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Christmas Tree Decorations



MEASUREMENTS

Each decoration is approx. 3in/7.5cm tall.

MATERIALS

Of Hayfield Bonus DK 100g balls: small amounts in Flesh Tone 963, Velvet Plum 906, Chocolate 947, Walnut 927, White 961, Aran 993, Iced Pink 958, Primrose 957, Black 965, Signal Red 977, Emerald 916, Sunflower 978, Copper 843, Orchard 904 and Bright Orange 981; of Sirdar Snuggly DK 50g balls: small amounts in Daisy 259, Summer Lime 260, and Khaki 378; of Sirdar

Click DK 50g balls: small amount in Spruce 127; of Sirdar Snuggly Snowflake DK 25g balls: small amount in Milky 630; pair of 3mm (no. 11) knitting needles; stitch holder; 50g of washable toy stuffing; pom pom maker; thin white card; silver machine embroidery thread; cotton buds; clear adhesive; double-sided sticky tape; long tweezers; red, white, yellow and green coloured pencils; hair spray; A4 box file, or similar lidded box; red and white spotted wrapping paper to cover box; spray adhesive.

TENSION

26 sts and 36 rows to 4in/10cm, measured over stocking stitch worked with DK yarn on 3mm needles.

ABBREVIATIONS

beg = beginning; dec = decrease (by working 2 stitches together); gs = garter stitch; inc = increase (by working into front and back of stitch); K = knit; P = purl; PSSO = pass slipped stitch over; sl = slip; ss = stocking stitch; st(s) = stitch(es); SKPO = slip one, knit one, pass slipped stitch over; tog = together.

IMPORTANT NOTE

Please take time to make sure that you are familiar with the correct method of increasing before commencing, otherwise you will find that the number of stitches on your needle will not match those stated in the pattern. 'Inc 1' means to increase by working into the front and back of the next stitch, thus making two stitches from one without leaving a hole in the knitting. This technique is sometimes referred to as KFB and is the only form of increasing that I use, so once you have mastered this you will be able to knit any of my patterns with complete confidence.

TO BIND COTTON BUDS

Wrap double-sided tape round bud stem and pull off backing paper. Starting at one end, and leaving a 1/2in/12mm length of yarn at this end, wind taped section closely with yarn. Secure each end with a spot of glue then trim away excess yarn.

TO GLUE-SEW PIECES IN POSITION

If necessary, darn cast off end of yarn back through knitted piece to finish at opposite end of base edge from cast on yarn. Use needle to sew each end of yarn into decoration at appropriate position, taking

out needle at side of decoration. Draw up, leaving about 1/2in/12mm of yarn visible at base, dab a spot of glue on each of these sections of yarn then pull end to draw into place. Trim away excess yarn.

TO MAKE A CORD

Cut a length of yarn then, holding cut ends between thumb and index finger of each hand, keep yarn taut and twist very tightly. Holding centre point of yarn, bring ends together, then release centre and allow cord to form. Make a tight knot where directed to prevent cord from unravelling.

THE DECORATIONS

Use 3mm needles throughout and cast on by using the cable (two needle) method. Begin all pieces worked in stocking stitch with a K row, unless otherwise stated.

Use mattress stitch, working from the right side, when sewing pieces together. A one stitch seam allowance has been included on all pieces to accommodate this.

Insert stuffing with tweezers and, to prevent mishaps, squeeze a spot of adhesive on the tip of a toothpick or cocktail stick and use this when gluing small pieces in place. Coat decorations with hair spray once made up, mould into shape and leave to set.

APPLE make 1 piece

With Signal Red cast on 8 sts for base edge and ss 2 rows.

1st inc row: Inc into every st to end [16 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd inc row: (Inc 1, K1) to end [24 sts].

Ss 3 rows.

3rd inc row: (K1, inc 1, K1) to end [32 sts].

Ss 9 rows.

1st dec row: K2, (K 2 tog, K1) to end [22 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd dec row: (K 2 tog) to end [11 sts].

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

LEAF make 1 piece

With Summer Lime cast on 3 sts for base edge and cont in ss.

Inc row: (Inc 1) twice, K1 [5 sts].

Ss 3 rows.

Dec row: SKPO, K1, K 2 tog [3 sts].

P 1 row.

Next row: Sl 1, K 2 tog, PSSO, break yarn, leaving a long end, thread through st and draw up.

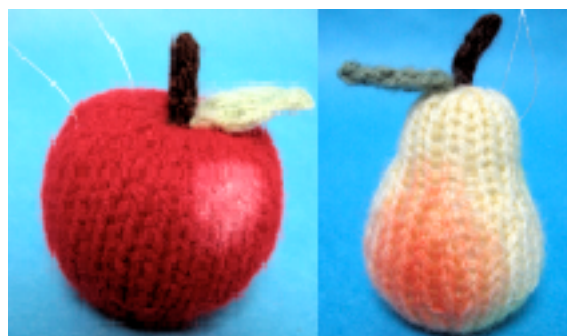
STALK make 1 piece

With Chocolate cast on 3 sts and ss 3 rows.

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

TO MAKE UP

Join side edges of apple, starting at gathered top edge and stopping 1/2in/12mm away from base edge. Stuff firmly, then join remainder of seam. Now work a gathering thread through every stitch along base edge, draw up tightly and fasten off, then take needle through centre of apple and draw out at top point. Draw up yarn to indent base, then fasten off securely. Using Chocolate yarn, embroider a French knot at base of apple. Oversew side edges of stalk piece and glue-sew in place. Working on purl side, darn cast off yarn down centre of leaf to base edge, then glue-sew leaf in place. Use white pencil to add gloss to top of apple.



PEAR make 1 piece

With Primrose cast on 7 sts for base edge and cont in ss.

1st inc row: Inc into every st to end [14 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd inc row: (Inc 1, K1) to end [21 sts].

Ss 3 rows.

3rd inc row: (K1, inc 1, K1) to end [28 sts].

Ss 5 rows.

1st dec row: (K1, K 2 tog, K1) to end [21 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd dec row: (K1, K 2 tog) to end [14 sts].

