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TONIGHT

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YARN KIT THIS EASTER

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MINI SPRING
WREATHS



Beary
nice hat



April showers
mouse



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3. They raise money for Age UK
4. Something to do while you're watching Corrie
5. They can be any colour, pattern or animal you like
6. They raise money for Age UK (so important we wrote it twice)



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little
drinks
big
dreams



Hello!

It would be wrong to write this editor's letter without first mentioning the adorable Cruz, who deftly modelled this issue's bear hat (p16) and **baby booties** (p44) while the team cooed over him constantly. He's clearly the cutest thing about this new edition, which is saying something!

We're in **full Easter mode** with our patterns. Egg cosies, mini wreaths, novelty coasters, carrots, multiple critters... boy, are we spoiling you! Heidi's also got **The Big Easter Edit** for you on page 36, rounding up even more seasonal surprises to make your celebrations better than ever before.

If you're in the mood for a home update after all your spring cleaning, you'll love the **simple yet stylish cushions** on page 58. Plus, why not give your garms the same treatment? We've given a cardi a new lease of life with **knitted flowers** over on page 50.

Yet again, my heart is full after seeing what you've all been making. Whether it's a ping in my inbox or a post on Facebook, every creation is a testament to the wonderful world of knitting and crochet, and its **incredible community of crafters**. Turn to page 18 to get involved in our reader letters page.

And if you're new to all of this? Firstly, welcome! Secondly, we've got **clear stitch illustrations** from page 61 – before you know it, you'll be a dab hand. Thirdly, you're going to really truly love it.

Have a wonderful Easter, everyone!

Rosie

ROSIE SAVAGE, EDITOR



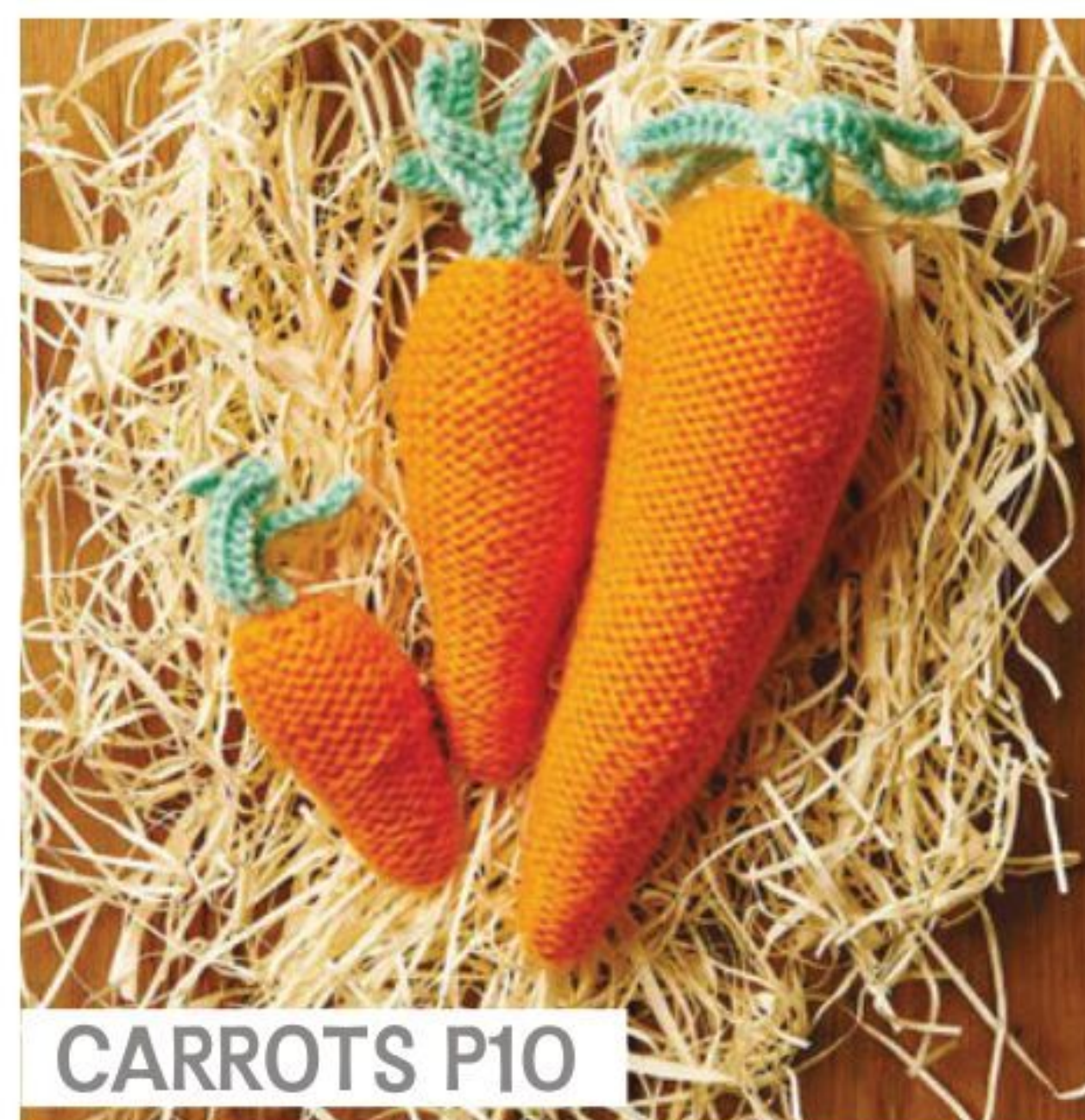
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THE PINK'S OUR FAVE. NO, THE ORANGE. BLUE. WE CAN'T DECIDE!

YOUR Bonnie YARN KIT

Craft for Easter with
our exclusive skeins

3.5MM METAL
HOOK

MEGA!
8-BALL
KIT

3.5MM BAMBOO
NEEDLES



"Pastels go hand-in-hand with Easter, but we've thrown in a bright orange and deep lilac for some added zing. Yes, your bespoke Bonnie kit ticks all the right boxes!"

ROSIE SAVAGE, EDITOR

Get in
TOUCH



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Newsflash!

A bounty of crafty goodness,
all on one page



Footloose

Talk about a dream team! Our fantastic columnist Stuart Hillard has joined forces with Stylecraft to create a brand-new collection of sock yarns called Head Over Heels Colours of the World. Inspired by Stuart's extensive travels, the exotic palettes range from earthy and rustic to vibrant and zingy. All six colourways will be available in your local yarn shop from 28th February 2022. Plus, you'll find several free Stylecraft patterns that put this yarn to work at stylecraft-yarns.co.uk, including socks, mitts, hats and stunning shawls. We're head over heels for this collaboration!

Afternoon delight

Two of our favourite worlds collided when we discovered Choc On Choc, a company that makes chocolate knitting needles and yarn. Handcrafted by artisan chocolatiers from the finest milk and white Belgian chocolate, each tasty set contains eight mini tempting tangles of 'wool' and a scrumptious slab of knitted 'fabric'. This is the ultimate sweet treat for the crafter in your life.

Buy yours for £14 at choconchoc.co.uk.



Pop of colour

A bright, bold, slouchy cardie is exactly what we need for our spring wardrobes, so we can't wait to get the Beginner's Boho Cardigan on our needles! Ideal for newer knitters, we adore this project from Lauren Aston Designs that is available as a kit or a downloadable pattern. It's gorgeously textured and can be worked up quickly in Big Cotton recycled yarn, which is available in 15 stunning shades. Download the pattern for £7 or buy the full kit, available in sizes 6-28, from £42 at laurenastondesigns.com.

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Crafty night in

Fancy learning a new skill with your best pals without even leaving the house? Hobbycraft has the solution for you – online group workshops you can do with friends. From painting, sewing, wreath making, punch needle, macramé, embroidery, knitting, crochet and cross-

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Snappy makes

We'll always say yes to speedy crochet projects that we can finish in a couple of evenings. That's why we'll be adding *Quick Crochet* by Kate Rowell (£16.99, Search Press) to our crafty bookshelves as it's brimming with straightforward, simple makes that we adore. Create colourful scarves, blankets, bags and homewares in just a few hours with easy-to-follow instructions and step-by-step photography. This book is the ultimate reference guide for any crocheter. Get your copy from searchpress.com.



EASTER DÉCOR WITH...

Stuart Hillard

I love crafting for Easter – decorating the house, cooking traditional food and entertaining or having a party if I can. Easter has lots of the elements of Christmas which we all love but there isn't the same mad scramble to buy gifts or a queue to meet Santa! My table centrepiece is one Easter tradition that grows every year. I have a vase of branches, painted white. They come out every Easter and I decorate the branches with things I've made over the years – painted eggs, pom-poms, and little knitted and crocheted flowers in fun pastel colours. I'm really inspired by this issue's Bonnie yarn pack to create some little decorations out of simple pom-poms to add to the centrepiece. They are easy to make using a mini pom-pom maker, or by winding yarn around a fork. Or go the traditional way and cut two rings of card, wind yarn through the centre and around the rings until it is very full. Cut around the outer edge, through all the yarn and then slide a length of yarn between the rings, tie tightly and fasten off. Soft Yellow and Vivid Orange are ideal for making little chicks with bright orange beaks. Pale Taupe and Light Pink are a wonderful choice for little bunnies made with two pom-poms glued together, and a tiny white pom-pom tail made from stash yarn, and felt ears. Pretty Pink, Dreamy Lilac and Mighty Mint can be used to make pom-pom Easter eggs – simply trim them with scissors into egg shapes. You can even create two or three-tone eggs by changing colours at different stages of making the pom-pom. As with all things crafty, be prepared to experiment, keep notes of what you did and, above all, have fun with your yarn pack. Happy Easter!

Stu X

USE YOUR
Bonnie
YARN KIT



PLUS

two black
8mm safety
eyes, stuffing,
10cm x 40cm
floral fabric,
sewing needle
and thread,
tapestry
needle

SIZE

Height: 22cm



Take the
next step

**BETTY
BUNNY**
head

Using 3.5mm hook
and Pale Taupe
make 4ch

Rnd 1: starting in
second ch from
hook, 2dc in next
st, 1dc, 3dc in next
st, turn and work
underside of ch as
folls: 1dc, 1dc in
same st as first st.
Eight sts

Rnd 2: (2dc in next
st) twice, 1dc, (2dc
in next st) three
times, 1dc, 2dc in
next st. 14 sts

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

Rnd 4: (2dc, 2dc in
next st) twice, 1dc,
(2dc, 2dc in next

st) twice, 3dc, 2dc
in next st, 2dc, 2dc
in next st. 26 sts

Rnd 5: (3dc, 2dc in
next st) twice, 1dc,
(3dc, 2dc in next
st) twice, 4dc, 2dc
in next st, 2dc, 2dc
in next st. 32 sts

Rnds 6-13: 1dc in
each st to end

Rnd 14: (6dc,
dc2tog) to end.
28 sts

Rnd 15: (5dc,
dc2tog) to end.
24 sts

Insert safety eyes
between Rnds
9-10, approx seven
sts apart

Rnd 16: (2dc,
dc2tog) to end.
18 sts

Rnd 17: (1dc,
dc2tog) to end.
12 sts

Stuff
Fasten off, leaving
a long tail

leg

Make two

Using 3.5mm hook
and Periwinkle
Blue make 2ch

Rnd 1: 8dc in
second ch from
hook. Eight sts

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

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

Note: colour in
brackets foll
instruction

indicates which
yarn to use, do
not cut yarn not
in use

Rnds 5-6: 5dc
(Periwinkle Blue),
6dc (Soft Yellow),
5dc (Periwinkle
Blue)

Cont in
Periwinkle Blue

Rnd 7: (2dc,
dc2tog) to end.
12 sts

Change to Soft
Yellow

Rnds 8-11: 1dc in
each st to end
Stuff

Fasten off

body

Using 3.5mm hook
and Soft Yellow
with Legs facing
forward, join tog
with a sl st in
centre

Rnd 1: 1dc in each
st around first Leg,
1dc in each st
around second
Leg. 24 sts

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

Note: change to
Periwinkle Blue
after Rnd 6

Rnds 3-12: 1dc in
each st to end

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

Rnd 14: 1dc in each
st to end

Rnd 15: (2dc,
dc2tog) to end.
18 sts

Rnd 16: 1dc in each
st to end

Rnd 17: (1dc,
dc2tog) to end.
12 sts

Stuff
Fasten off

arm

Make two

Using 3.5mm hook
and Pale Taupe
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

Rnd 6: (4dc,
dc2tog) twice.
Ten sts

Change to
Periwinkle Blue

Rnds 7-13: 1dc in
each st to end
Stuff hands

Fasten off, leaving
a long tail

ear

Make two

Using 3mm hook
and Pale Taupe
make 2ch

Rnd 1: 5dc in
second ch from
hook. Five sts

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

Rnds 3-8: 1dc in
each st to end

Rnd 9: (3dc,
dc2tog) to end.
Eight sts

Rnd 10: 1dc in each
st to end
Fasten off, leaving
a long tail

headband

Using 3.5mm hook
and Mighty Mint
make 30ch
Join with a sl st to
first st
Fasten off

flower

Make six (two in
each colour)

Using 3.5mm hook
and Dreamy Lilac
(Light Pink, Pretty
Pink) make 5ch

Row 1: sl st in fifth
ch from hook,
(4ch, sl st in same
ch) four times.

Five petals made
Fasten off

dress band

Using 3.5mm hook
and Mighty Mint
make 25ch

Row 1: 1htr in third
ch from hook (2ch
counts as first st),
1htr in each st to
end. 24 sts
Fasten off

tail

Using Pale Taupe,
make small
pom-pom, either
using a fork or
your first two

Floral fancy

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fingers. Wrap yarn around ten times, tie length of yarn around centre, cut through loops at both ends, trim to size

to make up

Embroider nose with Pretty Pink and cheeks with Light Pink. Sew Head to Body. Flatten tops of Arms and sew in place, one row down from top of Body. Flatten Ears and sew to top of Head. Sew on Headband with a few small sts. Sew Flowers around front of Headband. Using Vivid Orange embroider French knots for flower centres. With flower fabric WS tog, sew 1cm seam along short edges. Sew 1cm hem around bottom. Turn to RS and gather top of dress with row of running sts 1cm from top, place around bunny just under arms. Sew Dress Band in place, covering top of gathered edge of dress and joining it at back. To make straps, join Mighty Mint with a sl st at front, make 8ch and join with a sl st at back. Rep for second strap, fasten off. Weave in all ends

TOP TIP

IN THE INTARSIA SECTION, WORK OVER THE YARN NOT IN USE SO IT'S READY TO PICK UP AGAIN WHEN YOU NEED IT

USE ALL
EIGHT
YARN
COLOURS!



USE YOUR
Bonnie
YARN KIT



PLUS
tapestry
needle, stuffing

SIZE
Small Carrot
length (excl
leaves): 6cm
Medium Carrot
length (excl
leaves): 9.5cm
Large Carrot
length (excl
leaves): 15cm



Perfect for
beginners

LARGE CARROT

Using 3.5mm
needles and Vivid
Orange cast on

GREAT ADVICE

I-CORDS

Turn these tasty
creations into
Easter decorations
by knitting an
i-cord and
attaching it as a
hanging loop. To
make an i-cord cast
on a few stitches to
a pair of double-
pointed needles
and knit one row.
Then, instead of
turning your work
as usual, slide your
stitches to the
other end of the
needle and knit
another row,
repeating the
process until you
reach the desired
length, then cast off



Bunny breakfast

Create knitted vegetables with simple stitches

These not-so-crunchy carrots designed by **ÁINE MARRIOTT** are knitted almost entirely in reverse stocking stitch (meaning the purl side is the right side) with a bit of simple shaping along the way for a smooth, tapered look. Just make sure you count your stitches when you increase and decrease. This fun project is sure to tempt a certain chocolate-giving bunny, so why not knit these up to leave out on Easter Sunday?

eight sts

Row 1 (RS): p

Row 2: (kfb) to
end. 16 sts

Row 3: p

Row 4: (kfb) to
end. 32 sts

Rows 5-17: starting
with a p row work
in st st

Row 18: (k6, k2tog)
to end. 28 sts

Rows 19-25:

starting with a p
row work in st st

Row 26: (k5,
k2tog) to end.
24 sts

Rows 27-33:

starting with a p
row work in st st

Row 34: (k4,
k2tog) to end.
20 sts

Rows 35-39:

starting with a p
row work in st st

Row 40: (k3,
k2tog) to end.
16 sts

Rows 41-45:

starting with a p
row work in st st

Row 46: (k2,
k2tog) to end.
12 sts

Rows 47-51:

starting with a p
row work in st st

Row 52: (k1, k2tog)

to end. Eight sts

Rows 53-57:

starting with a p
row work in st st

Row 58: (k2tog) to
end. Four sts

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

large leaves

Using 3.5mm
needles and
Mighty Mint cast
on 17 sts

Row 1: cast off 14
sts, k to end.

Three sts

Row 2: k3, cast on
14 sts. 17 sts

Rows 3-8: rep
Rows 1-2 three
times
Cast off

MEDIUM CARROT

Using 3.5mm
needles and Vivid
Orange cast on
six sts

Row 1 (RS): p

Row 2: (kfb) to
end. 12 sts

Row 3: p

Row 4: (kfb) to
end. 24 sts

Rows 5-15: starting
with a p row work
in st st

Rows 16-40: rep

Rows 34-58 of
Large Carrot

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

medium leaves

Using 3.5mm
needles and
Mighty Mint cast
on 15 sts

Row 1: cast off 12
sts, k to end.

Three sts

Row 2: k3, cast on
12 sts. 15 sts

Rows 3-6: rep
Rows 1-2 twice
Cast off

SMALL CARROT

Using 3.5mm
needles and Vivid
Orange cast on
five sts

Row 1 (RS): p

Row 2: (kfb) to
end. Ten sts

Row 3: p

Row 4: (kfb) to
end. 20 sts

Rows 5-13: starting
with a p row work
in st st

Row 14: (k2, k2tog)

to end. 15 sts

Rows 15-19:

starting with a p
row work in st st

Row 20: (k1, k2tog)
to end. Ten sts

Rows 21-25:

starting with a p
row work in st st

Row 26: (k2tog) to
end. Five sts

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

small leaves

Using 3.5mm
needles and
Mighty Mint cast
on 12 sts

Row 1: cast off ten
sts, k to end.

