (k2tog) to end. 16 sts

Row 24: p

Row 25: (k2tog) to end. Eight sts
Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

medium rock

Using 3mm needles and Soft Grey cast on eight sts

Row 1 (RS): (kfb) to end. 16 sts

Row 2: p

Row 3: (kfb, k1) to end. 24 sts

Rows 4-20:

starting with a p row work in st st

Row 21: (k1, k2tog) to end. 16 sts

Row 22: p

Row 23: (k2tog) to end. Eight sts

Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

small rock

Make two

Using 3mm needles and Soft Grey cast on eight sts

Row 1 (RS): (kfb) to end. 16 sts

Rows 2-10:

starting with a p row work in st st

Row 11: (k2tog) to end. Eight sts

Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

to make up

Using tapestry needle and long cast-off Bold Teal tail, work gathering st

through cast-off sts, pull tightly to close, then join each side tog using mattress st to Soft Grey colour change. Stuff Lighthouse (see Great Advice), then use Soft Grey tail to close base, weaving gathering st through cast-on sts, pulling tightly and securing firmly. On Sparkle section use long length of Deep Navy to embroider ch st vertical window frames to create four panes that are 12 sts wide. Use Deep Navy to create diagonal running st crosses across each windowpane, then to embroider small windows on tower. For each Rock, use tapestry needle and long cast-off tail to work gathering st through cast-off sts, pull tightly to close, then join each side tog using mattress st, stuffing the rock before closing the end by weaving gathering st through cast-on sts, pulling tightly and securing firmly. Pass a few small running sts through surface of Rock then pull tail firmly to pucker surface. Secure tail then use it to join each Rock to base of Lighthouse or other rocks. Weave in all ends



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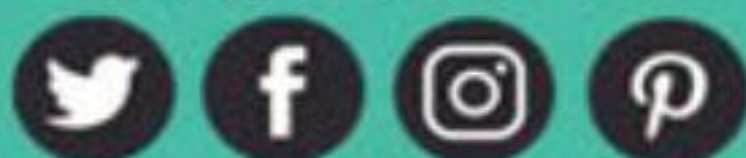
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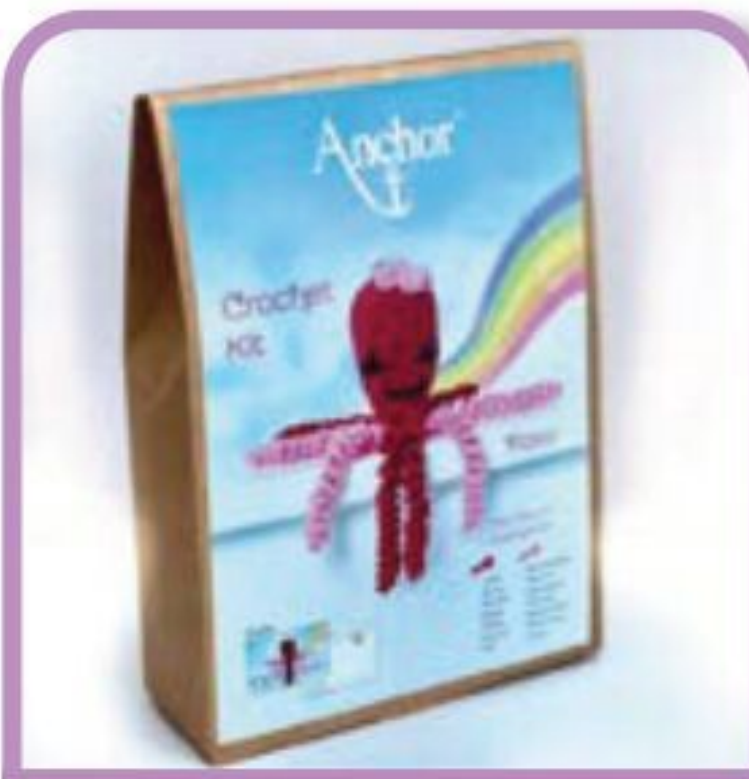
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PLUS

small amount of dark brown 4-ply, two 6mm black eye beads or safety eyes, cotton swab (optional), stuffing, tapestry needle, stitch holder, sewing needle (if using eye beads)

SIZE

Height: 21cm



Take the next step

RALPHY RABBIT legs, body & head

Note: working right Leg first
* Using 3mm needles and Soft Grey cast on 12 sts
Rows 1-19: starting with a p (WS) row work in st st *
Cut yarn, keep sts on st holder
Rep from * to * for left Leg and cont to Body
Change to Light Pink
Row 20: k12 (left Leg sts), k12 (sts from holder), connecting both legs. 24 sts
Row 21: p
Row 22: (k3, kfb) three times, (kfb,

k3) to end. 30 sts
Row 23: p
Row 24: (k4, kfb) three times, (kfb, k4) to end. 36 sts
Rows 25-29: starting with a p row work in st st
Row 30: (k4, k2tog) three times, (k2tog, k4) to end. 30 sts
Rows 31-37: starting with a p row work in st st
Row 38: (k3, k2tog) three times, (k2tog, k3) to end. 24 sts
Rows 39-43: starting with a p row work in st st
Row 44: (k2, k2tog) three times, (k2tog, k2) to end. 18 sts
Rows 45-47: starting with a p row work in st st
Row 48: (k1, k2tog)

three times, (k2tog, k1) to end. 12 sts
Change to Soft Grey
Rows 49-51: starting with a p row work in st st
Row 52: (kfb) to end. 24 sts
Row 53: p
Row 54: (k1, kfb) to end. 36 sts
Row 55: p
Row 56: (k5, kfb) to end. 42 sts
Rows 57-63: starting with a p row work in st st
Row 64: k12, (k2tog, k1) six times, k12. 36 sts
Rows 65-69: starting with a p row work in st st
Row 70: (k4, k2tog) to end. 30 sts
Row 71 and every odd-numbered

row: p
Row 72: (k3, k2tog) to end. 24 sts
Row 74: (k2, k2tog) to end. 18 sts
Row 76: (k1, k2tog) to end. 12 sts
Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

shoe

Make two
Using 3mm needles and Deep Navy cast on 15 sts
Row 1 (WS): p
Row 2: (k2, kfb) to end. 20 sts
Row 3: p
Row 4 (edge): p
Rows 5-9: starting with a p row work in st st
Row 10: k6, (k2tog) four times,

k6. 16 sts
Rows 11-14: starting with a p row work in st st
Rows 15-17: k
Cast off kwise

arm

Make two
Using 3mm needles and Soft Grey cast on 11 sts
Rows 1-18: starting with a p (WS) row work in st st
Row 19: p2tog, (p1, p2tog) to end. Seven sts
Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

ear

Make two
Using 3mm needles and Soft Grey cast on six sts
Row 1 (WS): p
Row 2: (kfb) to end. 12 sts
Row 3: p
Row 4: (k1, kfb)

three times, (kfb, k1) to end. 18 sts
Rows 5-15: starting with a p row work in st st
Row 16: (k4, k2tog) twice, k3, k2tog, k1. 15 sts
Rows 17-19: starting with a p row work in st st
Row 20: (k3, k2tog) twice, k2, k2tog, k1. 12 sts
Rows 21-23: starting with a p row work in st st
Row 24: (k2, k2tog) twice, k1, k2tog, k1. Nine sts
Row 25: p
Cast off

trousers

Note: working right leg first
* Using 3mm needles and Ruby Red cast on 18 sts
Rows 1-3: k
Rows 4-6: starting with a p (WS) row work in st st *
Cut yarn, keep sts on st holder
Rep from * to * for

Oh Ralphy, what a cutie you are! Dressed in his finery with a leaf crown to boot, he must be off somewhere really important. You'll be using basic stitches throughout, you just need to use stitch holders when working up the legs, before continuing to the body. And you'll need to focus on the making up, but Sachiyo guides you every step of the way. Enjoy!



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SACHIYO ISHII'S TOYMAKING TIP OF THE MONTH

“You’ll need to embroider a nose, mouth and whiskers, plus details on the leaf crown. Make sure you take your time – these details can truly make all the difference. I’ve used dark brown 4-ply yarn from my stash for the facial embroidery. It’s softer than black, and the lighter weight is better than DK when working with small features”



left leg and cont to rest of Trousers
Row 7: k18 (left leg sts), k18 (sts from holder), connecting both legs. 36 sts

Row 8: p

Row 9: (k5, kfb) three times, (kfb, k5) to end. 42 sts

Rows 10-18: starting with a p row work in st st

Rows 19-20: (k1, p1) to end

Cast off in rib

strap

Make two

Using 3mm needles and Ruby Red cast on four sts

Rows 1-55: k
Cast off

bow

Using 3mm needles and Light Pink cast on five sts

Rows 1-14: starting with a p (WS) row work in st st

Row 15: p2tog, p1, p2tog. Three sts

Row 16: kfb, k1, kfb. Five sts

Rows 17-29: starting with a p row work in st st
Cast off

bow knot

Using 3mm needles and Light Pink cast on eight sts
Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread

through rem sts, fasten off

leaf crown

Using 3mm needles and Bold Teal cast on four sts
(Cast off three sts pwise [one st on RH needle], cast on three sts) 30 times
Fasten off

to make up

With fastened-off yarn end of Body, sew seam of Head down to neck. Insert safety eyes if using. With each

cast-on end, sew Leg as far as crotch. Sew up Body seam halfway and stuff Legs and Head. Insert cotton swab in neck if desired. Finish stuffing Body and close seam. With Soft Grey, work gathering thread along neck. Fold Shoe in half longways and sew sole and back of Shoe. Stuff Shoe, insert Leg and secure Shoe to Leg with sts all around Leg.

Thread Deep Navy, insert needle from sole, take needle out from top of Shoe and rep. Pull thread to flatten sole and shape ankle. Rep for other Leg. Seam and stuff Arms. Attach to Body. Wrap Body with Trousers and sew each Leg as far as crotch. Sew Trousers back seam. Attach Straps. Attach Ears. Attach eye beads if using. With dark brown 4-ply, embroider

nose and whiskers. Sew cast-on and cast-off edge of Bow. Sew Bow knot ends tog to make small bobble. Attach Bow knot in centre and sew Bow to neck. Take out sparkly thread from Sparkle (optional) and make French knots evenly along Leaf Crown, then attach to Head. Weave in all ends



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YARN KIT

PLUS
tapestry
needle, stitch
markers

SIZE
Sunshine
diameter: 8cm
Life ring
diameter: 7cm
Boat width:
8.5cm
Fish length:
7.5cm
Anchor height:
6.5cm



**Perfect for
beginners**

FISH

Make two

Using 3mm hook and Bold Teal (Light Pink) make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring.

Six sts

Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

Rnd 2: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end.

18 sts

Rnd 3: 1htr, 3tr in next st, 1htr, 2dc, 2dc in next st, 3dc, 1htr, 3tr in next st, 1htr, 2dc, 2dc in next st, 3dc, three sl sts. 26 sts

Create tail as folls: (6ch, sl st in second ch from hook, 1htr, 1tr, 1dc, sl st to bottom of starting 6ch) twice. Fasten off

LIFE RING

Using 3mm hook and Ruby Red make 24ch, join with a sl st to first ch to make a ring

Rnd 1: (3dc, 2dc in next st) to end.

30 sts

Rnd 2: (4dc, 2dc in next st) to end.

36 sts

Rnd 3: 2dc, 2dc in next st, (5dc, 2dc in next st) to last three sts, 1dc in each st to end.

42 sts
Fasten off

SUN

Using 3mm hook and Sparkle make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring.

Six sts

Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

Rnd 2: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end.

18 sts

Rnd 3: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end.

24 sts

Rnd 4: (3dc, 2dc in next st) to end.

30 sts

Rnd 5: (5ch, sl st in second ch from hook, 1dc, 1htr, 1tr, miss next two sts on main part of

Sun, one sl st) 12 times. Ten points made. Fasten off

ANCHOR

Using 3mm hook and Soft Grey make 6ch, join with a sl st to first ch to make a ring

Part 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

Part 2: 9ch, starting in second ch from hook, 1dc in each st to end, join with a sl st back to next st on starting ring. Fasten off

Part 3a: join yarn to third st of Part 2, 3ch, starting in second ch from hook, 1dc in each st to end, sl st to fourth ch of Part 2. Fasten off

Part 3b: join yarn to second st of other side of Part 2, 3ch, starting in second ch from hook, 1dc in each st to end, sl st to third ch of Part 2. Fasten off

Part 4: 16ch, starting in second ch from hook, 4dc, 2dc in next st, 5dc,

2dc in next st, 1dc in each st to end. Fasten off

BOAT sail

Note: 1ch at start of row does not count as a st throughout

Using 3mm hook and Soft Grey make a magic ring, work 3dc into ring, turn. Three sts

Row 1: 1ch, 2dc in next st, 1dc, 2dc in next st, turn.

Five sts

Row 2: 1ch, 2dc in next st, 3dc, 2dc in next st, turn.

Seven sts

Row 3: 1ch, 2dc in next st, 5dc, 2dc in next st, turn.

Nine sts

Row 4: 1ch, 2dc in next st, 7dc, 2dc in next st, turn.

Eleven sts

Row 5: 1ch, 2dc in next st, 9dc, 2dc in next st, turn. 13 sts. Fasten off, leaving a long tail

hull

Note: 1ch at start of row does not count as st throughout

Using 3mm hook and Deep Navy make 13ch

Row 1: starting in second ch from hook, 1dc in each st to end. 12 sts

Row 2: 1ch, 2dc in next st, 10dc, 2dc in next st, turn.

14 sts

Row 3: 1ch, 2dc in next st, 12dc, 2dc in next st, turn. 16 sts

Row 4: 1ch, 2dc in next st, 14dc, 2dc in next st, turn. 18 sts. Fasten off

flag

Using 3mm hook and Ruby Red make 3ch

Row 1: starting in second ch from hook, 2dc, turn.

Two sts

Row 2: dc2tog. One st. Fasten off, leaving a long tail

to make up

For Life Ring, wind Soft Grey around six times and secure in place. Repeat to make four equally distanced sections. For Anchor, sew

centre of Part 4 to bottom of Part 2. Using Deep Navy, surface crochet or embroider line in middle of Sail. Leaving one st free on either side of Hull, attach Sail to Row 4. Sew Flag at top of Sail. Weave in all ends



GREAT ADVICE

BLOCKING YOUR APPLIQUÉS

Before adding the appliqués to a project, they may benefit from blocking.

Completely soak each piece in cold water, then gently squeeze out some of the excess water – without wringing it! Using a tape measure and pins, carefully pin each piece onto a blocking board. Leave to dry completely for 24 hours, then unpin



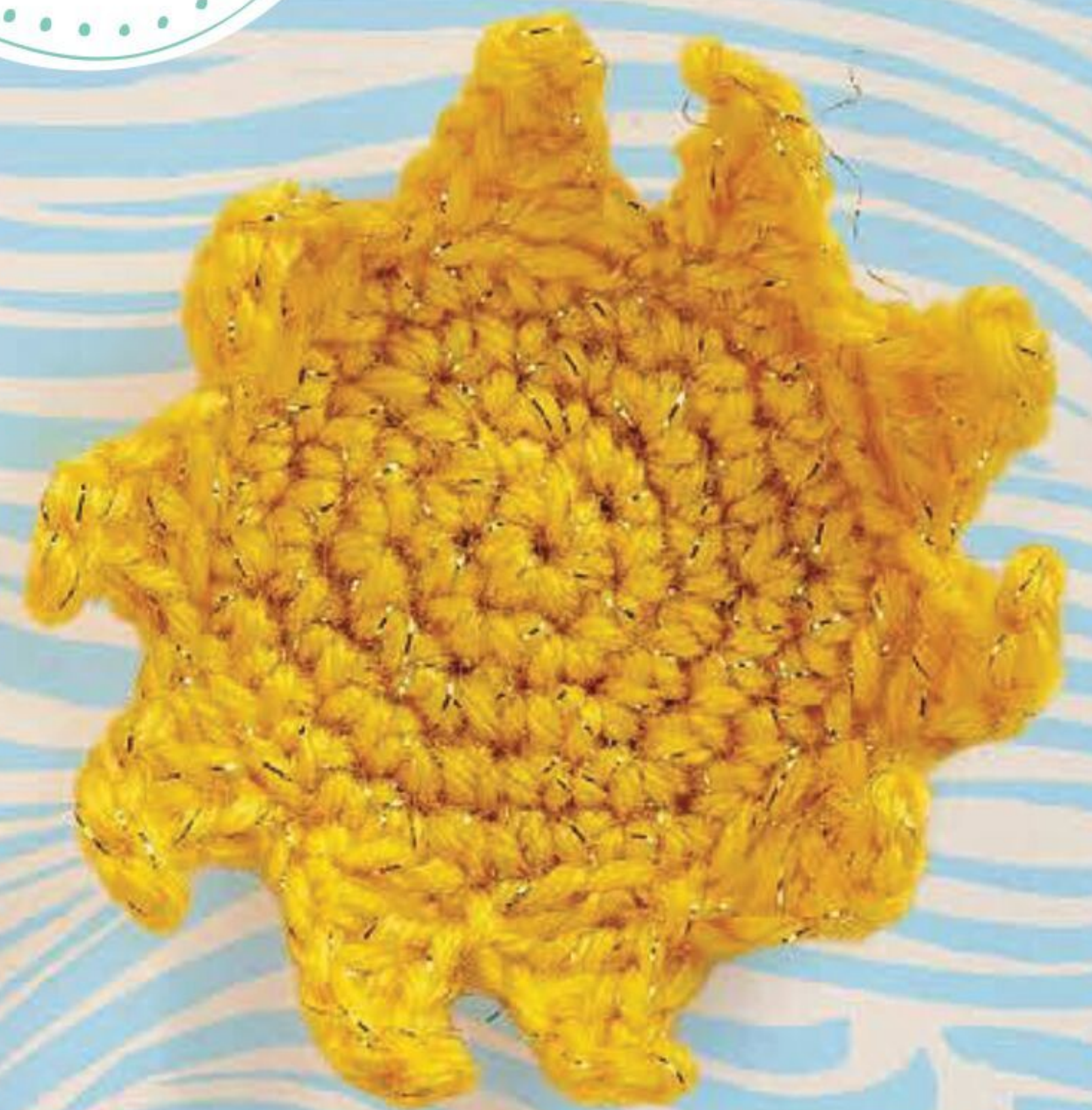
Ahoy there

Want miniature makes for on-the-go crafting? Come on over!

All of **HEATHER GIBBS'** nautical motifs are diddy, with the biggest measuring just 8.5cm wide – so they're really quick to whip up. Just the boat and anchor take a bit more consideration, the others hardly have a making up to speak of. Once crafted, you can appliqué them onto garments or accessories, use them to decorate greetings cards and more.



USE ALL
SIX
YARN
COLOURS!



All about you

Yet again, we've been wowed by you talented bunch!



You're obsessed with... animals!



A REAL HOOT

I loved the look of this little owl pattern. I looked in my massive yarn stash that I've been given and these two shades of blue stood out to me. I named him 'Bluey'.

Cushla Flannery



KARMA CHAMELEON

I loved the chameleon pattern from issue 100 and just had to have a go - and now I've got an invasion!

Dana Taylor



MOUSE IN THE HOUSE

Here is my blue mouse from issue 139. It was a lovely pattern to knit, thank you. I made him because he was so cute and a bit different, having his umbrella to make as well. He was for my husband, haha. He usually pinches the cute ones!

Carol Partridge



I chose Betty Bunny from issue 139 for my newborn due by the end of April this year. I actually hid a couple of bells in her head, so Betty will act as a little baby rattle. The fabric just seemed a perfect choice now spring has sprung and flowers are blooming everywhere.

Jasmin Tunstead

💎 We just love your choice of fabric here, Jasmin!

I made my first topper for the postbox in my lane in Newport Pagnell for Easter 2020 to cheer people up during the first lockdown and I've made several since. The Queen's Platinum Jubilee deserves to be celebrated and the lane is having a street party, so I thought it would be nice to have a fun topper as part of that.

Susan Evans

💎 Amazing! Can we get an invitation to the street party, Susan?!



I knitted flowers to give to my mum, grandma and my partner's mum for Mother's Day and they went down really well – they'll last a lot longer than a bunch of flowers! Unfortunately my grandma passed unexpectedly in April but knowing she was around to receive her flower is a huge comfort. She tried to teach me to knit many times and it wasn't until I hit my 30s that I really got the hang of it, and she got to see that!

Becki Mutton

💎 What a beautiful gift – we're sure your grandma would've been so proud, Becki



"My knitted flowers went down really well – they'll last a lot longer than a bunch of flowers!"



Who is your favourite person to craft for?

"My toddler. He's taken the dinos from your recent CAL to bed with him now a few times"

@kdl404

"One of the first people I crocheted for was the little girl across the road from us. I learned to crochet in lockdown. I'd wave each Tuesday at 8pm when we clapped 🙌. I made her a little dolly out of your great magazine. She's now got a baby sister so I'm crocheting for them both!"

@kathscreative

"My house, myself, my son, my husband, and my family, friends, etc... 😊"

@ladyseshiiria

"I do love making things for me – but also anyone I care about! I love to knit hats for my husband and son and love to make all kinds of creative things for my bestie @lauradale30 and her lovely girl ❤️"

@jangojunio

"Myself 😄😄😄😄"

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USE YOUR *Horizon* YARN KIT

PLUS: stuffing, four 6mm black safety eyes, two 8mm black safety eyes, tapestry needle

SIZE: Whale length: 11cm
Elephant height: 10cm
Giraffe width (excl tail): 14cm
Banner width: 12cm



HANNAH COOPER,
DESIGNER

“I’m back for part two of our Party Animals crochet-along – get the bubbly! In this instalment, you’ll learn to make a cute elephant, whale and giraffe. But that’s not all. There’s a birthday banner in tow and party hats in an array of colours. Plus, each critter has presents to gift and I had great fun working out where to place them – I’m particularly fond of the stack on the whale’s tail! Here’s some practical advice – when you’re sewing the elephant together, it might help to add a few stitches up the trunk to the head to give it some support. We hope you enjoy part two – stay tuned for part three in issue 143, on sale 21st July. You’ll learn to crochet a snake, lion and deer – such fun!”



Take the
next step

ELEPHANT body & first leg

Using 3mm hook and Soft Grey make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

Rnd 2: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts

Rnd 3: 3dc, 2dc in next st, 8dc, 2dc in next st, 5dc. 20 sts

Rnd 4: (4dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts

Rnd 5: (5dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 28 sts

Rnds 6-10: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 11: 3dc, 5ch, miss 21 sts, 4dc

Rnd 12: 3dc, work 5dc into back loops of ch, 4dc. 12 sts

Change to Light Pink

Rnd 13: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 14: working in BLO, (dc2tog) to end. Six sts

Fasten off

second leg

Rejoin Soft Grey to first missed st from Row 11 of Body, 7dc, 3ch, miss 14 sts, miss three back loops of First Leg, 1dc in last two front loops

Rnd 1: 7dc, 3dc in

back loops of ch, 2dc
Change to Light Pink

Rnd 2: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 3: working in BLO, (dc2tog) to end. Six sts

Fasten off

third leg

Rejoin Soft Grey to first missed st to left of Second Leg, 7dc, 2ch, miss seven sts and First Leg, 3dc in back loops left from Second Leg

Rnd 1: 7dc, 2dc in back loops of ch, 3dc

Change to Light Pink

Rnd 2: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 3: working in BLO, (dc2tog) to end. Six sts

Fasten off

Stuff firmly

fourth leg

Rejoin Soft Grey to first missed st to left of Third Leg, 7dc, 3dc in back loops of First Leg and 2dc in back loops of Third Leg

Rnd 1: 12dc

Change to Light Pink

Rnd 2: 12dc

Rnd 3: working in BLO, (dc2tog) to end. Six sts

Fasten off

head

Using 3mm hook and Soft Grey make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

Rnd 2: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts

Rnds 3-6: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 7: 6dc, (dc2tog) three times, 6dc. 15 sts

Rnd 8: 5dc, (dc2tog) three times, 4dc. 12 sts

Stuff firmly
Insert 6mm safety eyes between Rnds 6-7 with three dc2tog sts in between

Rnd 9: 3dc, (dc2tog) three times, 3dc. Nine sts

Rnds 10-12: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 13: (1dc, dc2tog) to end. Six sts

Rnds 14-24: 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off

ear

Make two

Using 3mm hook and Light Pink make a magic ring, work 5dc into ring, turn. Five sts

Rnd 1: 1ch, (1dc, 2dc in next st) twice, 1dc, turn. Seven sts

Rnd 2: 1ch, 2dc, 2dc in next st, 1dc, 2dc in next st, 2dc, turn. Nine sts

Rnd 3: 1ch, (2dc in next st, 1dc) four times, 2dc in last st, turn. 14 sts

Change to Soft Grey

Rnd 4: 1ch, 14dc, turn

Rnd 5: 1ch, working in FLO, 14dc, now work along raw edge as folls: 11dc from end of Rnd 5 along all rnds to start of rnd

Fasten off

GIRAFFE body & first leg

Using 3mm hook and Sparkle make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

Rnd 2: (3dc, [2dc in next st] three times) to end. 18 sts

Rnd 3: 3dc, (2dc in next st, 1dc) three times, 3dc, (2dc in next st, 1dc) to end. 24 sts

Rnd 4: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 5: 5dc, 2dc in next st, 3dc, 2dc in next st, 7dc, 2dc in next st, 3dc, 2dc in next st, 2dc. 28 sts

Rnds 6-8: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 9: 7ch, miss 22 sts, 6dc

Rnd 10: work in BLO of ch, 13dc. 13 sts

Rnd 11: dc2tog, 11dc. 12 sts

Rnd 12: (2dc, dc2tog) to end. Nine sts

Rnd 13: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 14: (1dc, dc2tog) to end. Six sts

Fasten off

Fasten off

second leg

Rejoin Sparkle to third st along on Row 8 of Body to left of First Leg, 6dc, 7ch, miss 14 sts, First Leg and two sts

Rnd 1: 6dc, 7dc in back loops of ch

Rnd 2: rep Rnds

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PARTY
animals



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11-14 of Body
Fasten off

third leg

Rejoin Sparkle to first missed st of Second Leg, 6dc, 4ch, miss eight sts, First Leg, two sts and four front loops of Second Leg, 3dc in last three front loops

Rnd 1: 6dc, 4dc into 4ch, 3dc

Rnd 2: rep Rnds 11-14 of Body
Fasten off

fourth leg

Rejoin Sparkle to third st along on Row 8 of Body to left of Third Leg, 6dc, 3dc in ch from First Leg, 4ch
Rnd 1: miss all legs and unworked sts

of Row 8 of Body, 9dc, 4dc in ch

Rnd 2: rep Rnds 11-14 of Body
Fasten off

tummy

Rejoin Sparkle to first missed st of Second Leg, 2dc, turn

Rnd 1: 1ch, 2dc in each st to end, turn. Four sts

Rnd 2: 1ch, 4dc, turn

Rnd 3: 1ch, 2dc in next st, 2dc, 2dc in next st, turn. Six sts

Rnd 4: 1ch, 6dc, turn

Rnd 5: 1ch, dc2tog, 2dc, dc2tog, turn. Four sts

Rnd 6: 1ch, 4dc, turn

Rnd 7: 1ch, (dc2tog) to end.

Two sts
Fasten off, leaving a long tail

head

Using 3mm hook and Sparkle make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring.

Six sts

Rnd 1: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end.

Nine sts

Rnds 2-4: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 5: 3dc, (2dc in next st) three times, 3dc. 12 sts

Rnd 6: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end.

18 sts

Rnd 7: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 8: working in FLO, 3dc, working in both loops, (dc2tog) six times, working in FLO,

3dc. 12 sts

Rnd 9: working in FLO, 3dc, working in both loops, 6dc, working in FLO, 3dc

Rnd 10: working in FLO, 3dc, working in both loops, (dc2tog) three times, working in FLO, 3dc. Nine sts
Insert 6mm safety eyes between Rnds 5-6, with three sets of 2dc in between

Rnd 11: three sl sts, 6dc

Rnds 12-13: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 14: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end.

12 sts

Rnds 15-17: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 18: (3dc, 2dc in next st) to end.

15 sts

Rnds 19-20: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 21: (4dc, 2dc in next st) to end.

18 sts

Rnd 22: (5dc, 2dc in next st) to end.

21 sts

Fasten off

ear

Make two

Using 3mm hook and Sparkle make 4ch, turn

Row 1: starting in second ch from hook, one sl st, 1dc, 1htr
Fasten off

ossicone

Make two

Using 3mm hook and Sparkle make a magic ring, work 4dc into ring.

Four sts

Rnds 1-2: 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off

spot

Make eight (two in each colour)

Using 3mm hook and Ruby Red (Light Pink, Bold Teal, Deep Navy) make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring, sl st in first dc
Fasten off

BANNER

Make two

Using 3mm hook and Light Pink make 26ch, turn

Row 1: starting in second ch from hook, 1dc in each st to end, turn

CONTINUE
CROCHETING

Rows 2-5: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end, turn Fasten off

WHALE

Using 3mm hook and Deep Navy make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

Rnd 2: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts

Rnd 3: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts

Rnd 4: (3dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 30 sts

Rnd 5: (4dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 36 sts

Rnds 6-10: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 11: 6dc, (2dc, dc2tog) six times, 6dc. 30 sts

Rnds 12-14: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 15: 6dc, (1dc, dc2tog) six times, 6dc. 24 sts

Rnds 16-17: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 18: (2dc, dc2tog) to end. 18 sts

Rnds 19-20: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 21: (1dc,

dc2tog) to end.