Ss 7 rows.

3rd dec row: (K 2 tog) to end [7 sts].

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

LEAF make 1 piece

With Khaki, work as given for apple leaf.

STALK make 1 piece

Work as given for apple stalk.

TO MAKE UP

Make up as given for apple, then blush pear with red and green pencils.

TANGERINE make 1 piece

With Bright Orange cast on 8 sts for base edge and cont in ss.

1st inc row: Inc into every st to end [16 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd inc row: (Inc 1, K1) to end [24 sts].

Ss 3 rows.

3rd inc row: (K1, inc 1, K1) to end [32 sts].

Ss 7 rows.

1st dec row: (K1, K 2 tog, K1) to end [24 sts].

Ss 3 rows.

2nd dec row: (K1, K 2 tog) to end [16 sts].

P 1 row.

3rd dec row: (K 2 tog) to end [8 sts].

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

LEAVES make 2 pieces

With Orchard, work as given for apple leaf.

TO MAKE UP

Treating purl side of tangerine as right side, make up as given for apple, embroidering French knots at base and top points. Make up leaves as given for apple and glue-sew in place, then use white pencil to add gloss to top of tangerine.



SUGAR PLUM make 1 piece

With Velvet Plum cast on 8 sts for base edge and cont in ss.

1st inc row: Inc into every st to end [16 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd inc row: (Inc 1, K1) to end [24 sts].

Ss 15 rows.

1st dec row: (K1, K 2 tog) to end [16 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd dec row: (K 2 tog) to end [8 sts].

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

LEAF make 1 piece

Work as given for apple leaf.

STALK make 1 piece

Work as given for apple stalk.

TO MAKE UP

Make up as given for apple, but take the yarn remaining after gathering base up to top

point on the outside of plum and draw this up to indent a line down side. Make up and attach stalk and leaf, and add gloss, as given for apple.

GINGERBREAD HEART make

2 pieces

With Copper cast on 2 sts for base edge and cont in ss.

P 1 row.

Inc 1 st at beg and end of next 3 rows [8 sts].

P 1 row.

Inc 1 st at beg and end of next row.

Repeat the last 2 rows two more times [14 sts].

Ss 5 rows.

Divide for top, first half, next row:

K6, inc 1, turn and work on these 8 sts only.

*P 1 row.

Dec 1 st at beg and end of next 2 rows [4 sts].

Cast off for top edge.**

Work second half, next row:

Rejoin yarn to remaining 7 sts, inc 1, K to end [8 sts].

Work as given for first half from * to **.

TO MAKE UP

Join pieces together, leaving a 1/2in/12mm space open. Stuff firmly, then join remainder of seam. Draw out a single strand from a

length of White yarn and use the remaining 2 strands to embroider a line a chain stitch in from edge of heart



TOADSTOOLS

LARGE TOADSTOOL CAP make 1 piece

With White cast on 7 sts for base edge and cont in ss.

1st inc row: Inc into every st to end [14 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd inc row: (Inc 1, K1) to end [21 sts].

P 1 row.

3rd inc row: (K1, inc 1, K1) to end [28 sts].

Change to Signal Red and P 3 rows for fold line.

Ss 6 rows, beg with a K row.

1st dec row: K1, (K 2 tog, K1) to end [19 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd dec row: K1, (K 2 tog) to end [10 sts].

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and

fasten off.

LARGE TOADSTOOL STALK make

1 piece

With White cast on 10 sts for top edge and ss 4 rows.

Inc row: K1, (inc 1, K1) four times, K1 [14 sts].

Ss 3 rows.

Work grass, next row: Using a ball of yarn for each colour and stranding yarn not in use across P side of work, (K1 Summer Lime, K1 White) to end.

Continue in Summer Lime and ss 2 rows.

Dec row: (P 2 tog) to end [7 sts].

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

SMALL TOADSTOOL CAP make 1 piece

With White cast on 7 sts for base edge and ss 2 rows.

Inc row: Inc into every st to end [14 sts].

Change to Signal Red and P 3 rows for fold line.

Ss 4 rows, beg with a K row.

Dec row: (K 2 tog) to end [7 sts].

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

SMALL TOADSTOOL STALK make 1 piece

With White cast on 8 sts for top edge and ss 4 rows.

Work grass, next row: Using a ball of yarn for each colour and stranding yarn not in use across P side of work, (K1 Summer Lime, K1 White) to end.

Cont in Summer Lime and ss 2 rows.

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

TO MAKE UP

Work a gathering thread through every stitch along base edge of large toadstool cap, draw up tightly and fasten off, then join side edges, stopping just above fold line. Glue a 1 3/8 in/3.5cm diameter card circle inside base, stuff cap firmly, then join remainder of seam. Join seam on large toadstool stalk, stuff firmly, then sew top edge to base of cap. Make up small toadstool in same manner, omitting card circle. Using White yarn, embroider tiny, horizontal, lazy daisy stitches over caps to form spots, then sew toadstools together with a few stitches.

WOVEN HEART

BACK make 1 piece

***First strip:** With Emerald cast on 5 sts and ss 5 rows.

Change to Signal Red and ss 5 rows.

Break yarn and slip sts on to a stitch holder.

Second strip: With Signal Red cast on 5 sts and ss 5 rows.

Change to Emerald and ss 5 rows.**

Join strips, next row: Inserting marker thread at beg of row, change to Signal Red and K3, SKPO from second strip sts, then K 2 tog, K3 from held first strip sts [8 sts].

***Ss 4 rows.

Dec 1 st at beg and end of next 2 rows [4 sts].

Cast off.****

With right side of work facing and Emerald, K up 8 sts from side of second strip between cast on edge and marker thread.

Work as given from *** to ****.

Remove marker.

FRONT make 1 piece

Work as given for back from * to **.

Join strips, next row: Inserting marker thread at end of row, change to Signal Red and K3, SKPO from second strip sts, then K 2 tog, K3 from held first strip sts [8 sts].

Work as given for back from *** to ****.