Two sts

Row 2: k2, cast on
ten sts. 12 sts

Rows 3-4: rep

Rows 1-2

Cast off

to make up

Seam row edges
of Large Carrot
with reverse
(bumpy) side to
outside, leaving a
gap for stuffing.
Stuff well, close
seam. Fold Large
Leaves in half so
row edge of
cast-on and
cast-off edges
meet and secure
with sts. Sew row
edge to top of
Carrot, letting
leaves hang loose.
Rep for Medium
Carrot and Small
Carrot. Weave in
all ends

TOP TIP

PIN THE LEAVES TO THE TOP
OF YOUR CARROT BEFORE
SEWING THEM ON TO MAKE
SURE YOU'RE HAPPY WITH
THE PLACEMENT



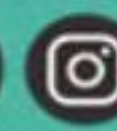


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PROJECT
OVERLEAF





PLUS

two 6mm black eye beads or safety eyes, small amount of dark brown 4-ply, stuffing, wooden stick, wooden bead, liquid glue, tapestry needle, stitch holders, stitch markers

SIZE

Height: 16cm



Take the next step

JEAN MOUSE legs & body

Note: working right Leg first
* Using 3.5mm needles and Periwinkle Blue cast on ten sts
Rows 1-11: starting with a p row work in st st *
Cut yarn, keep sts on holder
Rep from * to * for left Leg and cont to Body
Row 12: k10 (left Leg), k10 (right Leg), connecting both legs. 20 sts



SACHIYO ISHII, DESIGNER

"If you're using safety eyes with washers, attach them before stuffing the head. Alternatively, make large French knots with black yarn if you do not wish to use beads or safety eyes"

While many of us look forward to the sun, this little critter is all set for a seasonal shower. Designer **SACHIYO ISHII** has completed her look with a bright broly and teeny, tiny welly boots – how delightful! There's a spot of intarsia colourwork required on Jean's ears; just remember to twist the yarns together so you don't get any holes. The umbrella is for decorative use only so omit it for small children.

Row 13: p

Row 14: k2, (kfb, k2) to end. 26 sts

Rows 15-21:

starting with a p row work in st st

Row 22: k2tog, k to last two sts, k2tog. 24 sts

Rows 23-25:

starting with a p row work in st st

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

Rows 27-29:

starting with a p row work in st st

Row 30: k2, (k2tog, k2) to end. 14 sts

Rows 31-32:

starting with a p row work in st st
Cast off

head

Using 3.5mm needles and Periwinkle Blue cast on 12 sts

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

Row 2: (k1, kfb) three times, (kfb, k1) to end. 18 sts

Row 4: (k2, kfb) three times, (kfb, k2) to end. 24 sts

Row 6: (k3, kfb) three times, (kfb,

k3) to end. 30 sts

Rows 7-15: starting with a p row work in st st

Row 16: (k3, k2tog) to end. 24 sts

Row 17: p

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

Row 19: p

Row 20: (k1, k2tog) to end. 12 sts

Rows 21-24:

starting with a p row work in st st
Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

ear

Make two

Using 3.5mm needles and Periwinkle Blue cast on 15 sts

Note: colour in brackets foll instruction indicates which yarn to use

Row 1 (WS): p8 (Periwinkle Blue), p7 (Light Pink)

Note: keep colours correct as set, cross yarn at colour change

Rows 2-8: starting

with a k row work in st st

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

arm

Make two

Using 3.5mm needles and Periwinkle Blue cast on eight sts

Rows 1-13: 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

boot

Make two

Using 3.5mm needles and Pretty Pink cast on 16 sts

Row 1 (WS): p3, (pfb, p2) three times, pfb, p3. 20 sts

Row 2: k

Row 3 (edge): k

Rows 4-7: starting with a k row work in st st

Row 8: k6, (k2tog) four times, k6. 16 sts

Rows 9-12:

starting with a p row work in st st
Cast off kwise

tail

Using 3.5mm needles and

Periwinkle Blue cast on six sts

Rows 1-16: 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

RAINCOAT back

Using 3.5mm needles and Soft Yellow cast on 20 sts

Rows 1-2: k

Rows 3-12: starting with a k (RS) row work in st st

Row 13: k1, k2tog, k to last three sts, k2tog, k1. 18 sts

Row 14: p1, p2tog, p to last three sts, p2tog, p1. 16 sts

Row 15: rep Row 13. 14 sts

Note: pm at each end of Row 15

Rows 16-18: starting with a p row work in st st

left back shoulder

Row 19: k4, turn

Note: work on these four sts

Row 20: p4

Cast off

right back shoulder

Transfer next six sts onto holder for Back, with RS facing, rejoin yarn to rem four sts

Row 19b: k

Row 20b: p

Cast off

left front

Using 3.5mm needles and Soft Yellow cast on 13 sts

Rows 1-2: k

Row 3 (RS): k

Row 4: k3, p10

GREAT ADVICE

STITCH MARKERS

You can get different types of stitch markers, those that clip into a stitch or those that sit on your knitting needle. In this pattern, you'll need markers that can be attached to your stitch to show where the raincoat sleeves will sit. You can also use coloured thread if you don't have markers



Rows 5-12: rep Rows 3-4 four times

Row 13: k1, k2tog, k to end. 12 sts

Row 14: k3, p6, p2tog, p1. 11 sts

Row 15: rep Row 13. Ten sts

Note: pm at each end of Row 15

Row 16: k3, p7

Row 17: k

Row 18: k3, p7

left front shoulder

Row 19: k4, turn

Note: transfer rem six sts onto holder and work on this set of four sts

Row 20: p

Cast off

right front

Using 3.5mm needles and Soft Yellow cast on 13 sts

Rows 1-2: k

Row 3 (RS): k

Row 4: p10, k3

Rows 5-12: rep Rows 3-4 four times

Row 13: k10, k2tog, k1. 12 sts

Row 14: p1, p2tog, p6, k3. 11 sts

Row 15: k8, k2tog, k1. Ten sts

Note: pm at each end of Row 15

Row 16: p7, k3

Row 17: k

Row 18: p7, k3

Transfer first six sts onto holder, cut yarn

right front shoulder

Join yarn to rem four sts

Row 19: k

Row 20: p

Cast off

hood

Note: now joining shoulders

Using 3.5mm needles, with RS facing and starting with Right Front holder, k6, pick up and k six sts from shoulder

edge, k6 from Back holder, pick up and k six sts from shoulder edge, k6 from Left Front holder. 30 sts

Row 1 (WS): k3, p to last three sts, k3

Row 2: k

Rows 3-18: rep Rows 1-2 eight times

Row 19: rep Row 1

Cast off

sleeve

Make two

Using 3.5mm needles, with RS facing pick up and k16 sts evenly

TOP TIP

LEAVE LONG YARN TAILS FOR THE PARTS THAT REQUIRE ASSEMBLY. SEW THE SEAMS WITH THE RIGHT SIDE FACING USING MATTRESS STITCH

between markers

Rows 1-4: starting with a p (WS) row work in st st

Rows 5-6: k

Cast off kwise

UMBRELLA

Using 3.5mm needles and Vivid Orange cast on seven sts

Row 1 (WS): (pfb) to end. 14 sts

Row 2: k

Row 3 (edge): k

Rows 4-7: starting with a k row work in st st

Row 8: (k5, k2tog) twice. 12 sts

Rows 9-11: starting with a p row work in st st

Row 12: (k4, k2tog) twice. Ten sts

Row 13: p

Row 14: (k3, k2tog) twice. Eight sts

Row 15: p

Row 16: (k2, k2tog) twice. Six sts

Row 17: p

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

to make up

With cast-on yarn tail of Body, sew each Leg to crotch. Sew Body seam to cast-off edge and stuff Legs and Body. Fold Boot in half longways and sew sole tog. Sew back seam of Boot and

stuff toe. Insert Leg in Boot and secure with sts. Thread Periwinkle Blue onto tapestry needle and pierce Boot from sole, take needle out from top and rep. Pull thread to flatten sole and shape ankle. Rep for other Leg. Seam and stuff Arms. Attach Arms to Body. With fastened-off yarn end of Head, sew seam halfway. With cast-on yarn end, work gathering thread along cast-on edge and draw tightly. Attach safety eyes if

using. Sew seam a little further, stuff, and close seam. Seam Ears and st bottom corners tog. Attach Ears to Head. Attach eye beads if using them. With Pretty Pink, embroider nose. With dark brown 4-ply, embroider mouth. With Light Pink, embroider whiskers. Sew Head to Body. Seam Tail. Attach Tail to Body. Sew underarm and side seams of Raincoat. Sew button to front. Dress mouse and squeeze button through a st to

fasten. For Umbrella, cut wooden stick to 8cm. Glue bead to stick. Wrap Umbrella piece around stick, sew seam and stuff. With Vivid Orange and tapestry needle, pierce stuffed Umbrella from top panel, take needle out from any part of seam and rep. Pull thread to flatten top. Slide up Umbrella body, wet stick with liquid glue 1cm from tip and push Umbrella back in place. Leave to dry. Weave in all ends



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PLUS
stitch markers,
tapestry
needle

SIZE
To fit: 3-6
months



Perfect for
beginners

BABY BEAR hat

Note: this pattern is worked in joined rnds, join with a sl st to first st after each rnd. 3ch at

beg of each rnd does not count as a st throughout Using 3.5mm hook and Periwinkle Blue make a magic ring, 3ch, work 12tr into ring. 12 sts
Rnd 1: 3ch, 2tr in each st to end. 24 sts
Work in foll two-rnd stripe sequence: Mighty Mint, Pale Taupe, Periwinkle Blue
Rnd 2: 3ch, (1tr, 2tr in next st) to end. 36 sts
Rnd 3: 3ch, (2tr, 2tr in next st) to end. 48 sts
Rnd 4: 3ch, (3tr, 2tr in next st) to end. 60 sts
Rnd 5: 3ch, (4tr, 2tr in next st) to end.



“Avoid uneven seams or gaping holes by skipping over your chain stitches at the beginning of each round and joining to your first stitch. Then start your next round in the same stitch as your chain stitch. This allows the chains to become ‘filler’ stitches and keeps your seam from having large holes”

HEATHER GIBBS, DESIGNER



SKILL UP!

Front post treble (FPtr):

Yoh, insert hook from front to back to front around post of indicated st below (your hook should now be positioned horizontally behind st you're working around), yoh, pull up a loop, yoh, pull through two loops on hook (two loops on hook), yoh, pull through rem loops on hook

Back post treble (BPtr):

Yoh, insert hook from back to front to back around post of indicated st below (your hook should now be positioned horizontally in front of st you're working around), yoh, pull up a loop, yoh, pull through two loops on hook (two loops on hook), yoh, pull through rem loops on hook

72 sts
Rnd 6: 3ch, (11tr, 2tr in next st) to end. 78 sts
Rnds 7-15: 3ch, 1tr in each st to end
Rnds 16-17: 3ch, (FPtr in next st [see Skill Up], BPtr in next st [see Skill Up]) to end
Fasten off

ear

Make two

Note: worked without joining in continuous rnds, place stitch marker in top of first st to mark start of rnd Using 3.5mm hook and Periwinkle Blue 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: (1dc, dc2tog) to end. 12 sts
Fasten off, leaving a long tail

to make up

Oversew Ears and attach to top of Hat at an angle over Rnds 2-5, approx four rnds apart. Weave in all ends

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SWEET TWEETS

I'm addicted to crochet and knitting! It started as a hobby but then I set up my Facebook page, Just For Ewe. I now sell everything from baby blankets and clothes to amigurumi toys, which I love to make.

Cheryl Matthews,
Northern Ireland

BRR! IT'S CHILLY
This is my latest project, a very cute Jack Frost. The pattern is by Jean Greenhowe, whose patterns I always enjoy making. I knitted this little fellow because of the frosty weather we are having.

Sarah Barge, Caerphilly



SPRING FLING

I've made a springtime wreath. My 90 year-old dad makes the wreath shape using vines or willow from his garden. I knitted and crocheted the flowers, toadstool house, gnome and the bluebird, and added embellishments from my stash.

Susan Evans, Buckinghamshire



I qualified as a nurse 17 years ago, I work in A&E, Intensive Care and the Trauma and Orthopaedics unit at Macclesfield Hospital. As you can imagine, these are very stressful departments to work in, so I learnt to crochet as a way to unwind after long 12-hour shifts. I now make beautiful crochet baby blankets for customers and friends and sell my blankets all over the world. This blanket

is called The Millstone Stitch by Potter and Bloom on YouTube. I made it using Stylecraft Special DK in Bright Pink, Grass Green and Sunshine Yellow – they're such vibrant, happy colours! Who would have thought a simple hook and a ball of yarn could do so much?

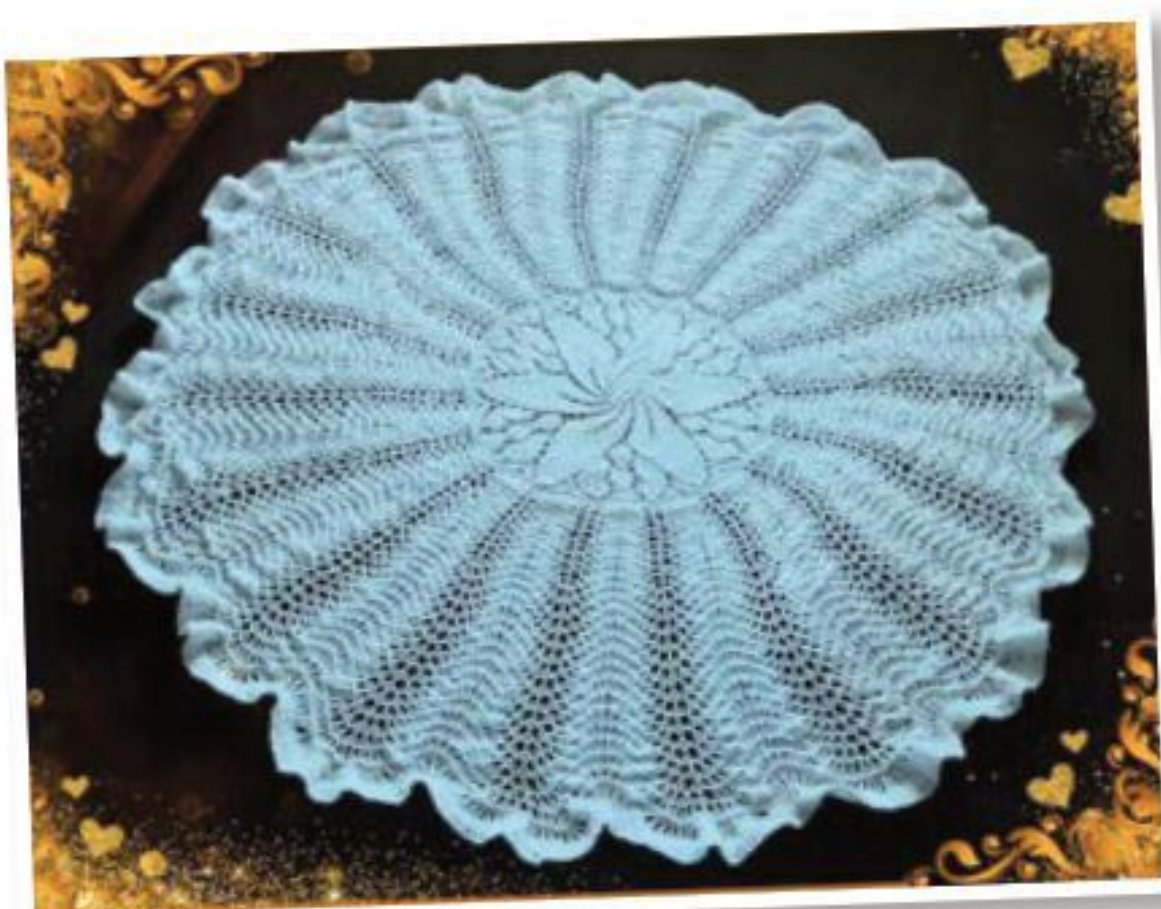
Soozy Booth, Cheshire

◆ Your blankets are incredible, Soozy! How wonderful that you can use crochet to relax after work

I recently picked up issue 125 at an NEC craft show and fell in love with Lucille the deer. My daughter and I craft together, she has autism and anxiety so is often unable to cope with school. We look through magazines and pick something different to do, then we put our creations out as random acts of kindness to make other people's day better. Lucille went out with our Christmas crafts. We'd love to see our projects on your reader makes page!

Rebecca and Sophie Mullan, Northern Ireland

◆ We're sure you're making many people very happy with your random acts of kindness



I knit to order and finished this shawl just before Christmas for a customer's new grandson. I felt quite proud of myself as I haven't knitted a circular shawl before – I tend to avoid knitting with dpns if I can help it. I've been knitting for 55 years since I was four and I've only ever knitted two hats in that time using dpns, so this was a challenge. Here's the finished shawl. I love it, even if I do say so myself!

Cindy Bravington, North Lincolnshire

◆ You've done a great job working those dpns, Cindy!

"My daughter and I craft together...then we put our creations out as random acts of kindness to make other people's day better"



Who taught you to knit or crochet?

"I learnt to knit nine years ago. I used the tutorials in your magazine after being gifted a copy"

Emily Day

"My mum taught me to knit about 60 years ago when I was six. I learnt basic stitches from a book as an adult and went to a class just before the first lockdown where I got shown more and how to read a pattern"

Jacqui Randall

"My uncle taught me to knit when I was about nine, he used to knit socks and I later taught myself to crochet"

Carol Clark

"My friend had just had a baby, and I went over to visit. She happened to have her hook and wool out, and taught me the basics, I was hooked!"

Lisa Julie Downing

"I learnt from the nuns at my Catholic primary school where we had to do mandatory knitting, weaving and crocheting. I took it up again a few months ago"

Anne-Lies Reheul

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PLUS: 3mm hook, six 6mm black safety eyes, stuffing, tapestry needle

SIZE: Stegosaurus length: 15cm
Brachiosaurus height: 14.5cm
Spinosaurus length: 13cm



IRENE STRANGE, DESIGNER

"You're going to love the second part of this prehistoric crochet-along; the wee dinos are even cuter and just as much fun to make. First up is my funky stegosaurus in a seriously retro colour palette. It's designed in mainly one piece so there's very little sewing up at the end. The pastel-coloured brachiosaurus is a wonderful project for practising stripes and would look super cute perched on a desk or shelf... I love the idea of gifting this one! Finally, the spinosaurus is bringing some serious drama to this roarsome threesome, with its fierce tongue and bright yellow fin, the fun is really in all the final details. I hope you're thoroughly enjoying creating your very own Jurassic world as much as I'm enjoying designing it. Look out for the final trio in the next issue!"



Take the next step

STEGO-SAURUS head & body

Using 3mm hook and Dreamy Lilac 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 3-8: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 9: 9dc, 1ch, 9dc. 19 sts

Rnd 10: 9dc, 3dc in next st, 9dc. 21 sts

Rnd 11: 10dc, 3dc in next st, 10dc. 23 sts

Rnd 12: 11dc, 3dc in next st, 11dc. 25 sts

Rnd 13: 12dc, 3dc in next st, 12dc. 27 sts

Rnd 14: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 15: 13dc, 3dc in next st, 13dc. 29 sts

Rnd 16: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 17: 14dc, 3dc in next st, 14dc. 31 sts

Rnd 18: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 19: 15dc, 3dc in next st, 15dc. 33 sts

Rnds 20-23: 1dc in each st to end
Insert safety eyes between Rnds 5-6 on either side of Head

Note: stuff as you go

Rnd 24: 15dc, dc3tog, 15dc. 31 sts

Rnd 25: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 26: 14dc,

dc3tog, 14dc.