12 sts

Rnd 22: 1dc in each st to end, place st marker in fourth and fifth sts

Fasten off

With dc2tog on top half, insert 8mm safety eyes between Rnds 7-8, approx 16 sts apart

Stuff firmly

tail

Start in fourth and fifth marked sts on Rnd 22 of

Whale, work through two sts at the same time as folls: 6dc, turn

Row 1: 1ch, 2htr in first st, 4htr, 2htr in last st, turn. Eight sts

Row 2: 1ch, 2htr in first st, 6htr, 2htr in last st, turn. Ten sts

Row 3: 1ch, 2htr in first st, 2dc, two sl sts, 2dc, 2htr, turn

Row 4: 3ch, 2dtr in first st, 1tr, 1htr, 1dc, two sl sts, 1dc, 1htr, 1tr, 2dtr in last st, 3ch and sl st in st at base of 2dtr just made

Fasten off

tummy

Using 3mm hook and Bold Teal make 2ch, turn

Rows 1-2: 1ch, 2dc in each st to end, turn. Eight sts

Row 3: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end, turn

Row 4: 1ch, 2dc in first st, 6dc, 2dc in last st, turn. Ten sts

Row 5: rep Row 3

Row 6: 1ch, 2dc in first st, 8dc, 2dc in last st, turn. 12 sts

Rows 7-16: rep Row 3 ten times

Rows 17-19: 1ch, dc2tog, 1dc in each st to last two sts, dc2tog, turn. Six sts

Row 20: rep Row 3

Row 21: 1ch, 2htr in first st, 4htr, 2htr in last st, turn. Eight sts

Row 22: 1ch, 2htr in first st, 6htr, 2htr in last st, turn. Ten sts

Row 23: 1ch, 2htr in first st, 2dc, two sl sts, 2dc, 2htr, turn

Row 24: 3ch, 2dtr in first st, 1tr, 1htr, 1dc, two sl sts, 1dc, 1htr, 1tr, 2dtr in last st, 3ch and sl st in st at base of 2dtr

just made Fasten off

fin

Make two

Using 3mm hook and Deep Navy make a magic ring, work 5dc into ring, turn. Five sts

Rnd 1: 1ch, one sl st, (1dc, 1htr) in next st, (1tr, 1dtr, 1tr) in next st, (1htr, 1dc) in next st, one sl st Fasten off

FIRST PRESENT

Make two

Using 3mm hook and Ruby Red (Bold Teal) make a magic ring, work 4dc into ring. Four sts

Rnd 1: 3dc in each st to end. 12 sts

Rnd 2: working in BLO, 1dc in each st to end

Rnds 3-6: 1dc in each st to end Fasten off

SECOND PRESENT

Using 3mm hook and Light Pink make a magic ring, work 4dc into ring. Four sts

Rnd 1: 3dc in each st to end. 12 sts

Rnd 2: 1dc, 3dc in next st, (2dc, 3dc in next st) twice, 2dc, 3dc in next st, 1dc. 20 sts

Rnd 3: working in BLO, 1dc in each st to end

Rnds 4-6: 1dc in each st to end Fasten off

THIRD PRESENT

Make three

Using 3mm hook and Ruby Red (Light Pink, Sparkle) make a

magic ring, work 4dc into ring.

Four sts

Rnds 1-3: rep Rnds 1-3 of First Present. 12 sts Fasten off

PARTY HAT

Make three

Using 3mm hook and Light Pink (Deep Navy, Ruby Red) make a

magic ring, work 6dc into ring.

Six sts

Rnd 1: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 2: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. Nine sts

Rnd 3: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 4: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 12 sts

Fasten off



to make up

Elephant: Sew feet ends and sew underside hole shut. Sew Ears three-quarters down onto each side of Head and sew Head onto Body. Sew trunk to RS of Ear with 1cm of trunk above Head. Sew teal First Present and pink and red Third Presents to Elephant's back. Using Sparkle, tie a bow around each Present. Cut 10cm lengths of Ruby Red, Lovely Pink and Bold Teal. Turn navy Party Hat WS out and sew middle of yarn to top. Turn Hat RS out, thread yarn ends through top of Hat and trim to 2.5cm. Wrap Deep Navy Hat yarn end around Head and secure to other side of Hat to create strap. Make Soft Grey tassel and secure to bottom for tail. Weave in all ends. **Giraffe:** Sew feet ends and stuff Legs. Fold Tummy flap across and sew edges of Tummy to edges of Legs all the way around, stuffing as you go. Stuff neck and sew Ears and Ossicones to top of Head. Sew neck onto Body. Sew Spots onto Body. Make Sparkle tassel and sew to bottom for tail. Sew red First Present to back of Giraffe. Use Lovely Pink to make bow for Present top. Make up pink Party Hat as for Elephant, using Ruby Red, Deep Navy and Bold Teal for tassels. Ensure Hat sits over right Ossicone. Weave in all ends. **Banner:** Embroider 'happy birthday' onto one Banner. Use Lovely Pink to crochet both pieces tog, working 3dc in each corner. Sew Banner between Elephant trunk and Giraffe face. Weave in all ends. **Whale:** Sew Tummy to underside of Body. Sew Fins to sides. Make up red Party Hat as for Elephant, using Lovely Pink, Sparkle and Bold Teal for tassels. Sew rem Third Present to top of Second Present, stuffing as you go, and sew onto Tail. Wrap Ruby Red around Presents and make bow on top. Weave in all ends



CAKE, ANYONE?

We don't know about you, but we can't think of anything more delicious than a plump, squishy yarn cake for our hooks and needles to guzzle up. Not only do cake-style yarns offer crafters the option to pull from the centre for minimal tangles, but their flat shape means they don't roll around while you're working – how convenient! And for the cherry on top, these calorie-free goodies come in the most scrumptious, vibrant colourways... what a treat!



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50g balls

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TENSION

14 sts x 22 rows
after wiring
10cm x 10cm
Garter stitch
5mm needles

SIZE

To fit: average
size adult's
head
Head
circumference:
55cm
Brim depth:
12cm
Hat
circumference:
122cm



Take the next step

STRAW SUN HAT crown

Using 6mm needles and leaving a 40cm-long tail, cast on eight sts

Row 1: k to end

Row 2: (kfb) eight times. 16 sts

Row 3: k to end

Row 4: (k2, kfb) five times, k1. 21 sts

Row 5: k to end

Row 6: (k1, kfb) ten times, k1. 31 sts

Row 7: k to end

Row 8: (k1, kfb) 15

Straw sun hat

Stay sun-safe and stylish with
our simple accessory

We know what you're thinking... knitting with straw? Rest assured, this classic summer hat by **JACINTA BOWIE** is easier than it sounds. The yarn is made from cellulose rayon, the same fibre that goes into paper, making it perfect for structured creations like this one. You'll be working in garter stitch for the brim but remember – since this section is worked in the round, you'll be alternating between knit and purl rounds, rather than sticking to knitting every row.

times, k1. 46 sts
Row 9: k to end
Row 10: (k2, kfb)
 15 times, k1. 61 sts
Rows 11-13: k
 to end
Row 14: (k5, kfb)
 ten times, k1. 71 sts
Rows 15-17: k
 to end
Row 18: (k6, kfb)
 ten times, k1. 81 sts
Rows 19-38: k
 to end
Row 39: (k2tog,
 yfwd) 40 times, k1
Rows 40-41: k
 to end
Row 42: (k4, kfb)
 16 times, k1. 97 sts

brim

Change to 5mm circular needles and join for working in the rnd

Rnd 43: p to end
Rnd 44: k to end
Rnd 45: p to end
Rnd 46: (k7, kfb) 12 times, k1. 109 sts
Rnd 47: p to end
Rnd 48: k to end
Rnd 49: p to end
Rnd 50: (k8, kfb) 12 times, k1. 121 sts
Rnd 51: p to end
Rnd 52: k to end
Rnd 53: p to end
Rnd 54: (k9, kfb) 12 times, k1. 133 sts
Rnd 55: p to end
Rnd 56: k to end
Rnds 57-62: rep

Rows 55-56 three times more

Rnd 63: (k10, kfb) 12 times, k1. 145 sts

Rnd 64: p to end

Rnd 65: k to end

Rnd 66: k to end

Rnd 67: k to end
working y2rn in
every st to end
of rnd

Rnd 68: * k1, yfwd,
rep from * to end.
290 sts

Rnd 69: cast off

to make up

Sew seam on
Crown with
mattress stitch
and weave in ends

using tail left at
cast-on point.
Measure six
metres of raffia
and fold in half.
Make a twisted
cord, which will be

to make up

Sew seam on
Crown with
mattress stitch
and weave in ends



approx 1.5m. Tie off each end and fringe. Thread twisted cord through eyelets on hat starting at centre front opposite Crown seam and tie in a bow. Starting at seam on Crown on edge row of garter stitch (Rnd 66), weave wire through back of each stitch around Brim on underside of work. Push wire evenly until Brim is a firm circle. Cut to length and put each end in millinery wire fastener and clamp shut with pliers to secure



GREAT ADVICE

JOINING IN THE ROUND

To join in the round, hold a needle in each hand and treat these as your left and right needles. Ensure the line of your stitches are not twisted, then move the first cast-on stitch from your right needle to your left needle. Next, insert your right needle into the last cast-on stitch, which is now the second stitch on your left needle. Finally, move this stitch onto the right needle. Work the first stitch tightly to avoid a ladder at the start of your work



COMING NEXT MONTH!
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bundle

SEW CRAFTY

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Worth
£100
each

HOT STUFF

Win one of two HTVront (htvront.com) Heat Press Machines! These nifty tools are compact, easy to use and designed to simplify heat pressing. You can use them to transfer photos or custom designs on T-shirts, pillows, bags and other fabrics. The handy countdown timer beeps when the time is up, reducing errors and improving the final look of craft projects. It features an elegant chrome-plated rose gold decorative ring and is produced from mainly recyclable materials.

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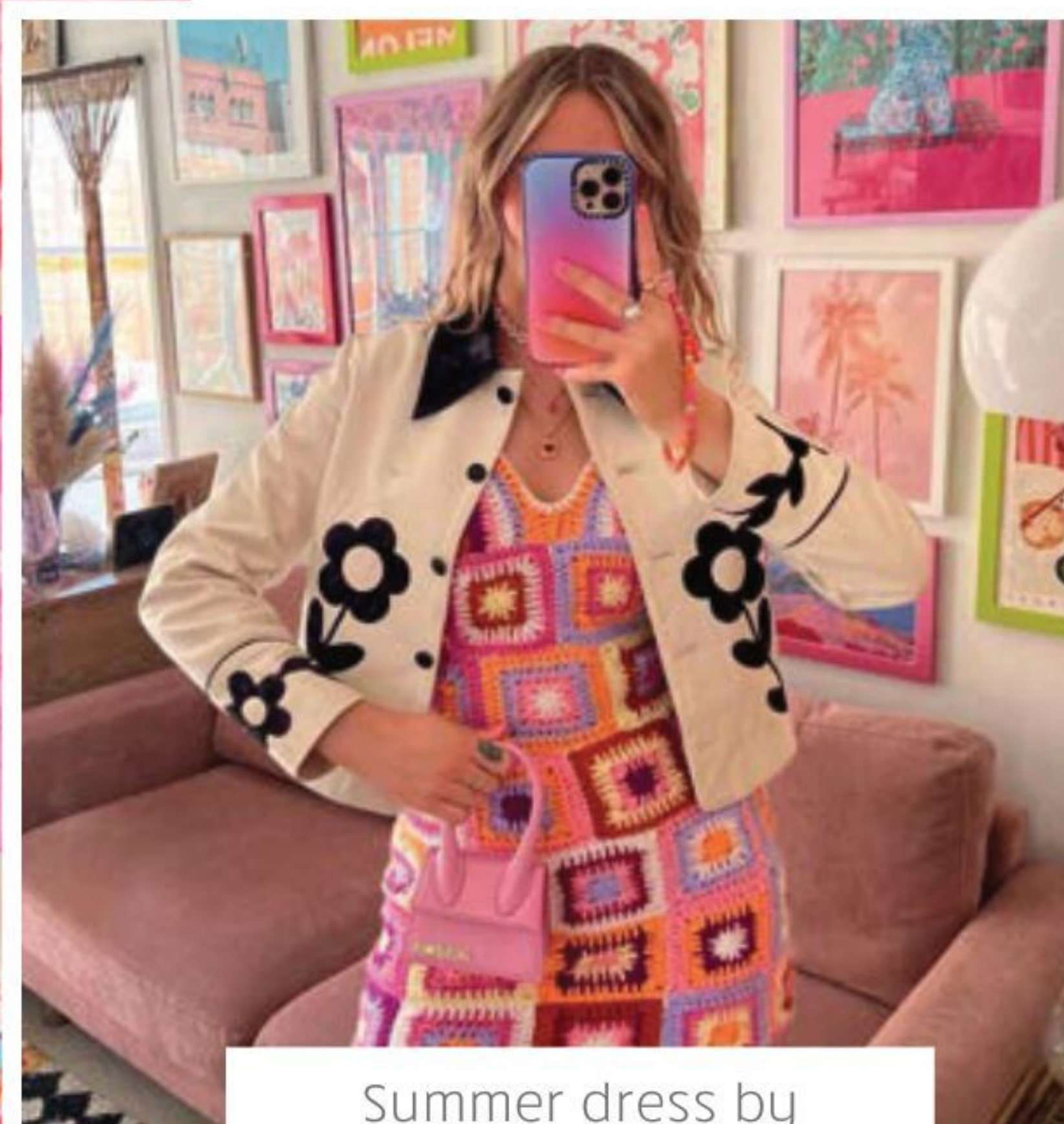
Once again the humble granny square is the height of fashion

Granny squares will always be a favourite with us, no matter what the fashion forecasts say, but we can't help noticing how they're currently popping up everywhere from the catwalk to Instagram – they've even been seen on *The Great British Bake Off*! To celebrate this revival, here's a round-up of recent sightings to inspire you to get in on the act. Discover some delightful patterns, some top accounts to follow and, for granny square newbies, grab a hook and learn how to actually make one!

Festival season style from the Sirdar Stories collection. [sirdar.com](https://www.sirdar.com)



One of 13 festival-ready crochet designs from Sirdar. [sirdar.com](https://www.sirdar.com)



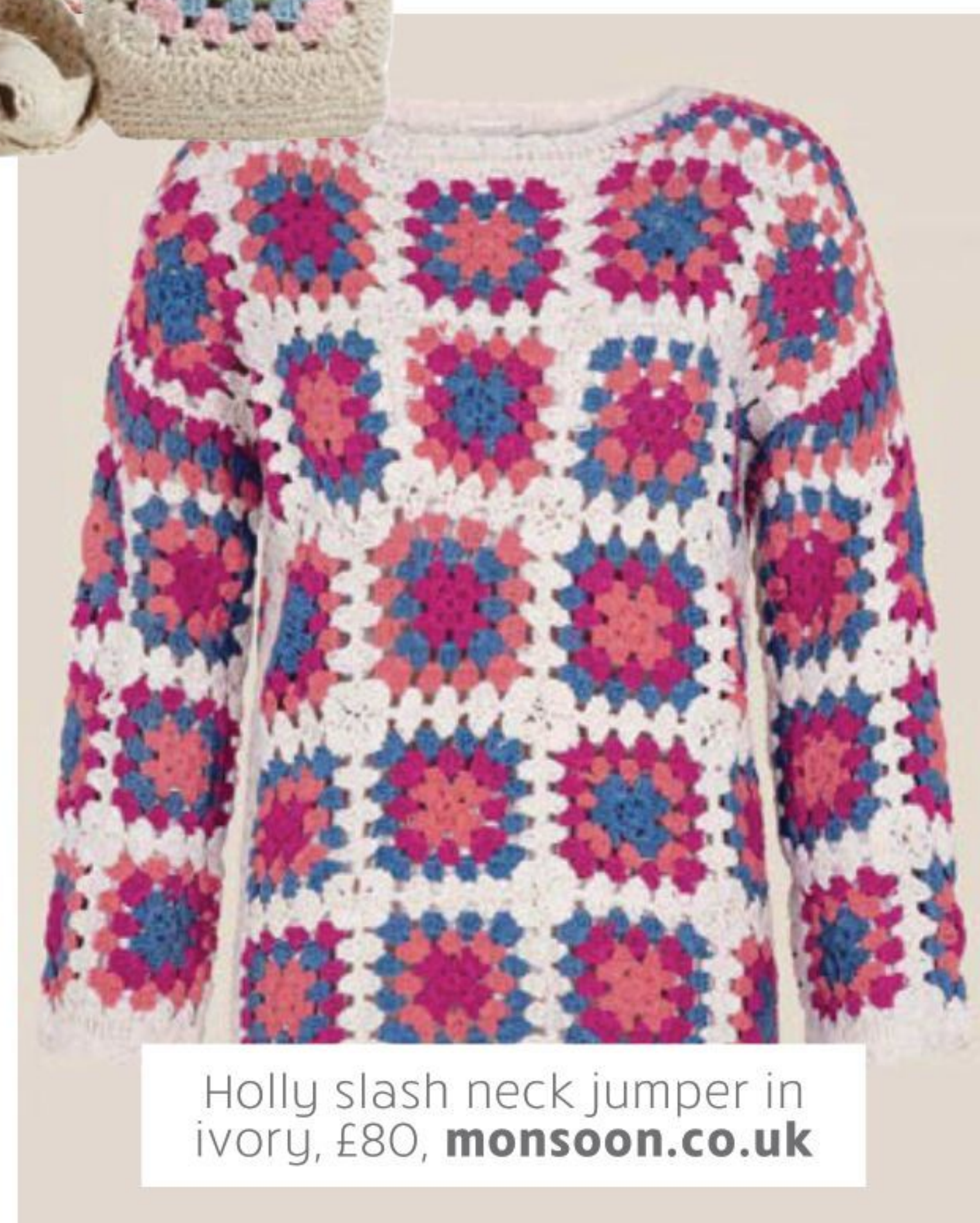
Summer dress by [@rainbowdropz](https://www.instagram.com/rainbowdropz) as worn by fashion influencer [@saralouisethomas](https://www.instagram.com/saralouisethomas)



Bucket hat, £34, and water bottle holder £19.50, both from [oliverbonas.com](https://www.oliverbonas.com)



White crocheted top, £12.99, [tkmaxx.com](https://www.tkmaxx.com)



Holly slash neck jumper in ivory, £80, [monsoon.co.uk](https://www.monsoon.co.uk)

You might think the very name 'granny square' would be enough to put off a younger generation of crafters, but these iconic motifs are popping up all over Etsy and Instagram, with hip young makers incorporating them into everything from make-up bags to dresses. So what is it that makes them so popular? "I love creating granny squares as they are so versatile and unique with so much creative opportunity to design and shape different styles and garments," says Grace Forster from handmade crochet

clothing brand Rainbowdrops Crochet. Grace's beautiful creations like her summer dress made up entirely of granny squares have even been worn by fashion influencers such as Brighton's Sara Louise Thomas. "The endless bold colour combinations and layers that granny squares allow me to build within my pieces makes every piece custom and individually unique."

Other designers agree. "I think everyone loves a traditional granny square and without doubt they are one of my favourites, as you can see from the ever-growing granny-inspired patterns in my Etsy shop!" says Fiona from the mum and daughter crochet team SewHappyCreative. "There are so many different variations and styles to choose from that there is a method to suit everyone. Although I love making traditional granny square blankets, designing bags and other accessories that include a granny square is what I enjoy the most. I love to find new and innovative ways to combine celebrating the traditional granny, with new and exciting colour combinations."

It's a look that definitely appeals to a younger demographic. 19-year old

Bake Off contestant Freya Cox wowed viewers with more than just her vegan cupcakes – she drew compliments for her crocheted wardrobe too! Her cute

pink granny-square tank top was apparently made from upcycled blankets, which is a great sustainable idea. Funky designs using the motifs have been cropping up all over the high street this summer too, with brands such as Monsoon, TK Maxx and Oliver

Bonas all boasting granny garments and accessories.

But why buy off the shelf when you can make your own? Heritage brand Sirdar has seen how festival fashion and colourful crochet go hand in hand, and has recently launched an Instagram-

"THE ENDLESS BOLD COLOUR COMBINATIONS AND LAYERS THAT GRANNY SQUARES ALLOW ME TO BUILD WITHIN MY PIECES MAKES EVERY PIECE CUSTOM AND INDIVIDUALLY UNIQUE"

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RAINBOWDROPS CROCHET

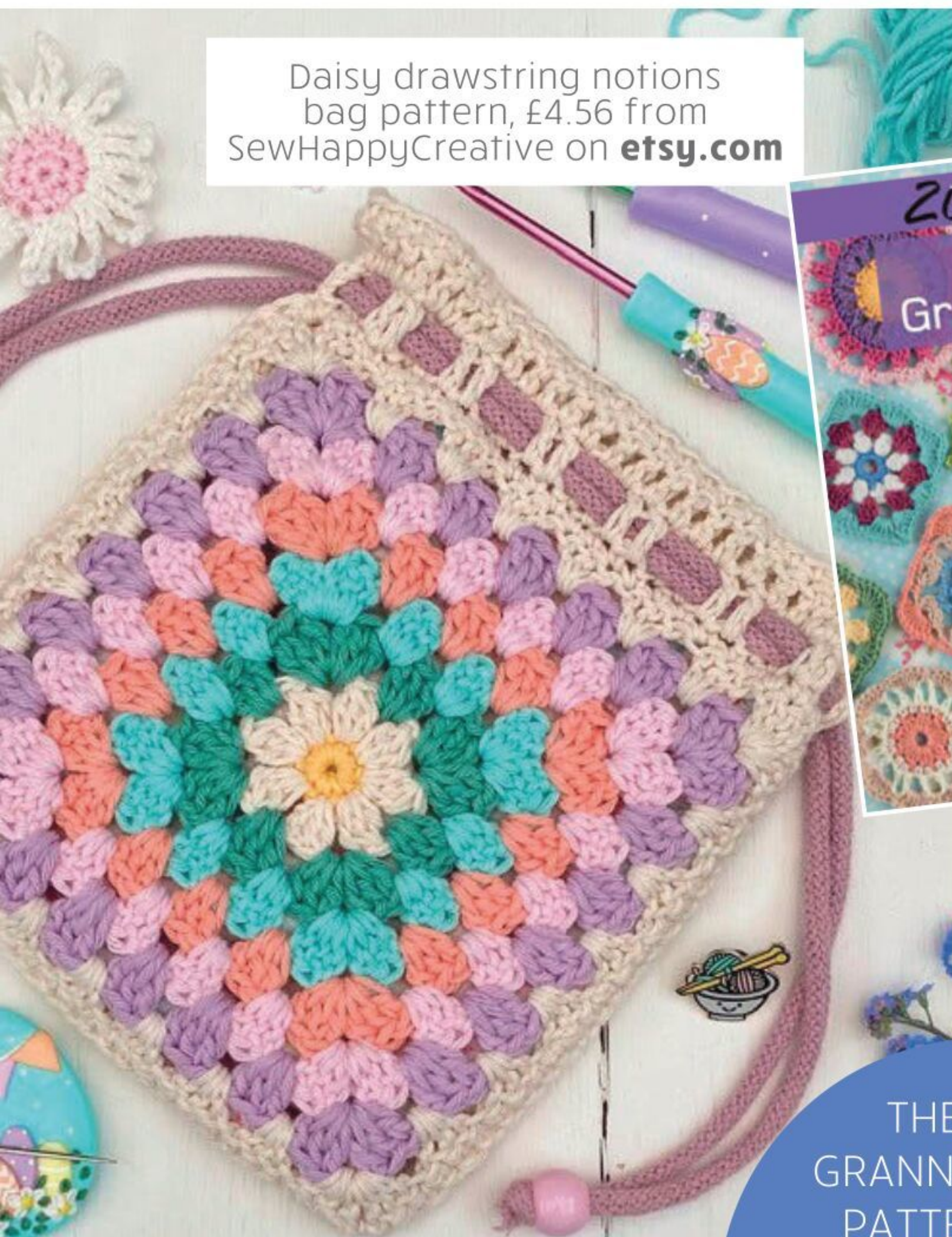


Bake Off contestant Freya Cox rocking a granny square tank made from upcycled blankets

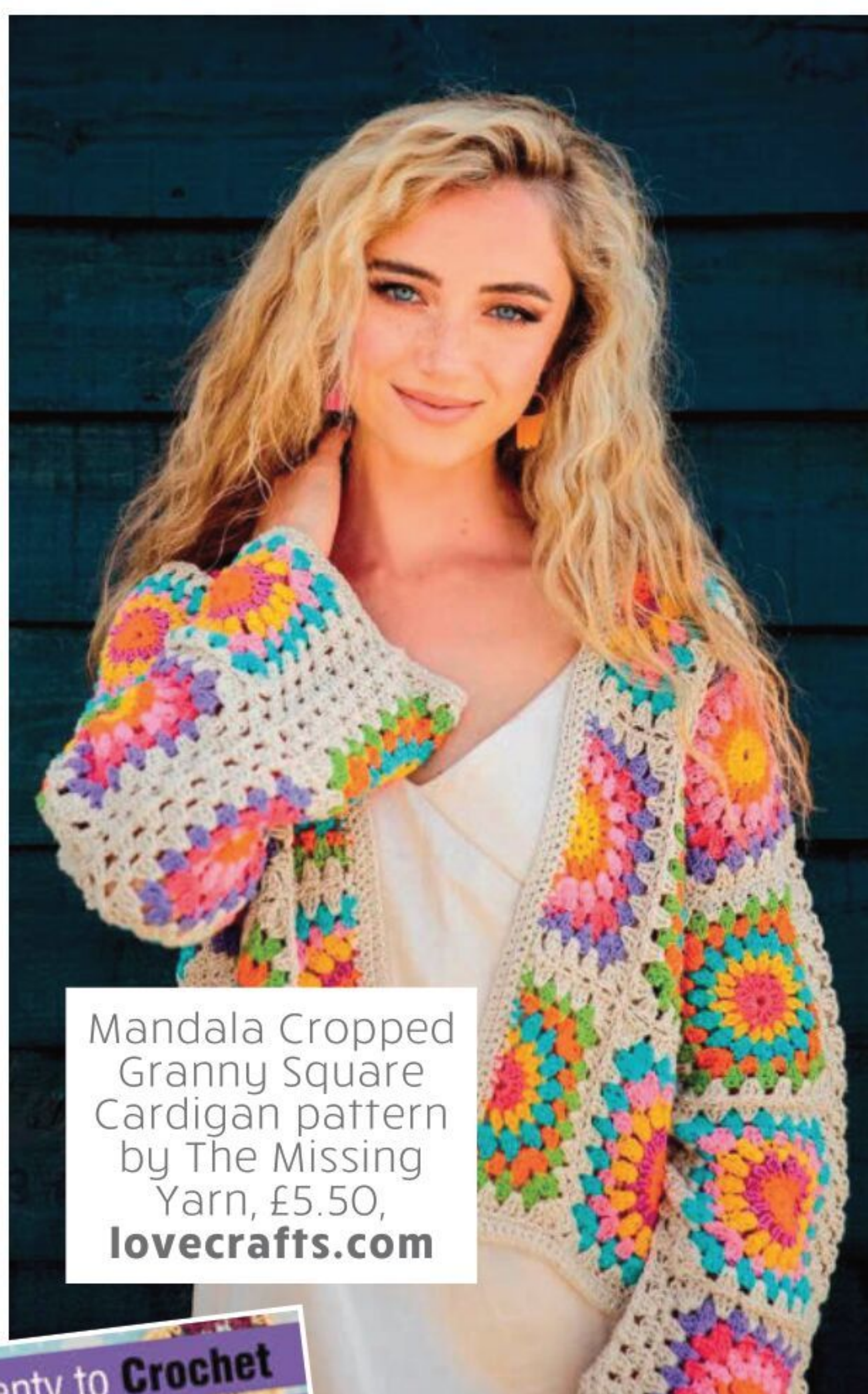
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Oma Goodness Top pattern by Little Golden Nook, £7.54, [lovecrafts.com](https://www.lovecrafts.com)



Daisy drawstring notions bag pattern, £4.56 from SewHappyCreative on [etsy.com](https://www.etsy.com)



Mandala Cropped Granny Square Cardigan pattern by The Missing Yarn, £5.50, [lovecrafts.com](https://www.lovecrafts.com)



Colourful motif designed by [SewHappyCreative](https://www.sewhappycreative.com)

BUT HOW DO YOU MAKE ONE?

SO NOW YOU'VE DROOLED OVER THE INSPIRATION, ALL THAT'S LEFT TO DO IS PICK UP YOUR HOOK AND HAVE A GO! BE WARNED, ONCE YOU START YOU WON'T WANT TO STOP. HERE'S A PATTERN THAT'S PERFECT FOR BEGINNERS.



Using your first colour make 6ch, join with a sl st to first ch to make a ring

Note: first 3ch of each rnd counts as 1tr

Rnd 1: 3ch, 2tr, 3ch, (3tr, 3ch) three times, join with a sl st to third ch. 12 sts Fasten off your first colour and join your second colour to any 3ch corner sp

Rnd 2: 3ch, 2tr in same 3ch sp, 1ch, * (3tr, 3ch, 3tr) in next 3ch sp, 1ch, rep from * twice, 3tr in next 3ch sp, 3ch, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch. 24 sts Fasten off second colour and join your third colour to any 3ch

corner sp
Rnd 3: 3ch, 2tr in same 3ch sp, 1ch, * 3tr in next 2ch sp, 1ch, (3tr, 3ch, 3tr) in next 3tr sp, 1ch, rep from * twice, 3tr in next 3ch sp, 1ch, 3tr in next 3ch sp, 3ch, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch. 36 sts Fasten off your third colour, join your final colour to any 3ch corner sp

Rnd 4: 3ch, 2tr in same 3ch sp, * 3tr in each of next two 3ch sp, (3tr, 2ch, 3tr) in next 3ch sp, rep from * twice, 3tr in each of next two 3ch sp, 3tr in next 3ch sp, 2ch, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch. 48 sts Fasten off, sew in ends

THE FIRST GRANNY SQUARE PATTERN WAS PUBLISHED IN 1897 - AMAZING HOW OVER 100 YEARS LATER THEY STILL LOOK SUPER MODERN!

friendly yarn and pattern collection called Sirdar Stories. Targeted especially at 'social media natives', the collection features numerous granny-square based designs in bold colours that are perfect for festival-goers. It's a lively departure for a brand that's more generally known for traditional Aran cardigans and baby knits!

One of the big plus points of granny squares is their versatility. Once you have a framework for your chosen make, it's easy to substitute one square design for another, which is where fantastic source books like *A Modern Girl's Guide To Granny Squares* by Celine Semaan and Leonie Morgan (£10.99, Search Press) come in handy. The possibilities are endless! Fiona from SewHappyCreative again: "There are so many different variations and styles to choose from that there is a method to

suit everyone. I often receive questions about how I make mine and am happy to share my inspiration. SewHappyCreative is all about colour and granny squares offer a great opportunity to include as little or as much colour as you want. But don't forget, where there's colour, there are yarn ends, so be prepared to sew them in!"

Author of another great source book, *20 To Crochet: Granny Squares* (£4.99, Search Press), Val Pierce reveals she is currently working on a second volume to be published next year, featuring more challenging designs. "I love making granny squares because they are, for the most, quick and easy to create and can be made into numerous projects, both large and small," says Val. "They use up quite small amounts of yarn so are the perfect stash busters." Seems there's no end to their benefits.

New to granny squares? Try our simple pattern on the right - you'll be amazed how easy it is, and how much fun. Plus you'll be bang on trend!



PLUS
tapestry
needle, vase
(ours is approx
20cm high with
a 32.5cm
circumference)

SIZE
Circumference
(when
stretched on
vase): 34.5cm
Height (at
highest point):
15.5cm



Perfect for
beginners

Vase cosy

Showcase a bouquet proudly
with our clever casing idea

DAWN FINNEY is making waves with this latest pattern...
in more ways than one! She uses four colours from your
Horizon kit (leaving you with enough to make more of our
lovely projects, FYI) and teaches you how to master the
wave repeat. She also helps you to adapt the pattern for
different vase dimensions – helpful! Let's get going...