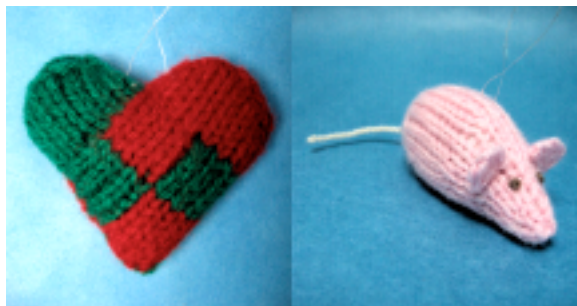
With right side of work facing and Emerald, K up 8 sts from side of first strip between marker thread and cast on edge.

Work as given for back from *** to ****.

Remove marker.

TO MAKE UP

Join first and second strips together down centre on front and back pieces, then join hearts together, leaving a 1/2in/12mm space open. Stuff firmly, then join remainder of seam.



SUGAR MOUSE

BODY make 1 piece

With Iced Pink cast on 7 sts for back edge and ss 2 rows.

1st inc row: Inc into every st to end [14 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd inc row: (Inc 1, K1) to end [21 sts].

Ss 9 rows.

1st dec row: K1, (K 2 tog, K2) to end [16 sts].

Ss 3 rows.

2nd dec row: K1, (K 2 tog, K1) to end [11 sts].

Ss 3 rows.

3rd dec row: K1, (K 2 tog) to end [6 sts].

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

EARS make 2 pieces

With Iced Pink cast on 5 sts.

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

TO MAKE UP

Join body seam from gathered nose edge, stopping 1/2in/12mm away from back edge. Stuff firmly, join remainder of seam, then work a gathering thread through every stitch along back edge, draw up tightly and fasten off. With body seam running along underside, glue-sew ears in position, placing on second decrease row, and spacing 2 knitted stitches apart. Draw out a single strand from a length of Walnut yarn and use the remaining 2 strands to embroider two French knots for eyes. Use an 8in/20cm length of Aran yarn to make a cord tail, knotting 2in/5cm in from folded end. Trim away excess close to knot, then use a large knitting needle to make a hole in back of mouse, spread knot with glue, and push into hole with tweezers.

GINGERBREAD SNOWFLAKE make 2 pieces

With Copper cast on 13 sts for centre edge and ss 2 rows.

Inc row: Inc into every st to end [26 sts].

P 1 row, inserting marker threads at beg and end.

Work first point, next row: K4, inc 1, turn and work on these 6 sts only.

Ss 4 rows.

Cast off.

Work second point, next row:

Rejoin yarn to remaining 21 sts, inc 1, K2, inc 1, turn and work on these 6 sts only.

Ss 4 rows.

Cast off.

Work third point, next row: Rejoin yarn to remaining 17 sts, inc 1, K2, inc 1, turn and work on these 6 sts only.

Ss 4 rows.

Cast off.

Work fourth point, next row:

Rejoin yarn to remaining 13 sts, inc 1, K2, inc 1, turn and work on these 6 sts only.

Ss 4 rows.

Cast off.

Work fifth point, next row: Rejoin yarn to remaining 9 sts, inc 1, K2, inc 1, turn and work on these 6 sts only.

Ss 4 rows.

Cast off.

Work sixth point, next row: Rejoin yarn to remaining 5 sts, inc 1, K to end [6 sts].

Ss 4 rows.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Join pieces together, leaving one side of last point open. Stuff points and centre firmly, then join remainder of seam. Draw out a single strand from a length of White yarn and use the remaining 2 strands to embroider snowflake with chain stitch.



MARZIPAN PIG

BODY make 1 piece

With Flesh Tone cast on 10 sts for back edge and ss 2 rows.

1st inc row: Inc into every st to end [20 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd inc row: (Inc 1, K1) to end [30 sts].

Ss 9 rows.

1st dec row: (K1, K 2 tog) to end [20 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd dec row: (K 2 tog) to end [10 sts].

Ss 4 rows.

P 2 rows for fold line.

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

LEGS make 4 pieces

With Flesh Tone cast on 8 sts for top edge and ss 3 rows.

P 2 rows for fold line.

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

EARS make 2 pieces

With Flesh Tone cast on 5 sts for base edge and ss 2 rows.

Dec 1 st at beg and end of next row [3 sts].

Next row: P 3 tog, break yarn and draw through st.

TO MAKE UP

Join body seam, starting at gathered snout point and stopping 1/2in/12mm away from back edge. Stuff firmly, join remainder of seam, then fold back edge in half and join. Join each leg seam and stuff firmly, then, with body seam running along underside, position and sew legs in place. Glue-sew ears in position, placing on first decrease row and spacing 2 knitted stitches apart. Embroider eyes and make tail with Flesh Tone yarn as given for sugar mouse. Tie tail into a loose knot, then glue in place as given for sugar mouse and hold knot in position with a couple of spots of glue.

SWEDISH STRAW GOAT

BODY & NECK make 1 piece

With Daisy cast on 18 sts and K 2 rows.

1st dec row: K9, SKPO, K 2 tog, K5 [16 sts].

K 1 row.

2nd dec row: K8, SKPO, K 2 tog, K4 [14 sts].

K 1 row.

3rd dec row: K7, SKPO, K 2 tog, K3 [12 sts].

K 1 row.

4th dec row: K6, SKPO, K 2 tog, K2 [10 sts].

K 1 row.

1st inc row: K6, (inc 1) twice, K2 [12 sts].

K 1 row.

2nd inc row: K7, (inc 1) twice, K3 [14 sts].

K 1 row.

3rd inc row: K8, (inc 1) twice, K4 [16 sts].

K 1 row.

4th inc row: K9, (inc 1) twice, K5 [18 sts].

K 1 row.

Cast off

HEAD make 1 piece

With Daisy cast on 9 sts and gs 14 rows.

Cast off.