29 sts

Rnd 27: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 28: 13dc, dc3tog, 13dc. 27 sts

Rnd 29: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 30: 12dc, dc3tog, 12dc. 25 sts

Rnd 31: 11dc, dc3tog, 11dc. 23 sts

Rnd 32: 10dc, dc3tog, 10dc. 21 sts

Rnd 33: 9dc, dc3tog, 9dc. 19 sts

Rnd 34: 8dc, dc3tog, 8dc. 17 sts

Rnd 35: 7dc, dc3tog, 7dc. 15 sts

Rnd 36: 7dc, dc2tog, 6dc. 14 sts

Rnd 37: 7dc, dc2tog, 5dc. 13 sts

Rnd 38: 7dc, dc2tog, 4dc. 12 sts

Rnd 39: 7dc, dc2tog, 3dc. 11 sts

Rnd 40: 7dc, dc2tog, 2dc. Ten sts

Rnd 41: 7dc, dc2tog, 1dc. Nine sts

Rnd 42: 7dc, dc2tog. Eight sts

Rnd 43: 6dc, dc2tog. Seven sts

Rnd 44: 5dc, dc2tog. Six sts

Rnd 45: 1dc in each st to end. Six sts
Fasten off

leg

Make four

Using 3mm hook and Vivid Orange make a magic ring, work 5dc into ring. Five sts

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

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

Change to Dreamy Lilac

Rnds 3-5: 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off, leaving a long tail

long row of spikes

Using 3mm hook and Vivid Orange make 40ch

Row 1: starting in second ch from hook ([1dc, 1htr, 1tr, 1htr, 1dc] in next st, two sl sts) seven times, ([1dc, 1htr, 1dc] in next st, two sl sts) six times. Seven big and six small spikes made
Fasten off, leaving a long tail

short row of spikes

Using 3mm hook and Vivid Orange make 22ch

Row 1: starting in second ch from hook ([1dc, 1htr, 1tr, 1htr, 1dc] in next st, two sl sts) seven times. Seven spikes made
Fasten off, leaving a long tail

to make up

Pick up FLO of Body with tapestry needle, pull tightly to close. Pin Long Spikes along Body from tail tip to head, towards one side of spine. Sew in place. Pin Short Spikes over other side of spine, sew in place to create a double row of spikes along back. Stuff Legs and pin to base of Body, sew in place. Weave in all ends

BRACHIO-SAURUS head, neck & body

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

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

Rnd 2: (2dc, 3dc in next st, 2dc) to end. 14 sts

Rnd 3: 1dc in each st to end

Change to Light Pink

Rnd 4: (3dc, 3dc in next st, 3dc) to end. 18 sts

Rnd 5: 3dc, (2dc in next st) three times, 12dc. 21 sts

Rnd 6: 5dc, (2dc in next st) twice, 14dc. 23 sts

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

Rnd 10: 2dc, (dc2tog) five times, 11dc. 18 sts

Rnd 11: 1dc, (dc2tog) three times, 11dc. 15 sts

Insert safety eyes between Rnds 7-9

Note: stuff as you go

Rnd 12: 1dc, dc3tog, 11dc. 13 sts

Work in foll two-row stripe sequence: Pale Taupe, Light Pink

Rnds 13-26: 1dc in each st to end

Cont in Light Pink

Rnd 27: 11dc, 2dc in next st, 1dc. 14 sts

Rnd 28: 12dc, 3dc in next st, 1dc. 16 sts

Rnd 29: 13dc, 3dc in next st, 2dc. 18 sts

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Rnd 30: 13dc, (2dc in next st) three times, 2dc. 21 sts
Rnd 31: 13dc, (1dc, 2dc in next st) three times, 2dc. 24 sts
Rnd 32: 13dc, (2dc in next st, 2dc) three times, 2dc.

27 sts
Rnd 33: 13dc, (3dc, 2dc in next st) three times, 2dc. 30 sts
Rnds 34-38: 1dc in each st to end
Rnd 39: (3dc, dc2tog) to end. 24 sts
Rnd 40: (2dc, dc2tog) to end. 18 sts
Rnd 41: (1dc, dc2tog) to end. 12 sts
Rnd 42: (dc2tog) to end. Six sts
Fasten off

tail

Using 3mm hook and Pale Taupe make a magic ring, work 5dc into ring. Five sts

Rnd 1: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 2: 4dc, 2dc in next st. Six sts
Work in foll

two-row stripe sequence: Light Pink, Pale Taupe
Rnd 3 and every odd-numbered rnd: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 4: 5dc, 2dc in next st. Seven sts

Rnd 6: 6dc, 2dc in next st. Eight sts

Rnd 8: 7dc, 2dc in next st. Nine sts

Rnd 10: 8dc, 2dc in next st. Ten sts

Rnd 11: 9dc, 2dc in next st. 11 sts

Rnd 12: 10dc, 2dc in next st. 12 sts

Rnd 13: 11dc, 2dc in next st. 13 sts

Rnd 14: 12dc, 2dc in next st. 14 sts

Rnd 15: 13dc, 2dc in

next st. 15 sts
Fasten off, leaving a long tail

leg

Make four

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

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

to make up

Pick up fastened-off FLO of Body with tapestry needle, pull tightly to close. Lightly stuff Legs and sew to bottom of Body. Weave in all ends

SPINO-SAURUS head

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

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



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Rnd 7: 1dc, (2dc in next st) five times, 1dc. 12 sts

Rnd 8: 1dc, (1dc, 2dc in next st) five times, 1dc. 17 sts

Rnds 9-11: 1dc in each st to end. Insert safety eyes between Rnds 9-10, either side of nose

Note: stuff as you go

Rnd 12: 2dc, (dc2tog, 1dc) five times. 12 sts

Rnd 13: (dc2tog) six times. Six sts. Fasten off

lower jaw

Using 3mm hook and Periwinkle Blue make 7ch

Row 1: starting in second ch from hook, 5dc, 5dc in last ch, turn and work other side of ch as folls: 5dc, turn. 15 sts

Row 2: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end, turn. Change to Pale Taupe

Row 3: 1ch, working in BLO, sl st in each st to end. 15 sts. Fasten off, leaving a long tail

tongue

Using 3mm hook and Light Pink make 7ch

Row 1: starting in second ch from hook, 5dc, 3dc in last ch, turn and work other side of ch as folls: 5dc, turn. 13 sts. Fasten off, leaving a long tail

body

Using 3mm hook and Periwinkle Blue make a magic ring, work 5dc into ring. Five sts

Rnd 1 and every odd-numbered rnd: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 2: 2dc in next st, 4dc. Six sts

Rnd 4: 2dc in next st, 5dc. Seven sts

Rnd 6: 2dc in next st, 6dc. Eight sts

Rnd 8: 2dc in next st, 7dc. Nine sts

Rnd 10: 2dc in next st, 8dc. Ten sts

Rnd 11: 2dc in next st, 9dc. 11 sts

Rnd 12: 2dc in next st, 10dc. 12 sts

Rnd 13: 2dc in next st, 11dc. 13 sts

Rnd 14: 2dc in next st, 12dc. 14 sts

Rnd 15: 2dc in next st, 13dc. 15 sts

Rnd 16: (2dc in

next st) five times, 10dc. 20 sts

Rnd 17: (2dc in next st, 1dc) five times, 10dc. 25 sts

Rnds 18-22: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 23: (dc2tog, 1dc) five times, 10dc. 20 sts

Rnds 24-25: 1dc in each st to end. Stuff

Rnd 26: (dc2tog) five times, 10dc. 15 sts

Rnds 27-28: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 29: (dc2tog, 1dc) five times. Ten sts

Rnds 30-31: 1dc in each st to end. Fasten off, leaving a long tail

leg

Make two

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

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

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

Rnd 3: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 4: 4dc, 2ch, miss next 14 sts

Note: now work on these six sts

Rnd 5: 4dc, 2dc

along ch. Six sts

Rnds 6-7: 1dc in each st to end

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

Rnd 9: 1dc, 3dc in next st, 6dc. Ten sts

Rnds 10-11: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 12: flatten piece, work 5dc through both layers. Five sts

Rnd 13: (1ch, sl st in next st) four times. Fasten off

arm

Make two

Using 3mm hook and Periwinkle

Blue make a magic ring, work 5dc into ring. Five sts

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

spine

Using 3mm hook and Soft Yellow make 6ch

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

Row 2: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end, turn

Rows 3-24: 1ch, working in BLO, 1dc in each st to end, turn

Fasten off, leaving a long tail

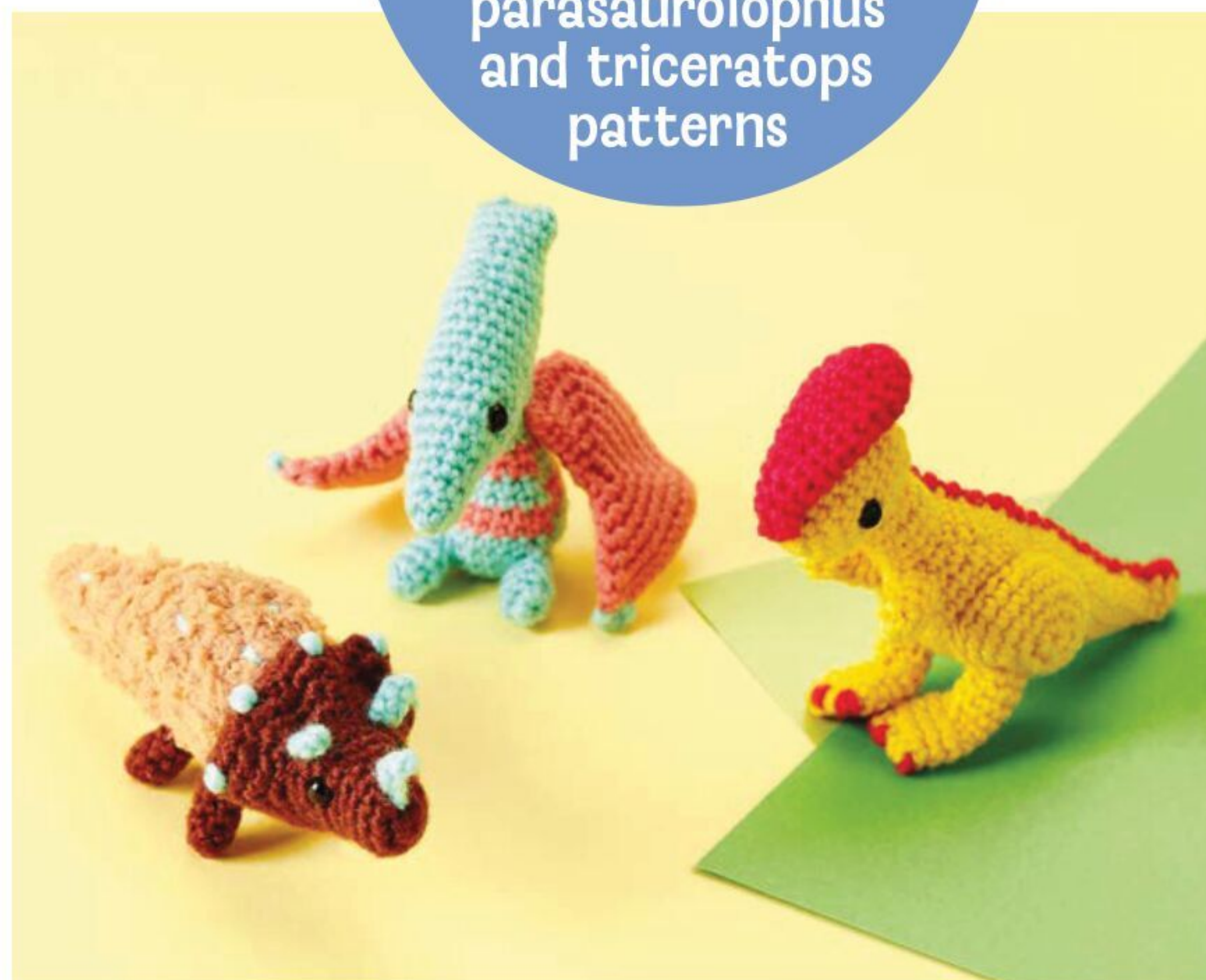
to make up

Pick up FLO of Head with

tapestry needle, pull tightly to close. Sew Head to Body with nose towards base. Sew Lower Jaw to underside of nose, with Pale Taupe embroider line of top teeth. Sew Tongue in mouth. Gather one side of Spine to create fan shape. Sew Spine over back of Body, along short edges and gathered side. Sew Legs to Body, adding a little bit of stuffing under each round part. Sew Arms to front of Body, embroider claws with Soft Yellow and lines across tummy. Weave in all ends

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YARN

Rowan Cotton
Glace: shade
726, Bleached 11
(12, 13, 14, 15) 50g
balls

PLUS

3.5mm needles,
4mm needles,
3.5mm circular
needle minimum
100cm long

SIZE

To fit bust:
81-86cm
(91-97cm,
102-107cm,
112-117cm,
122-127cm)
Actual bust
measurement:
92cm (102.5cm,
113.5cm, 121.5cm,
132cm)

TENSION SQUARE

30 sts x 24 rows
10cm x 10cm
Over patt
4mm needles



Challenge
yourself

BACK

Using 3.5mm
needles cast on
107 [119: 131: 141:
153] sts

Row 1 (RS): K1, *P1,
K1, rep from *
to end

Row 2: As row 1
These 2 rows form
moss st
Cont in moss st for
a further 7 rows,
ending with WS
facing for
next row

Row 10 (WS): Moss
st 8 [8: 8: 10: 10] sts,
M1, (moss st 3 sts,

M1) 30 [34: 38: 40:
44] times, moss st
9 [9: 9: 11: 11] sts. 138
[154: 170: 182:
198] sts
Change to 4mm
needles
Cont in patt as

folls:

Row 1 (RS): Purl
Row 2: K1, *(K1, P1,
K1) all into next st,
P3tog, rep from *
to last st, K1

Row 3: Purl

Row 4: K1, *P3tog,

(K1, P1, K1) all into
next st, rep from *
to last st, K1
These 4 rows
form patt
Cont straight until
Back meas 48 [50:
52: 54: 56] cm,

ending with RS
facing for
next row

shape shoulders & back neck

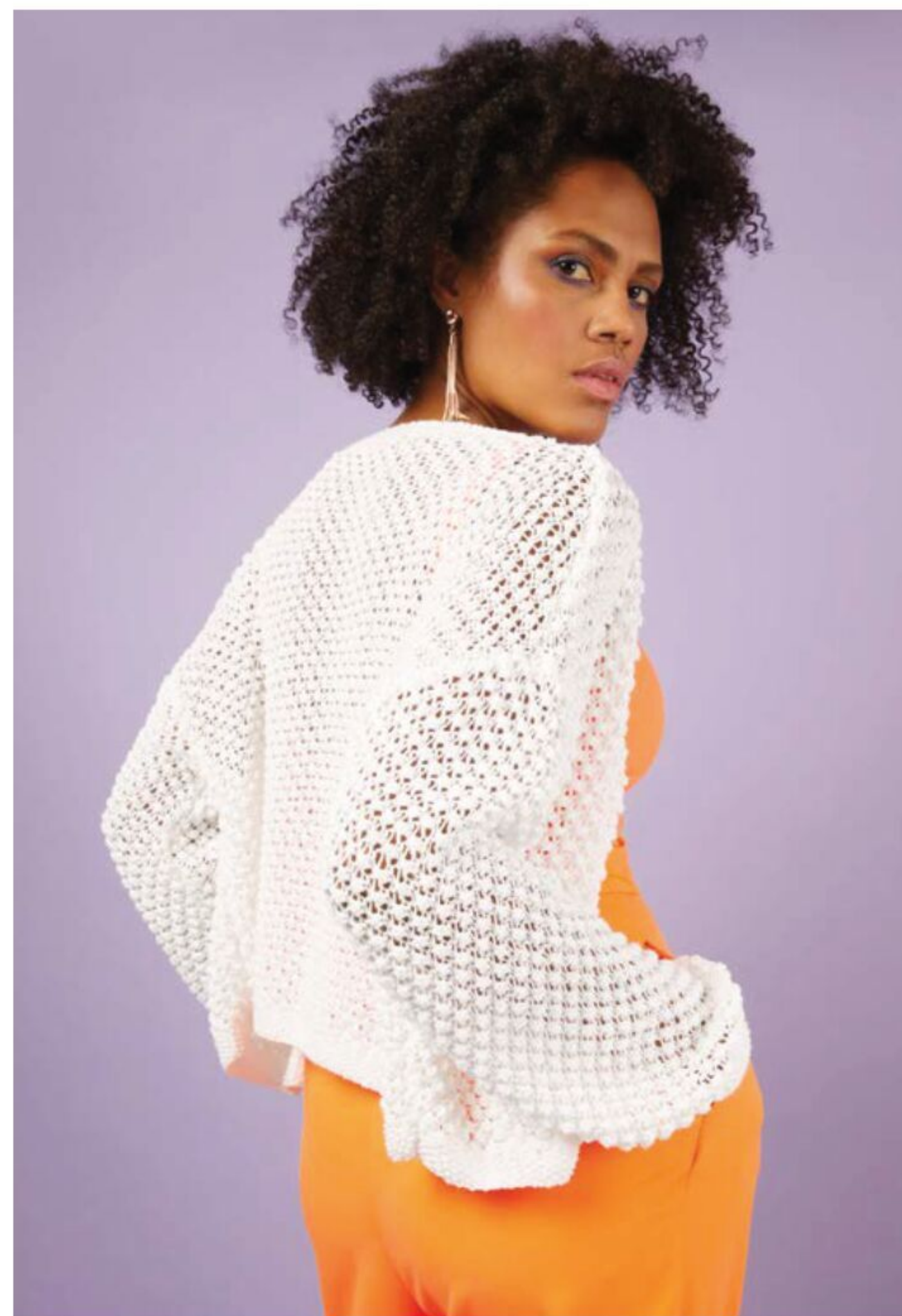
Cast off all sts
knitwise, placing
markers either
side of centre 58
[58: 60: 60: 62] sts
(for back neck)
– there will be 40
[48: 55: 61: 68] sts
either side (for
shoulder seams)