VASE COSY

Using 3mm
needles and Bold
Teal cast on 62 sts,
leaving a short tail
Rows 1-5: starting
with a p (WS) row
work in st st
Row 6: k1, ([p2tog]
three times, [k1,
yfwd] five times,

[p2tog] twice) four
times, k1
Rows 7-11: starting
with a p row work
in st st
Row 12: k1, ([p2tog]
three times, [k1,
yfwd] five times,
[p2tog] twice) four
times, k1
Rows 7-12 set

wave pattern
Rows 13-18: rep
Rows 7-12 once
Change to Sparkle,
leaving a long tail
of Bold Teal
Rows 19-36: rep
Rows 7-12 three
times
Change to Ruby
Red, leaving short

tails
Row 37-54: rep
Rows 7-12 three
times
Change to Light
Pink, leaving short
tails
Rows 55-66: rep
Rows 7-12 twice
Starting with a p
row work in st st
for five rows
Cast off kwise,
leaving a long tail
(see Great Advice)

long Bold Teal tail,
then secure tail
and weave in all
ends. Slip
onto vase



GREAT ADVICE

DIFFERENT EFFECT

If you'd prefer the
top of the cosy to
have a wavy edge,
simply use a
knitting needle
that is two to
three sizes larger
when casting off
to create a looser
tension



to make up

Using tapestry
needle and long
cast-off Light Pink
tail, join sides tog
using mattress st
to Bold Teal colour
change. Join rem
sides tog using

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Home chic home

Love flowers and foliage?
Love coming up with new
ways to display them?
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plant hanger pattern.
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TOP TIP

THE COSY IS WORKED ON A
MULTIPLE OF 15 STITCHES,
PLUS ONE STITCH ON EITHER
SIDE, SO YOU CAN EASILY
ADAPT THIS PATTERN
TO FIT ANY SQUARE OR
RECTANGULAR VASE BY
INCREASING OR DECREASING
THE NUMBER OF REPETITIONS





PLUS
tapestry
needle,
stuffing, 10mm
button, thick
felt

SIZE
Car length:
12.5cm
Caravan
length: 12cm



CAR

Using 3mm hook and Ruby Red make a magic ring, 4dc into ring.

Four sts

Rnd 1: 3dc in each st to end. 12 sts

Rnd 2: (1dc, 3dc in next st, 1dc) to end. 20 sts

Rnd 3: (2dc, 3dc in next st, 2dc) to end. 28 sts

Rnd 4: (3dc, 3dc in next st, 3dc) to end. 36 sts

Rnd 5: (4dc, 3dc in next st, 4dc) to end. 44 sts

Rnd 6: (6dc, 3dc in next st, 8dc, 3dc in next st, 6dc) to end. 52 sts

Rnd 7: (8dc, 3dc in next st, 8dc, 3dc in next st, 8dc) to end. 60 sts

Note: change to Soft Grey after Rnd 9

Rnds 8-10: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 11: 40dc, 3dc in next st, 8dc, 3dc in next st, 1dc in each st to end. 64 sts

Rnd 12-13: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 14: 42dc, 3dc in next st, 8dc, 3dc in next st, 1dc in each st to end. 68 sts

Note: change to Ruby Red after Rnd 17

Rnds 15-18: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 19: 44dc, (1ch [does not count as a st], 1dc) in next st, 15dc, miss rem sts, turn. 60 sts

Note: next six rows shape front of Car

Rows 1-6: 1ch, 16dc, turn

Note: now go back to working in rnds

Rnd 20: 1ch, work along short row ends back to main rnd, 6dc, 1dc in same st as last dc from Rnd 19, carry on along main rnd, 53dc, now work along other short row ends, 6dc, now work along row, 16dc, miss 1ch. 82 sts

Rows 21-26: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 27: 2dc, dc2tog, 20dc, dc2tog, 2dc,

dc2tog, 10dc, dc2tog, 2dc,

dc2tog, 20dc, dc2tog, 2dc,

dc2tog, 8dc, dc2tog. 74 sts

Rnd 28: (dc2tog) twice, 18dc,

(dc2tog) three times, 8dc,

(dc2tog) three times, 18dc,

(dc2tog) three times, 6dc, dc2tog. 62 sts

Change to Deep Navy

Rnd 29: dc2tog, 18dc, dc3tog, 8dc, dc3tog, 18dc, dc2tog, 8dc. 56 sts

Rnd 30: dc2tog, 16dc, dc3tog, 6dc, dc3tog, 16dc, dc3tog, 6dc, miss one st. 48 sts

Rnd 31: dc2tog, 14dc, dc3tog, 4dc, dc3tog, 14dc, dc3tog, 4dc, miss one st. 40 sts

Rnd 32: dc2tog, 12dc, dc3tog, 2dc, dc3tog, 12dc, dc3tog, 2dc, miss one st. 32 sts

Rnd 33: dc2tog, 10dc, (dc3tog) twice, 10dc, dc3tog, 1dc. 25 sts

Fasten off, leaving a long tail

bumper

Make two

Using 3mm hook and Deep Navy make 17ch

Row 1: starting in second ch from hook, 1dc in each st to end, turn. 16 sts

Row 2: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end. Fasten off, leaving a long tail

headlight

Make two

Using 3mm hook and Sparkle make a magic ring, work

6dc into ring.

Six sts

Fasten off

CARAVAN

Using 3mm hook and Light Pink make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

Rnd 1: (3dc in next st, 1dc, 3dc in next st) twice. 14 sts

Rnd 2: (1dc, 3dc in next st, 3dc, 3dc in next st, 1dc) twice. 22 sts

Rnd 3: (2dc, 3dc in next st, 5dc, 3dc in next st, 2dc) twice. 30 sts

Rnd 4: (3dc, 3dc in next st, 7dc, 3dc in next st, 3dc) twice. 38 sts

Rnd 5: (4dc, 3dc in next st, 9dc, 3dc in next st, 4dc) twice. 46 sts

Rnd 6: (5dc, 3dc in next st, 11dc, 3dc in next st, 5dc) twice. 54 sts

Rnd 7: (6dc, 3dc in next st, 13dc, 3dc in next st, 6dc) twice. 62 sts

Rnd 8: (6dc, 3dc in next st, 17dc, 3dc in next st, 6dc) twice. 70 sts

Rnd 9: (7dc, 2dc in next st, 19dc, 2dc in





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next st, 7dc) twice.
74 sts

Rnd 10: (8dc, 2dc
in next st, 19dc, 2dc
in next st, 8dc)
twice. 78 sts

Rnds 11-12: 1dc in
each st to end

Rnd 13: (8dc, 2dc in
next st, 21dc, 2dc in
next st, 8dc) twice.
82 sts

Rnds 14-21: 1dc in
each st to end
Change to
Bold Teal

Rnds 22-24: 1dc in
each st to end
Change to Sparkle

Rnd 25-28: 1dc in
each st to end
Rnd 29: (12dc,
dc2tog, 21dc,
dc2tog, 4dc) twice.
78 sts

Rnds 30-31: 1dc in
each st to end

Rnd 32: (12dc,
dc2tog, 19dc,
dc2tog, 4dc) twice.
74 sts

Rnd 33: (11dc,
dc2tog, 19dc,
dc2tog, 3dc) twice.
70 sts

Rnd 34: (10dc,
dc3tog, 17dc,
dc3tog, 2dc) twice.
62 sts

Rnd 35: (9dc,
dc3tog, 15dc,
dc3tog, 1dc) twice.
54 sts

Rnd 36: (8dc,
dc3tog, 13dc,
dc3tog) twice.
46 sts

Rnd 37: (8dc,
dc3tog, 9dc,
dc3tog) twice.
38 sts

Rnd 38: (dc2tog,
5dc, dc2tog, 1dc,
dc2tog, 5dc,
dc2tog) twice.
30 sts

Rnd 39: (dc2tog,
3dc, dc2tog, 1dc,
dc2tog, 3dc,
dc2tog) twice.
22 sts

Stuff and insert

small amount of
felt to top of roof

Rnd 40: ([dc2tog]
twice, 1dc, dc2tog,
1dc, dc2tog, 1dc)
twice. 14 sts

Rnd 41: (dc2tog) to
end. Seven sts
Fasten off, pick up
all front loops with
tapestry needle
and pull tightly to
close

window

Make three

Using 3mm hook
and Soft Grey
make a magic ring,
work 8dc into ring.
Eight sts

Rnd 1: 2dc in each
st to end. 16 sts

Rnd 2: (2dc in next
st, 2dc, 2dc in next
st) to end. 24 sts

Rnd 3: (1ch [does
not count as a st],
2dc in next st, 4dc,
2dc in next st) to
end. 32 sts

Fasten off, leaving
a long tail

wheel

Make seven

Using 3mm hook
and Soft Grey
make a magic ring,
work 7dc into ring.
Seven sts

Rnd 1: 2dc in each
st to end. 14 sts

Change to
Deep Navy

Rnd 2: (2dc in next
st, 1dc) to end.
21 sts

Rnds 3-4: 1dc in
each st to end

Rnd 5: (dc2tog,
1dc) to end. 14 sts
Fasten off, leaving
a long tail

connecting chain

Using 3mm hook
and Deep Navy
make 20ch

Row 1: starting in
fifth ch from hook,

make small loop
as folls: 16dc. 16 sts
Fasten off, leaving
a long tail

to make up

Stuff Car and add
small amount of
thick felt to define
shape. Sew base
closed with
mattress st. Sew
Bumper to front
and back of Car.
Close ring of
Headlight with
invisible join. Sew
Headlights to
front of Car. Sew
Windows to
Caravan, one on
each side and one
at the back,
positioning them
so they overlap
Bold Teal stripe.
Sew four Wheels
to base of Car,
adding a little
stuffing into each
one. Sew two

Wheels to base of
Caravan, and last
Wheel to back
below Window as
a spare. Sew
Connecting Chain
to base of Car.
Sew small button
to base of
Caravan,
connecting the
two tog.
Embroider lights,
window wipers
and door handles
to Car, using Deep
Navy and Sparkle.
Embroider Ruby
Red lines onto Soft
Grey sections of
Car to mark out
windows and
doors; try
duplicate stitching
over existing sts to
blend in overall
texture. Weave in
all ends



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SIZE

Height: 22.5cm



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SAILOR JAYNE leg

Make two

Using 3mm hook and Bold Teal make 2ch

Rnd 1: 6dc in second ch from hook. Six sts

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

Rnds 3-5: 1dc in each st to end
Change to skin tone yarn

Rnds 6-17: 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off

body & head

Using 3mm hook and Ruby Red, with both legs facing forwards, join Legs tog with 3ch between them

Rnd 1: starting in joining st at back of one Leg, 12dc around that Leg, 3dc along ch, 12dc around other Leg, 3dc along other side of ch. 30 sts



SARAH-JANE HICKS, we thank you. What a fantastic toy! Jayne is fresh off the boat and ready to relax in her deck chair... and between us, she's really easy to make too. Just watch out for the BLO and FLO instructions. Another top tip from Sarah-Jane to finish: when changing colours, use the new colour for the last yarn over hook of the previous stitch. You're welcome!

Rnds 2-4: 1dc in each st to end
Change to Deep Navy

Rnd 5: working in BLO, 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 6: 1dc in each st to end
Work in foll two-row stripe sequence: Light Pink, Deep Navy

Rnds 7-11: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 12: (3dc, dc2tog) to end. 24 sts

Rnd 13: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 14: (2dc, dc2tog) to end. 18 sts

Rnd 15: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 16: (1dc,

dc2tog) to end. 12 sts

Stuff Body and cont to Head
Change to skin tone yarn

Rnd 1: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts

Rnd 2: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts

Rnd 3: (3dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 30 sts

Rnd 4: (4dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 36 sts

Rnds 5-11: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 12: (4dc, dc2tog) to end. 30 sts

Rnd 13: (3dc, dc2tog) to end. 24 sts

Rnd 14: (2dc, dc2tog) to end. 18 sts

Rnd 15: (1dc, dc2tog) to end. 12 sts

Stuff Head

Rnd 16: (dc2tog) to end. Six sts
Fasten off

arm

Make two

Using 3mm hook and skin tone yarn make 2ch

Rnd 1: 6dc in second ch from hook. Six sts

Rnd 2: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. Nine sts

Rnds 3-8: 1dc in each st to end
Work in foll two-row stripe

SLIP STITCH (SL ST)

This is a travelling stitch that can be used for shaping. It is also useful for joining in yarn



Step 1: insert hook into stitch or chain and wrap the yarn around the hook



Step 2: pull yarn through stitch and through loop that is already on your hook



Slip stitch edge

sequence: Light Pink, Deep Navy

Rnds 9-14: 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off, leaving a long tail

pleated skirt

Using 3mm hook and Ruby Red make 9ch

Row 1: starting in second ch from hook, 1dc in each st to end, turn. Eight sts

Rows 2-36: 1ch, working in BLO, 1dc in each st to end, turn
Fasten off

hair

Using 3mm hook and Sparkle make 2ch

Rnd 1: 6dc in second ch from hook. Six sts

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

Rnd 3: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts

Rnd 4: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts

Rnd 5: (3dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 30 sts

Rnd 6: (4dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 36 sts

Rnds 7-10: 1dc in each st to end
Rnd 11: 2dc, 1htr, (2tr in next st) three times, 1htr, 2dc, one sl st, (12ch, 2dc in second ch from hook, [2dc in next st] nine times, 1htr, miss one st on Rnd 10, one sl st) 13 times. Fringe and 13 curls made. Fasten off, leaving a long tail

hat

Using 3mm hook and Light Pink make 2ch

Rnd 1: 6dc in second ch from hook. Six sts

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

Rnd 3: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts

Rnd 4: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts

Rnds 5-7: 1dc in each st to end. Fasten off, leaving a long tail

hat brim

Note: turn Hat so you're working upwards to form Brim

Join Deep Navy to front loop of first st on Rnd 7

Rnd 1: working in FLO, 1dc in each st to end

Change to Light Pink

Rnd 2: (7dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 27 sts

Change to Deep Navy

Rnd 3: (8dc, 2dc in next st) to end.

30 sts
 Fasten off

collar

Using 3mm hook and Bold Teal make 31ch

Row 1: starting in second ch from hook, six sl sts, 2dc, 2htr, 1tr, (2tr, 2ch, 2tr) in next st, 6tr, (2tr, 2ch, 2tr) in next st, 1tr, 2htr, 2dc, six sl sts. Fasten off

to make up

Stuff Legs and sew to Body. Stuff Arms and sew one row down from top at either side of Body. Sew short ends of Pleated Skirt tog, joining top of Row 36 to base of initial ch. Sew Skirt to unworked front loops between Rnds 4-5 of Body. Sew Hair in place, positioning fringe

at front of Head. Stuff Hat and sew to Hair. Using black yarn, embroider eyes with a few small sts across Rnd 8 of Head, approx seven sts apart. Embroider small eyelashes in top corner of each eye. Using Ruby Red, embroider small v for mouth. Place Collar around neck and wrap short length of Ruby Red around Collar to join. Secure in place with a few small sts on Body. Weave in all ends



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SARAH-JANE HICKS, DESIGNER

YOU WILL NEED



YARN

Yarn and Colors:
Epic, 008 Teak,
two 50g balls,
002 Cream, one
50g ball;
Amazing, 052
Orchid, 037
Cotton Candy,
015 Mustard, 021
Sunset, 087
Amazon, one
100g ball of
each

PLUS

small amount of
dark brown
4-ply, two 12mm
black eye
beads or safety
eyes, stuffing,
lightweight
garden wire,
liquid glue, 3mm
and 4mm
crochet hooks,
tapestry needle,
stitch marker,
sewing needle
(if using eye
beads), pliers

SIZE

Height: 26cm



Take the
next step

BLOSSOM BEAR

Note: this pattern is worked in joined rnds, join with a sl st to first dc after each rnd. Use a stitch marker or waste yarn to keep track of first st of each rnd

body

Using 4mm hook and Teak make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

Rnd 2: (1dc, 2dc in

next st) to end. 18 sts

Rnd 3: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts

Rnd 4: (3dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 30 sts

Rnd 5: (4dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 36 sts

Rnd 6: (5dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 42 sts

Rnds 7-9: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 10: (5dc, dc2tog) to end. 36 sts

Rnds 11-14: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 15: (4dc, dc2tog) to end. 30 sts

Rnds 16-19: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 20: (3dc, dc2tog) to end. 24 sts

Rnd 21: 1dc in each st to end. Fasten off

head

Using 4mm hook and Teak make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

Rnds 1-6: rep Rnds 1-6 of Body. 42 sts

Rnd 7: (6dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 48 sts

Rnd 8: (7dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 54 sts

Rnds 9-15: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 16: (7dc, dc2tog) to end. 48 sts

Rnd 17: (6dc, dc2tog) to end. 42 sts

Rnd 18: (5dc, dc2tog) to end. 36 sts

Rnd 19: (4dc, dc2tog) to end. 30 sts

Insert safety eyes if using between Rnds 12-13, approx 11 sts apart. Stuff

Rnd 20: (3dc, dc2tog) to end. 24 sts

Rnd 21: (2dc, dc2tog) to end. 18 sts

Rnd 22: (1dc, dc2tog) to end. 12 sts

Rnd 23: (dc2tog) to end. Six sts. Fasten off. Stuff and weave through finishing end

muzzle

Using 4mm hook and Cream make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

Rnds 1-4: rep Rnds 1-4 of Body. 30 sts

Rnds 5-6: 1dc in each st to end. Fasten off

ear

Make two

Using 4mm hook and Teak make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

Rnds 1-2: rep Rnds 1-2 of Body. 18 sts

Rnds 3-6: 1dc in each st to end. Fasten off

leg

Make two

Using 4mm hook and Cream make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

Rnds 1-4: rep Rnds 1-4 of Body. 30 sts

Rnds 5-7: 1dc in

each st to end

Rnd 8: 6dc, (dc2tog, 1dc) six times, 6dc. 24 sts

Rnd 9: 3dc, (dc2tog, 1dc) six times, 3dc. 18 sts

Change to Teak

Rnds 10-14: 1dc in each st to end. Fasten off

arm

Make two

Using 4mm hook and Cream make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

Rnds 1-2: rep Rnds 1-2 of Body. 18 sts

Rnds 3-4: 1dc in each st to end

Change to Teak

Rnds 5-7: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 8: 2dc, (dc2tog, 2dc) to end. 14 sts

Rnd 9: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 10: dc2tog, (1dc, dc2tog) to end. Nine sts

Rnds 11-12: 1dc in each st to end. Fasten off

tail

Using 4mm hook and Teak make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

Rnds 1-2: rep Rnds 1-2 of Body. 18 sts



Rnds 3-4: 1dc in each st to end
Rnd 6: (1dc, dc2tog) to end.
 12 sts
 Fasten off

to make up

Stuff Body, Legs, Arms and Tail. Attach to Body. Sew Ears to Head. Stuff Muzzle and attach to Head. Attach eye beads if using. With dark brown 4-ply, embroider nose and mouth. Sew Head to Body. Sew hands tog. Weave in all ends

FLOWERS

pink

Make two

Using 3mm hook and Mustard make a magic ring, work 12dc into ring.

12 sts

Change to Cotton Candy

Rnd 1: (8ch, starting in third ch from hook, 3htr, 2dc, one sl st in same st as first ch, one sl st) 12 times
 Fasten off

orange

Make three

Using 3mm hook and Mustard make a magic ring, work 9dc into ring.

Nine sts

Change to Sunset

Rnd 1: (4ch, starting in second ch from hook, 2dc, one sl st, one sl st in same st as first ch, one sl st) nine times
 Fasten off

lilac

Make four

Using 3mm hook and Mustard make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring.



Six sts
 Change to Orchid
Rnd 1: (3ch, 1tr, 3ch, one sl st in same st, one sl st) six times
 Fasten off

leaf

Make seven

Using 3mm hook and Amazon make 10ch

Row 1: starting in second ch from hook, * one sl st, 1dc, 1htr, 3tr, 1htr, 1dc, one sl st *, 3ch, starting in second ch from hook, one sl st in each of these ch, turning

work as you go and working on other side of first ch, rep from * to *
 Fasten off

to make up

Hide yarn ends of petals in sts. Leave Mustard yarn ends uncut. Hide fastened-off yarn end of Leaf but keep other yarn end. Cut lightweight garden wire to approx 17cm. Insert wire end in centre of flower and bend tip. Secure end with a

Mustard end. Join Amazon and wrap wire, tog with Mustard yarn ends. Wet yarn wire with liquid glue regularly so yarn won't slip. Join Leaf where desired and cont wrapping wire tog with Leaf yarn end. Tie knot once length is achieved. Once made, bundle up and wrap all stems tog. Insert bouquet in space between bear's Body and Arms

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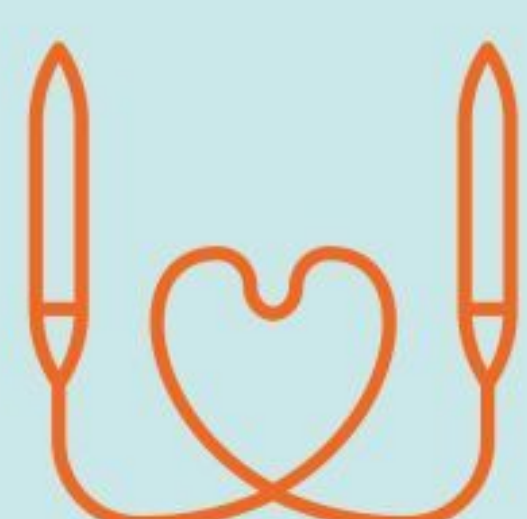


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small amounts of light brown DK and dark brown 4-ply, four 6mm black eye beads or safety eyes, two 5mm black eye beads or safety eyes, sewing needle (if using eye beads), stuffing, tapestry needle

SIZE

Daddy height: 14.5cm
Mummy height: 12cm
Son height: 9.5cm



Take the next step

DADDY body

Using 3mm needles and Bold Teal cast on 12 sts
Row 1 (WS): p
Row 2: (k1, kfb) three times, (kfb, k1) to end. 18 sts
Row 3 and every odd-numbered row: p
Row 4: (k2, kfb) three times, (kfb, k2) to end. 24 sts
Row 6: (k3, kfb) three times, (kfb, k3) to end. 30 sts
Row 8: (k4, kfb) three times, (kfb, k4) to end. 36 sts

Rows 9-19: starting with a p row work in st st

Row 20: (k4, k2tog) to end. 30 sts

Rows 21-25: starting with a p row work in st st

Row 26: (k3, k2tog) to end. 24 sts

Rows 27-31: starting with a p row work in st st

Row 32: (k4, k2tog) to end. 20 sts
Cast off

head

Using 3mm needles and Soft Grey cast on 12 sts
Rows 1-8: rep Rows 1-8 of Body. 36 sts

Row 9: p

Row 10: (k5, kfb) three times, (kfb, k5) to end. 42 sts

Rows 11-23: starting with a p row work in st st

Row 24: (k5, k2tog) to end. 36 sts

Row 25 and every odd-numbered row: p

Row 26: (k4, k2tog) to end. 30 sts

Row 28: (k3, k2tog) to end. 24 sts

Row 30: (k2, k2tog) to end. 18 sts

Row 32: (k1, k2tog) to end. 12 sts
Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

ear

Make two
Using 3mm needles and Soft Grey cast on 20 sts

Row 1: (k2, k2tog) to end. 15 sts
Change to Light Pink

Row 2: p

Row 3: (k1, k2tog) to end. Ten sts

Row 4: (p2tog) to end. Five sts

Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

nose

Using 3mm needles and light brown cast on nine sts

Row 1 (WS) and every odd-numbered row: p

Row 2: (k2, kfb) to end. 12 sts

Row 4: (k2, k2tog) to end. Nine sts

Row 6: (k1, k2tog) to end. Six sts

Row 7: (p2tog) to end. Three sts

Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

trousers

Using 3mm needles and Deep Navy cast on 12 sts

Rows 1-6: rep Rows 1-6 of Body. 30 sts

Row 7: p

Row 8: (k2, kfb) to end. 40 sts

Rows 9-18: starting with a p row work in st st

Rows 19-20: (k1, p1) to end
Cast off in rib

leg

Make two
Using 3mm needles and Deep Navy cast on 12 sts
Row 1 (WS): p
Row 2: (k1, kfb) three times, (kfb,

k1) to end. 18 sts

Rows 3-9: starting with a p row work in st st

Row 10: k5, (k2tog) four times, k5. 14 sts

Rows 11-14: starting with a p row work in st st

Cast off

arm

Make two

Using 3mm needles and Bold Teal cast on 12 sts

Rows 1-10: starting with a p (WS) row work in st st

Row 11 (cuff): k

Change to Soft Grey

Row 12: k

Row 13: p1, p2tog, p to last three sts, p2tog, p1. Ten sts

Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

collar

Using 3mm needles and Bold Teal cast on 30 sts

Row 1 (WS): k2, p to last two sts, k2

Row 2: (k3, k2tog) three times, (k2tog, k3) to end. 24 sts

Cast off

tie

Using 3mm needles and Sparkle cast on four sts

Rows 1-10: k

Row 11: k1, k2tog, k1. Three sts

Rows 12-48: k
Cast off

to make up

With cast-on yarn end of Body, work gathering thread along cast-on edge and draw tightly. Sew seam



work for a different look"

SACHIYO ISHII, DESIGNER

"Call the shots! For all the yellow elements in these makes, take out the glitter thread as you

up to cast-off edge and stuff. With fastened-off yarn end of Head, sew down seam halfway. With cast-on yarn end, work gathering thread along cast-on edge and draw tightly. Sew up a little further, attach safety eyes if using. Stuff Head and close seam. Sew Ears to Head. Seam Nose and attach to face. Attach eye beads if using. With dark brown 4-ply, embroider mouth. With cast-on yarn end of Trousers, work gathering thread along cast-on edge and draw tightly. Sew back seam, encase stuffed Body, and secure Trousers to Body with sts around waist. Fold Leg in half longways, sew sole, back seam and stuff. Sew to Body. Seam and stuff Arms. Attach to Body. Sew Head to Body. Attach Collar. Make knot in centre of Tie and fold in half longways. Sew Tie to neck. Weave in all ends

Rows 1-6: rep Rows 1-6 of Daddy Body. 30 sts

Rows 7-17: starting with a p row work in st st

Row 18: (k3, k2tog) to end. 24 sts

Rows 19-25: starting with a p row work in st st

Row 26: (k4, k2tog) to end. 20 sts

Rows 27-28: starting with a p row work in st st
Cast off

head

Using 3mm needles and Soft Grey cast on 12 sts

Rows 1-8: rep Rows 1-8 of Daddy Body. 36 sts

Rows 9-21: starting with a p row work in st st

Row 22: (k4, k2tog) to end. 30 sts

Row 23 and every odd-numbered row: p

Row 24: (k3, k2tog) to end. 24 sts

Row 26: (k2, k2tog) to end. 18 sts

Row 28: (k1, k2tog) to end. 12 sts
Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

ear

Make two
Using 3mm needles and Soft



Grey cast on 18 sts
Change to Light Pink
Row 1 (RS): (k1, k2tog) to end. 12 sts
Row 2: (p2tog) to end. Six sts
Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

nose

Using 3mm needles and light brown cast on seven sts
Row 1 (WS): p
Row 2: k1, (kfb, k1) to end. Ten sts
Row 3: p
Row 4: k1, k2tog, k to last three sts, k2tog, k1. Eight sts
Row 5: (p2tog) to end. Four sts
Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

arm

Make two
Using 3mm needles and Light Pink cast on ten sts
Rows 1-9: starting with a p (WS) row

work in st st
Row 10 (cuff): p
Change to Soft Grey
Row 11: p
Row 12: k1, k2tog, k to last three sts, k2tog, k1. Eight sts
Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

skirt

Using 3mm needles and Light Pink cast on 60 sts
Rows 1-3: k
Rows 4-6: starting with a p (WS) row work in st st
Row 7: (k2tog) to end. 30 sts
Cast off

apron

Using 3mm needles and Ruby Red cast on 36 sts
Row 1 (RS) and every odd-numbered row: p
Row 2: (k4, k2tog) three times, (k2tog, k4) to end. 30 sts
Row 4: (k3, k2tog) three times, (k2tog, k3) to end. 24 sts
Row 6: (k2, k2tog) three times,

(k2tog, k2) to end. 18 sts
Row 8: (k1, k2tog) three times, (k2tog, k1) to end. 12 sts
Cast off

strap

Make two
Using 3mm hook and Ruby Red make 30ch
Fasten off

collar

Using 3mm needles and Light Pink cast on 26 sts
Row 1 (WS): p
Row 2: k2, (k2tog, k2) to end. 20 sts
Cast off

to make up

Follow Daddy To Make Up for basic assembly. Wrap Body with Skirt and sew seam at

back. Attach Straps to Apron, wrap Body with Apron and make bow at back. With Light Pink, make bow at chin after attaching Collar. Weave in all ends

SON body

Using 3mm needles and Sparkle cast on 12 sts
Rows 1-4: rep Rows 1-4 of Daddy Body. 24 sts
Rows 5-11: starting with a p row work in st st
Row 12: (k2, k2tog) to end. 18 sts
Rows 13-17: starting with a p row work in st st
Row 18: (k4, k2tog) to end. 15 sts
Row 19: p
Row 20: k
Cast off

head

Using 3mm needles and Soft Grey cast on 12 sts
Rows 1-6: rep Rows 1-6 of Daddy Body. 30 sts
Rows 7-13: starting with a p row work in st st
Row 14: (k3, k2tog) to end. 24 sts
Row 15: p
Row 16: (k2, k2tog) to end. 18 sts
Row 17: p
Row 18: (k1, k2tog)

to end. 12 sts
Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

ear

Make two
Using 3mm needles and Soft Grey cast on 12 sts
Change to Light Pink
Row 1 (RS): (k1, k2tog) to end. Eight sts
Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

nose

Using 3mm needles and light brown cast on eight sts
Row 1 (WS): p
Row 2: k
Row 3: p1, p2tog, p to last three sts, p2tog, p1. Six sts
Row 4: (k2tog) to end. Three sts
Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

trousers

Using 3mm needles and Ruby Red cast on ten sts
Row 1 (WS): p

Row 2: (kfb) to end. 20 sts
Row 3: p
Row 4: k2, (kfb, k2) to end. 26 sts
Rows 5-10: starting with a p row work in st st
Rows 11-12: (k1, p1) to end
Cast off in rib

strap

Make two
Using 3mm hook and Ruby Red make 30ch
Fasten off

leg

Make two
Using 3mm needles and Sparkle cast on nine sts
Row 1 (WS): p
Row 2: (k2, kfb) to end. 12 sts
Rows 3-7: starting with a p row work in st st
Row 8: k3, (k2tog) three times, k3. Nine sts
Rows 9-11: starting with a p row work in st st
Cast off

arm

Make two
Using 3mm needles and Soft Grey cast on eight sts
Rows 1-6: starting with a p (WS) row work in st st
Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

to make up

Follow Daddy To Make Up for basic assembly. Attach Straps, crossing at the back. Weave in all ends

Run out of yarn?