LEGS make 4 pieces

With Daisy cast on 7 sts and gs 8 rows.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Join cast on and cast off edges of body piece to form centre front and underside seam, then work a gathering thread through every row end on back edge, which is the end of the longer section, draw up tightly and fasten off. Stuff firmly through open neck edge to form an L shape. Work a gathering thread through row ends at one side of head piece, draw up tightly and fasten off, then join cast on and cast off edges. Stuff firmly, then work a gathering thread through opposite row ends, draw up tightly and fasten off. With seam running along underside, position and sew head to top of neck. Join cast on and cast off edges of legs, leaving ends open, then position and sew to body. For each horn cut three 8in/20cm lengths of Daisy yarn and tie in centre with a length of matching yarn, then secure this knot to a work surface and plait strands. Bind with matching yarn 23/8in/6cm away from knot and trim away excess. Spread braids with a little glue and coil, then use knotting yarn to glue-sew into place at back of head. Make tail in same manner, binding 3/4in/2cm away from knot, and glue-sew in place. Using a length of Signal Red yarn, wind round head, neck and body in a criss-cross fashion, tying off yarn in front of back legs

and darning ends into body.



CANDY CANE HEART

CANES make 2 pieces

With White cast on 10 sts for base edge.

Work diagonal stripe pattern: Use a ball of yarn for each colour and strand yarn not in use across P side of work

Row 1: K2 Signal Red, (K2 White, K2 Signal Red) twice.

Row 2: P1 White, (P2 Signal Red, P2 White) twice, K1 Signal Red.

Row 3: K2 White, (K2 Signal Red, K2 White) twice.

Row 4: P1 Signal Red, (P2 White, P2 Signal Red) twice, P1 White.

These four rows form the pattern.

Work 6 blocks of pattern altogether [24 rows].

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

TO MAKE UP

Join seam on each cane, leaving base edge open, stuff firmly, then draw up sewing

thread to gather seam at top of cane to form handle. Work a gathering thread through every stitch on first row of stripe pattern, draw up tightly and fasten off. Sew canes together to form a heart shape and tie a bow of Emerald yarn round handles, trimming ends and sealing these with spots of glue.

JINGLE BELLS

BELLS make 2 pieces

With Walnut cast on 9 sts for base edge and cont in ss.

1st inc row: Inc into every st to end [18 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd inc row: K1, (inc 1, K1) eight times, K1 [26 sts].

P 1 row.

Change to Sunflower and K 3 rows for fold line.

P 3 rows.

1st dec row: K2, (K 2 tog, K1) to end [18 sts].

Ss 8 rows.

2nd dec row: (P 2 tog) to end [9 sts].

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

CLAPPERS make 2 pieces

With Sunflower cast on 5 sts for top edge

and ss 2 rows.

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

HANGING LOOPS make 2 pieces

With Sunflower cast on 6 sts.

Cast off.

BOW make 1 piece

With Emerald cast on 50 sts and K 1 row.

Cast off K wise.

TO MAKE UP

Work a gathering thread through every stitch along base edge of each bell, draw up tightly and fasten off, then join side edges, stopping just above fold line. Glue a 1 3/8in/3.5cm diameter card circle inside base, then join seam down from gathered top edge, leaving a 1/2in/12mm space open. Stuff bell firmly, then join remainder of seam. Join clapper seam, stuff with a little matching yarn, then sew top edge to base of bell. Join ends of hanging loop and sew to top of bell. Tie bow piece into a bow, then sew a bell to each side of knot.



HOLLY BAUBLE

BAUBLE make 1 piece

With Summer Lime cast on 8 sts for top edge and ss 2 rows.

1st inc row: Inc into every st to end [16 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd inc row: (Inc 1, K1) to end [24 sts].

Ss 3 rows.

3rd inc row: (K1, inc 1, K1) to end [32 sts].

Ss 5 rows.

1st dec row: (K1, K 2 tog, K1) to end [24 sts].

Ss 3 rows.

2nd dec row: (K1, K 2 tog) to end [16 sts].

P 1 row.

3rd dec row: (K 2 tog) to end [8 sts].

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

HOLLY LEAVES make 2 pieces

With Spruce cast on 3 sts for base edge and ss 2 rows.

Inc 1 st at beg and end of next 2 rows [7 sts].

K 1 row.

Dec 1 st at beg and end of next row [5 sts].

K 1 row.

Inc 1 st at beg and end of next row [7 sts].

Repeat the last 4 rows once more.

K 1 row.

Dec 1 st at beg and end of next 2 rows [3 sts].

Next row: P 3 tog, break yarn, leaving a 12in/30cm long end, thread through st and draw up.

HOLLY BERRIES make 3 pieces

With Signal Red cast on 3 sts and ss 2 rows.

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

TO MAKE UP

Join seam on bauble, starting at gathered base edge and stopping 1in/2.5cm away from top edge. Stuff firmly, join remainder of seam, then work a gathering thread through every stitch along top edge, draw up tightly and fasten off. Using yarn end remaining at tip of each holly leaf, embroider a line a chain stitches down centre of purl side. Coat each leaf with hair spray, fold in half along embroidered line and leave to set. Work a gathering thread round edges of each berry, draw up tightly and fasten off. Glue-sew leaves and berries in place at top of bauble.

MISTLETOE BAUBLE

BAUBLE make 1 piece

With Primrose, work as given for holly bauble.

MISTLETOE LEAVES make 4 pieces

With Khaki cast on 2 sts for base edge and ss 2 rows.

1st inc row: Inc 1, K1 [3 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd inc row: K1, inc 1, K1 [4 sts].

P 1 row.

Next row: SKPO, K 2 tog [2 sts], pass first st over second, break yarn, thread through st and draw up.

MISTLETOE BERRIES make 3 pieces

With White, work as given for holly berries.

TO MAKE UP

Make up bauble and berries as given for holly bauble. Using Khaki yarn make a cord as given for sugar mouse tail, tying two knots 2in/5cm apart and trimming away excess close to knots. Glue-sew pairs of leaves in place, glue cord knots to leaves, then glue-sew berries in position in centre on cord.



SANTA CLAUS

BODY AND HEAD make 1 piece

With Signal Red cast on 9 sts for base edge and ss 2 rows.