LEFT FRONT

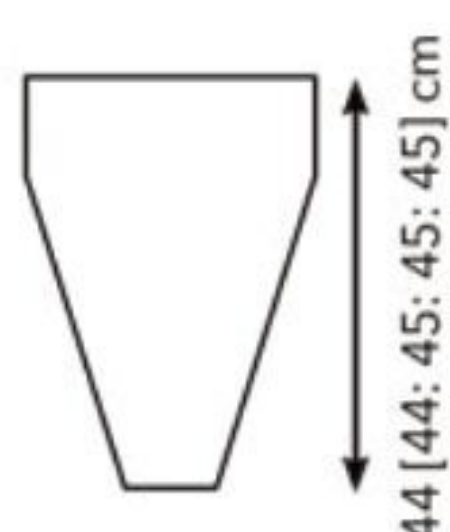
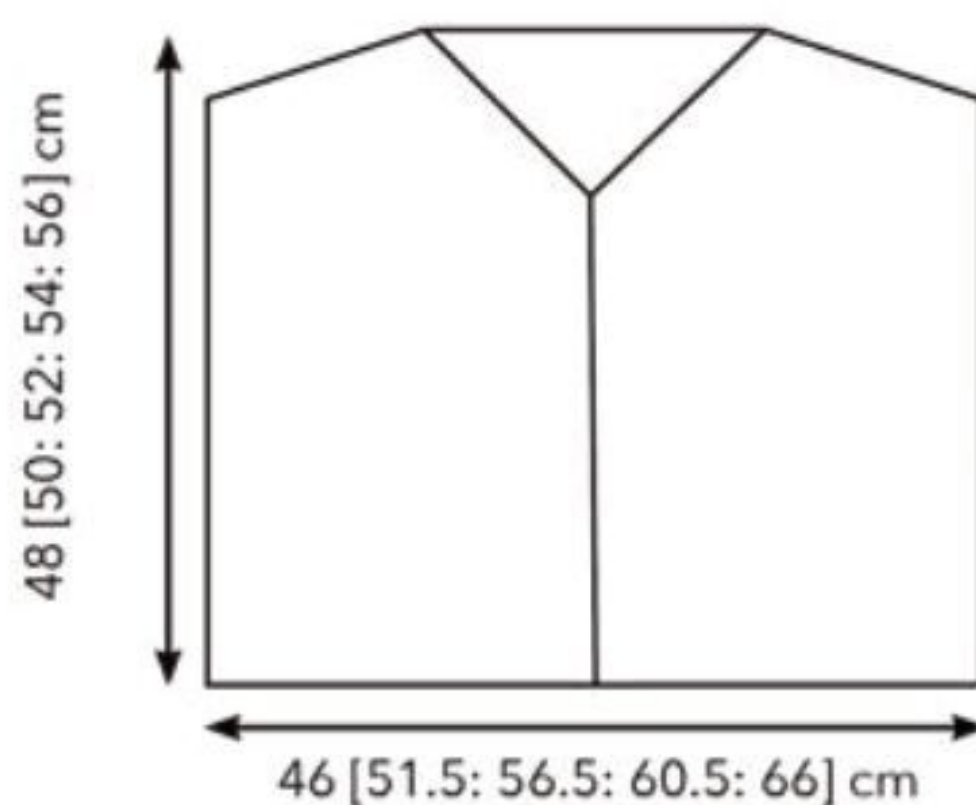
Using 3.5mm
needles cast on 51
[57: 63: 69: 75] sts
Work in moss st as
given for back for
9 rows, ending
with WS facing for
next row

Row 10 (WS): Moss
st 4 sts, M1, (moss
st 3 sts, M1) 14 [16:
18: 20: 22] times,
moss st 5 sts. 66
[74: 82: 90: 98] sts
Change to 4mm
needles

Beg with row 1,
work in pattern as
given for Back
until 50 [54: 58: 62:
64] rows less have
been worked than



MEASUREMENT DIAGRAM



on back to shoulder cast-off, ending with RS facing for next row

shape front slope

Keeping patt correct, dec 1 st at end of next row and at same edge on foll 6 [2: 0: 0: 0] rows, then on foll 18 [22: 25: 27: 28] alt rows, then on foll 4th row. 40 [48: 55: 61: 68] sts Work 3 rows, ending with RS facing for next row

shape shoulder

Cast off all sts knitwise

RIGHT FRONT

Using 3.5mm needles cast on 51 [57: 63: 69: 75] sts Work in moss st as given for back for 9 rows, ending with WS facing for next row
Row 10 (WS): Moss st 4 sts, M1, (moss st 3 sts, M1) 14 [16: 18: 20: 22] times, moss st 5 sts. 66 [74: 82: 90: 98] sts Change to 4mm needles Beg with row 1, now work in patt as given for Back and cont straight until 50 [54: 58: 62: 64] rows less have been worked than on back to shoulder cast-off, ending with RS facing for next row

shape front slope

Keeping patt correct, dec 1 st at beg of next row

and at same edge on foll 6 [2: 0: 0: 0] rows, then on foll 18 [22: 25: 27: 28] alt rows, then on foll 4th row. 40 [48: 55: 61: 68] sts Work 3 rows, ending with RS facing for next row

shape shoulder

Cast off all sts knitwise

SLEEVES

Using 3.5mm needles cast on 49 [51: 55: 55: 57] sts Work in moss st as given for back for 9 rows, ending with WS facing for next row

Row 10 (WS): Moss st 6 [4: 6: 6: 4] sts, M1, (moss st 3 sts, M1) 12 [14: 14: 14: 16] times, moss st 7 [5: 7: 7: 5] sts. 62 [66: 70: 70: 74] sts Change to 4mm needles

Beg with row 1, now work in patt as given for Back and cont as folls: Inc 1 st at each end of 3rd and foll 2 [8: 11: 21: 25] alt rows, then on 20 [17: 16: 11: 9] foll 4th rows, taking inc sts into patt. 108 [118: 126: 136: 144] sts Cont straight until Sleeve meas 44 [44: 45: 45: 45] cm, ending with RS facing for next row Cast off all sts knitwise

to make up

Pin out and place a damp cloth onto knitted pieces. Hold a steam iron (at the correct temperature) approximately

10cm away from the fabric and steam. Keep the knitted pieces pinned in place until cool. Join both shoulder seams.

FRONT BAND

With RS facing and using 3.5mm circular needle, beg and ending at front cast-on edges, pick up and knit 62 [62: 67: 67: 67] sts up right front opening edge to beg of front slope shaping, 50 [54: 58: 62: 64] sts up right front slope, 45 [45: 47: 47: 49] sts from back, 50 [54: 58: 62: 64] sts down

left front slope to beg of front slope shaping, and 62 [62: 67: 67: 67] sts down left front opening edge. 269 [277: 297: 305: 311] sts. Work in moss st as given for back for 3 rows, ending with RS facing for next row

Row 4 (RS): Moss st 4 sts, *yarn, work 2 tog (to make a buttonhole), moss st 9 [9: 10: 10: 10] sts, rep from * 4 times more, yarn, work 2 tog (to make 6th buttonhole), moss st to end. Work in moss st for a further 5 rows, ending with RS facing for

next row Cast off in moss st Mark points along side seam edges 19 [20.5: 22: 23.5: 25] cm either side of shoulder seams (to denote base

of armhole openings). Set in sleeves using the straight cast-off method. Weave in all ends



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Yes she's done it again! **SACHIYO ISHII** has designed the same adorable doll that you can make whether you're a knitter or crocheter. Their daisy adornments make them the perfect project for spring because soon we'll all be wearing blooms in our hair – or is that just us in the Let's Get Crafting office? We always love to know what you're making so tell us if you'll be knitting Mimi or crocheting Lillie at

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VS CROCHET

IDENTICAL TWINS, MIMI AND LILLIE

PICK YOUR DOLL,
THEN TURN OVER
FOR THE PATTERN...





PLUS

two 6mm black eye beads or safety eyes, cotton bud stick, stuffing, pink pastel or blusher, tapestry needle, sewing needle and thread, stitch holder, small amount of dark brown 4-ply

SIZE

Height: 18cm



Take the next step

KNITTED DOLL legs, body & head

* Using 3.5mm needles and Mighty Mint cast on 12 sts
Rows 1-15: starting with a p (WS) row work in st st *
Cut yarn, keep sts on holder
Rep from * to * for second Leg
Row 16: k12 (Leg from needle), k12 (Leg from holder). 24 sts
Row 17: p
Row 18: (k3, kfb) three times, (kfb,

k3) to end. 30 sts
Row 19: p
Change to Pretty Pink
Rows 20-27: starting with a k row work in st st
Row 28: (k3, k2tog) to end. 24 sts
Rows 29-39: starting with a p row work in st st
Change to Light Pink
Row 40: (k2, k2tog) to end. 18 sts
Row 41 and every odd-numbered row: p
Row 42: (k1, k2tog) to end. 12 sts
Row 44: k2, (kfb) to last two sts, k2. 20 sts
Row 46: (kfb) in each st to end.

40 sts
Rows 47-59: starting with a p row work in st st
Row 60: (k2, k2tog) to end. 30 sts
Row 61 and every odd-numbered row: p
Row 62: (k3, k2tog) to end. 24 sts
Row 64: (k2, k2tog) to end. 18 sts
Row 66: (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 3.5mm

needles and Periwinkle Blue cast on 18 sts
Row 1 (WS): (p2, pfb) three times, (pfb, p2) to end. 24 sts
Row 2: k
Row 3 (edge): k
Row 4: k
Row 5: p
Row 6: k4, (k2tog) eight times, k4. 16 sts
Row 7: p
Row 8: k5, (k2tog) three times, k5. 13 sts
Cast off
dress
Using 3.5mm needles and Pale Taupe cast on 40 sts
Rows 1-2: k
Change to Pretty Pink

Row 3 (RS): k
Row 4: p
Row 5: (k8, k2tog) to end. 36 sts
Rows 6-18: starting with a p row work in st st
Row 19: (k4, k2tog) to end. 30 sts
Row 20: p
Row 21: (k3, k2tog) to end. 24 sts
Cast off

through rem sts, fasten off

daisy petals

Make four

Using 3.5mm hook and Pale Taupe (make 6ch, insert hook in first ch, yoh, pull through both loops) six times
Fasten off

daisy centre

Make four

Using 3.5mm needles and Vivid Orange cast on five sts
Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

to make up

With fastened-off yarn end of Body, sew seam down to neck. With cast-on yarn end, sew each Leg as far as crotch. Sew back seam halfway, stuff Legs. Attach safety eyes if using and stuff Head. Stuff Body lightly, insert cotton bud in neck for support (optional), finish stuffing Body and close seam. With Light Pink, work gathering thread along neck and pull tightly. Fold Shoe in half vertically and sew sole tog. Stuff toe, insert Leg in shoe and secure to Leg with sts all round. Finish sewing Shoe seam. Thread Periwinkle Blue and pierce Shoe from centre sole, take needle out from top of Shoe and rep. Pull thread to flatten sole and shape ankle. Rep for other Leg. Wrap Body with Dress and sew seam at back. Seam and stuff Arms. Attach Arms to Body. Thread Soft Yellow and make long straight sts to Head, leaving long ends at sides of face. Tie hair with Mighty Mint and trim. Make French knot for nose with Light Pink. Embroider mouth with dark brown 4-ply. Sew both ends of Daisy Centre tog to make bobble. Sew ends of Flower Petals and sew to Centre. Attach three flowers to Head and one to Dress. Colour cheeks with pink pastel or blusher. Weave in all ends

USE YOUR Bonnie YARN KIT



PLUS

two 6mm black eye beads or safety eyes, small amount of dark brown 4-ply, cotton bud, stuffing, pink pastel or blusher, tapestry needle, stitch marker, sewing needle and thread

SIZE

Height: 18cm



Take the
next step

CROCHET DOLL

Note: this pattern is worked in joined rnds, join with a sl st to first dc after each rnd. 1ch at beg of each rnd does not count as a st throughout

legs, body & head

* Using 3.5mm hook and Mighty Mint make a magic ring,

working 6dc into ring. Six sts

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

Rnds 2-14: 1dc in each st to end * Fasten off

Rep from * to * for second Leg

Rnd 15: insert hook in first Leg, 1dc in each st around first Leg, insert hook in second leg, 1dc in each st around second Leg. 24 sts

Rnd 16: (3dc, 2dc in next st) three times, (2dc in next st, 3dc) to end. 30 sts

Rnd 17: 1dc in each st to end Change to Pretty Pink

Rnds 19-24: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 25: (3dc,

dc2tog) to end. 24 sts

Rnds 26-27: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 28: (2dc, dc2tog) to end. 18 sts

Note: change to Light Pink after Rnd 30

Rnds 29-31: 1dc in each st to end Stuff Legs & Body

Rnd 32: (1dc, dc2tog) to end. 12 sts

Rnd 33: (4dc, dc2tog) to end. Ten sts

Rnd 34: 1dc in each st to end

Rnds 35-36: 2dc in each st to end. 40 sts

Rnds 37-47: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 48: (2dc, dc2tog) to end. 30 sts

Rnds 49-50: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 51: (3dc, dc2tog) to end. 24 sts

Rnd 52: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 53: (2dc, dc2tog) to end. 18 sts

Rnd 54: (1dc, dc2tog) to end. 12 sts

Insert cotton bud in neck (optional) Stuff Head

Rnd 55: (dc2tog) to end. Six sts Fasten off

shoe

Make two

Using 3.5mm hook and Periwinkle Blue make 8ch

Rnd 1: starting in

second ch from hook, 2dc in first ch, 5dc, 3dc in last ch, work along other side of ch as folls: miss last ch used, 4dc, (2dc in next st) twice. 18 sts

Rnd 2: 2dc in first st, 6dc, (2dc in next st) three times, 6dc, (2dc in next st) twice. 24 sts

Rnd 3: working in BLO, 7dc, 10htr, 7dc

Rnd 4: 7dc, (1htr, htr2tog) three times, 1htr, 7dc. 21 sts

Rnd 5: 7dc, (1htr, htr2tog) twice, 1htr, 7dc. 19 sts Fasten off

dress

Using 3.5mm hook and Pretty Pink make 21ch

Row 1: starting in second ch from hook, 1dc in each st to end, turn. 20 sts

Row 2: 1dc in each st to end, turn

Row 3: (4dc, 2dc in next st) to end, turn. 24 sts

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

turn. 30 sts

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

Note: change to Pale Taupe after Row 13

Rows 6-15: 1dc in each st to end, turn Fasten off

arm

Make two

Using 3.5mm hook and Light Pink make a magic ring, work 5dc into ring. Five sts

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

Rnds 2-14: 1dc in each st to end Fasten off

daisy petals

Make four

Using 3.5mm hook and Pale Taupe (make 6ch, sl st in first ch) six times Fasten off

daisy centre

Make four

Using 3.5mm hook and Vivid Orange make a magic ring, work 5dc into ring, join. Five sts Fasten off

to make up

Weave through fastened-off end of Head. With Light Pink, work gathering thread along neck and draw tightly. Stuff toe of Shoe and attach Shoe to Leg. Rep for other Leg. Wrap Body with Dress and sew seam at back. Stuff Arms and attach to Body. Thread Soft Yellow and make long straight sts to Head, leaving long ends at sides of face, tie hair with Mighty Mint and trim. Attach eye beads if using. With Light Pink, make French knot for nose. With dark brown 4-ply, embroider mouth. Sew ends of Daisy Petals and sew Centre to Petals. Sew three flowers to Head and one to Dress. Colour cheeks with pink pastel or blusher. Weave in all ends



CROCHET



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YARN KIT



PLUS

small amount of black DK, stuffing, two 12cm flat-backed wreaths, two 30cm lengths of 1cm wide ribbon, tapestry needle, sewing needle and thread

SIZE

Diameter: 12.5cm

WREATH COVER

Make two

Using 3.5mm needles and Pale Taupe (Mighty Mint) cast on 16 sts Starting with a k (RS) row work in st st until piece meas 18cm, ending after a WS row Change to Periwinkle Blue Starting with a k row work in st st until piece meas 18cm from colour change, ending after a WS row Cast off

ROSE

Make eight (two in each colour)

Using 3.5mm needles and Pretty Pink (Dreamy Lilac, Light Pink, Soft Yellow) cast on 12 sts

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



Take the next step

Row 2: p

Cast off

LEAF

Make six

Using 3.5mm needles and Mighty Mint cast on three sts

Rows 1-3: starting with a k (RS) row work in st st

Row 4: sl 1, p2tog, pssso. One st Fasten off

small flower

Make 14 (three in Vivid Orange, three in Light Pink, two in Soft Yellow, three in Pretty Pink and three in Dreamy Lilac)

Using 3.5mm needles and chosen yarn cast on 12 sts

Row 1 (RS): k

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

BASKET side

Using 3.5mm needles and Pale Taupe cast on 24 sts

Rows 1-2: (k2, p2) to end

A wreath isn't just for Christmas and just as well, because designer **NICOLA VALIJI** has come up with this pair of sensational spring rings. Choose from a bunny or bird centrepiece or why not knit one of each? There are lots of individual parts in this pattern so label each one clearly and you might want to weave in the ends as you go.

Rows 3-4: (p2, k2) to end

Row 5: (k2, p2) to end

Row 6: (p2, k2) to end

Row 7: k

Cast off

base

Using 3.5mm needles and Pale Taupe cast on four sts

Row 1 (RS): kfb, k to last st, kfb. Six sts

Rows 2-5: starting with a p (WS) row work in st st

Row 6: p2tog, p to last two sts, p2tog. Four sts Cast off

BIRD body

Using 3.5mm needles and Periwinkle Blue cast on six sts

Row 1: (kfb) to end. 12 sts

Row 2: p

Row 3: (k2, kfb) to end. 16 sts

Row 4: p

Row 5: k

Row 6: (p2tog) to end. Eight sts

Row 7: (k1, kfb) to end. 12 sts

Rows 8-11: starting with a p (WS) row work in st st

Row 12: (p2tog) to

end. Six sts

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

beak

Using 3.5mm needles and Soft Yellow cast on three sts Cast off

wing

Make two

Using 3.5mm needles and Periwinkle Blue cast on three sts

Row 1: k

Row 2: p

Row 3: sl 1, k2tog, pssso. One st Fasten off

BUTTERFLY body

Make three

Using 3.5mm needles and Pale Taupe cast on five sts

Row 1 (RS): k

Row 2: p

Cast off

wing

Make six (two in each colour)

Using 3.5mm needles and Dreamy Lilac (Vivid Orange, Pretty Pink) cast

on four sts

Row 1 (RS): k

Row 2: p

Row 3: k1, m1, k to last st, m1, k1. Six sts

Row 4: p

Row 5: k3, yfwd, k3. Seven sts

Row 6: p2, p2tog, p3. Six sts

Row 7: k

Row 8: p2tog, p2, p2tog. Four sts

Row 9: k

Cast off

BEE

Using 3.5mm needles and Soft Yellow cast on four sts

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

Work in foll one-row stripe sequence: Black, Soft Yellow

Rows 2-5: starting with a p row work in st st

Cont in Soft Yellow

Row 6: p

Row 7: (k2tog) to end. Four sts

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

DAFFODIL trumpet

Make three

Using 3.5mm

needles and Soft Yellow cast on four sts

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

Row 2: p

Row 3: k

Cast off

petal

Make 15

Using 3.5mm needles and Soft Yellow cast on three sts

Rows 1-3: starting with a k row work in st st

Row 4: sl 1, p2tog, pssso. One st Fasten off



GREAT ADVICE

YARN FORWARD

A yarn forward increase is really simple to do. It's worked between two knit stitches. Move the yarn to the front of the work between the tips of your needles. Now take it over the top of your right-hand needle to make an extra stitch. The yarn is now at the back ready to knit the next stitch



USE ALL
EIGHT
YARN
COLOURS!



"Pin the pieces to the wreath before sewing or glueing to get the placement correct"

NICOLA VALIJI, DESIGNER

♥ **Love** ♥
THIS PATTERN?