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PLUS
stitch markers,
tapestry
needle,
stuffing, two
black 6mm
safety eyes,
one 10mm
black flock
safety nose,
black
embroidery
thread

SIZE
Length: 15.5cm



HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS snout

Using 3mm hook
and Soft Grey
make a magic ring,
work 6dc into ring.
Six sts

Rnd 1: 2dc in each
st to end. 12 sts

Rnd 2: (1dc, 2dc in
next st) to end.
18 sts

Rnds 3-4: 1dc in
each st to end
Fasten off, leaving
a long tail

head

Using 3mm hook
and Soft Grey
make a magic ring,
work 6dc into ring.
Six sts

Rnd 1: 2dc in each
st to end. 12 sts

Rnd 2: (1dc, 2dc in
next st) to end.

18 sts

Rnd 3: (2dc, 2dc in
next st) to end.
24 sts

Rnd 4: (3dc, 2dc in
next st) to end.
30 sts

Note: change to
Ruby Red after
Rnd 12

Rnds 5-15: 1dc in
each st to end
Fasten off, leaving
a long tail

cheek

Make two

Using 3mm hook
and Light Pink
make a magic ring,
work 8dc into ring.
Eight sts

Fasten off, leaving
a long tail

body

Note: working
from chest to tail
Using 3mm hook
and Ruby Red
make a magic ring,
work 6dc into ring.
Six sts

Rnds 1-13: rep
Rnds 1-13 of Head.
30 sts

Change to
Soft Grey

Rnds 14: 1dc in
each st to end

Rnd 15: (4dc,

dc2tog) to end.
25 sts

Rnds 16-17: 1dc in
each st to end
Rnd 18: (3dc,
dc2tog) to end.
20 sts

Rnds 19-20: 1dc in
each st to end
Note: stuff as
you go

Rnd 21: (2dc,
dc2tog) to end.
15 sts
Rnds 22-23: 1dc in
each st to end

Rnd 24: (1dc,
dc2tog) to end.
Ten sts

Rnds 25-26: 1dc in
each st to end

Rnd 27: (3dc,
dc2tog) to end.
Eight sts

Rnd 28: (dc2tog)
to end. Four sts
Fasten off

back flippers

* Using 3mm hook
and Deep Navy
make 5ch

Row 1: starting in
second ch from
hook, 1dc in each
st to end, work
along other side
of starting ch as
follows: 1dc in each st
to end. Eight sts

Note: now

working in rnds

Rnds 2-6: 1dc in
each st to end *
Rep from * to * for
second Flipper,
then join tog as
follows:

Rnd 7: 2dc, dc2tog
using one st from
second Flipper
and one st from
first Flipper, (2dc in
next st) twice, 2dc,
dc2tog using one
st from first
Flipper and one st
from second
Flipper, 2dc,
dc2tog. 12 sts

Rnd 8: (2dc,
dc2tog) to end.
Nine sts

Rnd 9: (1dc,
dc2tog) to end.
Six sts
Fasten off, leaving
a long tail

front flipper

Make two

Using 3mm hook
and Deep Navy
make a magic ring,
work 6dc into ring.
Six sts

Rnd 1: (2dc, 2dc in
next st) to end.
Eight sts

Rnd 2: (3dc, 2dc in
next st) to end.
Ten sts

Rnd 3: (4dc, 2dc in
next st) to end.
12 sts

Rnd 4: (5dc, 2dc in
next st) to end.
14 sts

Rnds 5-6: 1dc in
each st to end

Rnd 7: (5dc,
dc2tog) to end.
12 sts

Rnd 8: (4dc,
dc2tog) to end.
Ten sts

Fasten off, leaving
a long tail

cloak

Note: 1ch at start
of row does not
count as a st
throughout

Using 3mm hook
and Bold Teal
make 25ch

Row 1: starting in
second ch from
hook, 1dc in each
st to end, turn.
24 sts

Row 2: 1ch, (3dc,
2dc in next st) to
end, turn. 30 sts

Row 3: 1ch, (4dc,
2dc in next st) to
end, turn. 36 sts

Rows 4-10: 1ch, 1dc
in each st to
end, turn
Fasten off, leaving
a long tail

cloak chain

Note: leave length
of yarn before
starting
Using 3mm hook
and Sparkle
make 8ch

Row 1: starting in
second ch from
hook, 1dc in each
st to end.
Seven sts
Fasten off

crown

Note: leave length
of yarn before
starting

Using 3mm hook
and Sparkle make
18ch, join with a
sl st to first ch to
make a ring

Rnds 1-2: 1dc in
each st to end.
18 sts

Make points as
follows:

* **Row 1:** 3dc, turn

Row 2: dc3tog.

One st
Fasten off

Attach yarn to
next st of Row 2 *,
rep from * to * five
times to make six
points

to make up

Insert safety nose
on Snout between

An aristocratic seal? Only in Let's Get Crafting...

Use amigurumi know-how to create this seal by **HEATHER GIBBS** which, ironically, has our seal of approval! With his jaunty crown and cloak, this mini make is sure to swim onto your to-crochet list pronto. Run out of your Horizon yarns already? Turn to page 36 to find out how you can claim another pack for free – just pay postage!

TOP TIP

SECTIONS ARE
WORKED WITHOUT
JOINING IN
CONTINUOUS ROUNDS

– PLACE A STITCH
MARKER IN THE TOP
OF THE FIRST STITCH
TO MARK THE START
OF THE ROUND

USE ALL
SIX
YARN
COLOURS!

Rnds 1-2. With black thread, embroider lines for nose and mouth. Stuff Snout. Insert safety eyes on Head between Rnds 6-7, approx four sts apart. Stuff Head. Attach Snout centrally below eyes. Attach Cheeks either side of nose. Use yarn tail to sew Body closed. Sew Head to front of Body. Attach Back Flippers to back of Body. Sew Front Flippers to sides of Body, attaching at top and halfway down Flipper so they lie flat and help seal to balance. Sew Cloak to Body over join of Body and Head, leaving a gap at front. Sew Cloak Chain to front of Body between gaps in Cloak. Attach Crown to top of Head. Weave in all ends





PLUS
extra yarns for
skin tones,
small amount
of black
yarn for
embroidery,
stuffing, six
black safety
eyes, two
safety pins,
tapestry
needle,
stuffing,
blusher
(optional)

SIZE
Height: 22cm

Under the sea

Knit our enchanting mermaids – we insist!



Take the
next step

MERMAIDS head & body

Make three
Using 3mm
needles and skin
tone yarn cast on
16 sts

Row 1 (RS): k
**Row 2 and every
even-numbered
row:** p
Row 3: (k3, kfb) to
end. 20 sts
Row 5: (k4, kfb) to
end. 24 sts

Row 7: (k5, kfb) to
end. 28 sts

Rows 8-16:
starting with a p
(WS) row work in
st st

Row 17: (k5, k2tog)
to end. 24 sts

Rows 18-20:
starting with a p
(WS) row work in
st st

Row 21: (k4, k2tog)
to end. 20 sts

Row 22: (p2tog) to
end. Ten sts

Row 23: k

Row 24: p

Row 25: (kfb) to
end. 20 sts

Row 26: p

Row 27: (k3, kfb)
to end. 25 sts

Rows 28-36:
starting with a p
(WS) row work in
st st

Row 37: k1, (k2tog)
to end. 13 sts

Row 38: p1, (p2tog)
to end. Seven sts
Cut yarn leaving a
long tail, thread
tail onto tapestry
needle and thread
through rem sts,
fasten off

tail

Make three
Using 3mm
needles and Light
Pink (Ruby Red,
Bold Teal) cast on
25 sts

Rows 1-3: k

Rows 4-6: starting

with a p (WS) row
work in st st

Row 7: (k4, kfb) to
end. 30 sts

Row 8: p

Row 9: (k5, kfb) to
end. 35 sts

Rows 10-12:
starting with a p
(WS) row work in
st st

Row 13: (k2tog, k3)
to end. 28 sts

Rows 14-16:
starting with a p
(WS) row work in
st st

Row 17: (k2tog, k6)
to last four sts,
k2tog, k2. 24 sts

Rows 18-20:
starting with a p
(WS) row work in
st st

Row 21: (k2tog, k4)
to end. 20 sts

Rows 22-26:
starting with a p
(WS) row work in
st st

Row 27: (kfb, k3)
to end. 25 sts

Row 28: p11, p2tog,
p12. 24 sts

Note: now
dividing for tail
shaping

Row 29: k12, turn,

place rem 12 sts on
safety pin

Row 30: k

Row 31: k1, m1, k to
last st, m1, k1. 14 sts

Row 32: k

Row 33: rep Row
31. 16 sts

Rows 34-36: k

Note: now
working flipper
shaping

Row 37: k8, turn,
place rem eight sts
on safety pin

Row 38: k2tog, k4,
k2tog. Six sts

Row 39: k2tog, k2,
k2tog. Four sts

Row 40: (k2tog)
twice. Two sts
Cast off

Rejoin yarn to
eight sts on safety
pin and rep Rows
37-40

Cast off
Rejoin yarn to 12
sts from Row 29
and rep Rows
29-40, keeping
shaping the same
Cast off

arm

Make six
Using 3mm
needles and skin

tone yarn cast on
seven sts

Rows 1-17: starting
with a k (RS) row
work in st st

Row 20: p1, (p2tog)
to end. Four sts
Cut yarn leaving a
long tail, thread
tail onto tapestry
needle and thread
through rem sts,
fasten off

bikini top

Make six (two in
each colour)
Using 3mm
needles and Ruby
Red (Light Pink,
Bold Teal) cast on
four sts

Row 1: p

Row 2: k1, m1, k2,
m1, k1. Six sts

Rows 3-5: starting
with a p (WS) row
work in st st

Row 6: k2tog, k2,
k2tog. Four sts
Cast off

crown

Make three
Using 3mm
needles and Soft
Grey (Light Pink,
Sparkle) cast on

DIFFERENT HAIRSTYLES: SORTED!

★ **BLONDE-HAIRED MERMAID:**
Cut 50cm lengths of Sparkle. Sew
the middle of the strands to the
head, down the centre. Use more
Sparkle to embroider a fringe.
Secure the hair where the ears
should be, then create a side plait
and secure

★ **TEAL-HAIRED MERMAID:**
Cut 70cm lengths of Bold Teal and
Soft Grey. Sew the middle of the
strands to the head, down the
centre. Embroider a fringe with
Bold Teal. Gather the hair to one
side below the ear and secure

★ **NAVY-HAIRED MERMAID:**
Cut 50cm lengths of Light Pink
and Deep Navy. Sew the middle of
the strands to the head, down the
centre. Secure the hair where the
ears should be, then create two
side plaits and secure



*“The mermaids are all made in the
same way, it’s just the colours and
hairstyles that differ. Once you’ve
knitted the first one, you won’t be
able to stop!”*

NICOLA VALIJI, DESIGNER

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SIX
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CONTINUE
KNITTING 



KNIT INTO FRONT AND BACK OF STITCH (KFB)

This is one of the most commonly used methods of adding a stitch. It is worked into the stitch. It does leave a horizontal strand on the right side (RS) of the work, but in garter stitch this is almost invisible



Step 1: k into the first stitch on the left-hand (LH) needle, but do not slip it off the needle



Step 2: move the right-hand (RH) needle around and knit into the back loop of the same stitch



Step 3: drop the stitch from the LH needle

26 sts
Row 1: k
Row 2: p
Row 3: k1, (k2tog, yfwd) to last st, k1
Row 4: p
Row 5: k
 Cast off

to make up

Sew row edges of Head & Body tog on WS with seam

at back. Sew up to cast-off edge, leaving this open. Turn RS out, insert safety eyes into Head. Stuff Head and Body, gather up cast-off sts and secure. Sew across cast-on sts. Use Ruby Red to embroider smile and apply small

amount of blusher to cheeks. Use matching skin tone yarn to embroider ears. Use Tail colour to embroider earrings. To make nose, use matching skin tone yarn, oversewing a few sts in middle of

face. Make hair (see panel on prev page). Fold Crown in half lengthwise to expose picot edge. Sew cast-on and cast-off edges tog. Join row edges tog to make circle. Sew Crown on Head. Folding Tail in half so row edges are

side seams. Sew all around Tail, leaving cast-on edge open. Stuff, place Body inside Tail and sew tog. Gathering up cast-off sts of Arms and sew up row edges on WS. Turn RS out and stuff. Sew Arms to Body. Sew Bikini

Top elements to Body. Add lengths of yarn to look like straps across middle, to make a halterneck tie and from corner of top to tie at back. Weave in all ends

Peter Pan
& Wendy
Darling

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PLUS

stuffing, six
6mm black
safety eyes,
stitch markers,
tapestry
needle

SIZE

Length: 9cm

Ocean pals

Have a whale of a time with this trio

Whale whale whale, what have we here? OK, we'll stop it with the puns now. But these dinky fellas by **ÁINE MARRIOTT** have got us feeling giddy because they're just so darn adorable. If you're new to knitting toys, they're a great place to start. There aren't too many pieces to sew together and there's just one colour change – hurrah!



Perfect for
beginners

OCEAN PALS body

Make three
Using 3mm
needles and Soft
Grey cast on
six sts
**Row 1 and every
odd-numbered
row:** p

Row 2: (kfb) to
end. 12 sts

Row 4: kfb, (kfb,
k1) five times, kfb.
19 sts

Row 6: (kfb, k2) six
times, kfb. 26 sts

Row 8: kfb, k1,
(kfb, k3) to last
four sts, kfb, k2,
kfb. 34 sts

Row 10: kfb, k3,
(kfb, k4) to last
five sts, kfb, k3,
kfb. 42 sts

Row 12: kfb, k1,
(kfb, k5) to last
four sts, kfb, k2,
kfb. 51 sts

Row 13: p
Change to Bold
Teal (Ruby Red,
Sparkle)

Rows 14-16: k
**Row 17 and every
odd-numbered
row:** p

Row 18: k1, ssk, k16,
place st marker in
next st, k11, place st
marker in next st,
k16, k2tog, k1.
49 sts

Row 20: k1, ssk, k
to last three sts,
k2tog, k1. 47 sts

Row 22: rep Row
20. 45 sts

Row 24: rep Row
20. 43 sts

Row 26: rep Row
20. 41 sts

Row 28: k1, ssk, k2,
(k2tog, k2) to last
four sts, k1, k2tog,
k1. 31 sts

Row 30: rep Row
20. 29 sts

Row 32: k1, ssk, (k1,
k2tog) to last five
sts, k2, k2tog, k1.
20 sts

Row 34: k1, ssk,
(k2tog) to last st,
k1. 11 sts

Row 35: p1, (p2tog)
to end. Six sts

Cut yarn leaving a
long tail, thread
tail onto tapestry
needle and thread
through rem sts,
fasten off

fin

Make six (two in
each colour)
Using 3mm
needles and Bold
Teal (Ruby Red,
Sparkle) cast on
12 sts
Rows 1-4: starting
with a k row work
in st st
Cast off

tail

Make three

Using 3mm
needles and Bold
Teal (Ruby Red,
Sparkle) cast on
six sts

**Row 1 and every
odd-numbered
row:** p

Row 2: k1, m1, k4,
m1, k1. Eight sts

Row 4: k1, m1, k6,
m1, k1. Ten sts

Row 6: k1, m1, k8,
m1, k1. 12 sts

**Row 7 (marks fold
line):** k

Row 8: k1, ssk, k6,



k2tog, k1. Ten sts

Row 9: p

Row 10: k1, ssk, k4, k2tog, k1. Eight sts

Row 11: p

Row 12: k1, ssk, k2, k2tog, k1. Six sts

Row 13: p

Cast off

to make up

Insert safety eyes at marked positions on Body. Seam row edges, leaving a gap for stuffing. Stuff well, then close gap. For Fins, fold in half. Sew row edges and cast-off edge, then cast-on edge. Sew Fins to

each side of Body, just over colour change ridge. Fold Tail in half along fold line. Seam row edges. Oversew across cast-on/cast-off edge. Sew to back of Body along colour change ridge. Cut four 10cm lengths of Light Pink. Fold in half and use hook to pull folded ends through centre of top of Sparkle Body. Pull free ends through loop and pull tightly to make a tassel. Trim to suit. Weave in all ends



“Each whale is made in the same way, just with a different upper body colour. I’ve also created a water spout for one of them!”

ÁINE MARRIOTT, DESIGNER



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ROARSOME
CROCHETED LION

YOU WILL NEED

YARN
DK: Yellow, 25g (25g, 50g); Light Brown, 10g; White, Black, small amounts of each

PLUS
4mm hook, tapestry needle

TENSION
10 sts x 8 rows
10cm x 10cm
Treble crochet

SIZE
To fit age:
preemie
(newborn-
3mths, 6
mths-1y+)



GIRAFFE BEANIE

Using Yellow, 5ch. Join with a sl st in first ch to form a ring

Rnd 1: 3ch (counts as first tr here and throughout), 9 (11, 11)tr in ring, join - 10 (12, 12) sts

Rnd 2: 3ch, [2tr in next st] 9 [11, 11] times, 1tr in same st as starting 3 ch, join - 20 (24, 24) sts

Rnd 3: 3ch, [2tr in next st, 1tr] 9 [11, 11] times, 2tr in next st, join - 30 (36, 36) sts

Rnd 4: 3ch, [2tr in next st, 2tr] 9 [11, 11] times, 2tr in next st, 1tr, join - 40 (48, 48) sts

SIZES A AND B ONLY

Rnds 5-8: 3ch, 1tr

in each st around, join - 40 (48) sts
Size A only
fasten off

SIZE B ONLY

Rnds 9-10: 3ch, 1tr in each st around, join
If making the hat for a baby over 2 months, crochet an 11th round of trebles. Fasten off

SIZE C ONLY

Rnd 5: 3ch, [2tr in next st, 3tr] 11 times, 2tr in next st, 2tr, join -

60 sts
Rnds 6-14: 3ch, 1tr in each st around, join
Fasten off, weave in end

eye

Make two

Rnd 1: using White, 4ch, 7 (9, 15)tr in first ch, join with sl st to 4th ch - 8 (10, 16) sts
Fasten off

pupil

Make two

SIZE A ONLY
Rnd 1: using Black, 2ch, 3dc in first ch,

join with sl st to 2nd ch - 4 sts

SIZE B AND C ONLY

Magic ring

Rnd 1: 3ch, 3 (5)htr in ring, join with sl st to 3rd ch - 4 (6) sts
Fasten off
Sew the pupils onto the whites of the eyes

snout

Worked in rows, turn at the end of each row

SIZE A ONLY

Row 1: Using Light

Brown, 3ch, 5htr in first ch. Turn - 6 sts

Row 2: 2ch, 1htr in same st as 2ch, 2htr in each of next 5 sts. Turn - 12 sts

Row 3: 2ch, [2htr in next st, 1htr] 5 times, 2htr in last st. Turn - 18 sts

Row 4: 2ch, [2htr in next st, 2htr] 5 times, 2htr in next st, 1htr - 24 sts
Fasten off

SIZE B AND C ONLY

Row 1: 4ch, 5 (7)tr

in first ch. Turn - 6 (8) sts

Row 2: 3ch, 1tr in same st as 3ch, 2tr in each of rem 5 (7) sts. Turn - 12 (16) sts

Row 3: 3ch, [2tr in next st, 1tr] 5 [7] times, 2tr in last st. Turn - 18 (24) sts

Row 4: 3ch, [2tr in next st, 2tr] 5 [7] times, 2tr in next st, 1tr - 24 (32) sts
Fasten off

ears

Make two

SIZE A ONLY

Rnd 1: using Yellow, 3ch, 7htr in first ch, join with sl st to 3rd ch - 8 sts

Rnd 2: 2ch, 2htr in each st around, 1htr in same st as starting 2 ch, join - 16 sts

Rnd 3: 2ch, 1htr in each st around, join

Rnd 4: 2ch, [htr2tog, 1htr] 5 times, join - 11 sts
Fasten off

SIZE B AND C ONLY

Rnd 1: 4ch, 7 (9)tr in first ch, join - 8 (10) sts

Rnd 2: 3ch, 2tr in each st around, 1tr in same st as starting 3 ch, join - 16 (20) sts

Giraffe beanie

This baby hat is head and shoulders above the rest!

Who doesn't love a giraffe? Gentle giant meets tiny tot in this adorable project, perfect for keeping baby nice and snug – and turning some heads as you take the stroller out with the cutest baby on the block! Complete with the giraffe's signature ossicones, this design by **GURINDER KAUR HATCHARD** is sure to put a smile on your face.



TOP TIP

WHEN YOU'VE
FASTENED OFF THE
HORNS (KNOWN AS
OSSICONES), EARS,
EYES AND SNOUT,
LEAVE ENOUGH YARN
FOR SEWING UP

Rnd 3: 3ch, 1tr in
each st
around, join

SIZE B ONLY

Rnd 4: 3ch, [tr2tog,
1tr] 5 times, join -
11 sts
Fasten off

SIZE C ONLY

Rnd 4: 3ch, [tr2tog,
1tr] 6 times, 1tr, join
- 14 sts
Fasten off

horn

Make two

SIZE A ONLY

Rnd 1: using Light
Brown, 3ch, 9htr in
first ch, join with sl
st to 3rd ch - 10 sts

Rnd 2: 2ch, 1htr in
each st
around, join
Fasten off
With yellow

Rnds 3-4: 2ch, 1htr
in each st
around, join
Fasten off

SIZES B AND C
ONLY

Rnd 1: using Light
Brown, 4ch, 9 (11)tr
in first ch, join with
sl st to 4th ch - 10
(12) sts

Rnd 2: 3ch, 1tr in
each st
around, join
Fasten off

Rnds 3-4: using
Yellow, 3ch, 1tr in
each st
around, join
Fasten off

to make up

Sew snout, horns,
eyes and ears
onto hat. Make
sure hat's seam is

at the back in the
middle. Weave in
all ends



3
SIZES!

Head to Toe
Crochet

Beanies and Booties for Infants to Toddlers



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Attach Button loop to left back edge of Collar and sew button on right back edge to match

TOP HAT

Using 3mm needles and yarn B, cast on 12 sts

Row 1 (RS): (kfb) to end. 24 sts

Row 2: p

Row 3: (k3, kfb) to end. 30 sts

Row 4: p

Row 5: (k4, kfb) to end. 36 sts

Row 6: p

Row 7: (k5, kfb) to end. 42 sts

Rows 8-9: k

Beg with a p row, work 19 rows in st st

Row 29: (k6, kfb) to end. 48 sts

Row 30: k

Row 31: (k7, kfb) to end. 54 sts

Row 32: k

Row 33: (k8, kfb) to end. 60 sts

Row 34: k

Cast off
Sew a running stitch through all stitches on cast-on edge and pull up tight, then stitch seam, including brim. Roll up cardboard or craft foam and insert inside hat, add stuffing if necessary, then stitch hat to top of head

SHOE

Make two

Using 3.25mm needles and yarn B or C, cast on 18 sts

Row 1 (RS): (kfb) to end. 36 sts

Beg with a p row, work nine rows in st st

Row 11: k8, (k2tog) ten times, k8.

26 sts

Row 12: p

Row 13: k8, (k2tog) five times, k8.

21 sts

Row 14: k

Cast off

Stitch seam at base of foot and up back of shoe. For Bride's shoes, attach centre of a Tie to top of back seam on each shoe

GROOM'S TROUSERS (BRIDE'S KNICKERS)

Note: beg with

Right leg

Using 3.25mm needles and yarn D (C), cast on 24 sts

Rows 1-3: k

Beg with a p row, work 19 (1) rows in st st

Next row: cast off two sts, k to end.

22 sts

Next row: cast off two sts, p to end.

20 sts

Cut yarn and place sts on holder

left leg

Work as for Right leg until 20 sts rem

Next row: k20 from needle, k20 from holder. 40 sts
Beg with a p row, work 12 rows in st st

P two rows

Beg with a k row, work two rows st st

Cast off
Stitch leg seams, then back seam, then fold waistband over to wrong side and stitch in place, leaving a small gap. Insert a piece of elastic through waistband,

overlap ends and stitch together then stitch gap closed

GROOM'S SHIRT

Using 3mm needles and yarn C, cast on 48 sts

Rows 1-2: k

Change to 3.25mm needles

Row 3 (WS): sl 1, k1, p to last two sts, k2

Row 4: sl 1, k to end

Rep Rows 3-4 six times more, then Row 3 once more

right front

Work as for Left back of Bride's dress

back

Work as for Front of Bride's dress

left front

Work as for Right back of Bride's dress

collar

Join shoulder seams

Using 3.25mm needles and yarn C, with RS facing, beg at Right front

neck, pick up and k six sts on lower neck edge, four sts over right shoulder, 12 sts along Back neck, four sts over Left shoulder and six sts along lower left neck. 32 sts
K seven rows
Cast off
Seam front edges neatly, leaving Collar open

BOW TIE

Using 3mm needles and yarn H, cast on 17 sts
K three rows
Cast off

Fold two short ends of Bow Tie to centre and stitch in place then wrap yarn H tightly around centre a few times and fasten off. Stitch to shirt

GROOM'S JACKET

Note: worked in one piece starting from Tails

* Using 3.25mm needles and yarn B, cast on two sts

Rows 1-2: k

CONTINUE





Row 3: k1, m1, k1.
Three sts
Rows 4-5: k
Row 6: k1, m1, k to
last st, m1, k1
Rep Rows 4-6 four
times, then Rows
4-5 once more. 13
sts **
Cut yarn and
place sts on a
holder
Rep from * to **
Do not cut yarn

fronts & back

Row 1: cast on 12
sts, k25, k13 from
holder. 38 sts
Row 2: cast on 12
sts, k to end.
50 sts
Row 3: k23,
(k2tog) twice, k to
end. 48 sts
K 16 rows

right front

Row 1: k12, turn
and place rem sts
on holder. 12 sts
K 13 rows
Row 15: cast off six
sts, k to end.
Six sts
Row 16: k
Cast off

back

Place next 24 sts
on needle leaving
rem 12 sts on
holder and
rejoin yarn
K 15 rows
Cast off

left front

Place rem 12 sts on
needle
Work to match
Right front,
reversing shaping

sleeve

Make two
Using 3.25mm
needles and yarn
B, with RS of jacket
facing,
beg at shoulder,
pick up and k 22
sts around
armhole
K seven rows
Row 8: k1, skpo, k
to last three sts,
k2tog, k1. 20 sts
K five rows
Row 14: k1, skpo, k
to last three sts,
k2tog, k1. 18 sts
K three rows
Cast off
Stitch shoulder

seams and seams
on sleeves. Fold
front corners
down to form
lapels and sew in
place. Attach
three Button loops
on left edge of
jacket and sew
buttons on right
edge to
correspond

GROOM'S
BUTTON-
HOLE

Using 3mm
needles and F,
cast on eight
stitches
Row 1: (kfb) to
end. 16 sts
Row 2: p
Row 3: k
Row 4: k2tog,
(yfwd, k2tog)
seven times. 15 sts
Row 5: k
Row 6: p
Row 7: k1, (k2tog)
to end
Eight sts
Cut yarn and
thread through
rem sts, pull tight
and fasten off. Pull
up yarn end and

stitch side seam,
then use yellow
yarn to embroider
a few French
knots in centre.
Using green yarn,
embroider a few
leaves on left
lapel of jacket
using lazy daisy
stitch and stitch
flower in place

GARTER

Using 3mm
needles and yarn
C, * cast on four
sts, cast off
two sts,
transfer st from
RH to LH needle,
rep from * until
there are 30 sts
Row 1: k
Row 2: p
Row 3: k1, * yfwd,
k2tog, rep from *
to last st, k1
Row 4: p
Cast off row: *
cast on two sts,
cast off four sts,
transfer st from
RH to LH needle,
rep from * until
one st rem, fasten
off **
Join two short
ends and thread
ribbon through
eyelet holes

HEADDRESS

Work as for Garter
to **
Run a gathering
thread through
eyelet holes and
gather until it fits
between ears,
then sew in place.
Fold netting in half
and sew a running
stitch along folded

GREAT
ADVICE

ALL CHANGE!
When you're
asked to 'reverse
shaping', such as
on the bride's
dress, this simply
means you work
the shaping on
the opposite side
to how you did it
the first time.
Usually this
means that
whatever you did
on a knit row
you'll be doing on
a purl row, such
as casting off. It
may help to write
out the section of
pattern and then
change all the k's
to p's to make
things clearer!





STITCH SCHOOL

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TOOLKIT ESSENTIALS

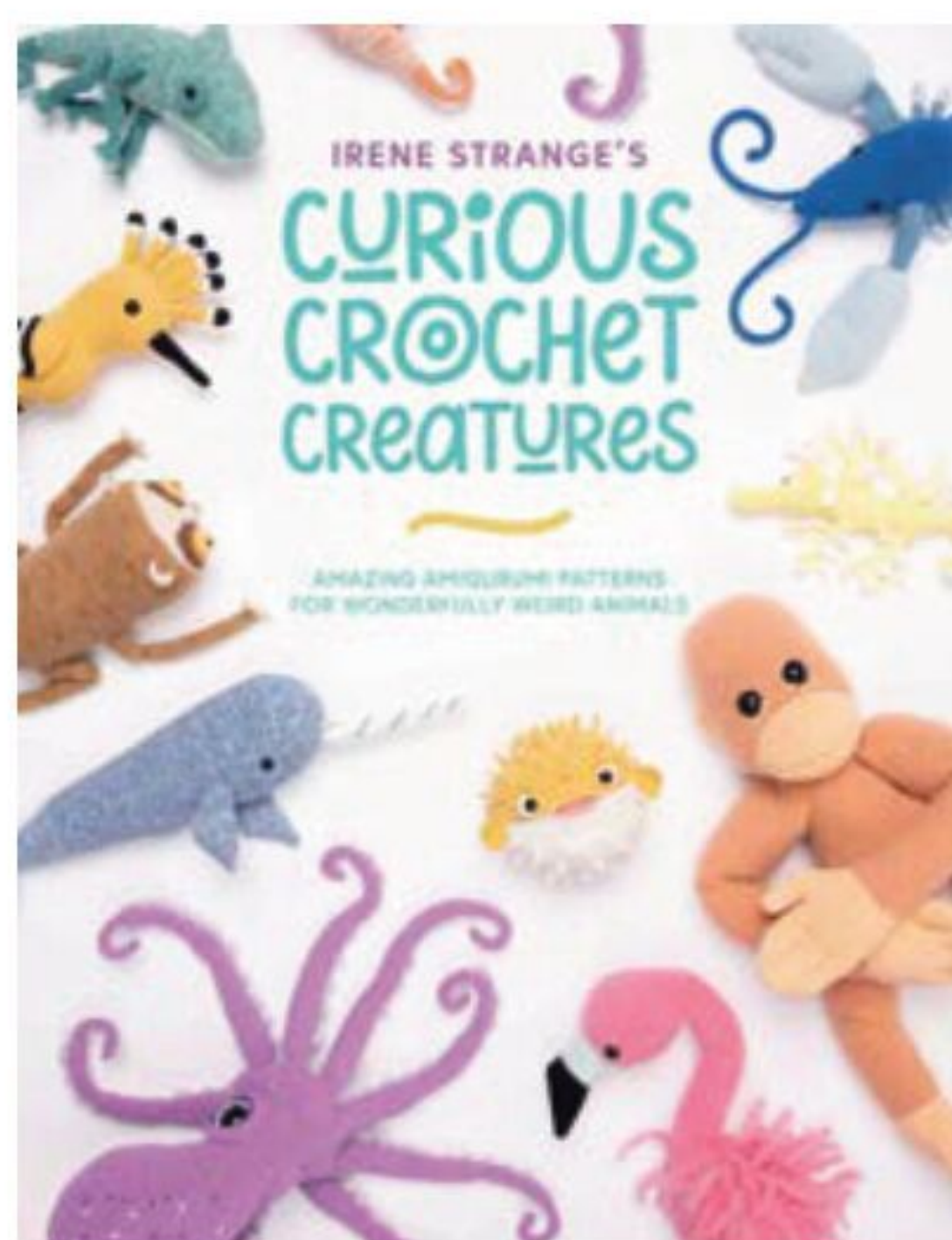
Tapestry needle A blunt needle with a large eye, perfect for threading with yarn, that's used for weaving in ends, sewing seams and embroidery – a must-have!