1st inc row: K1, (inc 1) eight times [17 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd inc row: K1, (inc 1, K1) to end [25 sts].

Change to Snowflake and P 2 rows.

Change to Signal Red and ss 5 rows, beg with a P row.

1st dec row: (K2, K 2 tog, K1) to end [20 sts].

P 1 row.

Change to Black for belt and ss 2 rows.

Change to Signal Red and ss 4 rows.

2nd dec row: (K1, K 2 tog, K1) to end [15 sts].

P 1 row.

Change to Flesh Tone for head and ss 6 rows.

3rd dec row: K1, (K 2 tog) to end [8 sts].

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread

through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

HAT make 1 piece

With Snowflake cast on 16 sts for base edge and K 1 row.

Change to Signal Red and ss 2 rows, beg with a K row.

1st dec row: (K1, K 2 tog, K1) to end [12 sts].

Ss 3 rows.

2nd dec row: (K1, K 2 tog) to end [8 sts].

P 1 row.

3rd dec row: K1, (K 2 tog) three times, K1 [5 sts].

P 1 row.

Change to Snowflake for bobble and ss 2 rows.

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

BEARD make 1 piece

With Snowflake cast on 7 sts for top edge and gs 6 rows.

Dec 1 st at beg and end of next 2 rows [3 sts].

Cast off for base edge.

ARMS make 2 pieces

With Signal Red cast on 5 sts for top edge and ss 4 rows.

Change to Snowflake for cuff and K 2 rows. Change to Emerald for mitten and ss 2 rows, beg with a K row.

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

SACK make 1 piece

With Walnut cast on 12 sts for base edge and ss 8 rows.

Dec row: (Sl 1, K 2 tog, PSSO) to end [4 sts].

Ss 2 rows.

Cast off for top edge.

TO MAKE UP

Work a gathering thread through every stitch along base edge of body, draw up tightly and fasten off, then join side edges, stopping above Snowflake stripe. Glue a 1 1/8in/3cm diameter card circle inside base, then join seam down from gathered top of head, leaving a 1in/2.5cm space open. Stuff body and head firmly, then join remainder of seam. Work a gathering thread through every stitch along first row of head, draw up to shape, then fasten off and darn ends into body. Embroider a square belt buckle with four straight stitches of Sunflower yarn over knitted Black stripe, then use Snowflake to embroider a vertical line of chain stitches up centre front of body. Join hat seam and stuff

lightly, then glue in place on head. Using Flesh Tone yarn, embroider a French knot for nose, placing directly below hat cuff, then glue beard in place. Join each arm seam, leaving unstuffed, and sew to sides of body. Join side edges of sack, stuff lightly, then fold base edge in half and join. Position and catch to left hand and body with a few stitches.

SNOWMAN

BODY AND HEAD make 1 piece

With White cast on 9 sts for base edge and ss 2 rows.

1st inc row: Inc into every st to end [18 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd inc row: (Inc 1, K1) to end [27 sts].

Ss 8 rows.

1st dec row: (P 2 tog, P1) to end [18 sts].

Ss 7 rows.

2nd dec row: (P2, P 2 tog, P2) to end [15 sts].

Ss 6 rows.

3rd dec row: K1, (K 2 tog) to end [8 sts].

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

HAT BRIM make 1 piece

With Black cast on 20 sts for outside edge and ss 2 rows.

Dec row: (K 2 tog) to end [10 sts].

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

HAT CROWN make 1 piece

With Black cast on 12 sts for base edge and ss 4 rows.

P 2 rows for fold line.

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

ARMS make 2 pieces

With White cast on 6 sts for top edge and ss 4 rows.

Change to Summer Lime for mitten and ss 3 rows.

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

TO MAKE UP

Join head and body seam, starting at gathered top edge of head and stopping 1in/2.5cm away from base edge. Stuff firmly, join remainder of seam, then work a gathering thread through every stitch along base edge, draw up tightly and fasten off. Work a gathering thread through every stitch along first and second decrease rows to shape waist and neck, then fasten off and darn ends into body. Join side edges of hat brim, then

position and sew to head. Join hat crown seam, stuff firmly, then position and sew base edge to top of brim. Embroider carrot nose by working a French knot in Bright Orange and not drawing up completely. Draw out a single strand from a length of Black yarn and use to embroider coal eyes and mouth with small stitches. Use the remaining 2 strands to embroider coal buttons with tiny, vertical, straight stitches down centre front. Join each arm seam, leaving unstuffed, and sew to sides of body. Cut a 1 1/2in/4cm length of cotton bud stem and bind with Walnut yarn for broom handle. Cut twenty 4in/10cm lengths of Chocolate yarn for broom twigs and hold together at one end. Push broom handle into centre of bundle and bind with a length of Walnut yarn, tying off securely. Trim ends of yarn to measure 1 1/2in/4cm, then position and glue broom to right mitten and side of body.



PENGUIN

BODY BACK make 1 piece

With Black cast on 9 sts for neck edge and ss 4 rows.

1st inc row: K1, (inc 1, K1) to end [13 sts].

Ss 3 rows.

2nd inc row: K1, (inc 1, K2) to end [17 sts].

Ss 7 rows.

1st dec row: K1, (K1, K 2 tog, K1) to end [13 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd dec row: K1, (K 2 tog, K1) to end [9 sts].

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

BODY FRONT make 1 piece

With White cast on 5 sts for neck edge and ss 4 rows.

1st inc row: K1, (inc 1, K1) twice [7 sts].

Ss 3 rows.

2nd inc row: K1, (inc 1, K2) twice [9 sts].

Ss 7 rows.

1st dec row: K1, (K1, K 2 tog, K1) twice [7 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd dec row: K1, (K 2 tog, K1) twice [5 sts].

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread

through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

HEAD make 1 piece

With Black cast on 7 sts for back edge and ss 2 rows.

Inc row: Inc into every st to end [14 sts].

Ss 4 rows.

1st dec row: P1, (P 2 tog) six times, P1 [8 sts].