FIND AN ARRAY OF CROCHET WREATHS TO BRIGHTEN YOUR HOME AT **TOPCROCHETPATTERNS.COM**, INCLUDING LARA MESSER'S FLORAL DESIGN. DOWNLOAD THE PATTERN FOR FREE TODAY!

CONTINUE
KNITTING



back leg Make two

Using 3.5mm needles and Pale Taupe cast on three sts
Rows 1-3: starting with a k row work in st st
Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

front leg Make two

Using 3.5mm needles and Pale Taupe cast on three sts
Row 1: k
Row 2: p
Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

to make up

Place Covers over wreaths and sew row edges tog, positioning seam at back. On bird wreath, curl Roses to form flower shape, secure with sts. Using contrasting-coloured yarn, embroider one st in middle of flowers. Attach Leaves to back of six Roses. For Small Flowers, use fastened-off yarn tail to sew seam down to cast-on edge to form circle. Use contrasting yarn to embroider st in centre of each Flower. Join row edges of Basket Sides, place Basket Base at bottom of Basket and sew in place. Using fastened-off tail of Bird, sew to cast-on edge on WS. Turn RS out and stuff. Fold Beak in half and sew to head. Using Periwinkle Blue make a few tufts at top of head. Sew Wings on each side of Bird. Use black yarn to embroider eyes. Place Bird in Basket. Join row edges of Butterfly Body. Leave two strands of yarn to make antennae. Fold each Wing in half to join cast-on and cast-off edges. Sew around edge. Attach Wings to Body. Gather cast-on sts of Bee and sew row edges to top, stuffing as you go. Using Pale Taupe, make two loops for wings. For bunny wreath, make up Small Flowers and Butterflies as for bird wreath. For Daffodils, gather cast-on sts of Trumpets and sew down row edges to top on WS. Turn RS out. Place Petals around base of Trumpet and sew in place. For Bunny, gather cast-on sts of Body and sew seam, stuffing as you go. Rep for Head. Sew Head to Body. Sew row edges of Ears. Sew to Head. Using Light Pink, embroider nose and use Black for eyes. Sew row edges of Front and Back legs, then attach to Bunny. Pin and sew all pieces to each wreath, attach ribbon loops to back of wreaths. Weave in all ends

Run out of yarn?

TRY MARRINER YARNS DK, £1.25 PER 100G (300M) BALL, MARRINERYARNS.COM



TOP TIP

WHEN WORKING THE ONE-ROW STRIPES ON THE BEE, YOU'LL NEED TO CUT AND REJOIN THE YARN AFTER EACH COLOUR CHANGE

BUNNY body

Using 3.5mm needles and Pale Taupe cast on four sts
Row 1: (kfb) to end. Eight sts
Rows 2-8: starting with a p (WS) row work in st st
Row 9: (k2tog) to end. Four sts
Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

head

Using 3.5mm needles and Pale Taupe cast on four sts
Row 1: (kfb) to

end. Eight sts
Rows 2-4: starting with a p (WS) row work in st st
Row 5: (k2tog) to end. Four sts
Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

ear

Make two
Using 3.5mm needles and Pale Taupe cast on three sts
Rows 1-3: starting with a k row work in st st
Row 4: sl 1, p2tog, pssso. One st
Fasten off

BOWLED OVER

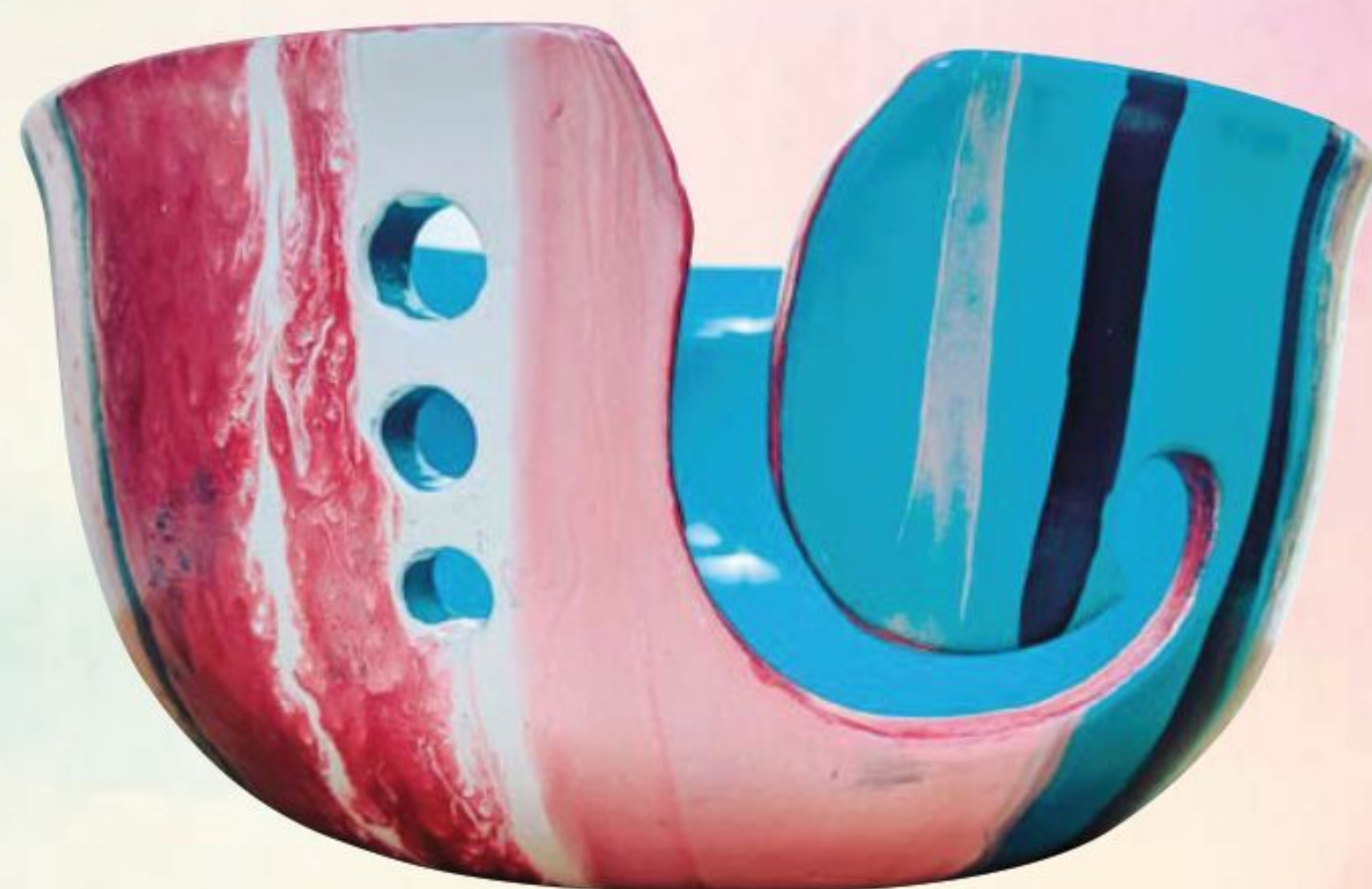
Not only does a yarn bowl look extremely chic perched in your craft area at home, it's your ultimate craft companion if you always get your yarn in a tangle, or find yourself (and the cat!) chasing it across the floor when it falls off your lap.

Simply place your yarn inside and thread it through one of the holes, and it will seamlessly feed its way through while you work, with no stopping to untie knots – everyone's a winner!



If you prefer a classic look to your yarn bowl, this two-tone wooden version is a superb choice and will look great with all shades of yarn piled into it. It's also amazing value at £21.

bergeredefrance.co.uk



We love this eye-catching design with its bold palette. Designed by artist Sarah May, it's a wonderful way to add a pop of colour to your home and there's a huge range of hues available. £38, search 'SMArtistStudio' at **[etsy.com](https://www.etsy.com)**



Pottery at its finest! We adore this large rabbit ceramic yarn bowl. It's available in four gorgeous, muted shades and is one of many cute designs. £34.20, **littlewrenpottery.co.uk**



This stunning ceramic bowl is hand thrown in County Durham and finished with a variegated blue glaze. The heart cut-out is the perfect finishing touch and makes this an ideal gift for a crafty loved one. £35, **theknittinggiftshop.co.uk**



Created from a single piece of wood, the minimal style and understated look of this yarn bowl is ideal if you like to let the yarn do all the talking. At £35, we adore the rustic feel and grainy textures. Search 'theLittleManWorkshop' at **[etsy.com](https://www.etsy.com)**

THE BIG *Easter Edit*

Bring on the pastel shades,
we're so ready for them!

WORDS BY HEIDI WILKINS

Spring is in the air, and we're excited about gobbling chocolate and spending time with our nearest and dearest over a delicious dinner. We adore knitting and crocheting for Easter – cute chicks, sweet bunnies, gorgeous blooms and delicious ice cream shades, what's not to love? This year we're going the extra mile to make our homes look super festive, by prettying up our dinner table, and popping up a few spring decorations. We've gathered our favourite buys as well as some crafty inspiration for you. Now let's make this Easter the best one yet!

Get involved!

Look out for this brand new 'Hello Spring' crochet-along from Hobbycraft, starting 4th March 2022. Knitcraft will release a new section of its spring-inspired blanket pattern every Friday for six weeks. The blanket is the perfect project for beginners and, at the end of the CAL, participants will have a colourful blanket to be proud of. Full details will be available on the Ideas Hub at [hobbycraft.co.uk](https://www.hobbycraft.co.uk) in March.



Take Miffy everywhere

Stitch and Story's latest Miffy kits are too adorable for words, and they're ideal if you enjoy a quick project and love gifting to youngsters. The kit comes with everything you need to make this sweet tote including four balls of cotton yarn, the pattern, hook, needle and stuffing, all for £20. It's perfect for the Miffy fan who's always on the go. [stitchandstory.com](https://www.stitchandstory.com)



Traditional vibes

We love the diversion from classic pastel shades by Debbie Bliss on this Nessa cardi and beret combo. Knitted in gorgeously soft Baby Cashmerino and available in ages 12-48 months, this is a wonderful legacy garment that will surely be cherished for years. Buy the pattern for £3.50 and all the yarn you need at [lovecrafts.com](https://www.lovecrafts.com).

THE LARGEST
EVER EASTER EGG
HUNT WAS IN FLORIDA
IN 2007, WHERE 9,753
CHILDREN SEARCHED
FOR 501,000
EGGS

Punch needle egg pillow,
visit [hobbycraft.co.uk](https://www.hobbycraft.co.uk) to find
out how to make it





Keep it cosy

New in store and online at Fine Fettle Fibres is the Coconut Collection from Curtis Yarns. This 100% British DK wool comes in four delicious shades with an ocean vibe, all of which are perfect for your spring and summer layers. Priced at £4.55 per 50g (110m) ball, find out more at finefettlefibres.uk.

POSSIBLY THE WORLD'S MOST EXPENSIVE EGG WAS SOLD AT CHRISTIE'S IN LONDON FOR £9 MILLION IN 2007 - IT WAS MADE BY KARL FABERGÉ IN ST PETERSBURG IN 1902



Sweet dreams

Sweet Dreams is a new baby yarn from Stylecraft. It's super soft and ideal for making tiny garments for your precious ones. We adore this sweet cardi which is available as a long- or short-sleeved design in pattern 9899. Visit stylecraft-yarns.co.uk to see the full range.



Make and gift

Nothing says Easter like a bunny in a bonnet, accompanied by a daffodil and a selection of colourful eggs! This fun project by King Cole is knitted in Big Value DK and Truffle, and it's free to download from woolwarehouse.co.uk.

TIP TOP TABLE

Tablescaping is the home décor buzzword right now, and getting your Easter table looking Instagram worthy is not only super simple, but also easy to do on a budget. We love the idea of having these gorgeous accessories in your Easter kit, so you can bring them out year after year.



Faux tulip bouquet, £7.99, bird cup and saucer, £15, Homesense; bunny wreath, £6, George at Asda; Easter banner, £7.99, TK Maxx; Easter egg biscuit, £6, carrot napkin rings, £12, John Lewis; mice decorations, £20, Ella James; pressed flower frame, £3.50, Primark



Some bunny loves you

Everyone loves having something new to wear at Easter, and the Knitcraft bunny jumper is a great way to add a touch of fun to your little one's wardrobe. Available for ages six months to six years, you could knit one for all the kids. We're obsessed with the cute rabbit face, especially those whiskers! The pattern costs £2 from hobbycraft.co.uk.

CADBURY
MAKES 500 MILLION
CREME EGGS EVERY
YEAR! IF YOU PILED THEM
ON TOP OF EACH OTHER,
IT WOULD BE TEN TIMES
HIGHER THAN MOUNT
EVEREST



Search 'amigurumi rabbits'



Search 'embroidered
Easter eggs'

Hop to it!

Pop on over to topcrochetpatterns.com and download our free Easter patterns. You'll find everything from colourful eggs and adorable bunnies to fluffy chicks and cute lambs.



Search 'bunny
headbands'



Search
'Easter
lamb'

PASTEL PERFECTION

March down to your local yarn shop and buy up all the delicious ice cream shades you can find. Easter is the perfect time to whip up homewares, garments and toys in soft colourful tones; it's pure happiness on your needles!



Stylecraft
Naturals
Organic Cotton
DK, shade 7193
Artichoke, £1.99
per 50g (105m)
ball, littlewoolshop.com

Scheepjes
Namaste, shade
600 Sphinx, £5.95
per 50g (85m) ball,
ritohobby.co.uk



King Cole Baby
Pure DK, shade
4807 Baby Petal,
see kingcole.com
for stockists

Paintbox Yarns
Cotton DK, shade
433 Washed Teal,
£2.50 per 50g
(125m) ball,
lovecrafts.com



Cygnet Kiddies
Collection DK,
shade 4122 Katie,
£3.49 per 100g
(245m) ball, woolwarehouse.co.uk



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USE YOUR
Bonnie
YARN KIT



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

SIZE
Duck height:
11.5cm
Duckling
height: 8.5cm



Perfect for
beginners

DUCKLING body

Using 3.5mm hook
and Soft Yellow
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: (1dc, 2dc in
next st) six times,
6dc. 24 sts

Rnd 4: 3dc, (1dc,
2dc in next st) six
times, 9dc. 30 sts

Rnd 5: 6dc, (1dc,
2dc in next st) six
times, 12dc. 36 sts

Rnds 6-7: 1dc in
each st to end

Rnd 8: 10dc,
(dc2tog) six times,
14dc. 30 sts

Rnd 9: 1dc in each
st to end

Rnd 10: 7dc,
(dc2tog) six times,
11dc. 24 sts

Rnd 11: 1dc in each
st to end

Rnd 12: 4dc,

(dc2tog) six times,
8dc. 18 sts

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

Stuff

Rnd 14: (dc2tog) to
end. Six sts
Fasten off

head

Using 3.5mm hook
and Soft Yellow
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

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

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

Rnd 9: (2dc,
dc2tog) to end.
18 sts

Insert safety eyes
between Rnds 5-6,
approx five sts
apart

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

Stuff

Rnd 11: (dc2tog) to
end. Six sts
Fasten off

beak

Using 3.5mm hook
and Vivid Orange
make a magic ring,
work 6dc into ring.

Six sts

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

foot

Make two

Using 3.5mm hook
and Vivid Orange
make a magic ring,
work 6dc into ring.
Six sts

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

Note: fold piece
flat and work next
row through two
sts at a time

Rnd 3: 1ch, (1tr, 1ch)
in first sts, (sl st,
1ch, 1tr, 1ch) in next
sts, (sl st, 1ch, 1tr,
1ch, sl st) in last sts
Fasten off

DUCK body

Using 3.5mm hook
and Pale Taupe
make a magic ring,
work 6dc into ring.
Six sts

Rnds 1-5: rep Rnds
1-5 of Duckling
Body. 36 sts

Rnd 6: 9dc, (1dc,
2dc in next st) six
times, 15dc. 42 sts

Rnd 7: 9dc, (2dc,
2dc in next st) six
times, 15dc. 48 sts

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

Rnd 11: 18dc,
(dc2tog) six times,
18dc. 42 sts

Rnd 12: 1dc in each
st to end

Rnd 13: 15dc,

(dc2tog) six times,
15dc. 36 sts

Rnd 14: 1dc in each
st to end

Rnd 15: 12dc,
(dc2tog) six times,
12dc. 30 sts

Rnd 16: 9dc,
(dc2tog) six times,
9dc. 24 sts

Rnd 17: 6dc,
(dc2tog) six times,
6dc. 18 sts

Rnd 18: 3dc,
(dc2tog) six times,
3dc. 12 sts

Stuff

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

head

Using 3.5mm hook
and Pale Taupe

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

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

Rnd 6: 1dc in each
st to end

Rnd 7: (3dc, 2dc in
next st) to end.
30 sts

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

Insert safety eyes
between Rnds 7-8,
approx six sts
apart

Rnd 11: (3dc,
dc2tog) to end.
24 sts

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

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

Stuff

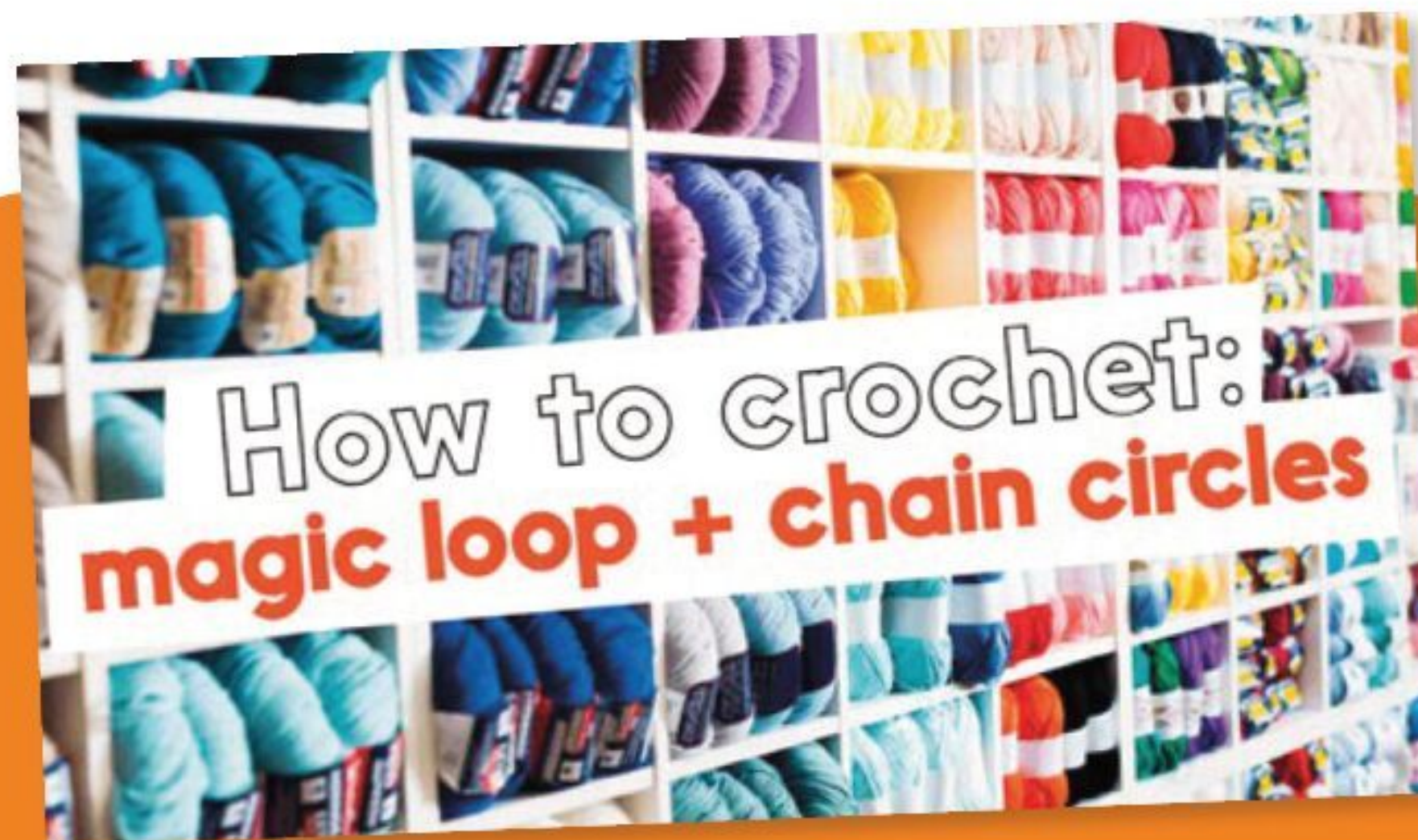
Fasten off

beak

Using 3.5mm hook
and Vivid Orange
make a magic ring,
work 6dc into ring.
Six sts

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

Rnds 2-3: 1dc in
each st to end
Fasten off



How to make a magic ring

Want to know how to get
started? Simply scan our QR
code with the camera on your
phone to watch a 5-minute
video on making a magic ring.
Or visit topcrochetpatterns.com/how-to-crochet instead.