Stitch marker Used to identify an important place in your knitting or crochet so you don't forget – there are ring stitch and locking stitch markers available

Stuffing We're all about the toys, so you'll need stuffing to turn them from 2D to 3D

Safety eyes Bring your toys to life with a pair of eyes, but don't let the name fool you – they're not suitable for youngsters

Stitch holder Used by knitters to hold open stitches when not being used by the needles



BEGINNER BUY

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UK VS US TERMS

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× If following an American pattern, use the below table to translate the stitches

UK	US
slip stitch (sl st)	slip stitch (ss)
double crochet (dc)	single crochet (sc)
half treble (htr)	half double crochet (hdc)
treble (tr)	double crochet (dc)
double treble (dtr)	treble/triple (tr)

Turn over for our classic stitch illustrations

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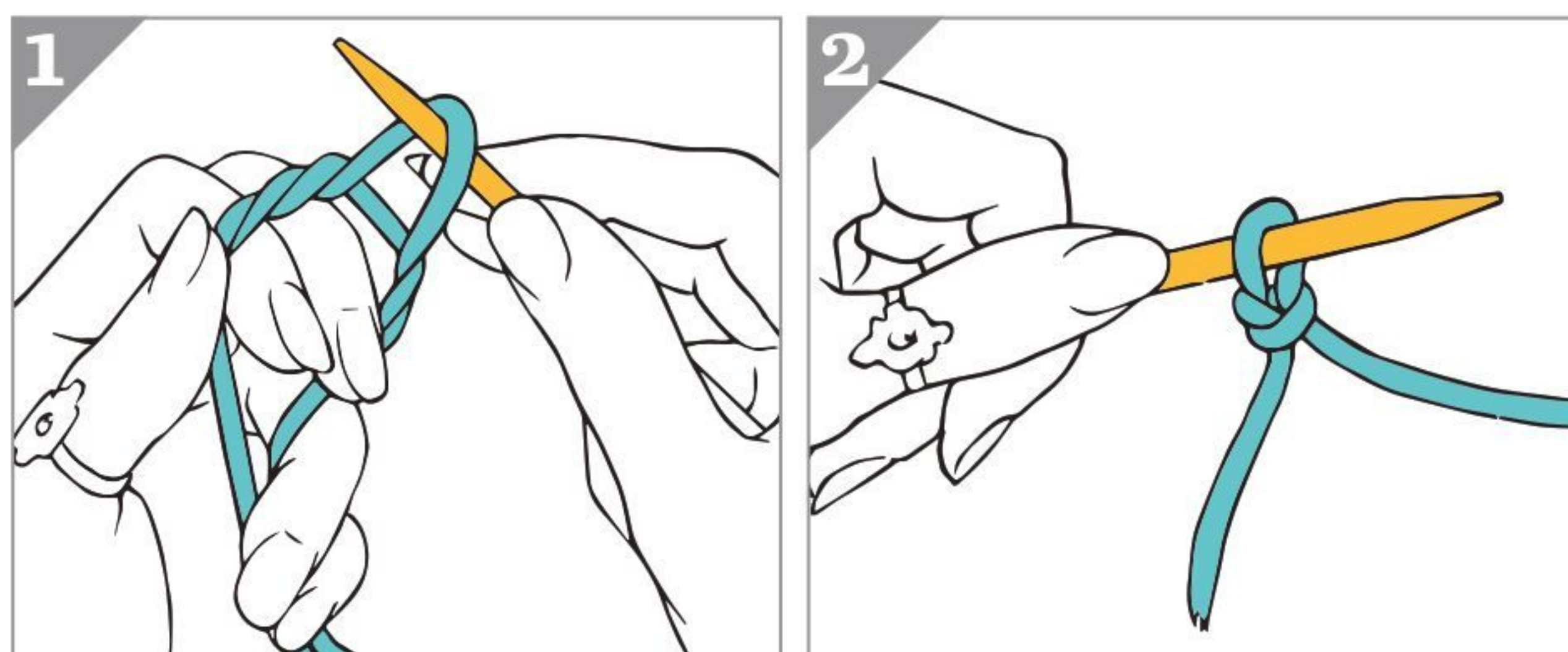
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Let's knit together

START HERE

slip knot

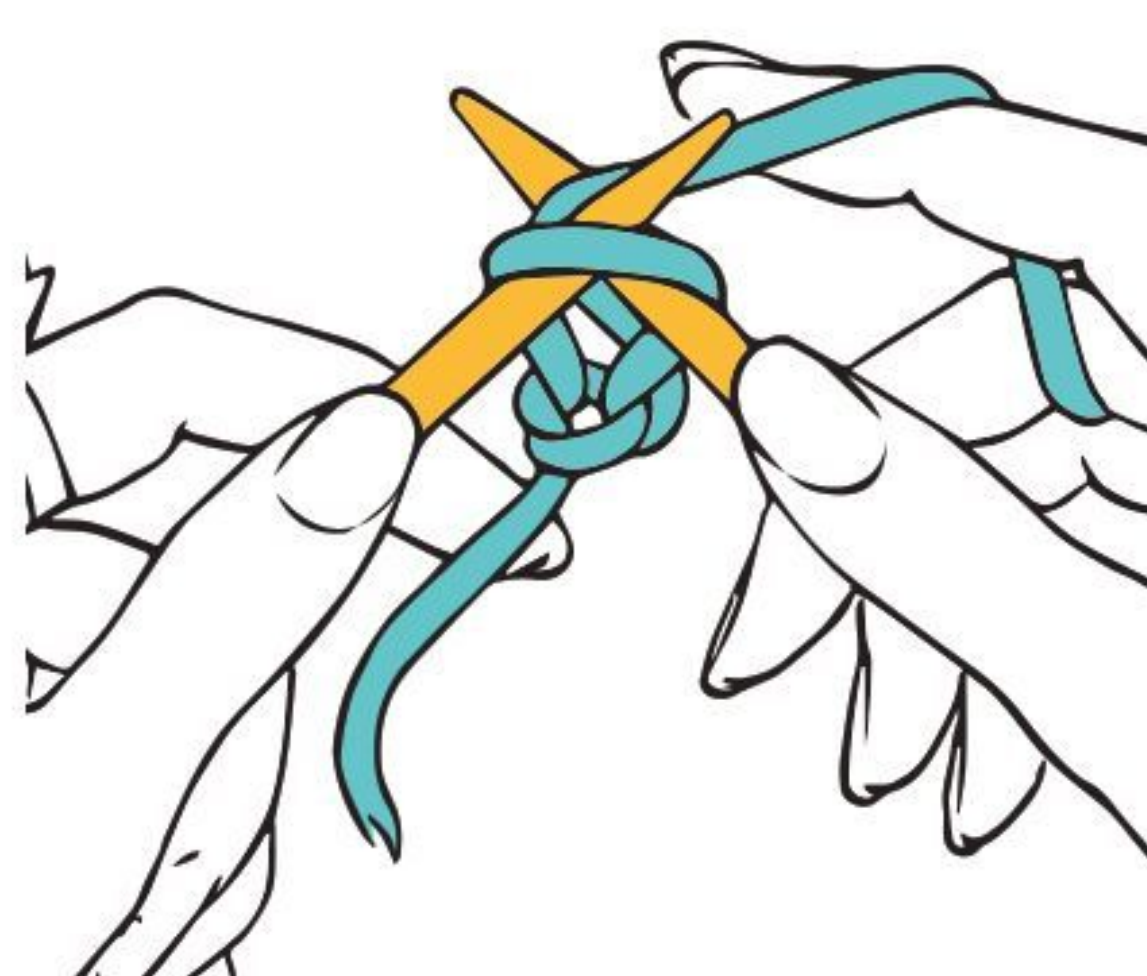
You need to make a slip knot on your needle before casting on. It counts as your first cast-on stitch



- 1 Hold the yarn under your left thumb, wrap it twice around your left index and middle fingers, with the second loop closer to the base of the fingers. With the backs of the fingers uppermost, insert the tip of the needle beneath the first loop and over the second, then pull the second loop under the first.
- 2 Remove your two fingers and gently tug on both ends of yarn to tighten the slip knot around the needle.

cast on

This method, also called the 'two-needle method', is great for beginners



- 1 Make a slip knot on the LH needle and pull it taut. Insert the RH needle into the knot from front to back, passing under the LH needle. Wrap the ball end of yarn anti-clockwise around the point of the RH needle.



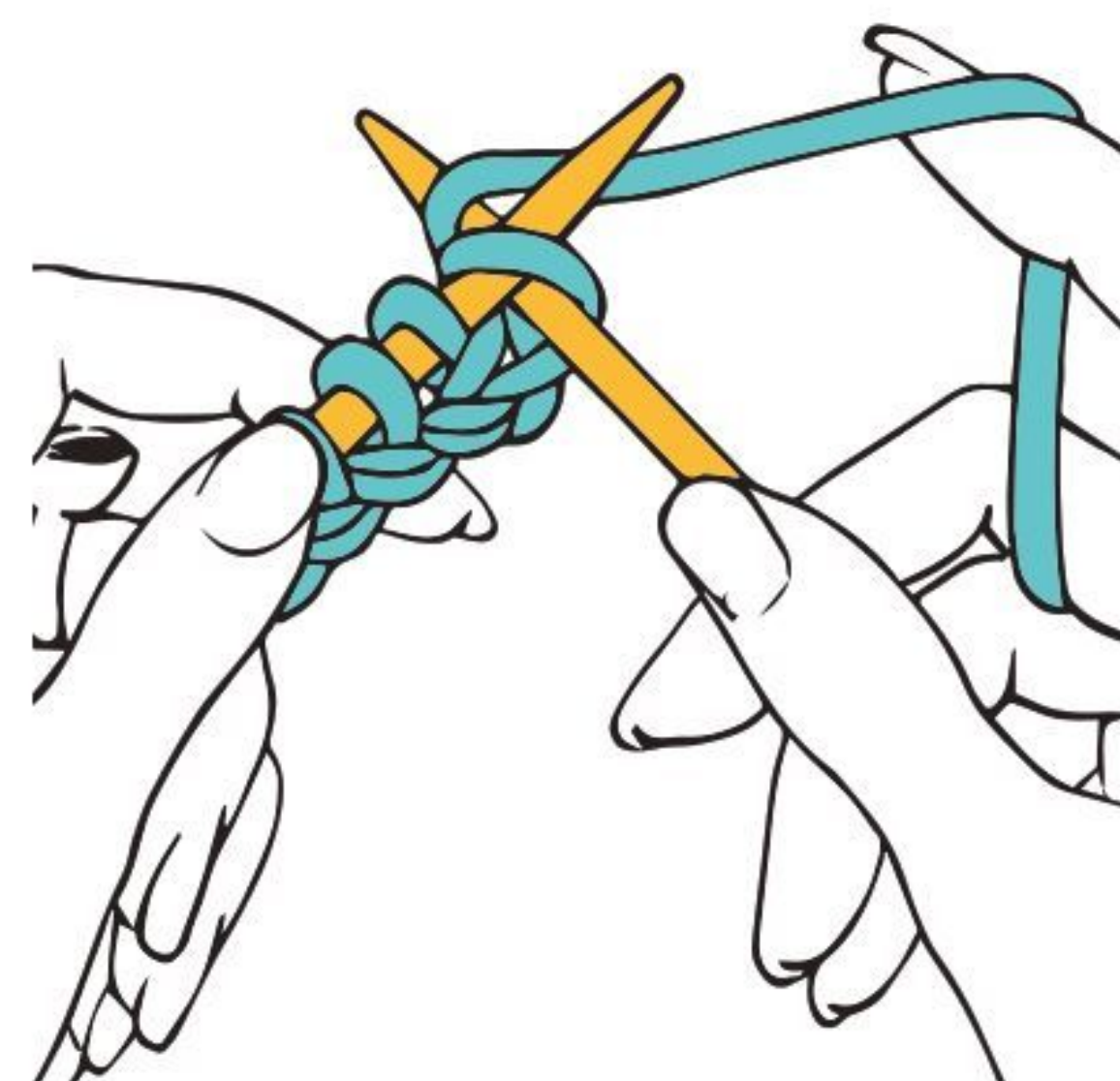
- 2 Pull the loop that forms back through the original stitch and insert the tip of the LH needle into the new stitch from underneath to transfer from the RH to LH needle. There should now be two stitches on the LH needle.



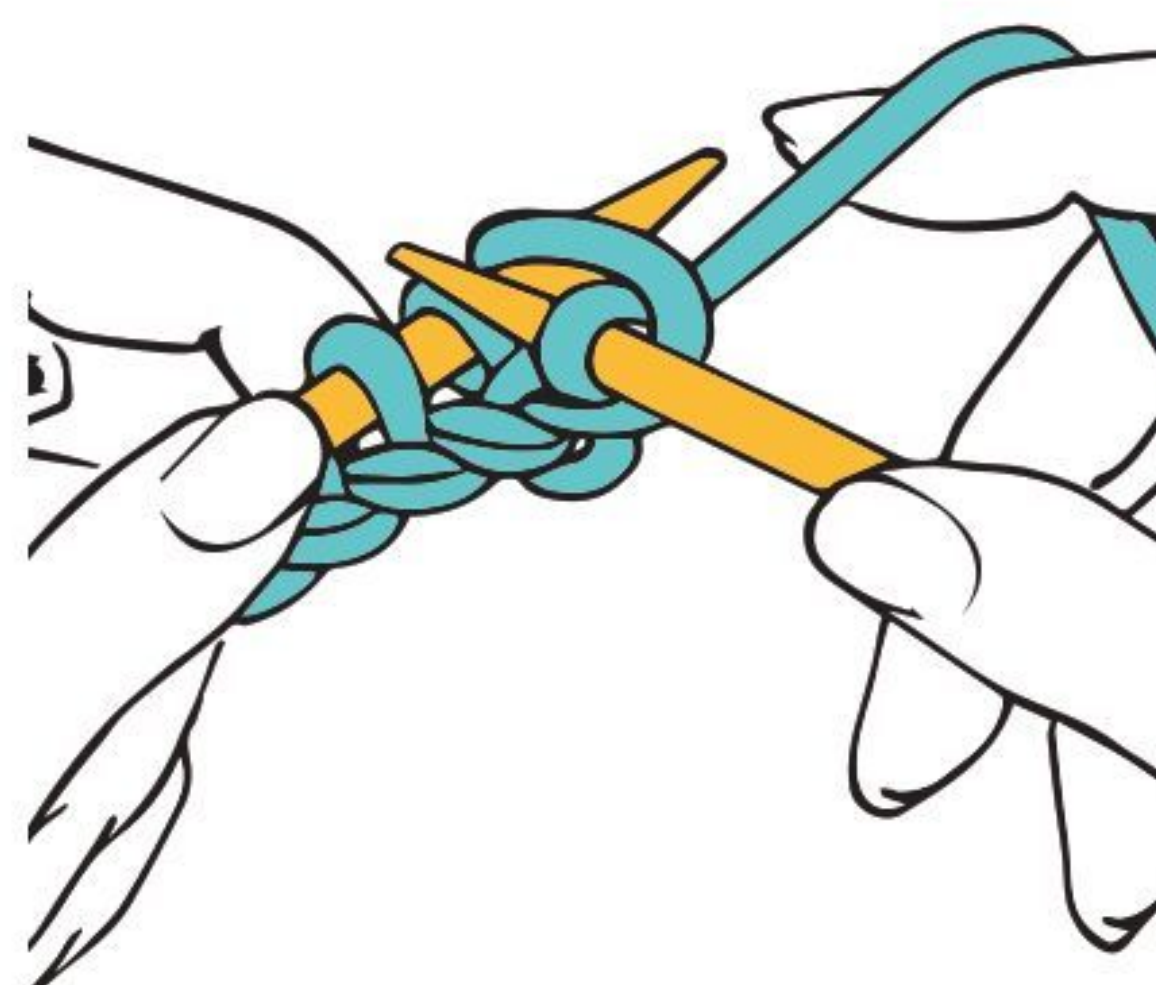
- 3 Repeat the above steps, knitting into the top stitch on the LH needle and returning the new stitches from the RH to the LH needle until you have the required number of stitches.

knit stitch (k)

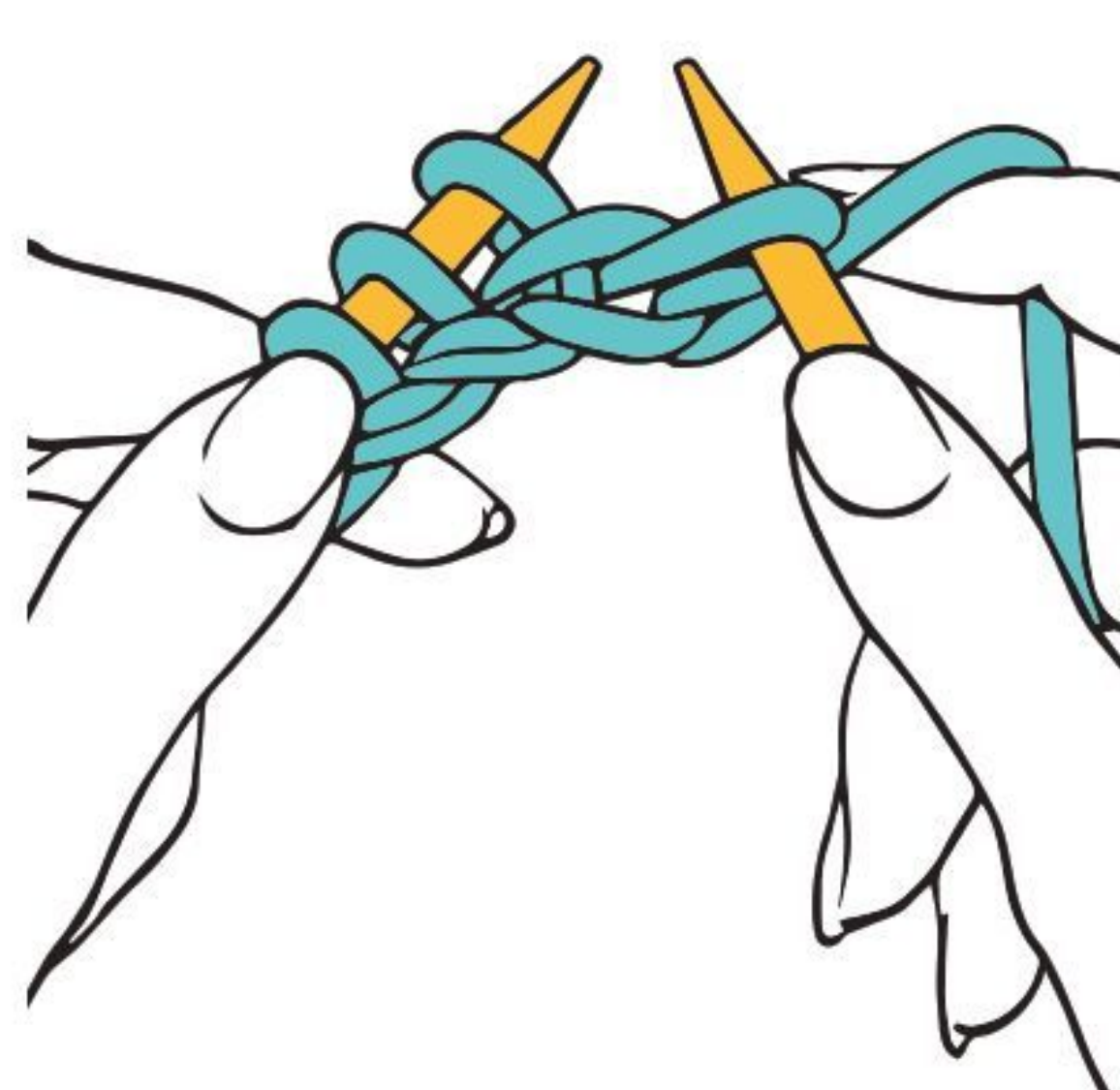
Also known as garter stitch, the knit stitch is the foundation of knitting



- 1 Once cast on, insert the tip of the RH needle upwards and from front to back into the top stitch on the LH needle. The RH needle should sit behind the LH one. Wrap the ball end of yarn anti-clockwise around the tip of the RH needle.



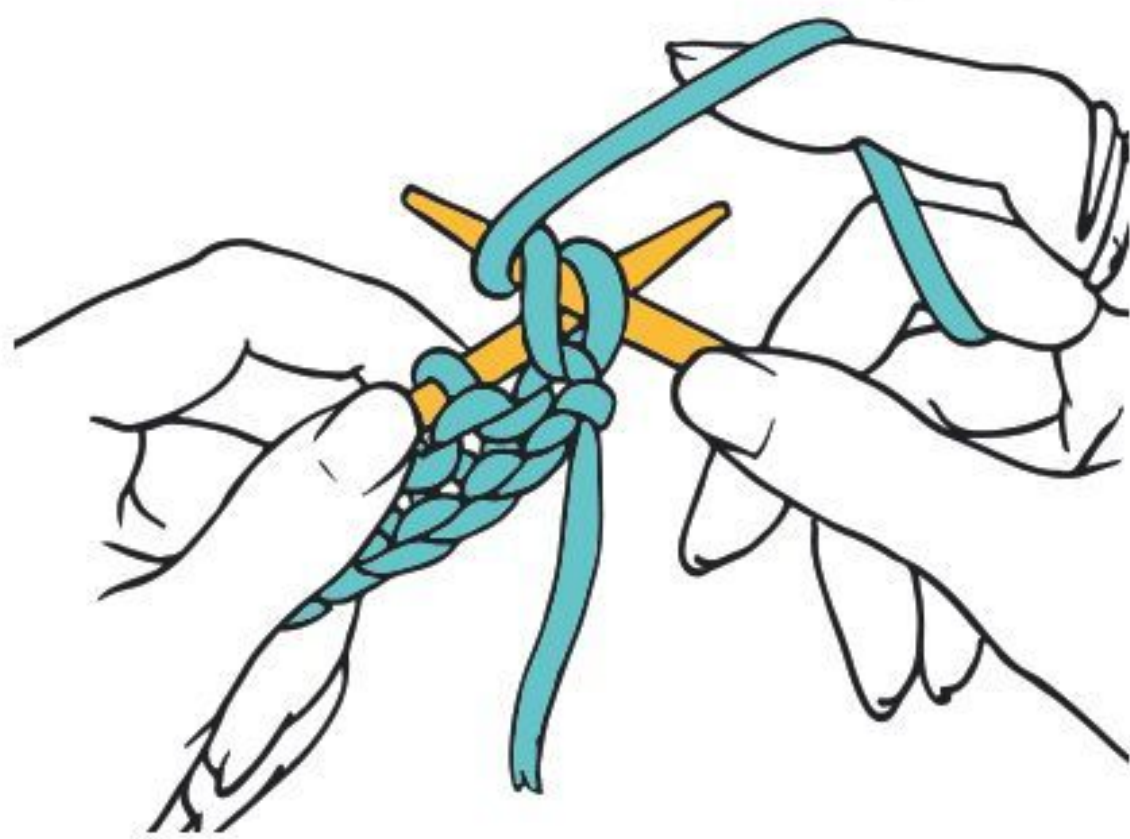
- 2 Using the RH needle, pull a loop of the wrapped yarn through the original stitch to create a new one on the RH needle.



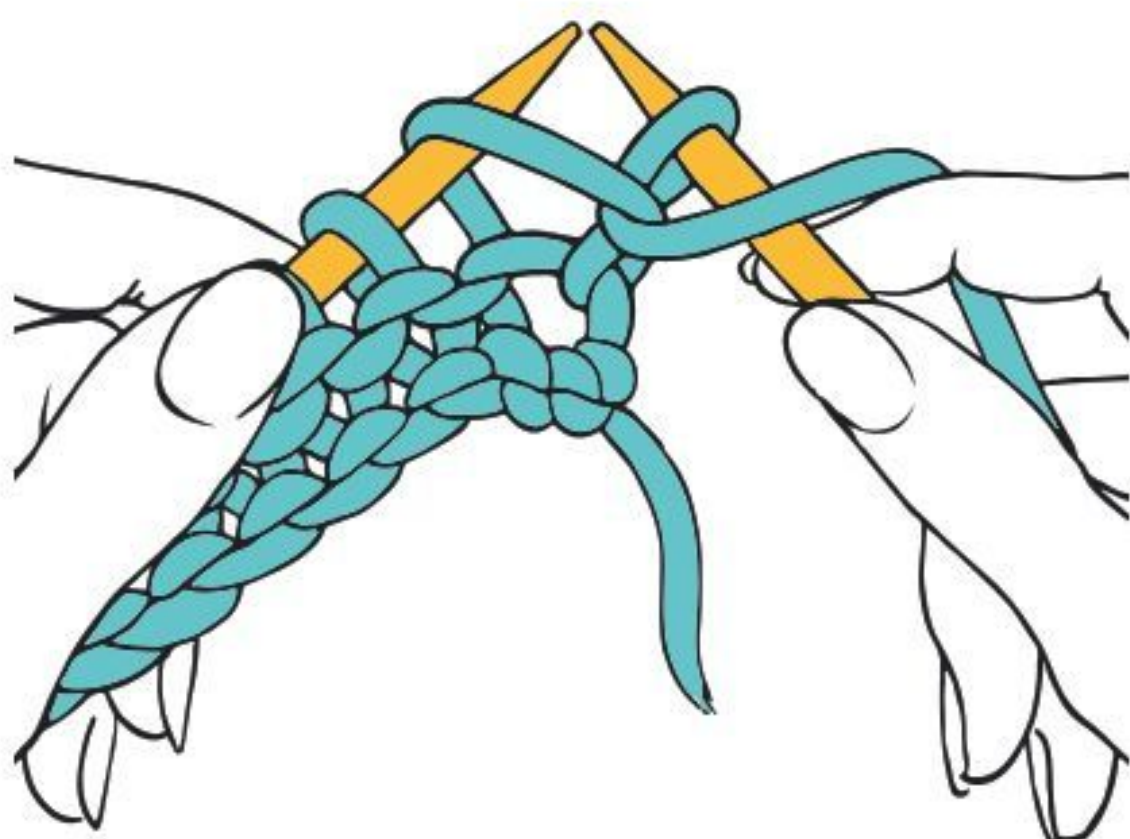
- 3 Slide the original stitch off the LH needle. Repeat from step 1.

purl stitch (p)

Most frequently seen paired with the knit stitch to create different stitch patterns like stocking stitch and ribbing



1 With the ball-end of the yarn at the front (towards you), insert the tip of the RH needle into the front loop of the first stitch from right to left, with the RH needle in front of the LH one. Wrap the ball end of the yarn anti-clockwise around the RH needle.



2 Draw this needle backwards and upwards, forming a new stitch on the RH needle.

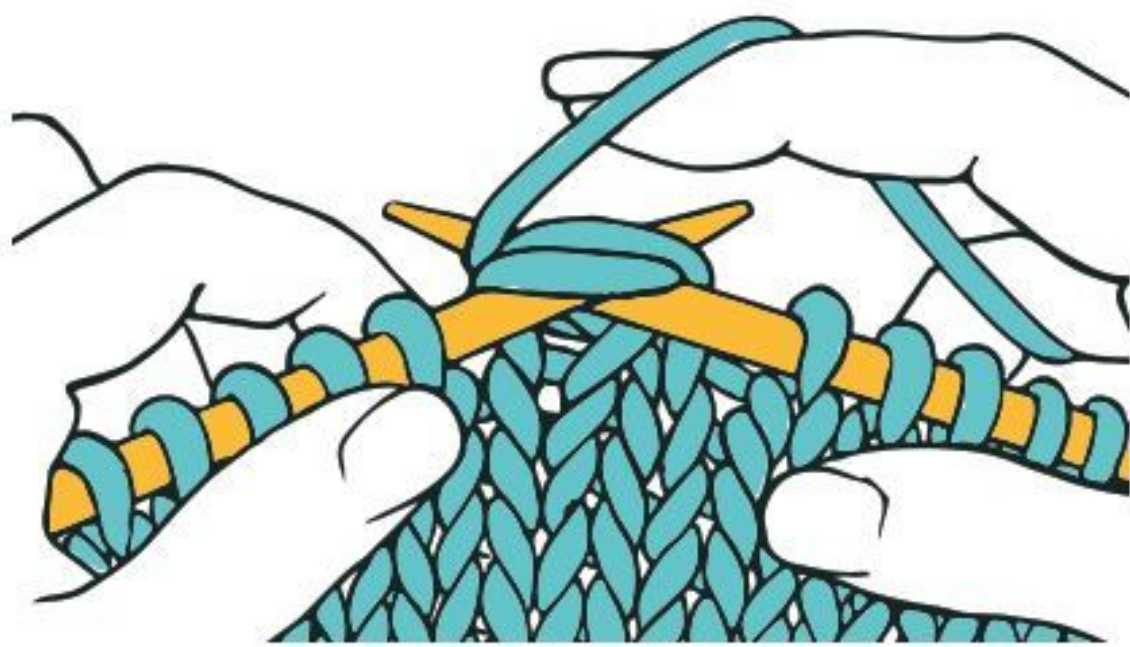


3 Once the new stitch has been formed on the RH needle you can let the loop from the LH needle slide off the end. Repeat until all the stitches have been purred and you have completed the row.