Change to Bright Orange for beak and ss 2 rows.

2nd dec row: K1, SKPO, K2, K 2 tog, K1 [6 sts].

P 1 row.

3rd dec row: K1, SKPO, K 2 tog, K1 [4 sts].

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

WINGS make 2 pieces

With Black cast on 4 sts for top edge and ss 2 rows.

Inc row: Inc into every st to end [8 sts].

Ss 7 rows.

Dec row: (K 2 tog, SKPO) twice [4 sts].

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

FEET make 2 pieces

With Bright Orange cast on 8 sts for front edge and ss 2 rows.

Dec row: (K 2 tog, SKPO) twice [4 sts].

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

TO MAKE UP

Join front and back body pieces, then stuff firmly through open neck edge. Join head seam, starting at gathered tip of beak and stopping 1/2in/12mm away from back edge. Stuff firmly, join remainder of seam, then work a gathering thread through every stitch along back edge. Draw up tightly and fasten off. With seam running along underside, position and sew head to top of body. Draw out a single strand from a length of Primrose yarn and use to embroider two tiny, horizontal, lazy daisy stitches for eyes, then draw out a single strand from a length of Black yarn and use the remaining 2 strands to embroider a small straight stitch in centre of each eye. Fold each wing in half and oversew side edges together, then position and sew to body sides. Fold each foot in half and oversew side edges together and across front edge. Position and sew to base of body. Use yellow pencil to blush top of body front.

POLAR BEAR

BODY AND HEAD make 1 piece

With Aran cast on 8 sts for back edge and ss 2 rows.

1st inc row: Inc into every st to end [16 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd inc row: (Inc 1) twice, K4, (inc 1) four times, K4, (inc 1) twice [24 sts].

Ss 11 rows.

Dec 1 st at beg and end of next row.

P 1 row.

Repeat the last 2 rows two more times [18 sts].

Shape head, 1st dec row: K5, K 2 tog, K4, SKPO, K5 [16 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd dec row: K3, (SKPO, K 2 tog, K2) twice, K1 [12 sts].

P 1 row.

3rd dec row: K2, (SKPO, K 2 tog) twice, K2 [8 sts].

Ss 3 rows.

Cast off for front edge of head.

LEGS make 4 pieces

With Aran cast on 10 sts for top edge and ss 4 rows.

K 3 rows for fold line.

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

EARS make 2 pieces

With Aran cast on 6 sts and K 1 row.

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

SCARF make 1 piece

With Emerald cast on 4 sts and work in alternate 2 row gs stripes of Emerald and Sunflower until 70 rows have been worked. Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Fold front edge of head in half and join, then join body seam, stopping 1in/2.5cm away from back edge. Stuff head and body firmly, join remainder of seam, then fold back edge in half and join. Join each leg seam and stuff firmly, then, with body seam running along underside, position and sew to body. Glue-sew ears in position, placing 2 knitted rows behind first decrease row, and spacing 3 knitted stitches apart. Draw out a single strand from a length of Black yarn and use the remaining 2 strands to embroider eyes with tiny, horizontal, straight stitches, mouth with two straight stitches to form an inverted T shape, and a triangular nose with satin stitch. Tie scarf round neck and hold in place with a few stitches.



ELF

BODY make 1 piece

With Summer Lime cast on 8 sts for base edge and ss 2 rows.

Inc row: Inc into every st to end [16 sts].

P 3 rows for fold line.

Ss 2 rows, beg with a K row.

1st dec row: K1, (K 2 tog, K1) to end [11 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd dec row: K1, (K 2 tog) to end [6 sts].

Ss 2 rows.

Cast off for neck edge.

HEAD & HAT make 1 piece

With Flesh Tone cast on 12 sts for base edge of head and ss 4 rows.

Change to Summer Lime and K 3 rows for base of hat.

P 1 row.

1st dec row: (K1, K 2 tog) to end [8 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd dec row: (K 2 tog) to end [4 sts].

P 1 row.

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

LEGS make 2 pieces

With Emerald cast on 11 sts for base edge of shoe and ss 1 row.

Cast off 4 sts at beg of next 2 rows [3 sts].

Change to Summer Lime and ss 5 rows.

Cast off for top edge of leg.

ARMS make 2 pieces

With Summer Lime cast on 3 sts for top edge and ss 5 rows.

Change to Flesh Tone for hands and ss 2 rows.

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

EARS make 2 pieces

With Flesh Tone cast on 4 sts.

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

TO MAKE UP

Work a gathering thread through every stitch along base edge, draw up tightly and fasten off, then join side edges, stopping 1/2in/12mm away from neck edge. Stuff firmly and join remainder of seam. Join hat and head seam, stuff firmly, then work a gathering thread through every stitch along base edge of head, draw up tightly and fasten off. Position and sew head to top of body.

Fold each leg in half and oversew across base edge of shoe, then up front of shoe and leg. Also fold each arm in half and oversew side edges together, then glue-sew arms to sides of body, legs to base of body, and ears to sides of head. Use Flesh Tone yarn to embroider nose with a French knot. Draw out a single strand from a length of Walnut yarn and use to embroider eyes with tiny, horizontal, straight stitches, and mouth with 2 straight stitches, forming an open V shape.

ANGEL

BODY AND HEAD make 1 piece

With Aran cast on 8 sts for base edge and ss 2 rows.

1st inc row: Inc into every st to end [16 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd inc row: (Inc 1, K1) to end [24 sts].
K 2 rows for fold line.

P 1 row.

Change to Sunflower and K 1 row.

Change to Aran and P 1 row.

1st dec row: (K1 K 2 tog, K1) to end [18 sts].

Ss 3 rows.

2nd dec row: (K1, K 2 tog) to end [12 sts].

Ss 4 rows.

Change to Flesh Tone for head and ss 6 rows.

3rd dec row: (P 2 tog, P1) to end [8 sts].

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

HALO make 1 piece

With Sunflower cast on 14 sts for outside edge and ss 2 rows.