foot**Make two**

Using 3.5mm hook and Vivid Orange make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

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

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

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

Note: fold piece flat and work next rnd through two sts at a time

Rnd 5: (1ch, 1tr, 1ch, sl st) in next sts, (1ch, 1tr) in next sts, (1ch, sl st) in next sts, (1ch, 1tr) in next sts

Fasten off

left wing

Using 3.5mm hook and Pale Taupe make 9ch, turn

Rnd 1: starting in second ch from hook, 2dc, 2htr, 2tr, 1dtr, (2dtr, 1tr) in last st

Fasten off

right wing

Using 3.5mm hook and Pale Taupe make 10ch, turn

Rnd 1: starting in third ch from hook, 2dtr in next st, 1dtr, 2tr, 2htr, 2dc

Fasten off

to make up

For Duck and Duckling, sew Beak to Head and Head to Body. Sew Feet to bottom of Body. Sew Wings to sides of Duck Body. Weave in all ends



“When working the feet, double check where your stitches are to make sure you work through two at a time on the last row”

HANNAH COOPER, DESIGNER

USE YOUR
Bonnie
YARN KIT



PLUS
tapestry
needle

SIZE
Easter egg
width: 9.5cm
Fried egg
width: 10cm



**Perfect for
beginners**

EGG COASTERS

Easter egg

Make three

Note: this pattern is worked in joined rnds, join with a sl st to first st after each rnd. 3ch at beg of each rnd counts as a st throughout. Use any three colours from your kit Using 3.5mm hook and chosen colour make 4ch

Rnd 1 (RS): 10tr in

fourth ch
from hook

Rnd 2: 3ch, 2tr in each st to end, work last tr in same place as base of 3ch. 22 sts Change to second colour

Rnd 3: 3ch, (2tr in first st, 1tr) six times, 2dtr in next st, 1dtr, 2ttr in next st, 1dtr, 2dtr in next st, (1tr, 2tr in next st) twice

Change to third colour

Rnd 4: 3ch, (2tr in first st, 2tr) six times, 2dtr in next st, 2dtr, 2ttr in next st, 2dtr, 2dtr in next st, (2tr, 2tr in next st) twice, 1tr

Rnd 5: 1ch, (2dc in next st, 2dc) eight times, (2dc in next st) ten times, (2dc, 2dc in next st) three times, 1dc Fasten off

fried egg

Make two

Note: this pattern is worked in joined rnds, join with a sl st to first st after each rnd. 3ch at beg of each rnd counts as a st throughout Using 3.5mm hook and Soft Yellow (Vivid Orange)

make 4ch

Rnd 1 (RS): starting in fourth ch from hook, 15tr

Rnd 2: 3ch, 2tr in each st to last st, 1tr in same place as base of 3ch. 32 sts

Change to Pale Taupe

Rnd 3: 3ch, (1tr, 2tr in next st) 15 times,

1tr, 1tr in same place as base of 3ch. 48 sts

Rnd 4: 3ch, (2tr, 2tr in next st) 15 times, 2tr, 1tr in same place as base of 3ch. 64 sts

Rnd 5: 1ch, (3dc, 2htr in next st, 3tr, 2tr in next st, 3dtr, 2dc in next st, 3dc, 2tr in next st, [2htr

in next st] twice, 1dc, 2dc in next st) three times, sl st across last three sts Fasten off

to make up

Spray coasters with water and pin out to dry. Weave in all ends



SKILL UP!

Double treble (dtr): Yoh twice, insert hook in st, yoh, pull up a loop. Four loops on hook. (Yoh and pull through first two loops) three times

Triple treble (ttr): Yoh four times, insert hook in st, yoh, pull up a loop. Six loops on hook. (Yoh, pull through two loops) five times



USE ALL
EIGHT
YARN
COLOURS!



"These colourful coasters are a great way to use up smaller quantities of yarn from your stash. And there's enough yarn in this month's kit to make a dozen eggs!"

JACKIE CARREIRA, DESIGNER



PLUS
tapestry
needle

SIZE
To fit: 6-9
months
Sole length:
13cm

Spring booties

Say hello to happy feet with this sweet pair of knitted jumbo slippers

Just the thing for a trip out in the stroller or keeping little toes toasty at home, **DAWN FINNEY'S** baby boots are also a great way to max your skillset on a mini scale. Featuring a plump garter stitch sole, slipped stitches, a wee Fair Isle flower band and ribbed top, these beauties will fit tots aged 6-9 months.



Take the
next step

SPRING BOOTIES

Make two
Using 3.5mm
needles and
Periwinkle Blue
cast on 42 sts
Row 1 (WS): k
Row 2: k1, yfwd,
k19, yfwd, (k1,

yfwd) twice, k19,
yfwd, k1. 47 sts
**Row 3 and every
odd-numbered
row:** k to end, k
into back of each
yfwd of prev row
Row 4: k2, yfwd,
k19, yfwd, k2,
yfwd, k3, yfwd,

k19, yfwd, k2.
52 sts
Row 6: k3, yfwd,
k19, yfwd, (k4,
yfwd) twice, k19,
yfwd, k3. 57 sts
Row 8: k4, yfwd,
k19, yfwd, k5,
yfwd, k6, yfwd,
k19, yfwd, k4.

62 sts
Row 10: k5, yfwd,
k19, yfwd, (k7,
yfwd) twice, k19,
yfwd, k5. 67 sts
Row 12: k25, yfwd,
k8, yfwd, k9, yfwd,
k25. 70 sts
Row 13: k to end, k
into back of each
yfwd of prev row
Rows 14-15: k
Change to Pale
Taupe, leaving a
long tail of
Periwinkle Blue
Rows 16-18:
starting with a k
row work in st st
Note: colour in
brackets foll
instruction
indicates which
yarn to use
Row 19: p2 (Pale
Taupe), (p1
[Dreamy Lilac], p3
[Pale Taupe])
to end
Row 20: k2 (Pale
Taupe), (k1
[Dreamy Lilac], k1
[Soft Yellow], k1
[Dreamy Lilac], k1
[Pale Taupe])

to end
Row 21: p2 (Pale
Taupe), (p1
[Dreamy Lilac], p3
[Pale Taupe])
to end
Rows 22-24:
starting with a k
row work in st st
Change to
Periwinkle Blue
Rows 25-27: k
Change to Mighty
Mint, leaving a
long tail of
Periwinkle Blue
Row 28: k39,
skpo, turn
Row 29: sl 1, p8,
p2tog, turn
Row 30: sl 1, k8,
skpo, turn
Rows 31-46: rep
Rows 29-30 eight
times
Row 47: rep Row
29. 50 sts
Row 48: sl 1, k
to end
Row 49: p19, p2tog
tbl, p8, p2tog, p19.
48 sts
Row 50: k4, (k4,
k2tog) three times,
k4, (skpo, k4) three



*"To scale the
booties up or
down a size, try
using needles
that are one or
two sizes larger
or smaller"*

DAWN FINNEY, DESIGNER

times, k4. 42 sts

Rows 51-66:

starting with a p row work in st st
Change to Dreamy Lilac

Row 67: k1, (k1, p1) to last st, k1

Row 68: p1, (k1, p1) to last st, p1

Rows 69-86: rep Rows 67-68 nine times

Cast off in rib, leaving a long tail

to make up

Using tapestry needle and long tail of Dreamy Lilac, and with WS facing out, join Bootie sides using mattress st up to Mighty Mint colour change. Turn RS out and join RS and sole using relevant tails to match colours. Weave in all ends

GREAT ADVICE

FAIR ISLE

To work the motif band, you'll need to carry a second colour to work when needed. Join your second colour and knit (or purl) as normal, carrying both yarns across the back of the work and swapping from one to the other as you work along the row. To avoid a tangle, always keep one yarn below the other and don't cross them over

TOP TIP
KEEP THESE BOOTIES IN TOP CONDITION BY HAND WASHING AND RESHAPING WHILE DAMP



Create your own designs with DesignaKnit by Softbyte – a handy computer programme for garment shaping and pattern design. It includes a complete design and charting system for hand knitting, featuring 200 knitting stitch symbols with abbreviations and instructions. Choose from a wide range of garments, apply standard sizes or your own measurements, and adjust the styling features to create your own dream outfits! Find out more at softbyte.co.uk

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TEN
pairs to
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tapestry
needle, black
embroidery
thread

SIZE
To fit: egg



Perfect for
beginners

Bunny parade

What an eggs-ellent way to start the day!

Make breakfast extra fun and keep your boiled eggs toasty with **HEATHER GIBBS'** adorable cosies. These mini makes are quick to whip up and use basic amigurumi technique, so they're ideal if you're still learning. Make each design your own by adding quirky facial expressions and extra embellishments – your Easter table never looked so good.



BUNNY PARADE bottom

Make four

Using 3.5mm hook and Soft Yellow (Pretty Pink, Pale Taupe, Vivid Orange) 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

Rnds 5-8: 1dc in

each st to end
Fasten off

top

Make four

Using 3.5mm hook and Mighty Mint (Light Pink, Dreamy Lilac, Periwinkle Blue) make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring.

Six sts

Rnds 1-3: rep Rnds 1-3 of Bottom. 24 sts

Rnd 4: (7dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 27 sts

Rnd 5: (8dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 30 sts

Rnds 6-7: 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off

ear

Make eight (two in each colour) Using 3.5mm hook and Vivid Orange (Periwinkle Blue, Mighty Mint, Soft Yellow) make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring.



Six sts

Rnd 1: 1dc in each st to end

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

Eight sts

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

Ten sts

Rnd 4: 1dc in each

st to end

Rnd 5: (3dc, dc2tog) to end.

Eight sts

Rnd 6: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 7: (2dc, dc2tog) to end.

Six sts

Rnd 8: 1dc in each

st to end

Fasten off, leaving a long tail

foot

Make eight (two in each colour)

Using 3.5mm hook and Vivid Orange (Periwinkle Blue,

Mighty Mint, Soft Yellow) make a magic ring, work 8dc into ring.

Eight sts

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

Run out of yarn?

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TOP TIP

PLACE AN EGG IN YOUR COSIES WHILE YOU'RE MAKING THEM – IF IT'S A PERFECT FIT, THERE'S NO NEED TO KEEP INCREASING YOUR STITCH COUNT

to make up

Oversew Ears, attach to top of Tops. Attach Feet to Bottoms, making sure egg can balance when placed inside. Make mini pom-pom in same colour as Ears and attach to back of Bottom. Embroider eyes, nose and mouth with black embroidery thread. Weave in all ends



USE YOUR
Bonnie
YARN KIT



PLUS
tapestry
needle

SIZE
Rose width (inc
leaves): 9.5cm
Star flower
width: 9.5cm
Round petal
flower width:
9.5cm



**Perfect for
beginners**

ROSE flower

Using 3.5mm
needles and Pretty
Pink cast on
128 sts

Rows 1-3: starting
with a k row work
in st st

Row 4 (WS): p

Row 5: (k2tog) to
end. 64 sts

Rows 6-11: rep
Rows 4-5 three
times. Eight sts
Cut yarn leaving a
long tail, thread
tail onto tapestry
needle and thread
through rem sts,
fasten off

medium leaf

Using 3.5mm
needles and
Mighty Mint cast
on five sts

Row 1 (RS): kfb, k2,
kfb, k1. Seven sts

Row 2: p

Row 3: kfb, k4, kfb,
k1. Nine sts

Rows 4-8: starting
with a p row work
in st st

Row 9: k1, k2tog,
k4, k2tog.

Seven sts

Row 10: p

Row 11: k1, k2tog,
k2, k2tog. Five sts

Row 12: p

Row 13: k1, (k2tog)
twice. Three sts

Row 14: p2tog, p1.

Two sts

Row 15: k2tog.

One st

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

large leaf

Using 3.5mm
needles and
Mighty Mint cast
on five sts

Row 1 (RS): kfb, k2,
kfb, k1. Seven sts

Row 2: p

Row 3: kfb, k4, kfb,
k1. Nine sts

Row 4: p

Row 5: kfb, k6, kfb,
k1. Eleven sts

Rows 6-12:

starting with a p
row work in st st

Row 13: k1, k2tog,
k6, k2tog. Nine sts

**Row 14 and every
even-numbered
row:** p

Row 15: k1, k2tog,
k4, k2tog.

Seven sts

Row 17: k1, k2tog,
k2, k2tog. Five sts

Row 19: k1, (k2tog)
twice. Three sts

Row 20: p2tog, p1.

Two sts

Row 21: k2tog.

One st

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

STAR FLOWER large petal

Make five

Using 3.5mm
needles and Pretty
Pink cast on
three sts

Row 1 (RS): (kfb)
twice, k1. Five sts

Row 2: k

Row 3: kfb, k2, kfb,
k1. Seven sts

Rows 4-12: k

Row 13: k1, k2tog,
k1, k2tog, k1.

Five sts

**Row 14 and every
even-numbered**

row: k

Row 15: k2, k2tog,
k1. Four sts

Row 17: k1, k2tog,
k1. Three sts

Row 18: k2tog, k1.

Two sts

Row 19: k2tog.

One st

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

medium petal

Make five

Using 3.5mm
needles and Light
Pink cast on
one st

Row 1 (RS): kfbf.

Three sts

Row 2: k

Row 3: (kfb) twice,
k1. Five sts

Rows 4-10: k

Row 11: k2, k2tog,
k1. Four sts

Row 12: k

Row 13: k1, k2tog,
k1. Three sts

Row 14: k2tog, k1.

Two sts

Row 15: k2tog.

One st

Cut yarn leaving a
long tail, thread
tail onto tapestry
needle and thread

through rem sts,
fasten off

centre

Using 3.5mm
needles and Soft
Yellow cast on
eight sts

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

Rows 2-8: starting
with a p row work
in st st

Row 9: (k2tog) to
end. Eight sts

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

PANSY petal

Make four

Using 3.5mm
needles and
Dreamy Lilac cast
on one st

Row 1 (RS): kfbf.

Three sts

Row 2: p

Row 3: (kfb) twice,
k1. Five sts

Row 4: p

Row 5: kfb, k2, kfb,
k1. Seven sts

Row 6: pfb, p4,
pfb, p1. Nine sts

Row 7: kfb, k6, kfb,
k1. 11 sts

Row 8: pfb, p8,
pfb, p1. 13 sts

Rows 9-14:

starting with a k
row work in st st

Row 15: k1, k2tog,
k8, k2tog. 11 sts

Row 16: p2tog, p6,
p2tog, p1. Nine sts

Row 17: k1, k2tog,
k4, k2tog.

Seven sts

Cast off pwise,
leaving a long tail

centre

Using 3.5mm
needles and
Periwinkle Blue
cast on one st

Row 1 (RS): kfbfbf.



**GREAT
ADVICE**

Looking for a 2D
effect? Appliqué
the flower patches
using running
stitch around the
edges. Or you can
create a more
textured, 3D look
by just sewing
around the centre
of each bloom so
the petals and
leaves still curl



Flower patches

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your wardrobe and care for the planet at the same time.