INCREASING & DECREASING

knit two together (k2tog)

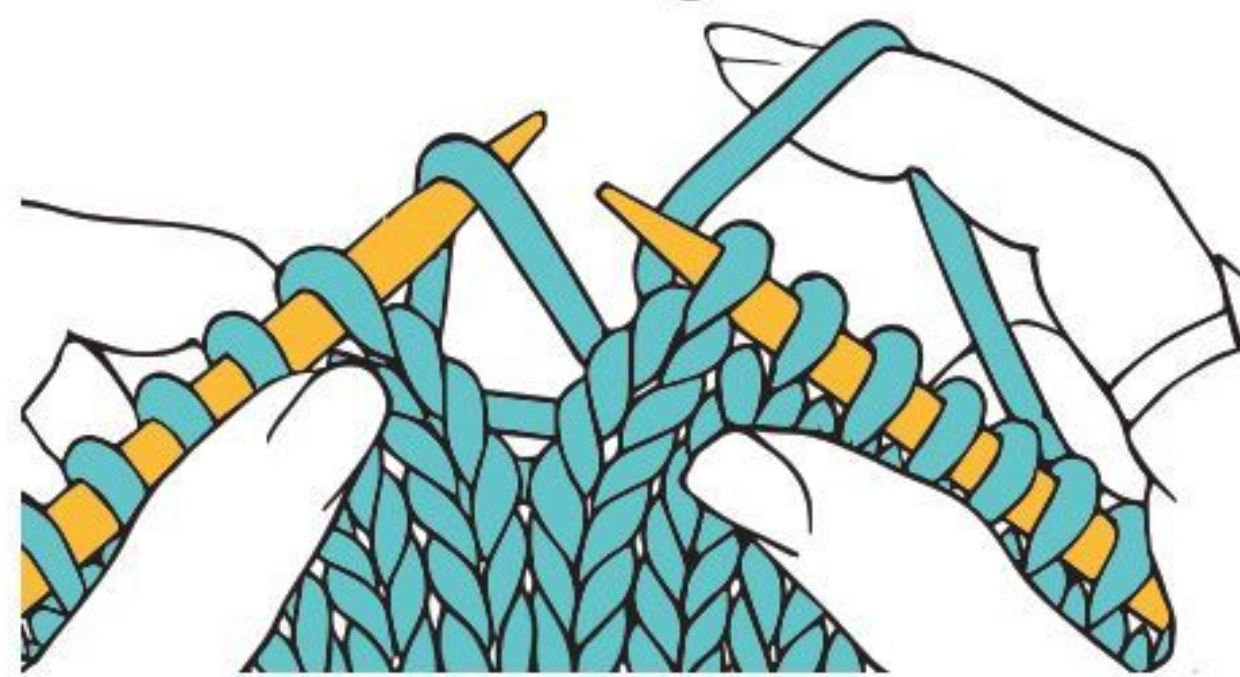
Decrease two stitches to one by knitting them together



Insert the RH needle into the front loops of the next two stitches on the LH needle. Then wrap the yarn anti-clockwise around the tip and knit both stitches at the same time.

make one (m1)

Form a new stitch and increase your stitch count by one



1 Insert the LH needle into the horizontal bar of yarn lying between the stitch just knitted and the next stitch to be knitted. Hook and lift it with the needle tip in a backwards direction (away from you).

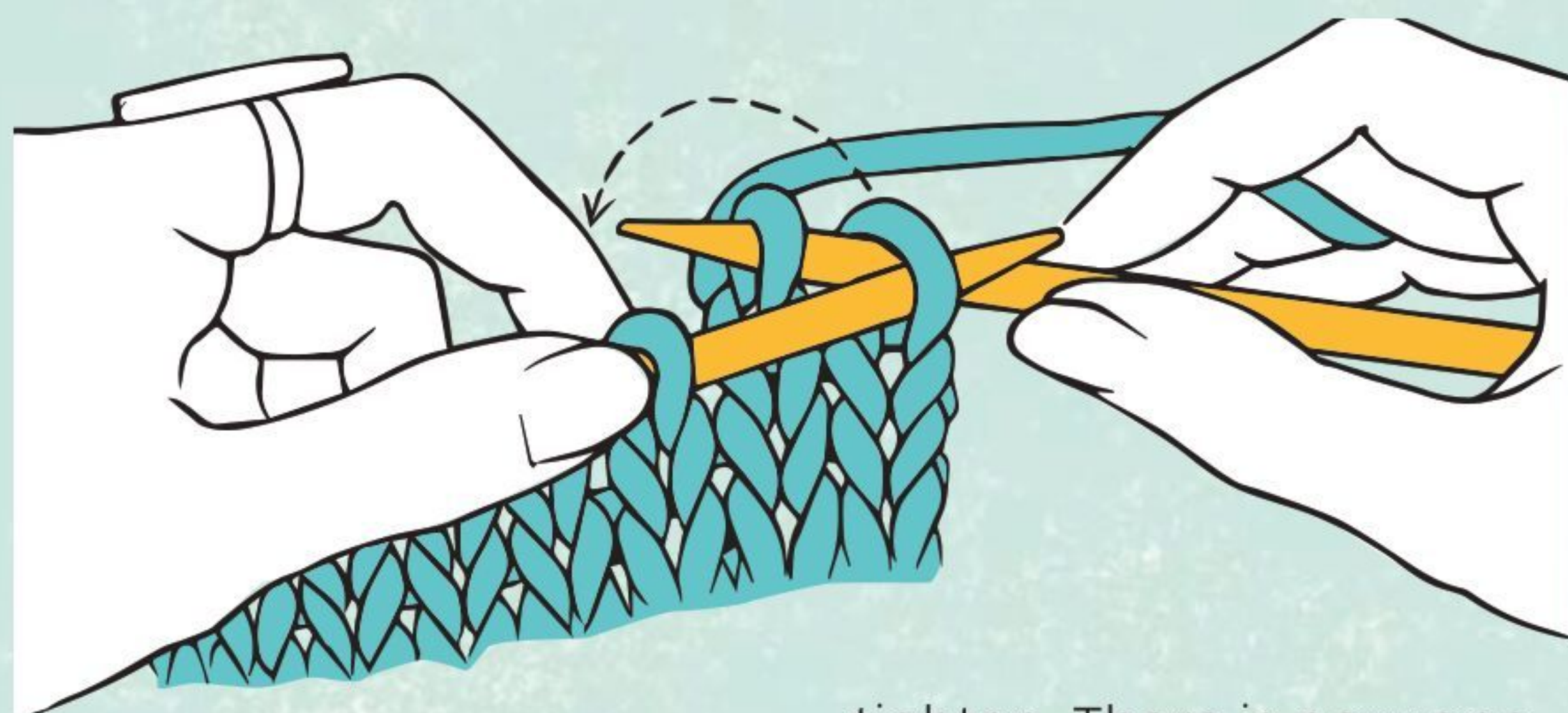


2 Push the RH needle into the back part of the loop that now lies over the LH needle and knit this stitch. You will now have an additional stitch on the RH needle.

FINISH HERE

cast off

Once you have completed the number of rows needed for your project, you'll need to cast off. This fastens the work and keeps it from unravelling



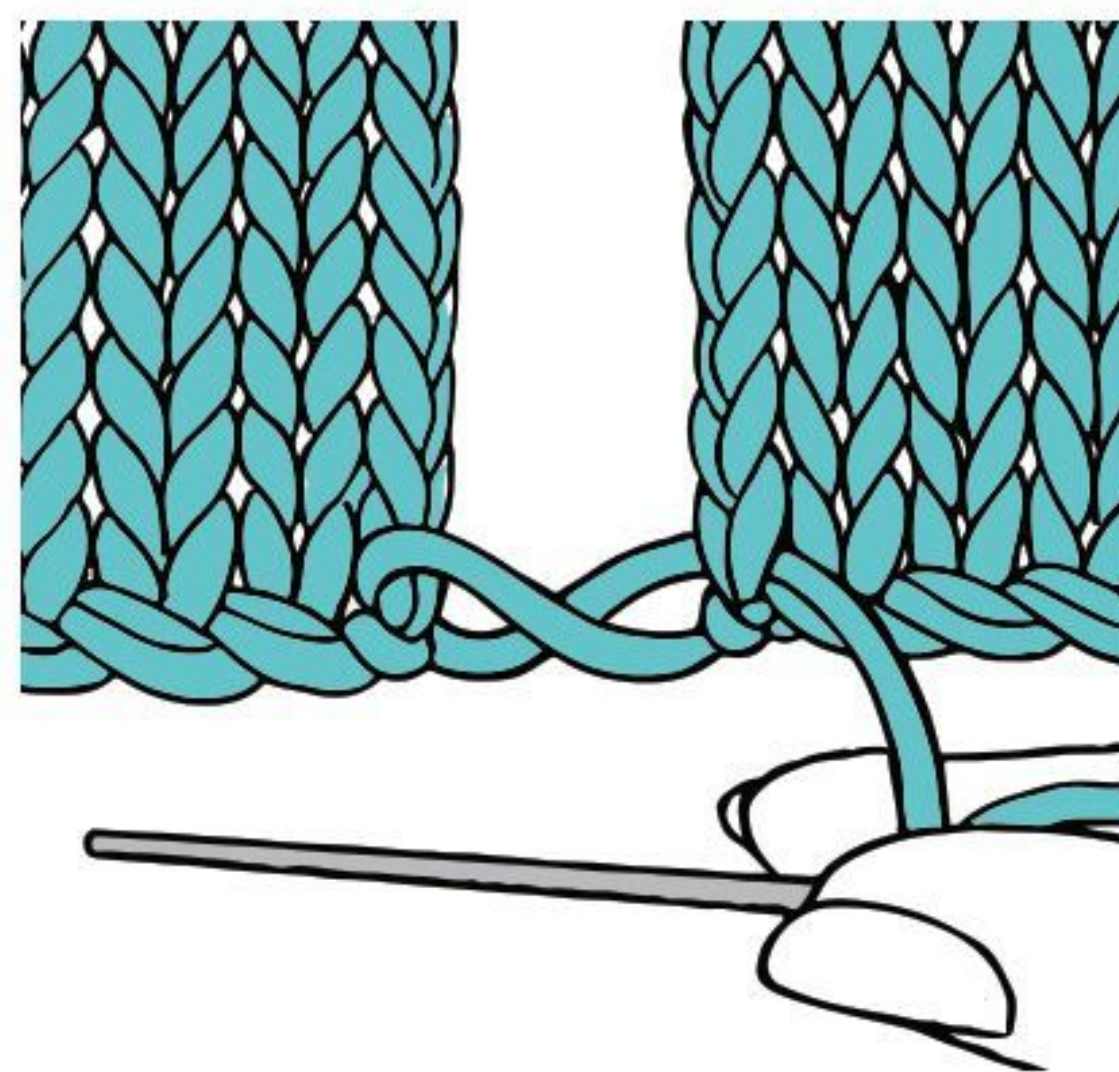
1 Knit two stitches as normal. Insert the tip of the LH needle into the second stitch on the RH needle (the stitch closest to you). Carefully lift it up and over the top stitch, dropping it off the tip of the RH needle and pulling the yarn to

tighten. There is now one stitch on the RH needle.

2 Knit one more stitch and repeat the process in step one. Continue until there is one stitch remaining. Cut the yarn, leaving a long tail. Slip the loop off the needle and pull the tail through, pulling it tight.

beginning a seam

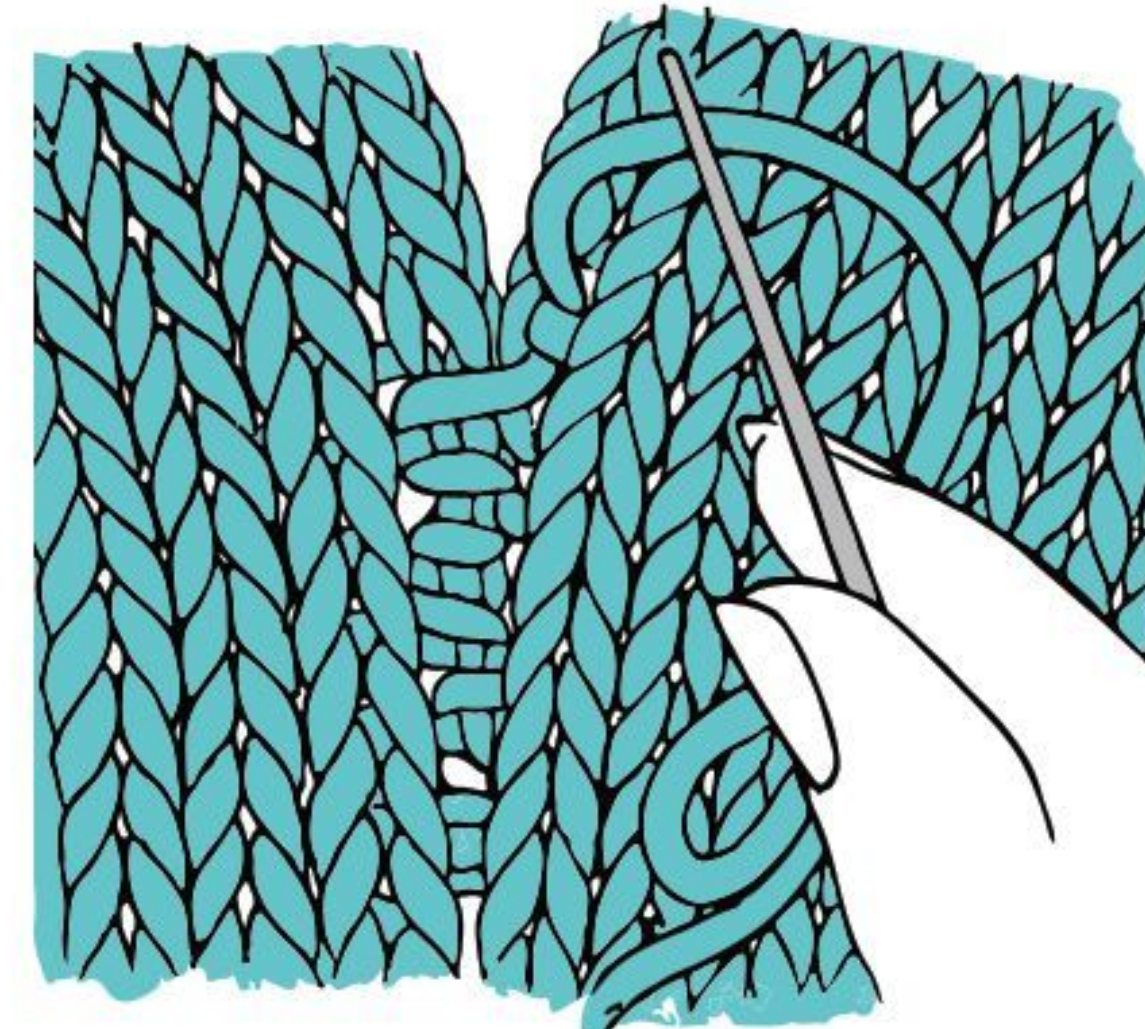
How to start sewing up your project



Place the pieces next to each other RS up, push a threaded tapestry needle through the fabric after the first stitch, moving from front to back. Push through after the first stitch on the second piece, moving from back to front.

mattress stitch

Join knitted pieces together with this invisible method



With the two pieces next to each other, hook the horizontal bar of the first stitch with a needle. Move to the other piece and hook the first horizontal bar of the stitch on that side. Repeat, moving from one piece to the next.

ABBREVIATIONS

Here's a handy list of the most common abbreviations

alt: alternate
approx: approximately
beg: beginning
BLO: back loops only
ch: chain
ch sp: chain space
cn: cable needle
cont: continue
dc: double crochet

dec: decrease
dtr: double treble
FLO: front loops only
foll: following
htr: half treble
inc: increase
k: knit
kfb: knit into front and back of next stitch
knwise: knitwise
k2tog: knit two together
LH: left-hand

m1: make one stitch by picking up horizontal loop before next stitch and knitting into back of it
meas: measures
p: purl
pfb: purl into front and back of next stitch
pm: place stitch marker
psso: pass slipped stitch over
pwise: purlwise

p2tog: purl two together
rem: remaining
rep: repeat
rev: reverse
RH: right-hand
RS: right side
skpo: slip one, knit one, pass slipped stitch over
sl 1: slip one stitch
sl st: slip stitch
sm: slip stitch marker
sp(s): space(s)
ssk: one by one, slip next two stitches

knitwise, put left-hand needle through front loops of both slipped stitches and knit them together
st(s): stitch(es)
st st: stocking stitch (knit one row, purl one row)
tbl: through back loop
tog: together
tr: treble
WS: wrong side
wyib: with yarn

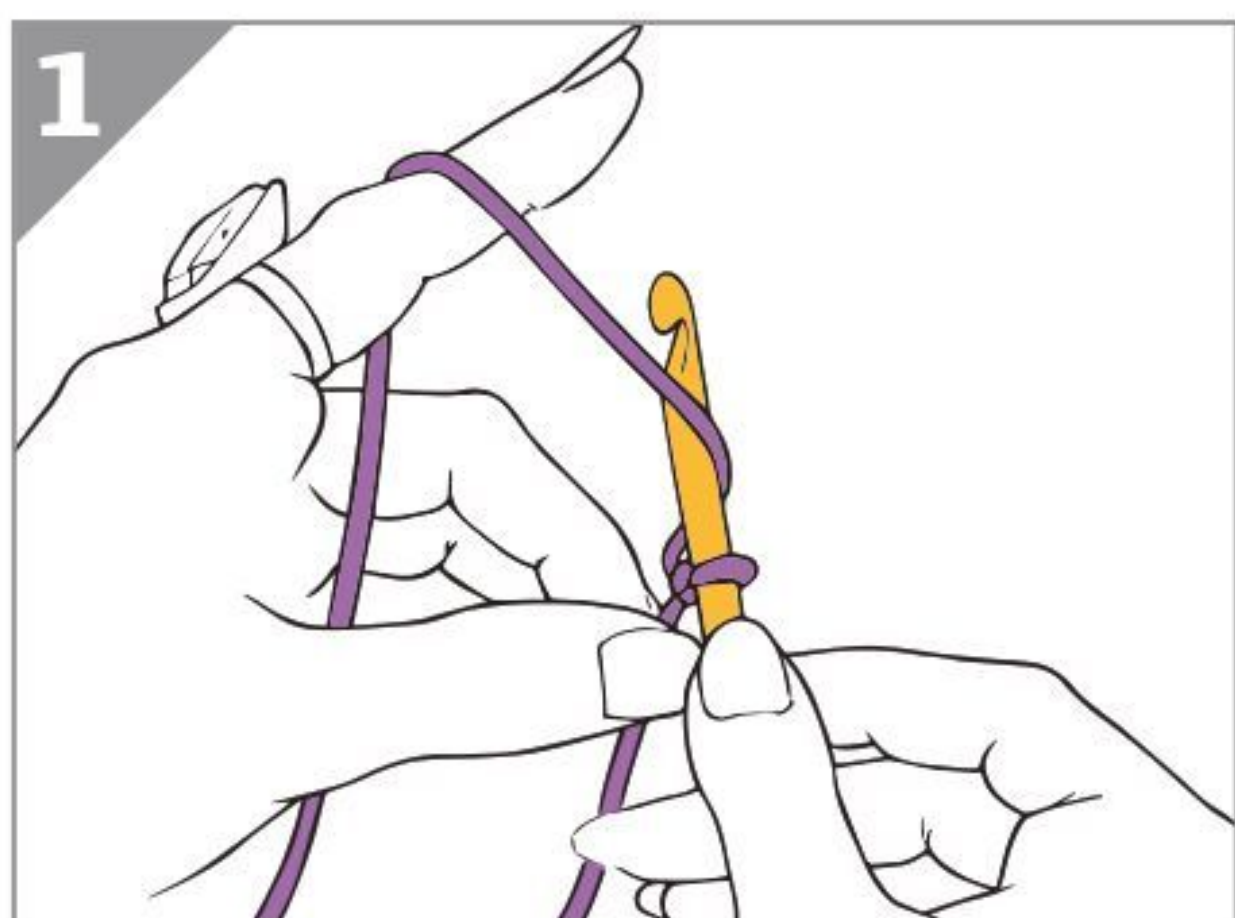
in back
wyif: with yarn in front
yb: yarn back
yfwd: yarn forward (between knit stitches)
yoh: yarn over hook
yon: yarn over needle (between a purl and a knit stitch)
yn: yarn round needle (between purl stitches and between a knit and a purl stitch)

A stylized illustration of a ball of purple yarn with a purple knitting needle. The yarn is depicted with many parallel lines, and the needle is a simple purple line with a hook at the end. The background is white with a green and white patterned area in the top left corner.

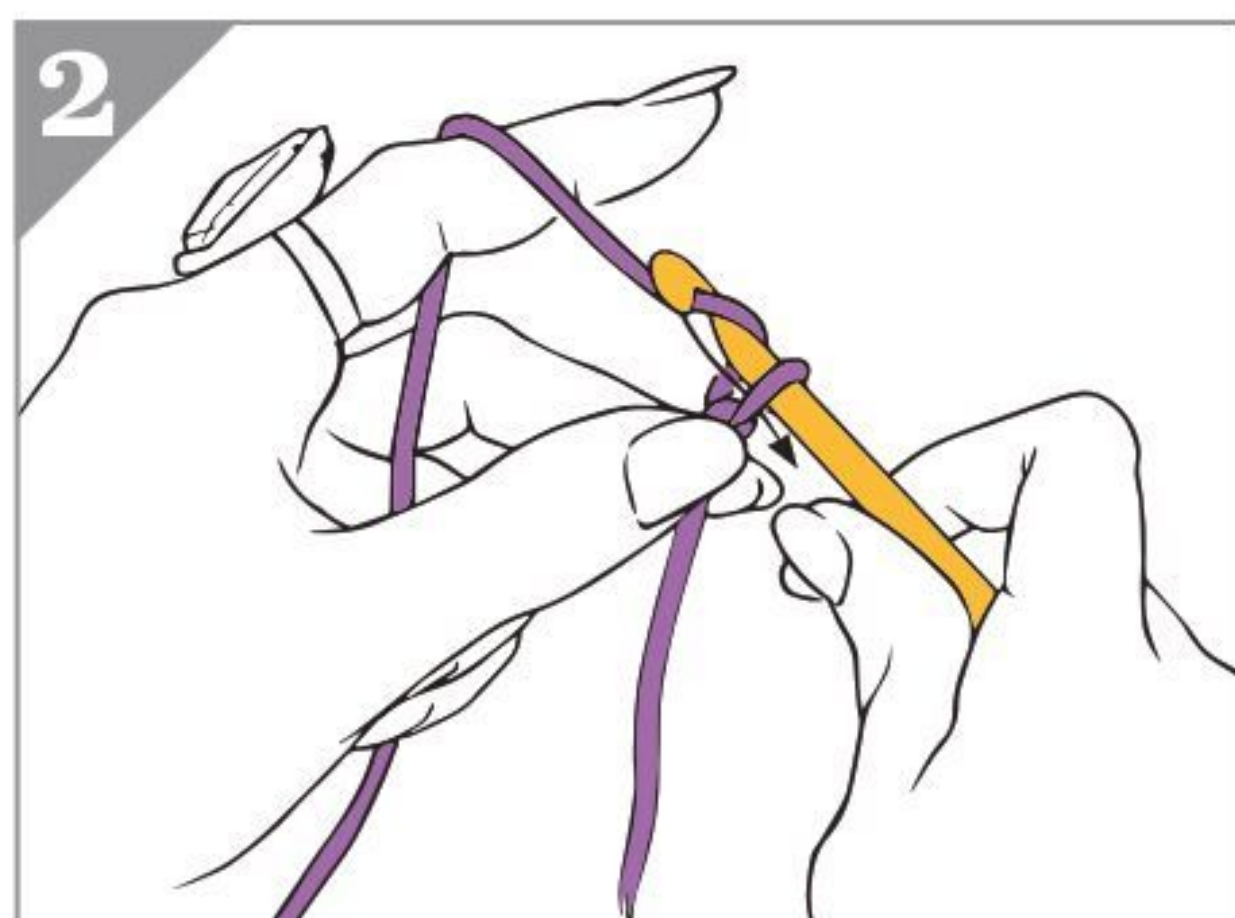


START HERE

Many projects start with a series of chain stitches. To begin you need to make a slip knot on your hook (see page 62)



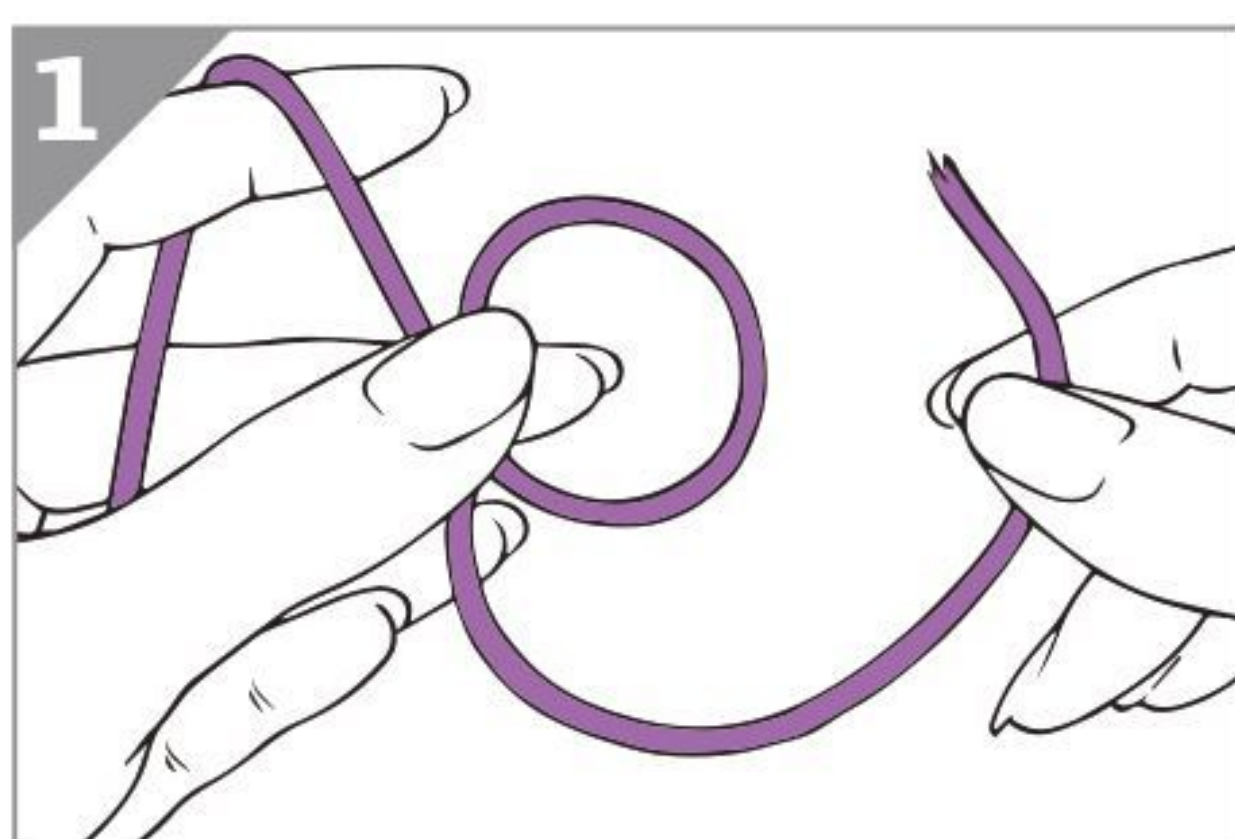
1 Make a slip knot and put it on the neck of the hook – don't pull it too tight or it will be difficult to stitch with. Coming from behind, wrap the yarn around the hook from right to left, across the 'neck'.



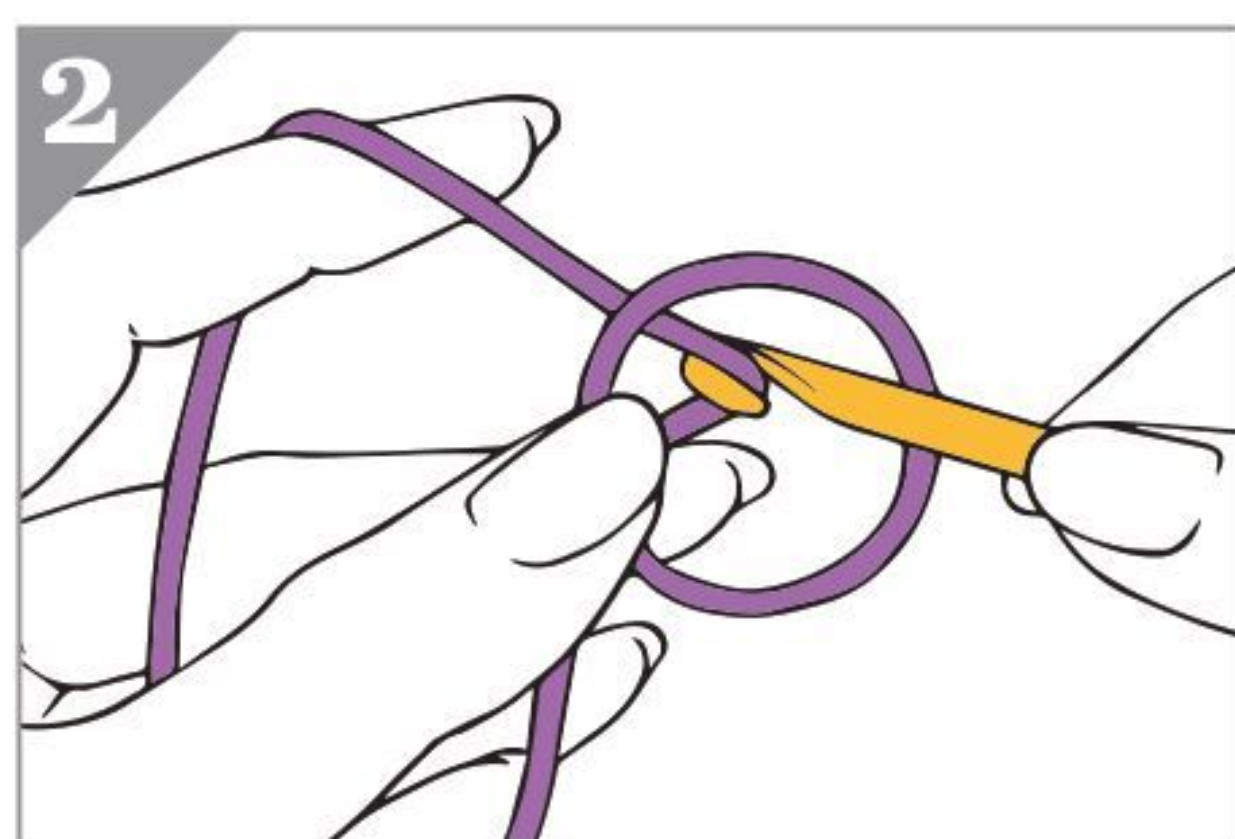
2 Catch the yarn and use the hook to pull it down through the slip knot. You have now made one chain (ch). Continue to make more chains, as directed in the pattern.