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

WINGS make 2 pieces

With Snowflake cast on 2 sts for centre back edge and ss 2 rows.

Inc 1 st at beg and end of next 4 rows [10 sts].

Ss 2 rows.

Next row: Dec 1 st at beg and end of next 4 rows [2 sts].

Cast off.

ARMS make 2 pieces

With Aran cast on 4 sts for top edge and cont in ss.

Inc row: Inc into every st to end [8 sts].

Ss 4 rows.

Dec row: (K 2 tog) to end [4 sts].

Change to Flesh Tone for hand and ss 2 rows, beg with a K row.

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and

fasten off.

CHRISTMAS TREE make 1 piece

With Spruce cast on 9 sts for base edge and gs 2 rows.

Dec 1 st at beg of next 6 rows [3 sts].

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

TO MAKE UP

Work a gathering thread through every stitch along base edge of body, draw up tightly and fasten off, then join side edges, stopping above Sunflower stripe. Glue a 1 1/8in/3cm diameter card circle inside base, then join seam down from gathered top of head, leaving a 1in/2.5cm space open. Stuff body and head firmly, then join remainder of seam. Work a gathering thread through every stitch along first row of head, draw up to shape, then fasten off and darn ends into body. Using Daisy yarn, embroider 3 chain stitches over top of head for hair parting, then sew two 6in/15cm lengths of Daisy yarn through each chain for hair. Sew end of each hair strand into back of head, then join halo seam and glue in place. Using Flesh Tone yarn, embroider nose with a tiny, horizontal, straight stitch. Draw out a single strand from a length of Walnut yarn and use to embroider eyes and mouth with small,

horizontal, straight stitches. Join each arm seam, stuff lightly, work a gathering thread through every stitch along top edge, draw up tightly and fasten off, then sew arms to body sides. Fold each wing piece in half and oversew edges together, then position and glue-sew to back of body. Cut a 3/4in/2cm length of cotton bud and bind with Chocolate yarn for tree trunk. Oversew side edges of tree piece to form a cone, then glue trunk inside cone and attach to right hand with a spot of glue.



BUGLE make 1 piece

With Walnut cast on 8 sts for front edge and cont in ss.

P 1 row.

1st inc row: Inc into every st to end [16 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd inc row: (Inc 1, K1) to end [24 sts]. Change to Sunflower and P 3 rows for fold line.

1st dec row: (K1, K 2 tog, K1) to end [18 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd dec row: (K1, K 2 tog) to end [12 sts].

P 1 row.

3rd dec row: (K1, K 2 tog) to end [8 sts].

Ss 31 rows.

4th dec row: (K1, K 2 tog, K1) twice [6 sts].

Ss 15 rows.

Change to Aran for mouthpiece and ss 3 rows.

Cast off K wise.

TO MAKE UP

Work a gathering thread through every stitch along front edge, draw up tightly and fasten off, then join side edges, stopping above fold line. Glue a 1 3/8in/3.5cm diameter card circle inside front, then join up to third decrease row. Stuff front of bugle firmly, then join remainder of seam, stuffing lightly as you sew. Coil into bugle shape and hold in place with a few stitches. Use Signal Red yarn to bind hand section closely, holding in place with a little glue, then make 2 small tassels from Signal Red yarn and sew these to the ends of the binding yarn, trimming to neaten.

DRUM make 1 piece

With Aran cast on 8 sts for base edge and cont in ss.

1st inc row: Inc into every st to end [16 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd inc row: (Inc 1, K1) to end [24 sts].

P 1 row.

3rd inc row: (K1, inc 1, K1) to end [32 sts].

Change to Sunflower and P 3 rows for fold line.

Work zig zag pattern: Use a ball of yarn for each colour and strand yarn not in use across P side of work

Rows 1 & 3: (K1 Signal Red, K5 Emerald) five times, K1 Signal Red, K1 Emerald.

Row 2: P1 Emerald, P1 Signal Red, (P5 Emerald, P1 Signal Red) five times.

Rows 4 & 6: (P3 Signal Red, P3 Emerald) five times, P2 Signal Red.

Row 5: K2 Signal Red, (K3 Emerald, K3 Signal Red) five times.

Rows 7 & 9: K2 Signal Red, (K1 Signal Red, K1 Emerald, K4 Signal Red) five times.

Row 8: P2 Signal Red, (P2 Signal Red, P1 Emerald, P3 Signal Red) five times.

Change to Sunflower and P 1 row.

K 2 rows for fold line.

1st dec row: Change to Aran for top and (K1, K 2 tog, K1) to end [24 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd dec row: (K1, K 2 tog) to end [16 sts].

P 1 row.

3rd dec row: (K 2 tog) to end [8 sts].

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

TO MAKE UP

Join side edges on top section, stopping past fold line. Work a gathering thread through every stitch along base edge, draw up tightly and fasten off, then join side edges, stopping past fold line. Glue a 1 1/2in/4cm diameter card circle to wrong side of top and base sections, then stuff drum firmly and join side seam. Use Primrose yarn to embroider long, straight stitches round side of drum, following zig zag pattern and working a small backstitch at tip of each triangle. To make drumsticks, cut two 2in/5cm lengths of cotton bud, including one padded end on each piece, then bind with Walnut yarn, holding in place with glue when binding padded ends. Place in crossed position on top of drum and hold with spots of glue.



MITTENS make 2 pieces

With Signal Red cast on 16 sts for cuff edge.

Next rib row: (K1, P1) to end.

Repeat this rib row seven more times.

Shape base of thumb, 1st inc row:

Change to Emerald and K6, inc 1, K1, inc 1, K7 [18 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd inc row: K6, inc 1, K3, inc 1, K7 [20 sts].

P 1 row.

3rd inc row: K6, inc 1, K5, inc 1, K7 [22 sts].

Work thumb, next row: P14, turn and work on these sts only.

Next row: Inc 1, K4, inc 1, turn and work on these 8 sts only.

Ss 3 rows.

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off, then join thumb seam.

Rejoin yarn to remaining sts and P to end [16 sts].

Ss 6 rows.