Five sts

Rows 2-5: starting with a p row work in st st

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

to make up

Coil Rose into flower shape, then secure using tapestry needle and long tail of Pretty Pink. Weave long cast-off tails of each Leaf up WS to cast-on edge, then use to join to back of Rose. Using long tail of Star Flower Centre, pull tightly to close, join sides using mattress st. Work gathering st through cast-on sts, pull tightly to close, secure yarn. Weave cast-off tails of each Petal up WS to cast-on edge, join around Star Flower Centre. Weave long cast-off tails of each Pansy Petal up WS to cast-on edge, join Petal sides using running st, overlapping slightly. Using long tail of Pansy Centre, work gathering st around outer edge, pull tightly to form bobble, then secure firmly and sew to centre of Pansy Petals. With Pale Taupe embroider short straight sts around Centre on Petals. Weave in all ends



SKILL UP!

kfbfb: knit into front and back of next st as many times as indicated before lifting it off needle



“Get creative and play around with different petal shapes to create flowers of your own design”

DAWN FINNEY, DESIGNER



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STASH-BUSTING
BLANKET

YOU WILL
NEED

YARN

DK: (A) Light Brown, (B) White, 20g of each; (C) Pink, 15g; (D) Soft Yellow, 10g; (E) Orange, 8g
4-ply: small amount of dark brown

PLUS

3.5mm needles, 3mm hook, six 5mm, two 4mm and six 3mm black eye beads or safety eyes, sewing needle, black thread, stuffing, tapestry needle

SIZE

Bunny: 10cm x 7cm
Sheep: 11cm x 5.5cm
Piglet: 8cm x 4cm
Chicken: 6cm x 4cm
Chicks: 4cm x 2.5cm
Daffodils: 5cm across x 1cm
Chick with shell: 3cm x 3cm



Take the
next step

BUNNY
body

Using 3.5mm needles and yarn B, cast on 14 sts
Row 1 (WS): p
Row 2: (k1, kfb) to end. 21 sts
Row 3: p
Row 4: (k2, kfb) to end. 28 sts
Rows 5-11: cont in st st
Row 12: (k5, k2tog) twice, (k2tog, k5) twice. 24 sts
Rows 13-17: cont in

st st

Row 18: (k2, k2tog) three times, (k2tog, k2) three times. 18 sts
Rows 19-21: cont in st st
Cast off

head

Using 3.5mm needles and yarn A, cast on ten sts
Row 1 (WS): p
Row 2: (kfb) to end. 20 sts
Row 3: p
Row 4: (k1, kfb) to end. 30 sts
Rows 5-15: cont in st st
Row 16: k5, (k2tog) ten times, k5. 20 sts
Rows 17-19: cont in st st
Cut yarn A. Join yarn B
Rows 20-22: cont in st st
Cut yarn, thread through sts, pull tightly and fasten off

ear

Make two
Note: twist yarns at colour change to avoid any holes
Using 3.5mm needles and yarn A, cast on 13 sts
Row 1 (WS): p7, join yarn B and p6
Keeping colours correct, cont as

folks:

Rows 2-9: beg with a k row, work in st st
Row 10: k1, (k2tog, k1) to end. Nine sts
Rows 11-16: cont in st st
Cast off

leg

Make two
Using 3.5mm needles and yarn A, cast on ten sts
Row 1 (WS): p
Row 2: (kfb) to end. 20 sts
Rows 3-5: cont in st st
Row 6: k8, (k2tog) twice, k8. 18 sts
Row 7: p
Row 8: k5, (k2tog) four times, k5. 14 sts
Rows 9-11: cont in st st
Cast off

arm

Make two
Using 3.5mm needles and yarn A, cast on ten sts
Rows 1-7: beg with a p (WS) row, work in st st
Row 8: k3, (k2tog) twice, k3. Eight sts
Rows 9-10: cont in st st
Cast off

tail

Using 3.5mm needles and yarn

A, cast on eight sts
Beg with a p (WS) row, work four rows in st st
Cut yarn leaving a tail, thread through rem sts, pull tight and fasten off

carrot

Using 3.5mm needles and yarn E, cast on eight sts
Rows 1-3: beg with a p (WS) row, work in st st
Row 4: k2, (k2tog) twice, k2. Six sts
Rows 5-7: cont in st st
Row 8: (k2tog) to end. Three sts
Row 9: p
Cut yarn leaving a tail, thread through rem sts, pull tight and fasten off

to make up

Using yarn tail, gather cast-on edge of Body and

draw tightly. Sew seam to neck, then stuff. With yarn tail end of Head, sew seam halfway. Gather cast-on sts and draw tightly. Sew further, stuff, then close seam. Seam Ears and attach to Head. Sew on eye beads. Using yarn C, embroider nose. With Dark Brown 4ply, embroider mouth. Seam and stuff Arms, Legs and Tail, then attach to Body. Sew Head to neck. Seam and stuff Carrot. Using yarn D, make backstitches with loops to create carrot top

PIGLET
body

Using 3.5mm needles and yarn C, cast on 12 sts
Row 1 (WS): p
Row 2: (k1, kfb) to

end. 18 sts

Row 3: p
Row 4: (k2, kfb) to end. 24 sts
Rows 5-9: cont in st st
Row 10: (k4, k2tog) to end. 20 sts
Rows 11-13: cont in st st
Row 14: (k3, k2tog) to end. 16 sts
Row 15: p
Cast off

head

Using 3.5mm needles and yarn C, cast on 14 sts
Row 1 (WS): p
Row 2: (k1, kfb) to end. 21 sts
Row 3: p
Row 4: (k2, kfb) to end. 28 sts
Rows 5-9: cont in st st
Row 10: k10, (k2tog) four times, k10. 24 sts
Rows 11-15: cont in st st
Row 16: (k2tog) to end. 12 sts



"When you fasten off, leave long ends to make sewing your pieces together much easier. Sew all seams with the right sides facing out, using mattress stitch, keeping your stitches small and neat. If you'd prefer not to use eye beads or safety eyes, why not try making French knots with black yarn?"

SACHIYO ISHII, DESIGNER



CONTINUE
KNITTING



Cut yarn leaving a tail, thread through rem sts, pull tight and fasten off

snout

Using 3.5mm needles and yarn C, cast on ten sts Cut yarn leaving a tail, thread through rem sts, pull tight and fasten off

ear

Make two
Using 3.5mm needles and yarn

C, cast on five sts
Rows 1-3: beg with a p (WS) row, work in st st

Row 4: k2tog, k1, k2tog. Three sts

Row 5: p3tog.

One st
Fasten off

leg

Make two
Using 3.5mm needles and yarn C, cast on 12 sts Beg with a p (WS) row, work five rows in st st Cut yarn leaving a tail, thread

through rem sts, pull tight and fasten off

arm

Make two
Using 3.5mm needles and yarn C, cast on six sts Beg with a p (WS) row, work five rows in st st Cut yarn leaving a tail, thread through rem sts, pull tight and fasten off

tail

Using 3mm

crochet hook and yarn C, make 8ch Fasten off

to make up

Make up Body, Head, Arms and Legs as Brown Bunny. Stitch ends of Snout together to make a circle. Attach Snout to face. Using Dark Brown 4ply, embroider nostrils and mouth. Sew Tail to Body and Ears to Head

SHEEP body

Using 3.5mm needles and yarn B, cast on 12 sts

Row 1 and all WS rows: k

Row 2: (k1, kfb) to end. 18 sts

Row 4: (k2, kfb) to end. 24 sts

Row 6: (k3, kfb) to

end. 30 sts

Row 8: (k4, kfb) to end. 36 sts

Rows 9-15: k

Row 16: (k4, k2tog) to end. 30 sts

Rows 17-21: k

Row 22: (k3, k2tog) to end. 24 sts

Rows 23-29: k

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

Rows 31-32: k Cast off

head

Using 3.5mm needles and yarn A, cast on 12 sts

Row 1 (WS): p

Row 2: (kfb) to end. 24 sts

Rows 3-9: cont in st st

Row 10: (k2, k2tog) to end. 18 sts

Row 11: p

Cut yarn A. Join yarn B

Rows 12-13: k

Row 14: (k2, kfb) to end. 24 sts

Row 15: k

Row 16: (k3, kfb) to end. 30 sts

Row 17: k

Row 18: (k1, k2tog) to end. 20 sts

Rows 19-20: k

Row 21: (k2tog) to end. Ten sts

Cut yarn leaving a tail, thread through rem sts, pull tight and fasten off

ear

Make two

Using 3.5mm needles and yarn B, cast on four sts
Rows 1-3: beg with a p (WS) row, work in st st

Row 4: (k2tog)

twice. Two sts Pass first st over second st and fasten off





GREAT ADVICE

MAKING UP

Some of these characters are quite small so use your cast-on and cast-off yarn tails to sew up the individual pieces.

Be sure to use small pieces of stuffing and tease the fibres apart before filling. Use the blunt end of your knitting needle to push the stuffing into the small areas



leg

Make four

Using 3.5mm needles and yarn A, cast on eight sts Beg with a p (WS) row, work seven rows in st st Cut yarn leaving a tail, thread through rem sts, pull tight and fasten off

tail

Using 3.5mm needles and yarn B, cast on six sts K 5 rows Cut yarn leaving a tail, thread through rem sts, pull tight and fasten off

to make up

Make up Body, Head, Arms, Legs and Tail as for Brown Bunny. Using Dark Brown 4ply, embroider nose and mouth. Sew Ears to Head

CHICKEN body

Using 3.5mm needles and yarn B, cast on 12 sts
Row 1 (WS): p
Row 2: (kfb) to end. 24 sts
Rows 3-15: cont in st st
Row 16: k8, (k2tog) four times, k8. 20 sts
Row 17: p
Row 18: k6, (k2tog) four times, k6. 16 sts
Row 19: p
Row 20: k4, (k2tog) four times, k4. 12 sts
Row 21: p
Cast off

wing

Make two

Using 3.5mm needles and yarn B, cast on ten sts
Rows 1-3: beg with a p (WS) row, work in st st
Row 4: k2, (k2tog, k2) to end. Eight sts
Row 5: p
Row 6: (k2tog) to end. Four sts
Cut yarn leaving a tail, thread

through rem sts, pull tight and fasten off

crest

Using 3mm crochet hook and yarn E, make 3ch Sl st in first ch, (3ch, sl st in first ch) twice more Fasten off

wattle

Using 3mm crochet hook and yarn E, make 3ch Sl st in first ch, 3ch, sl st in first ch Fasten off

beak

Using 3.5mm needles and yarn D, cast on four sts
Row 1 (WS): (p2tog) twice. Two sts

Pass first st over second and fasten off

to make up

Using fastened-off yarn tail, sew Body halfway. Using cast-on yarn tail, gather cast-on edge and draw tightly. Stuff Body and close seam. Attach Beak, Crest and Wattle. Attach bead eyes. Seam each Wing and attach to Body

CHICK

Make two body

Using 3.5mm needles and yarn D, cast on ten sts
Row 1 (WS): p
Row 2: (kfb) to end. 20 sts
Rows 3-7: cont in st st
Row 8: k6, (k2tog) four times, k6. 16 sts
Row 9: p
Row 10: k4, (k2tog) four times, k4. 12 sts
Row 11: p
Row 12: (k2tog) to end. Six sts
Cut yarn leaving a

tail, thread through rem sts, pull tight and fasten off

beak

Using 3.5mm needles and yarn E, cast on two sts
Row 1 (WS): p2tog. One st
Fasten off

to make up

Using fastened-off yarn tail, sew Body halfway. Using cast-on yarn tail, gather cast-on edge and draw tightly. Stuff Body and close seam. Attach Beak and sew on bead eyes

CHICK WITH SHELL body

Using 3.5mm needles and yarn B, cast on ten sts
Row 1 (WS): p
Row 2: (kfb) to end. 20 sts
Rows 3-4: cont in st st
Row 5 (edge): k
Cut yarn B. Join yarn D
Rows 6-9: beg

with a k row, work in st st
Cut yarn D. Join yarn B

Row 10: (k3, k2tog) to end. 16 sts

Row 11 (edge): k
Rows 12-13: beg with a k row, work in st st

Row 14: (k2tog) to end. Eight sts
Cut yarn leaving a tail, thread through rem sts, pull tight and fasten off

to make up

Make up as for Chick

DAFFODIL petals

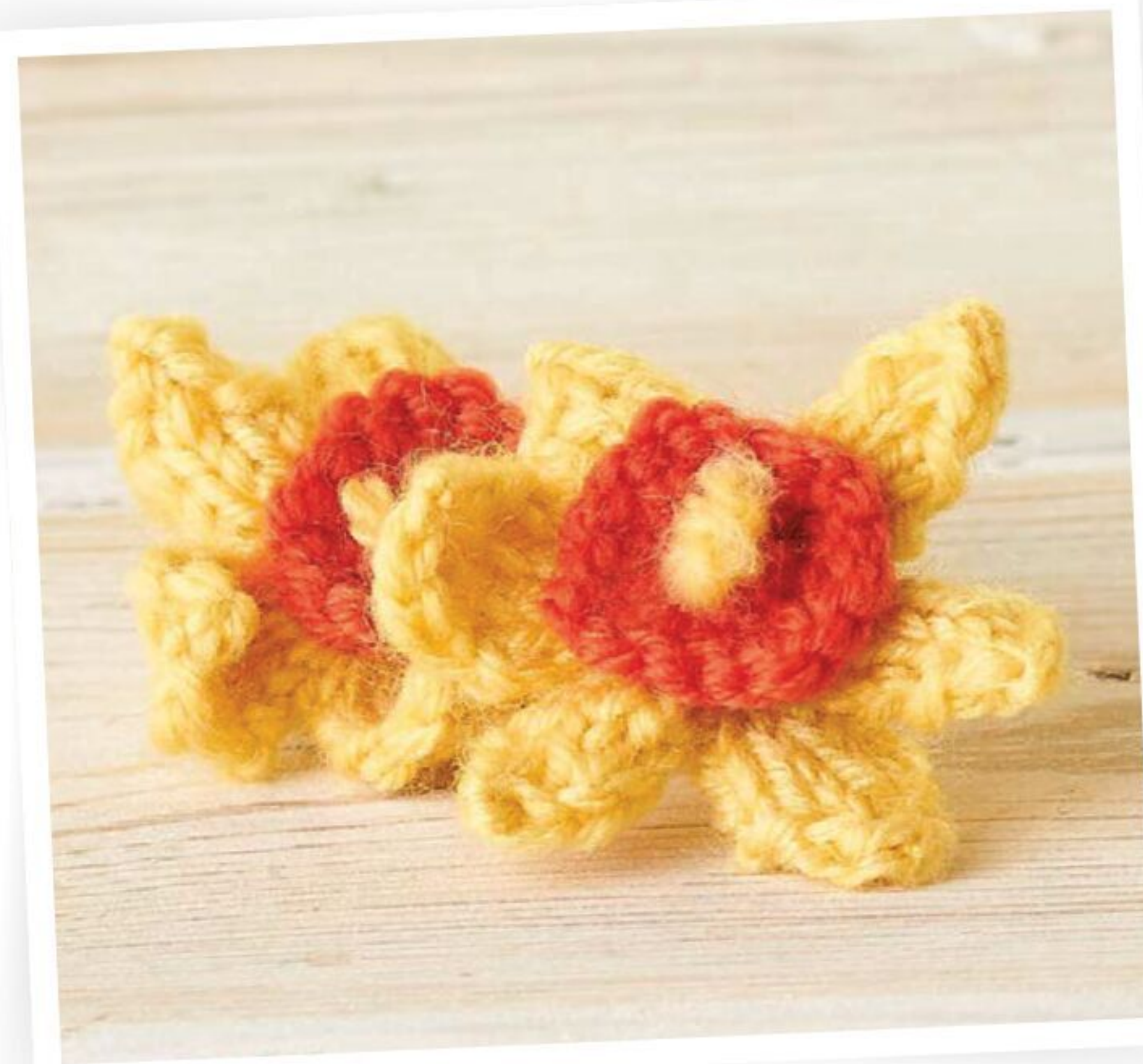
Using 3.5mm needles and yarn D, cast on 30 sts
*** Row 1:** p5, turn
Work on this set of five sts only
Rows 2-3: cont in st st
Row 4: skpo, k1, k2tog. Three sts
Row 5: p
Row 6: sl 1, k2tog, psso. One st
Fasten off *
Rep from * to * for each set of five sts to end. Six petals

centre

Using 3.5mm needles and yarn E, cast on eight sts
Row 1 (WS): p
Row 2: (kfb) to end. 16 sts
Cast off kwise

to make up

Join ends of Petals. Seam Centre and sew Petals to Centre. Using yarn D, embroider backstitches in centre, leaving loops. Weave in all ends



YOU WILL NEED

|||||

YARN

DK: pink, white

PLUS

4mm needles,
two cushions,
medium white
pom-pom,
textile glue



Perfect for
beginners

STYLISH CUSHIONS

Note: before starting your knitting, create two templates on an A4 piece of paper. Write 'Hello' on one and 'Smile' on the other. Using 4mm needles and pink

(white) yarn, knit an i-cord as follows: * K5, sl these five sts back to LH needle, pull yarn across back of work, rep from *

until i-cord reaches required length

smile

1. Knit a 25cm i-cord for the

letter S, and a 90cm i-cord for the rest of the word
2. Place the Smile pattern on your cushion and using a pencil, perforate the letters every 1cm so the word Smile appears in the form of a series of tiny holes
3. Glue the ends of the two lengths of knitted cord
4. Apply glue along the dotted line forming the 'S'
5. Stick on the 25cm length of white knitted cord
6. Apply glue along the rest of the word 'mile'
7. Stick on the

90cm length of knitted cord
8. To finish, glue on the pom-pom above the 'i'

hello

1. Knit a 50cm i-cord for the letter H, and an 85cm i-cord for the rest of the word
2. Repeat steps 2-7 of Smile cushion



Feel like the queen that you are with this regal project from *French Knitting*



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JOINING IN A NEW BALL OF YARN



Try to join a new ball of yarn at the beginning of the row. Insert your needle into the first stitch of the row, then lay the tail of the new yarn over the top of the old one and knit the stitch. We've used a different colour to show the technique, but this also demonstrates how to join a new colour to work stripes.

Turn over for our classic stitch illustrations

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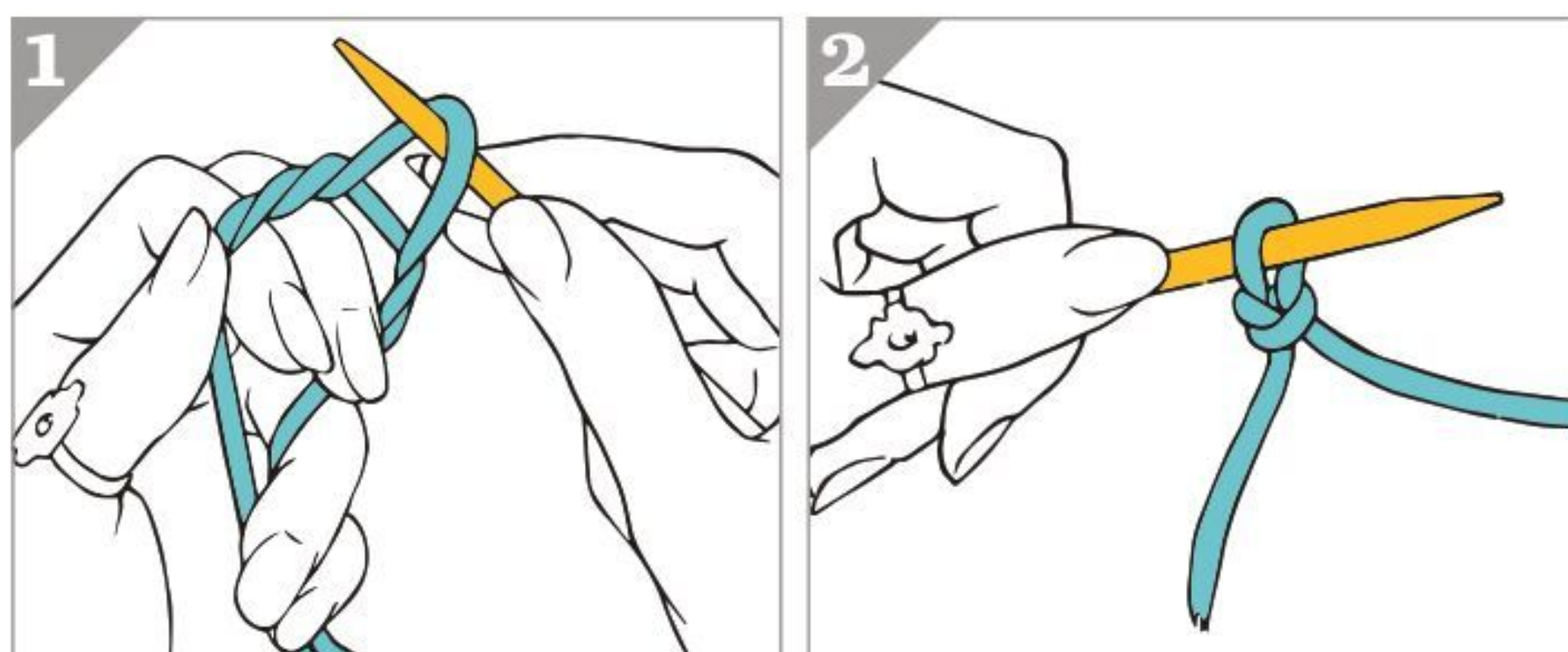
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slip knot

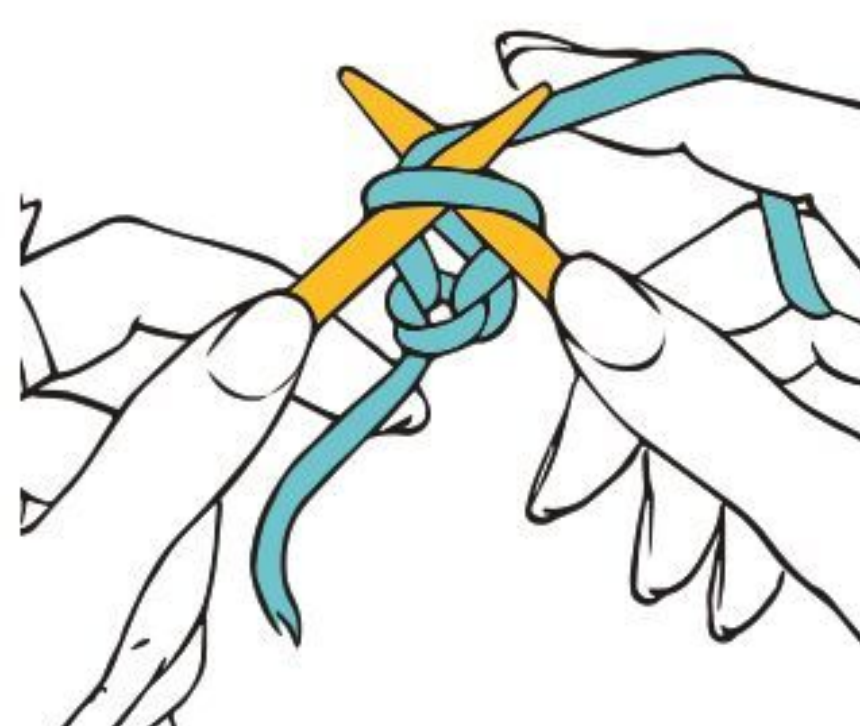
You need to make a slip knot on your needle before casting on. It counts as your first cast-on stitch



- 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.