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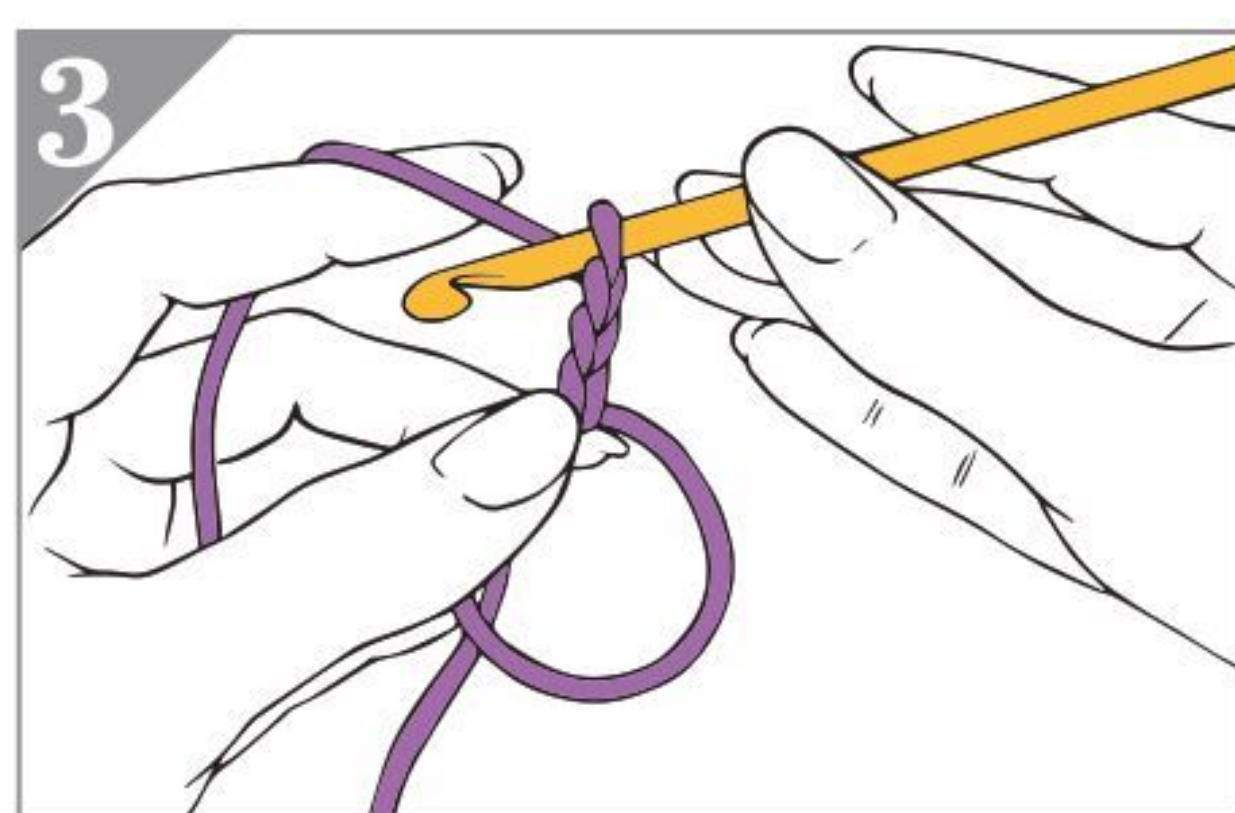
The magic ring is an easy way of beginning to work in the round. It is often used when making amigurumi toys



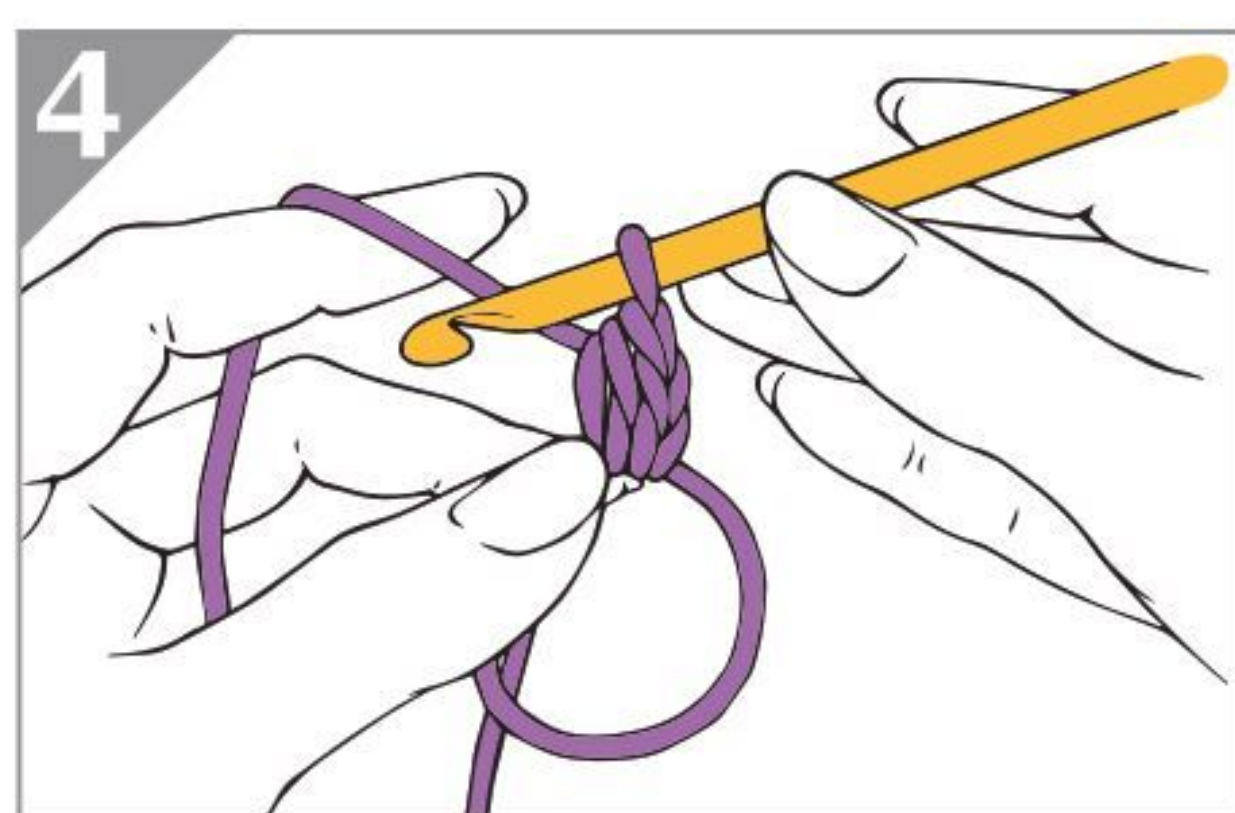
1 Make a large loop by putting the yarn tail behind the working yarn.



2 With your hook, draw the working yarn through the loop, so you have one loop on the hook.



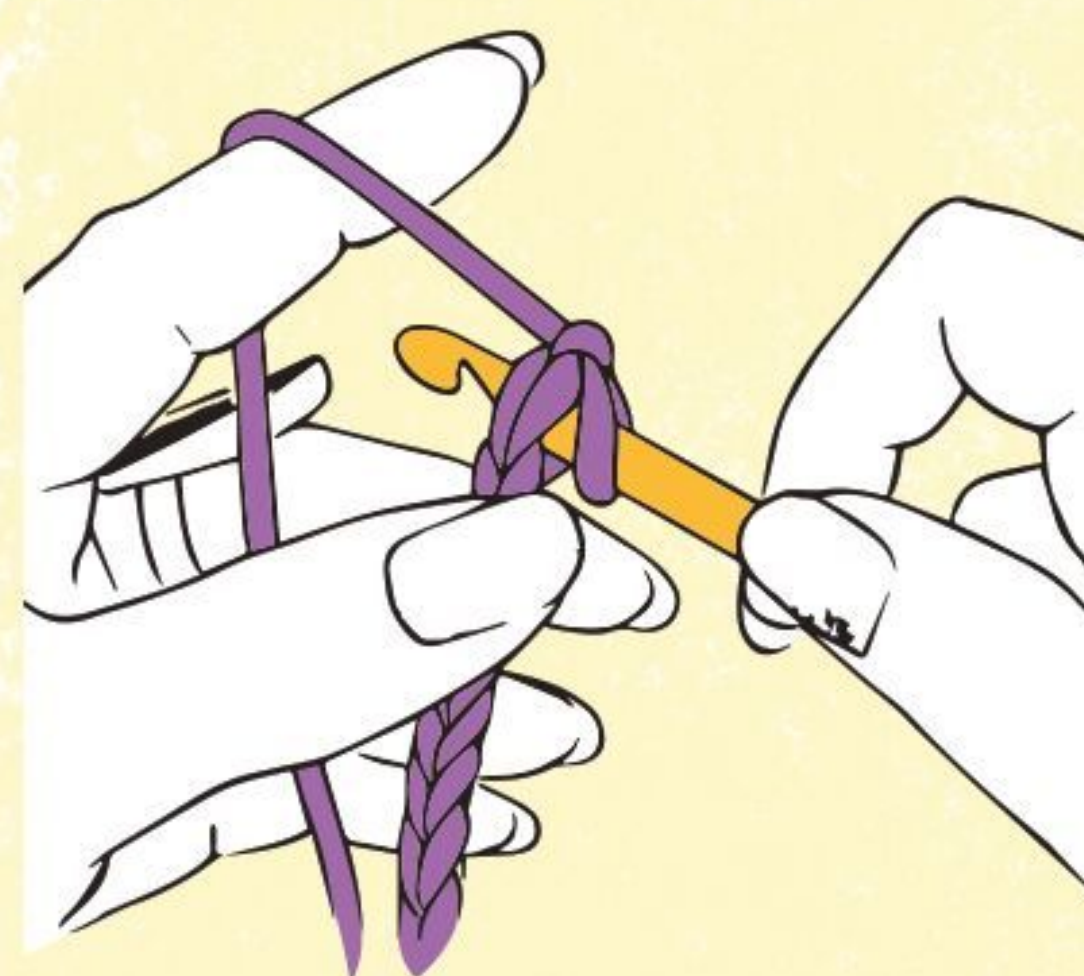
3 Make three chain stitches (counts as first treble), work a treble into the loop, crocheting over the tail.



4 Continue to work as many stitches as needed into the loop. Once finished, untwist the tail if necessary and then pull to close the loop.

double crochet (dc)

Double crochet is the shortest and most commonly-used crochet stitch



1 Insert hook through both strands of the next stitch.

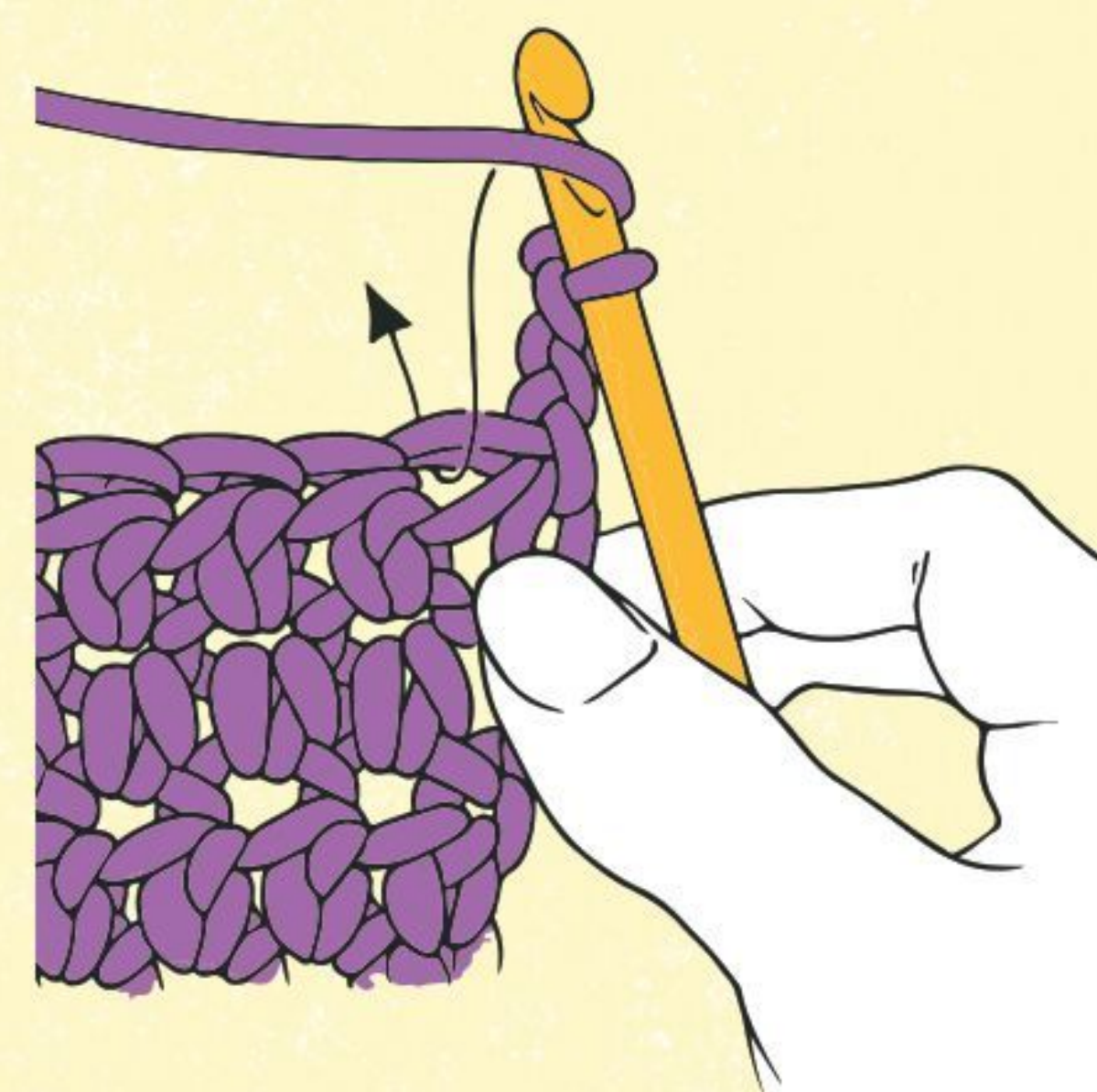


2 Yarn over the hook and draw back through the work. There will be two loops of yarn on the hook.

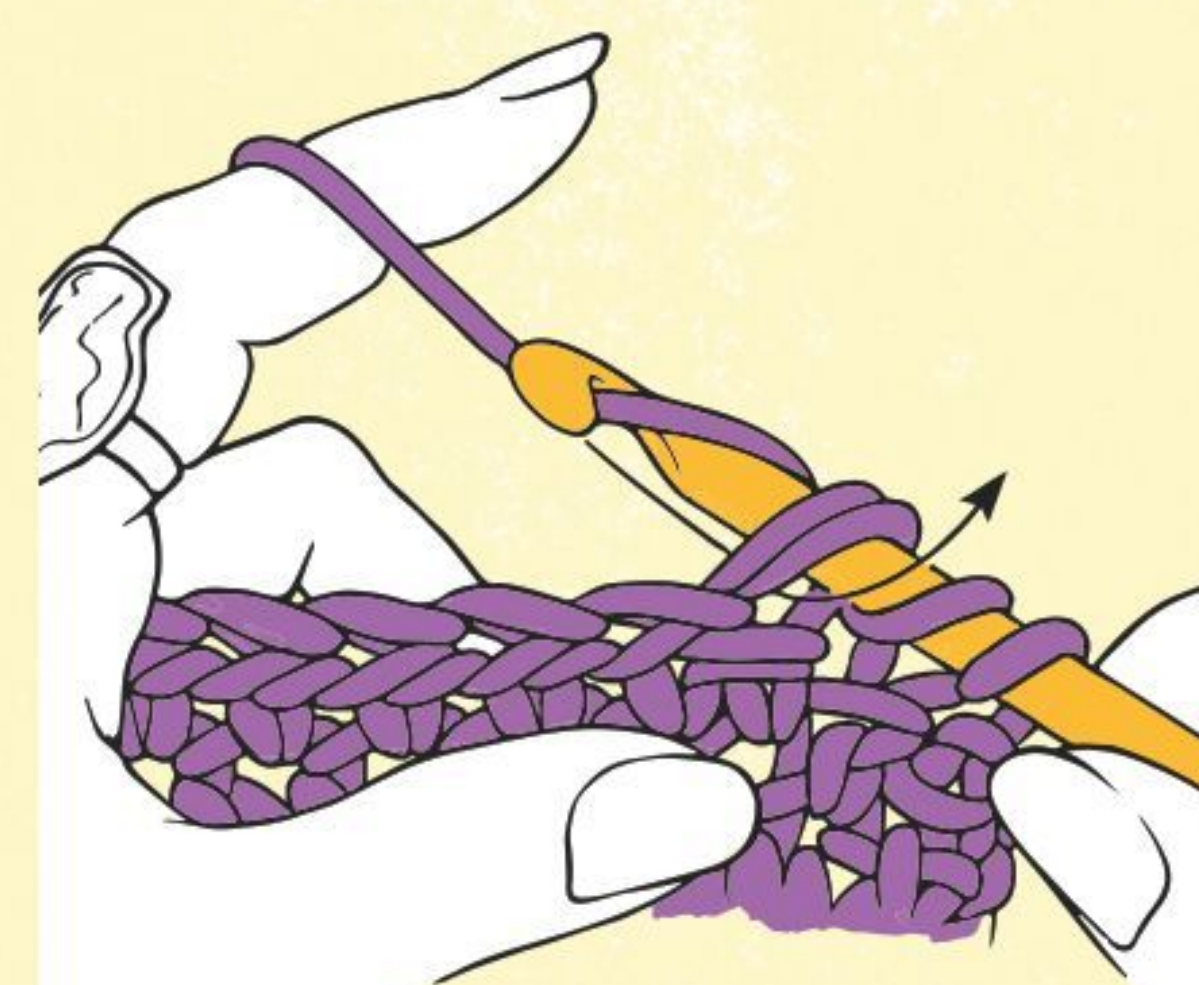


3 Yarn over the hook again and draw through both loops.

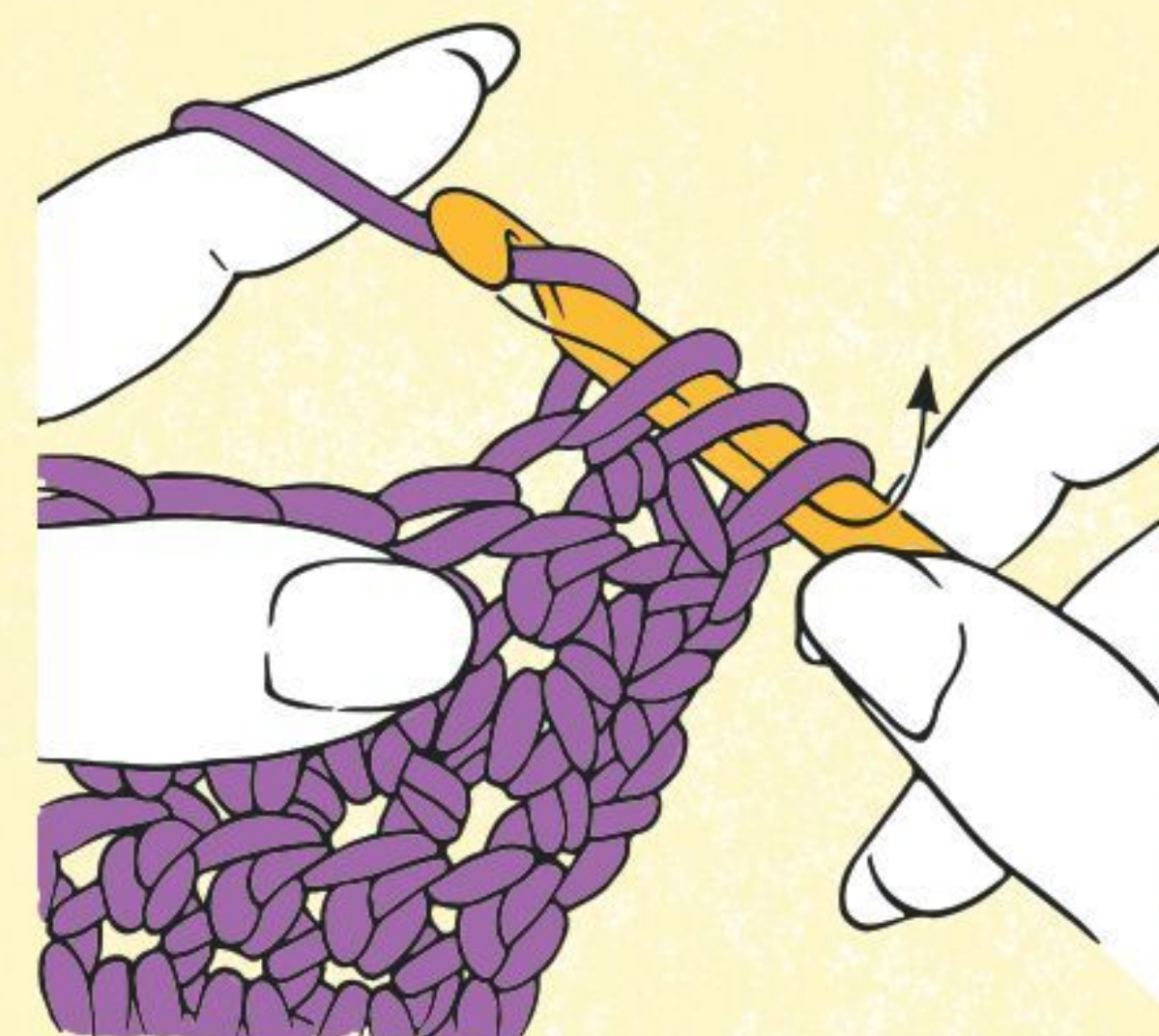
This stitch is longer than a double crochet and involves one extra step



1 (You will need a turning chain of two stitches.) Yarn over the hook and insert though the stitch.



2 Yarn over the hook and draw back through the work. There will be three loops of yarn on the hook.



3 Yarn over the hook and draw through all three loops.

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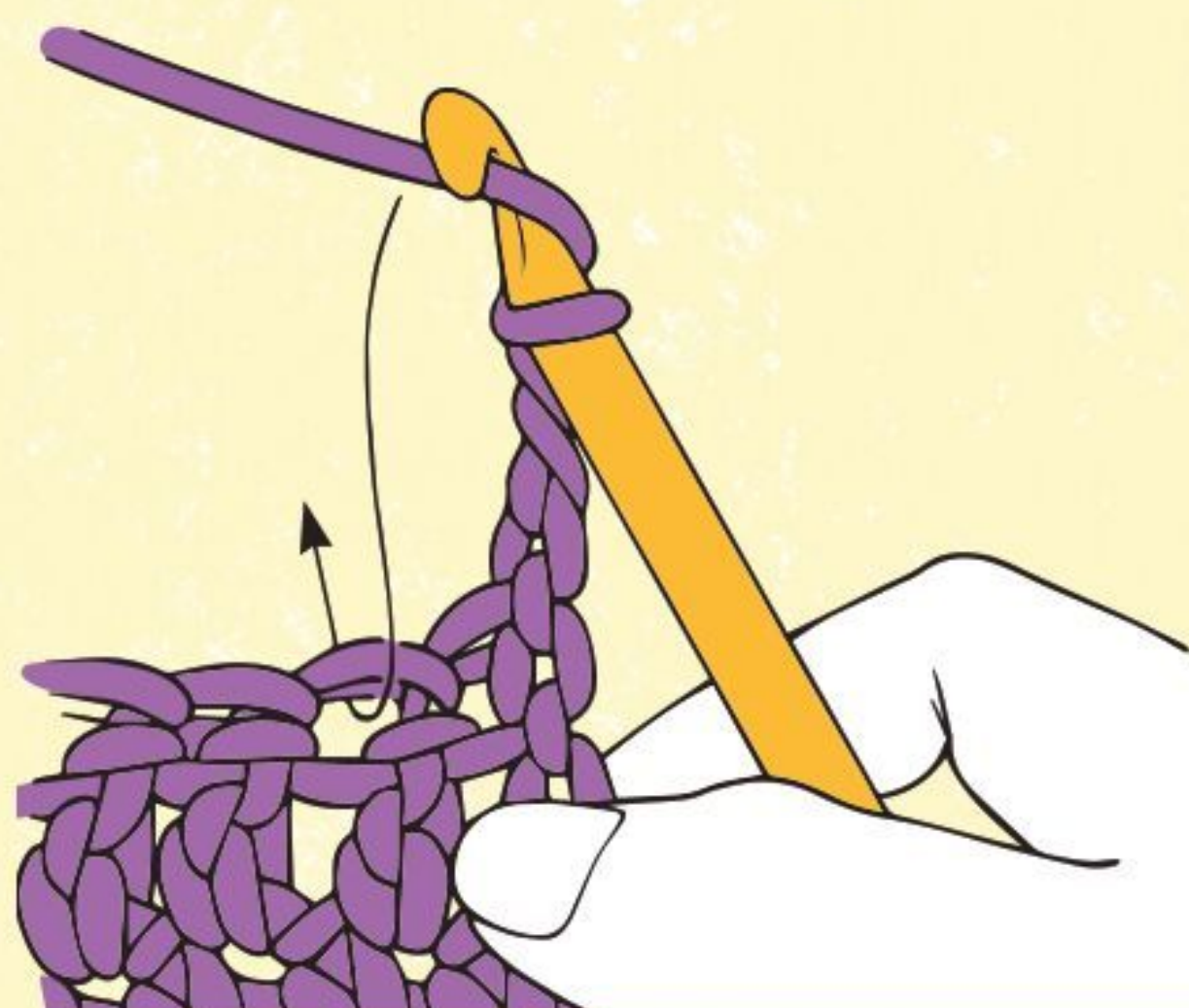
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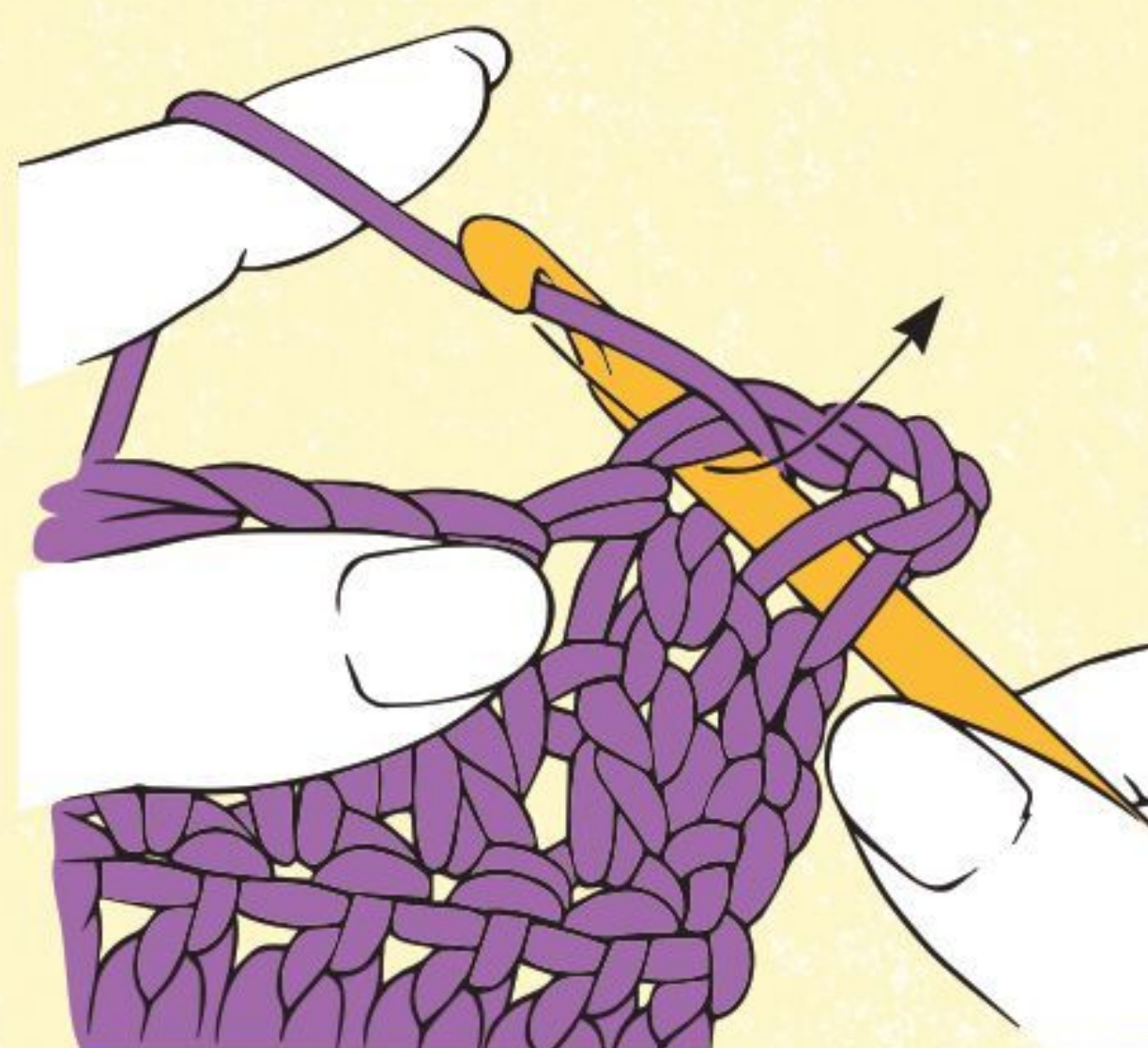
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treble (tr)