1st dec row: K1, (SKPO, K3, K 2 tog) twice, K1 [12 sts].

P 1 row.

2nd dec row: K1, (SKPO, K1, K 2 tog) twice, K1 [8 sts].

P 1 row.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Fold each mitten in half and join across cast

off edge, then down side edges and fold back cuff. Using Primrose yarn, embroider star with five straight stitches, then, starting in centre each time, work five more straight stitches to fill in each point. Take mittens with palms facing and catch cuffs together with a few stitches.



BOBBLE HAT make 1 piece

With Emerald cast on 30 sts for brim edge.

Next rib row: (K1, P1) to end.

Repeat this rib row eleven more times.

1st dec row: Change to Signal Red and (K2, K 2 tog, K1) to end [24 sts].

P 1 row.

Continue in alternate 2 row ss stripes of Primrose and Signal Red, and work 9 rows.

2nd dec row: (P1, P 2 tog, P1) to end [18 sts].

K 1 row.

3rd dec row: (P 2 tog, P1) to end [12 sts].

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and

fasten off.

TO MAKE UP

Join side edges and turn up brim, then make a 1in/2.5cm pom-pom from Emerald yarn and sew to top of hat.

TO MAKE HANGING THREADS

Thread a sewing needle with a 12in/30cm length of silver thread and take a single stitch through top of decoration. Check to see that decoration hangs correctly, removing thread and repositioning if necessary, then tie thread securely to form a small loop that will fit over tree berry. Trim away excess thread, then dab a spot of glue on knot and draw into knitting so that knot becomes hidden.

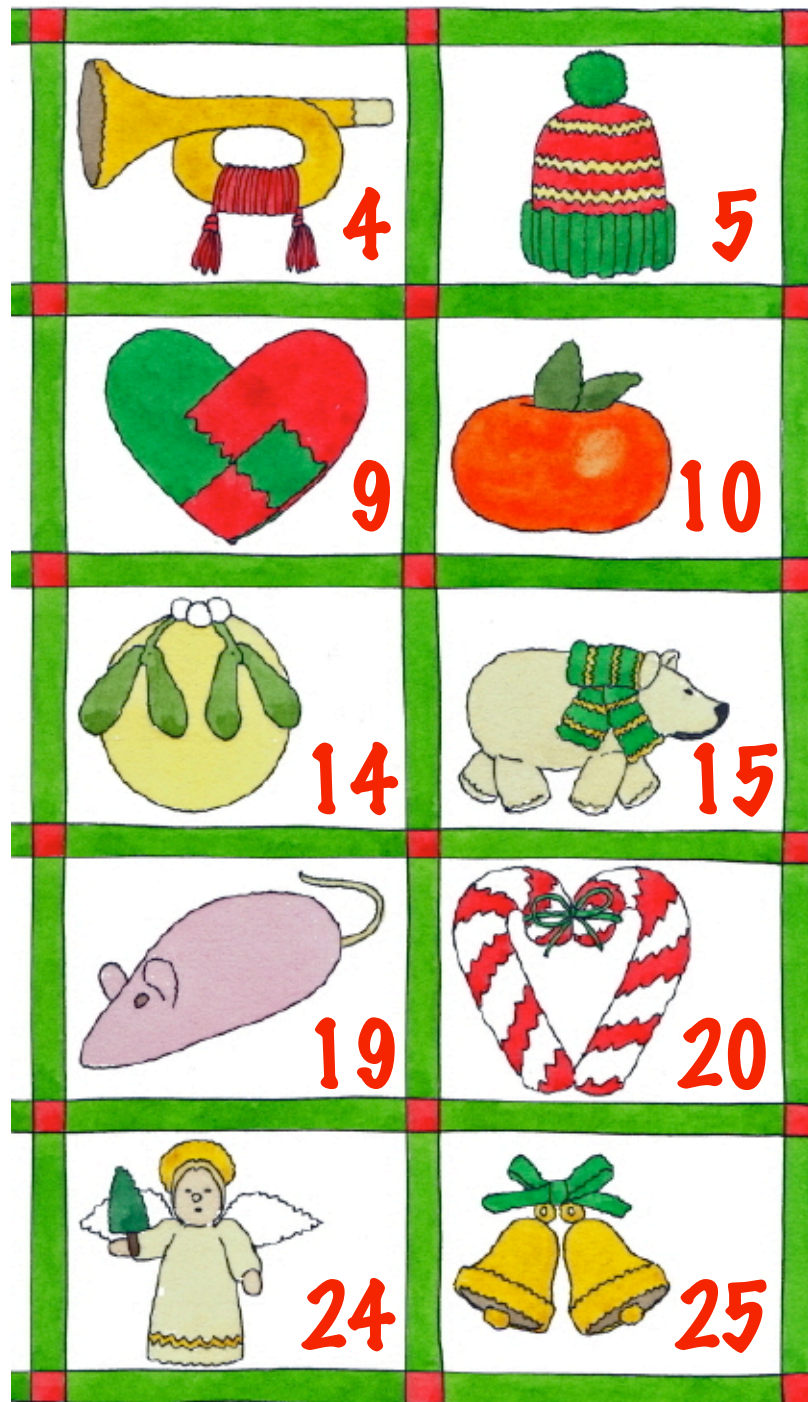
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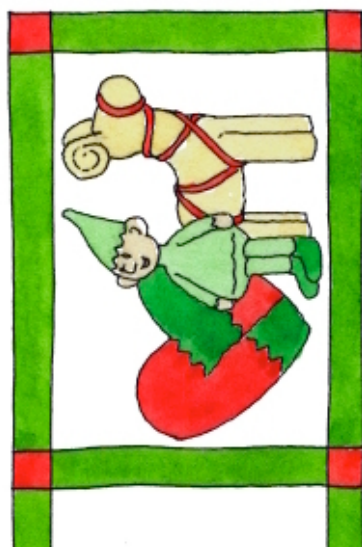
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Cut along line indicated by arrows
and glue to overlap other piece





Cut along lines indicated by arrows and glue to overlap end pieces