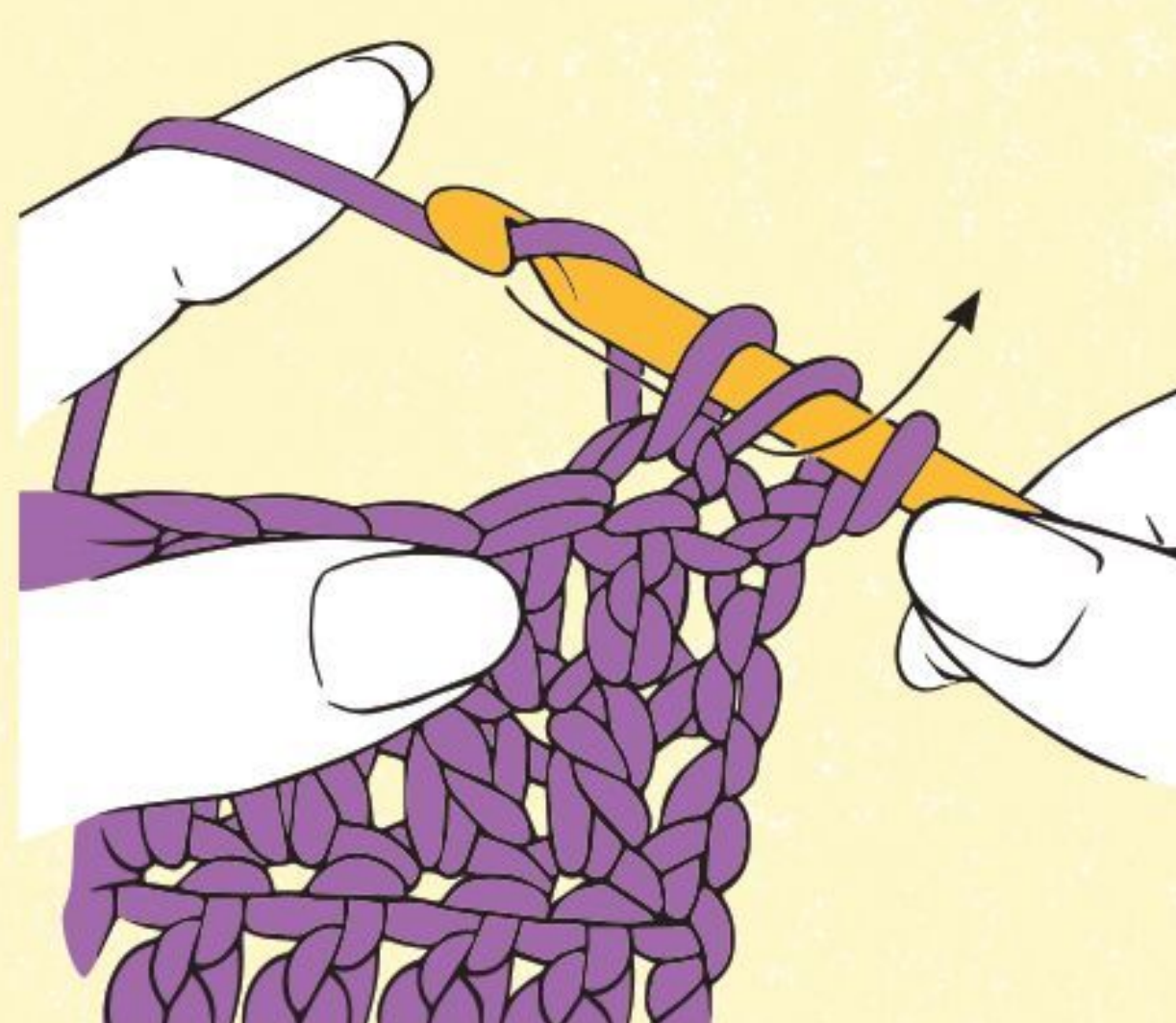
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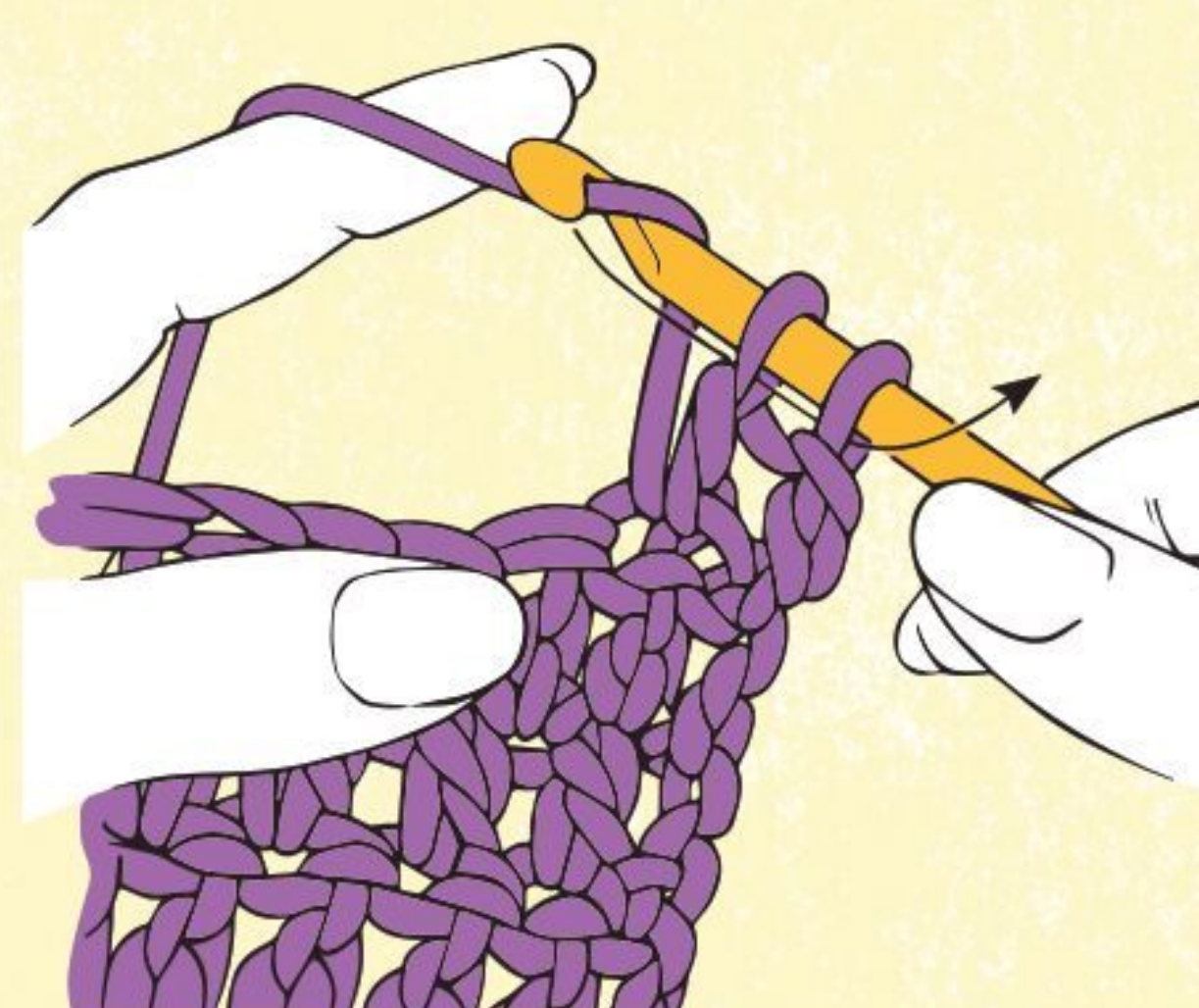
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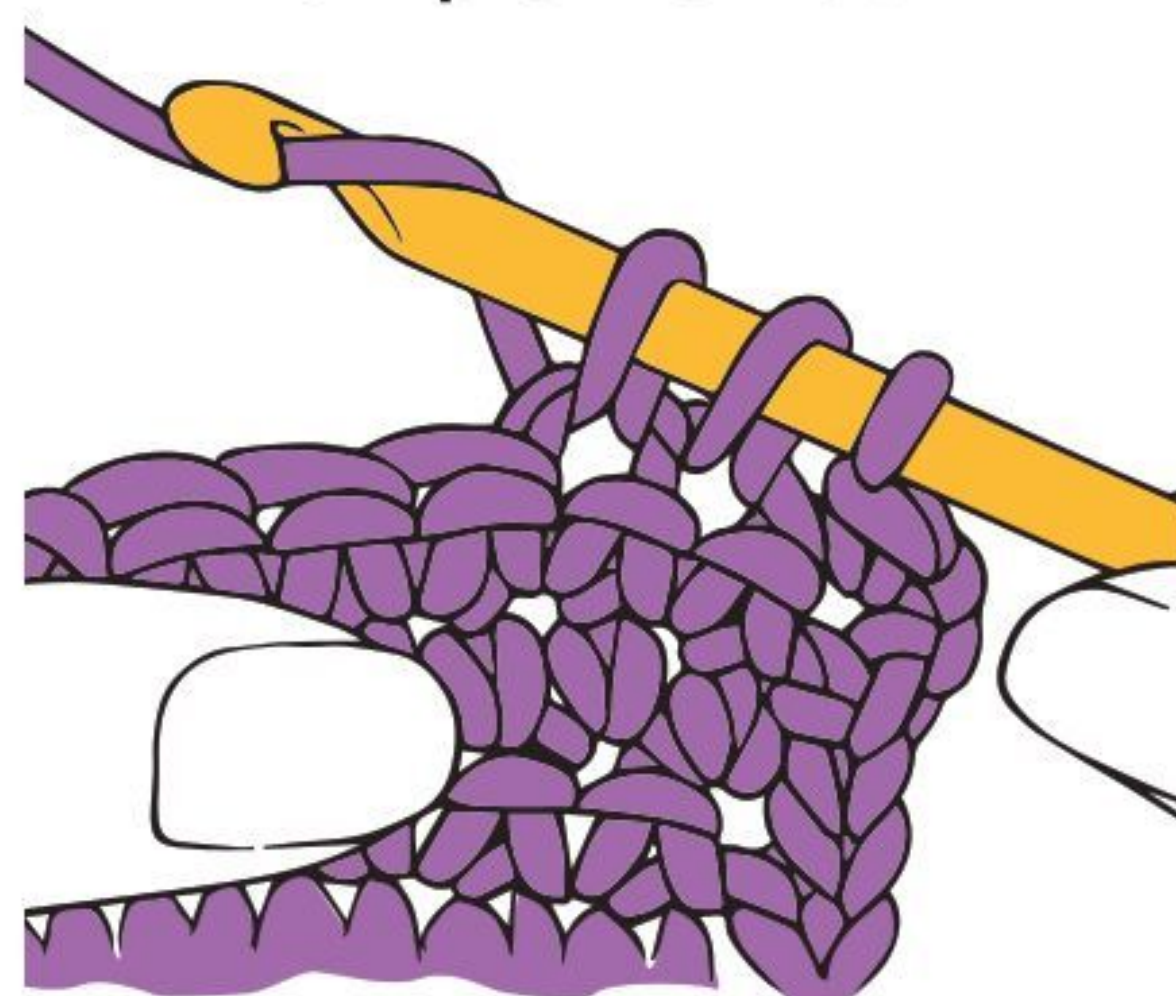
3 Yarn over the hook and
draw through the first two
loops. This will leave two
loops on the hook.



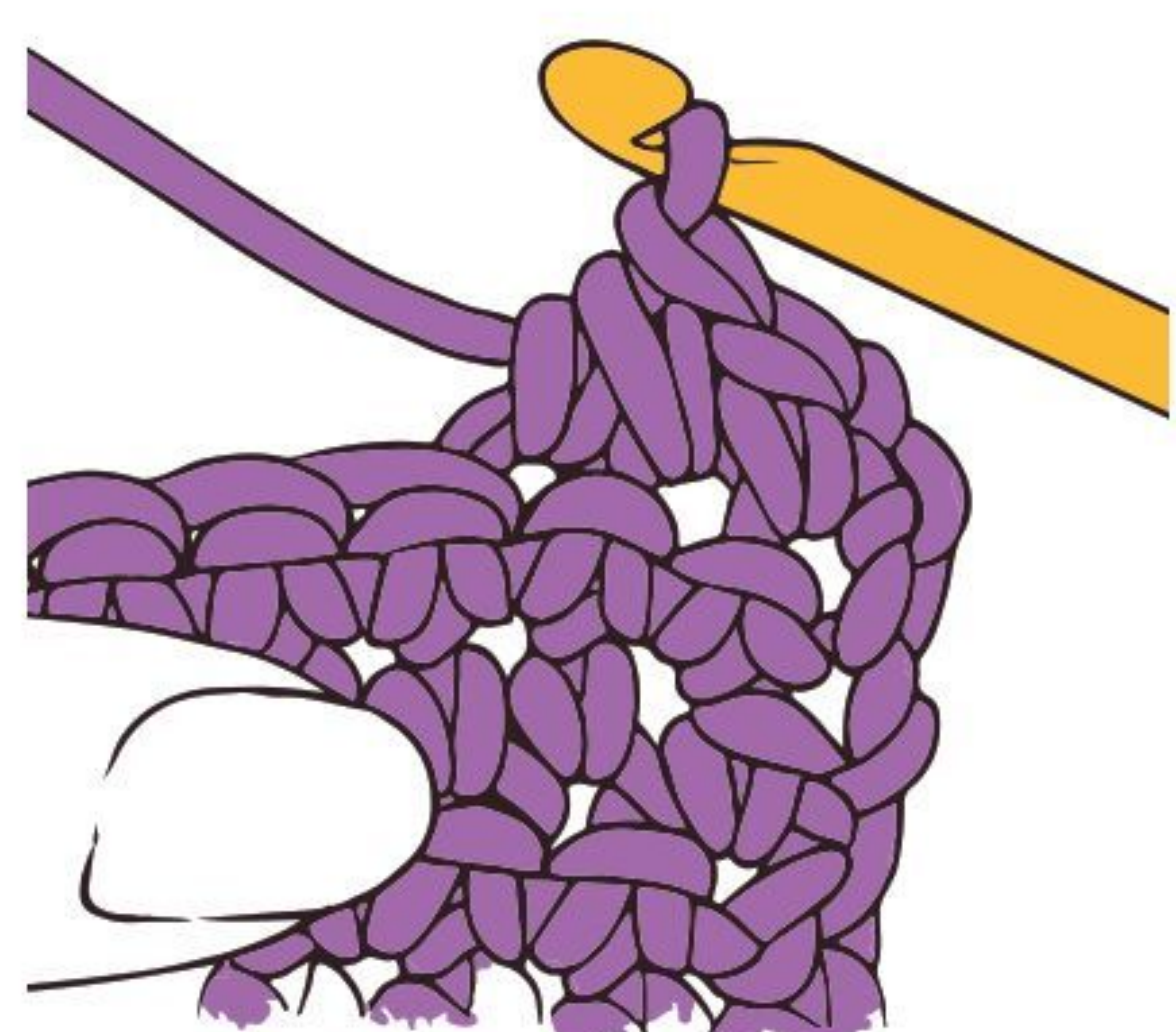
4 Yarn over the hook and
draw through all the loops.
This will leave one loop on
the hook.

double crochet two together (dc2tog)

Turn two crochet stitches
into one with this
simple method



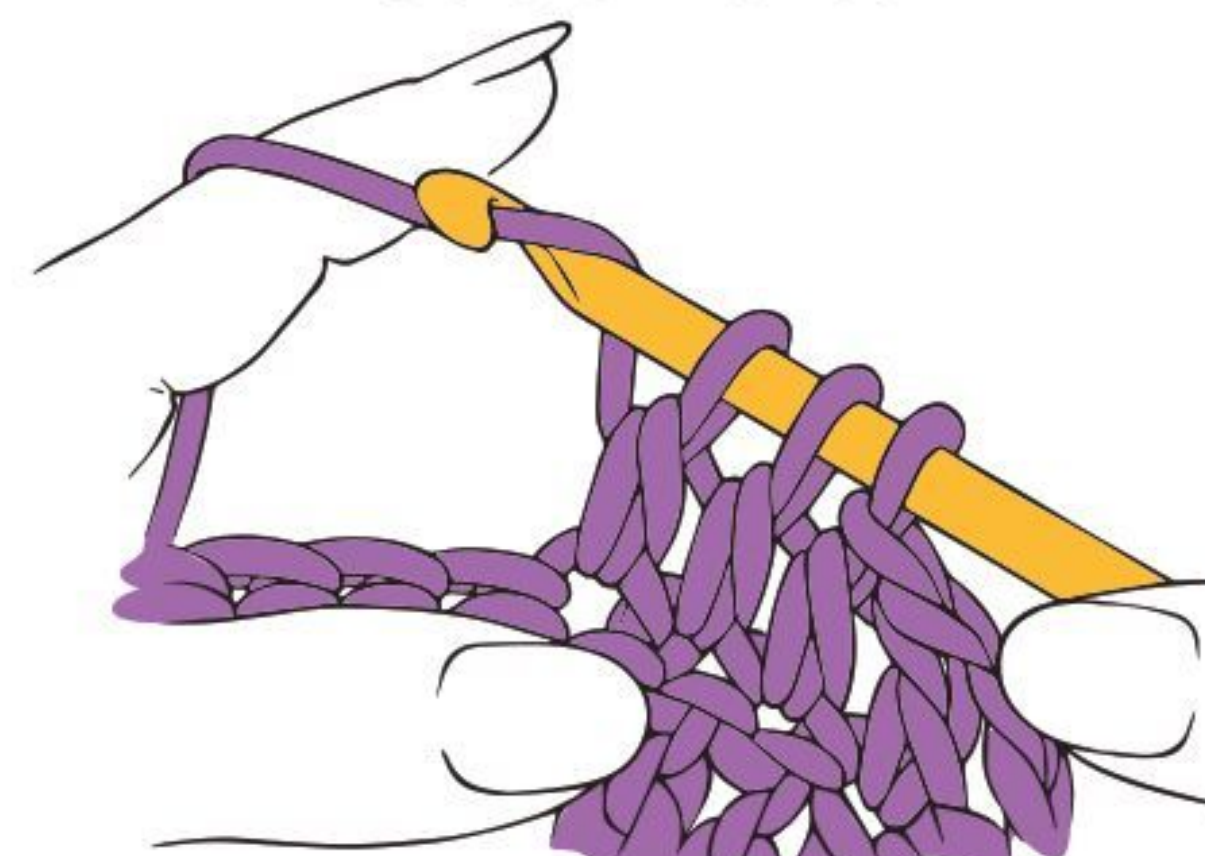
1 Insert hook through
next stitch, yarn over
hook, draw back
through work. Two
loops on hook. Insert
hook into next stitch,
yarn over hook, draw
back through. Three
loops on hook.



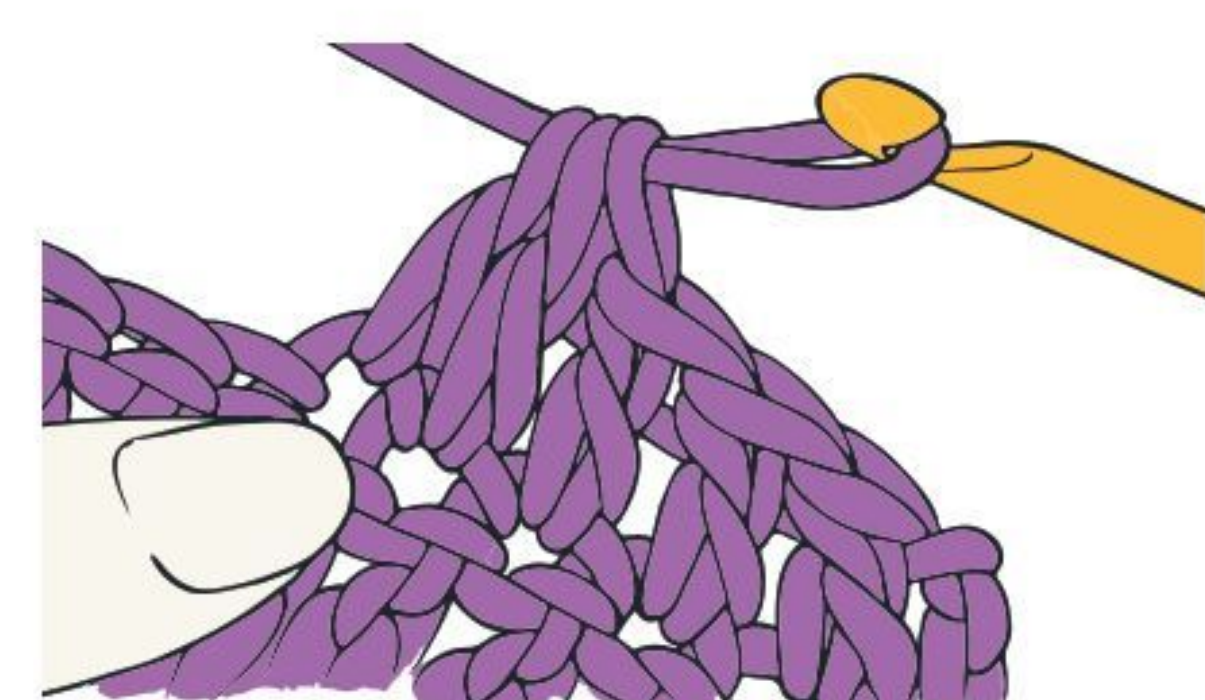
2 Yarn over hook, draw
through all three loops.
One loop on hook.

treble two together (tr2tog)

This is similar to 'dc2tog'
but is worked with
treble stitches



1 Yarn over the hook. Insert
the hook through the stitch.
Yarn over the hook and
draw back through the
work. There will be three
loops of yarn on the hook.
Yarn over the hook and
draw through the first two
loops. This will leave two
loops on the hook. Yarn
over the hook and insert
through the next stitch,
yarn over the hook and
draw through the work.
There will be four loops of
yarn on the hook. Yarn over
hook and draw through
two loops. This will leave
three loops on the hook.



2 Yarn over hook and draw
through all three loops on
the hook. This will leave
one loop on the hook.

VIDEO OF THE MONTH



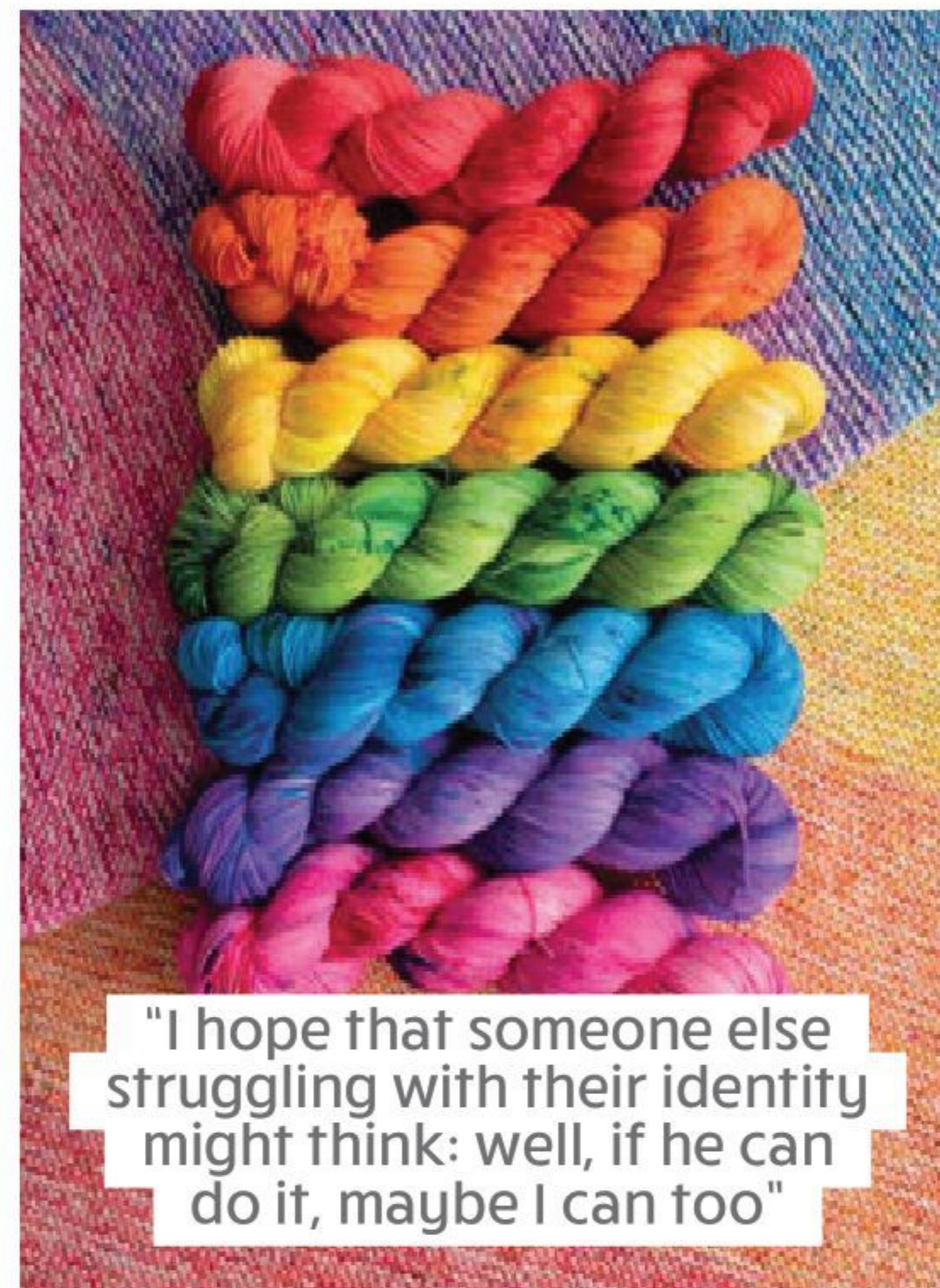
YOUTUBE.COM/THECRAFTSCHANNEL



This cheeky cat makes frequent appearances on Jude's YouTube channel, *Stranded*



Jude is a keen hiker who often shares stunning views on Instagram



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TEA AND A CHAT WITH...

Jude Harper

This talented yarn-dyer talks vlogging, hiking, and his experience coming out as trans

The first time Jude Harper picked up a pair of knitting needles, he created a very wobbly, black acrylic scarf for his dad in a bid to have an entirely handmade Christmas. Though his dad still has that gift tucked away somewhere, a decade later Jude likes to think the quality of his fibre-artistry has improved – and with such stunning hand-dyeing to be seen on his Instagram, @strandeddyeworks, we'd be tempted to agree! The Fife-based hand-dyer began his indie yarn company Stranded Dyeworks in 2016 after dropping out of university on mental health grounds, starting out in the kitchen of his parents' house and going from strength to strength. "Now, over six years later, I'm dyeing from my own house in Scotland!" Jude smiles.

THE WONDERS OF WALKING

When Jude isn't dyeing, knitting, or frantically fixing leaks in his house, he spends a lot of time wandering the Fife countryside. "Like knitting, I find walking works wonders for my mental health and is fantastic for clearing my head," Jude says. "When it's not raining, I like to pick a big hill at random and hike to

the top of it!" The Scottish countryside has even influenced a couple of Jude's colourways, and there are plenty of awe-inspiring vistas to see on his social channels.

LIFE ONLINE

Alongside his dyeing, Jude runs a quirky knitting and lifestyle vlog on YouTube called *Stranded*. "In theory it's a knitting podcast, but in reality it's more of a stream of consciousness, where I share everything I've been up to – knitting, spinning, reading and general life updates," Jude explains. "Thousands of people have tuned in to my videos and it's a privilege to connect with so many knitters and crafty people from across the globe." A popular face on Jude's Instagram feed and vlogs is a certain mischievous feline friend, known as #NotMyCat. Jude explains, "#NotMyCat actually belongs to my neighbours but has adopted the entire street as her own, in a way that only cats can do! She often comes by to snooze on my collection of crochet blankets – I'm pretty jealous of her to be honest."

OUT AND PROUD

Jude came out as trans in 2021, a daunting prospect for someone whose livelihood is heavily reliant on social

media. "People often forget to be kind when they're sitting behind a keyboard," Jude says. "I was dreading having to read mean comments, but the response from the online knitting community was overwhelmingly supportive. I'm incredibly grateful for that." He goes on to say, "I hope that someone else struggling with their identity might stumble across my account and think: well, if he can do it, maybe I can too."

THIS OR THAT

Tea or coffee?

Neither – hot chocolate please!

Books or films?

Definitely books – the best form of escapism

Going out or staying in?

Staying in – with one or two people, some knitting and a cat

Sweet or savoury?

Can I have both? I love snacks!

Brights or neutrals?

I love knitting with brights but wearing neutrals

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Quick wellbeing

Wins

Getting out in the garden is great for your wellbeing – but you don't need hours and hours to feel the benefits

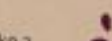
After being hit upon so far, for long sharing the second spot of national lockdowns, it's no surprise that gardeners are turned to one garden-to-own commodity. One recent study conducted by sports brand Lululemon concluded that gardeners are the most likely to purchase popular types of exercise in the UK, well ahead of some hugely popular sports. Shopping for gardeners ranges from tools and weathers for plants, garden furniture and equipment – and more of you took to social media to share your **best** garden.

It's great that so many Brits have turned to gardening and – ultimately – it makes sense. Commuting, commuting and resulting lockdowns have been challenging the rest of us in one way or another. Whether you want a friend or meet us on a job, or simply struggle with the sheer amount of lockdown, there have been plenty of reasons to turn the last two years.

IF YOU'VE GOT... *5 minutes*
TAKE A CUPPA OUT

INTO THE GARDEN

It can be tricky to carve out time just to take a breather and reset yourself during busy days. But next time you flick the kettle on, why not grab your cup and take a five minute meander around the garden? Switching off from technology and news feeds for a while can be hugely beneficial, as can taking in the fresh air and the nature all around you.



IF YOU'VE GOT...
30 minutes

GET YOUR HANDS IN THE SOIL

Getting your hands in the soil and getting out into nature has been proven to reduce stress, improve mood and even help to reduce symptoms of depression and anxiety. Scientific studies have found that getting your hands dirty really does help — digging in the ground stirns up microbes in the soil, which, when inhaled, can make you feel more relaxed and happy. The reason is, these microbes stimulate serotonin production in the brain, just as well as this, digging up (and indeed serving up) home-grown crops have been shown to give you a big dopamine hit, creating feelings of satisfaction and bliss. What's not to love?

IF YOU'VE GOT... 10 minutes

MAKING YOUR
MIND UP?
It's a gut-thing
Make decisions with confidence and...

Make decisions with confidence and ease,
and feel good about them, too

Should you go to your weekly yoga class or join friends on a walk? Load up at the farmers' market or support your local store? Stay in the beautifully-decorated holiday home, or the one with the stunning views? Our lives are full of decisions. Every day. We wake up until the moment we go to sleep (on average 35,000 of them a day). If you're like me, even the simplest of decisions can make you feel clumsy. When faced with big, potentially life-changing ones, the fear of making a wrong choice, or worse still, regretting the one you made, can leave you stuck in decision limbo.

If this is you, trust us, you're not alone, but the good news is, decision-making is a skill anyone can master with the right mindset.

BRAIN FREEZE
So, why do we get stuck in decision-limbo? "Sometimes it's because the stakes seem so high," says Lucy Beresford, psychotherapist, relationship expert and broadcaster (lucyberesford.com). "Or it can be that we want the answer to be perfect, and we don't know how to achieve that. Also, some people can simply freeze because the enormity of the choice before them seems too great or irreversible." Even been there?

When this happens, it can feel like our brain has got stuck in a loop going back and forth, weighing up the pros and cons of the decision. I once stood in front of a cafe trying to decide whether to order a peppermint tea or a chocolate latte. I ended up with both. "When your brain is wired to

[illegible]

HONE YOUR INTUITION

With all this going on, it's a wonder we manage to get ourselves out of bed in the morning, let alone navigate through 35,000 decisions a day! So, how can we hone our decision-making powers? According to the experts, we need to up our logical thinking with a healthy dose of intuition.

"People draw on knowledge and past experiences to make logical, rational choices," says Heidi. However, "studies also suggest that our subconscious mind can process a significant amount of data—far more than our conscious mind, so even simple decisions involve complex processes in the brain, although we can't see them."

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