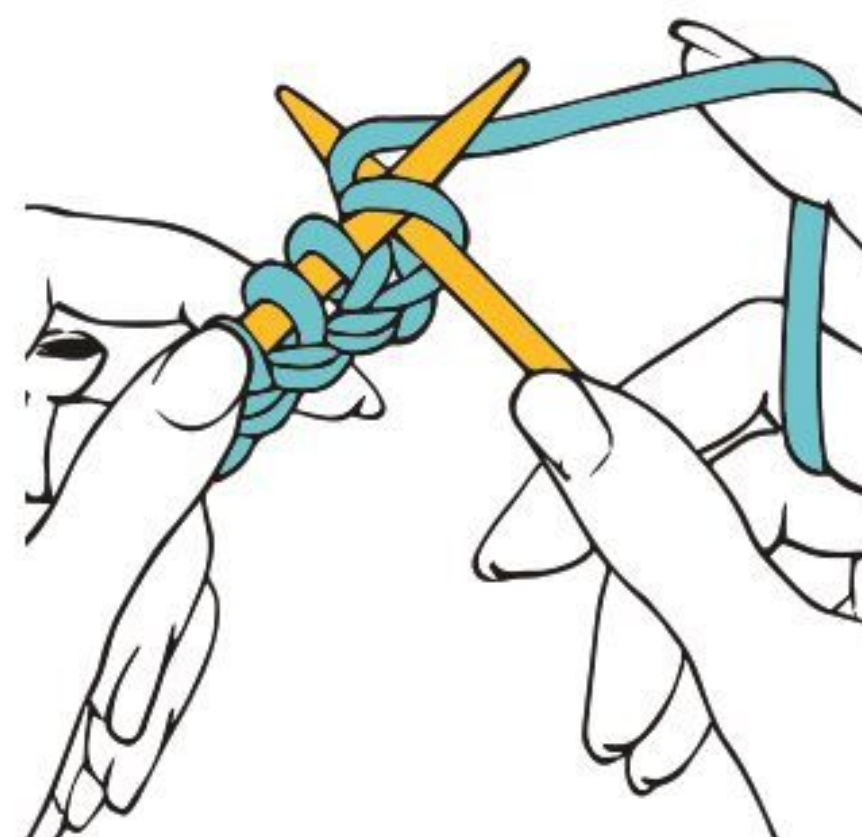
- 2 Pull the loop that forms back through the original stitch and insert the tip of the LH needle into the new stitch from underneath to transfer from the RH to LH needle. There should now be two stitches on the LH needle.



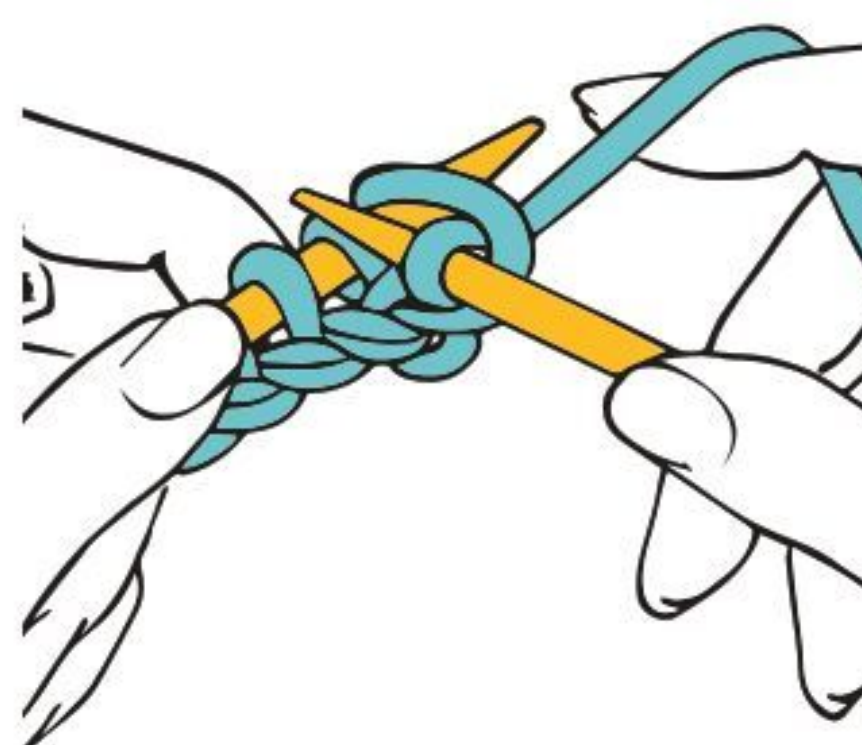
- 3 Repeat the above steps, knitting into the top stitch on the LH needle and returning the new stitches from the RH to the LH needle until you have the required number of stitches.

knit stitch (k)

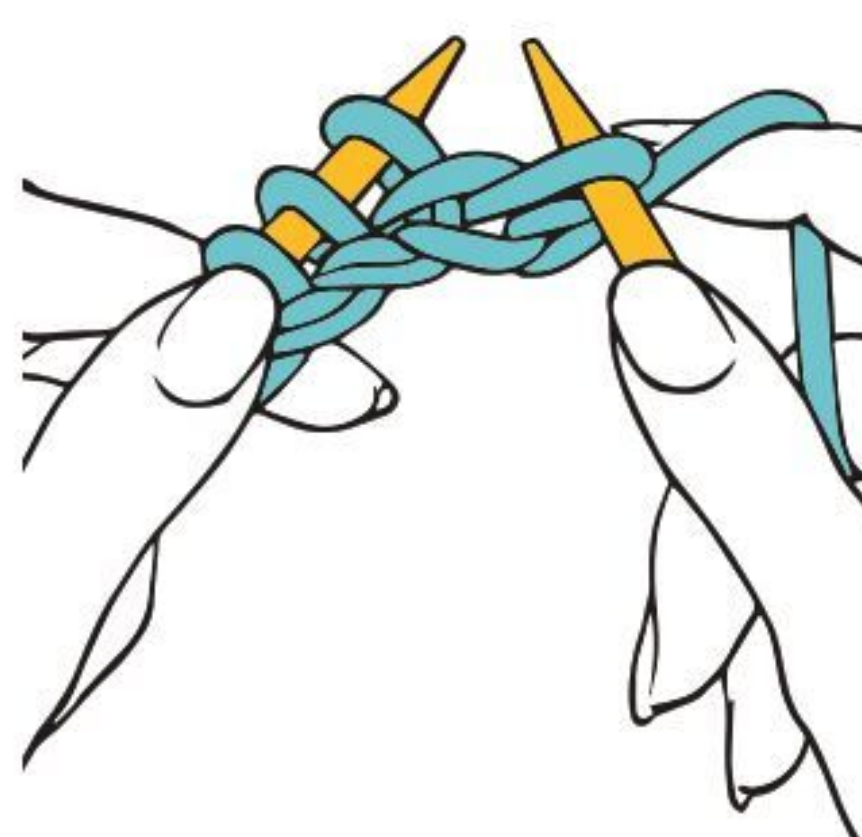
Also known as garter stitch, the knit stitch is the foundation of knitting



- 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.



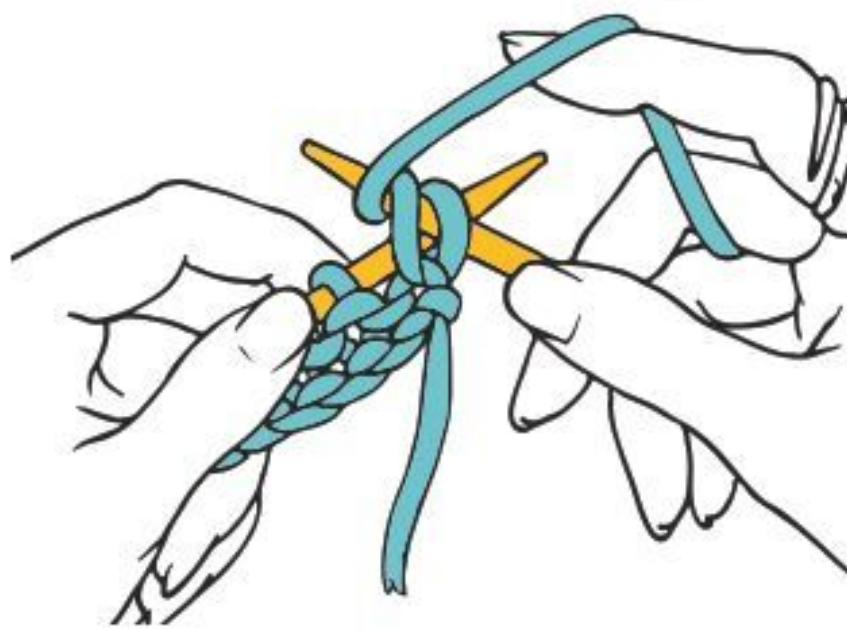
- 2 Using the RH needle, pull a loop of the wrapped yarn through the original stitch to create a new one on the RH needle.



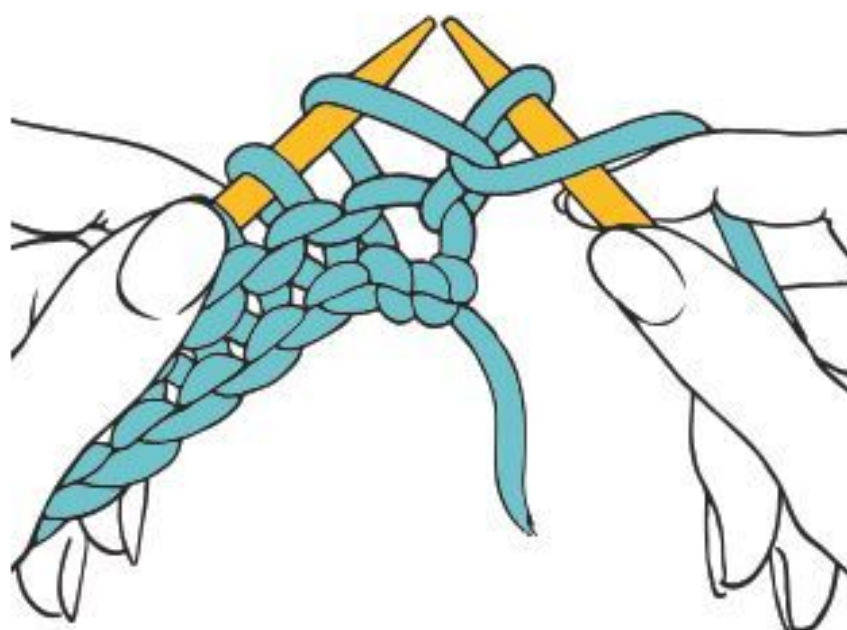
- 3 Slide the original stitch off the LH needle. Repeat from step 1.

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 purled 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).

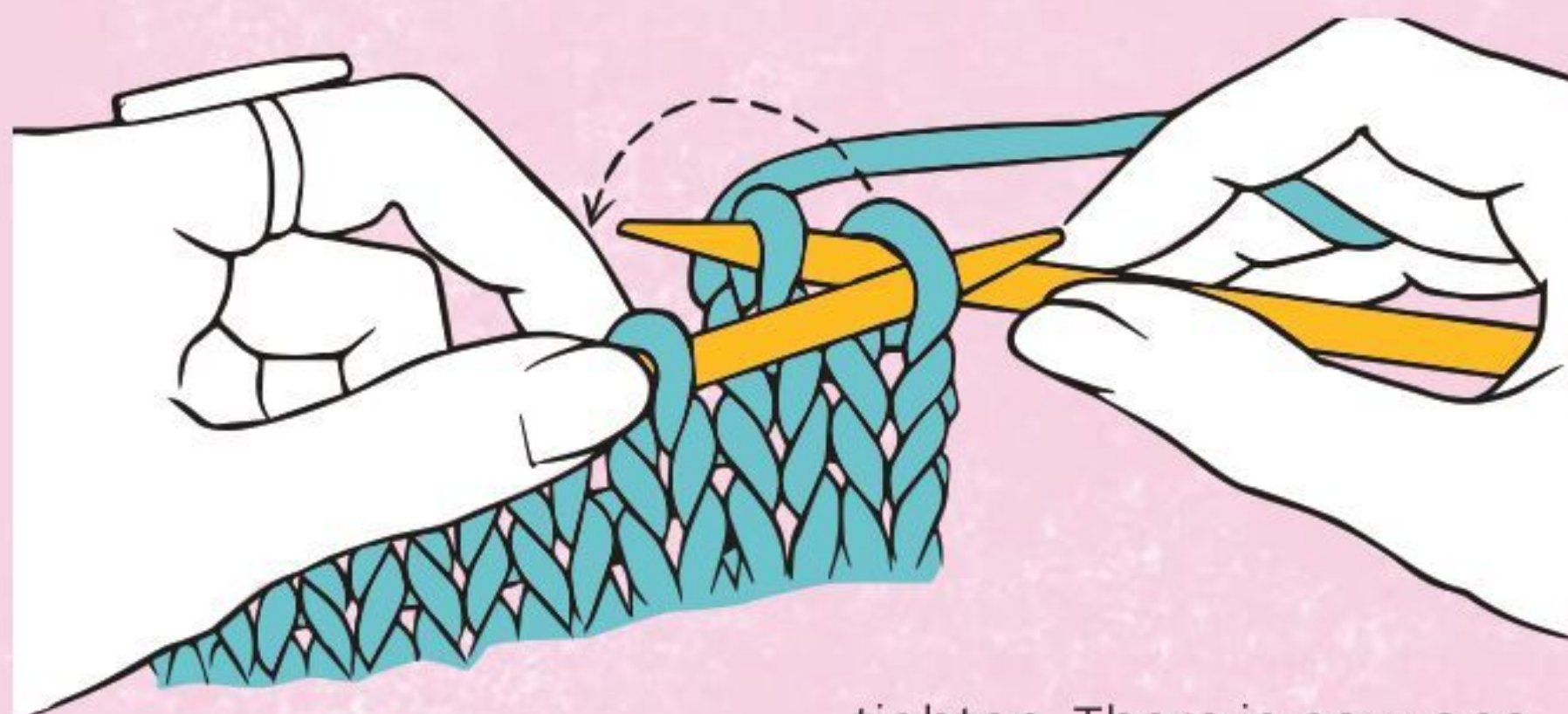


2 Push the RH needle into the back part of the loop that now lies over the LH needle and knit this stitch. You will now have an additional stitch on the RH needle.

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



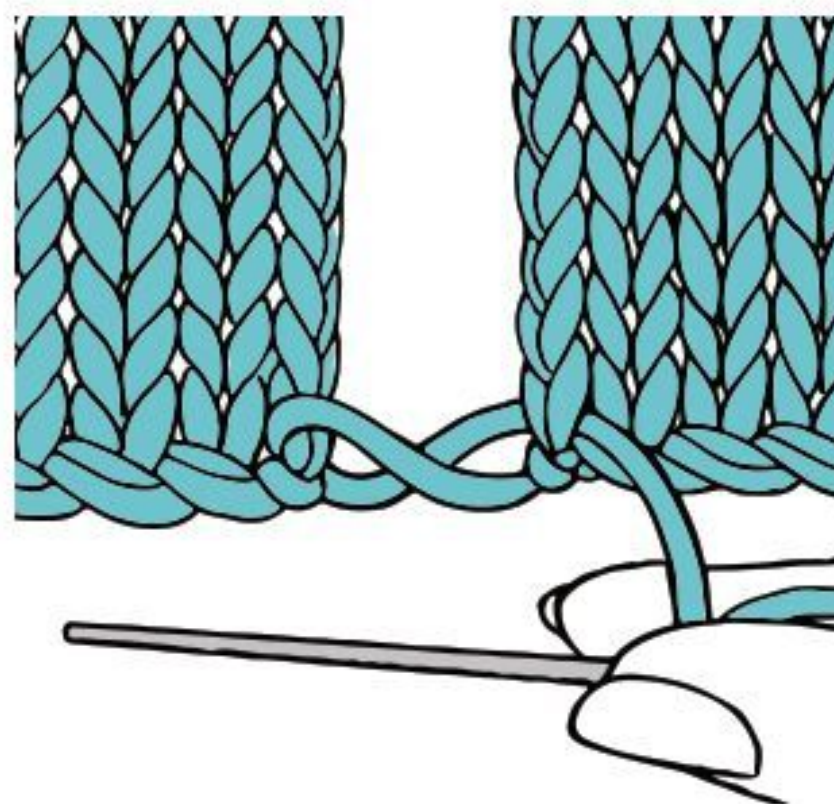
1 Knit two stitches as normal. Insert the tip of the LH needle into the second stitch on the RH needle (the stitch closest to you). Carefully lift it up and over the top stitch, dropping it off the tip of the RH needle and pulling the yarn to

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
kwise: 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

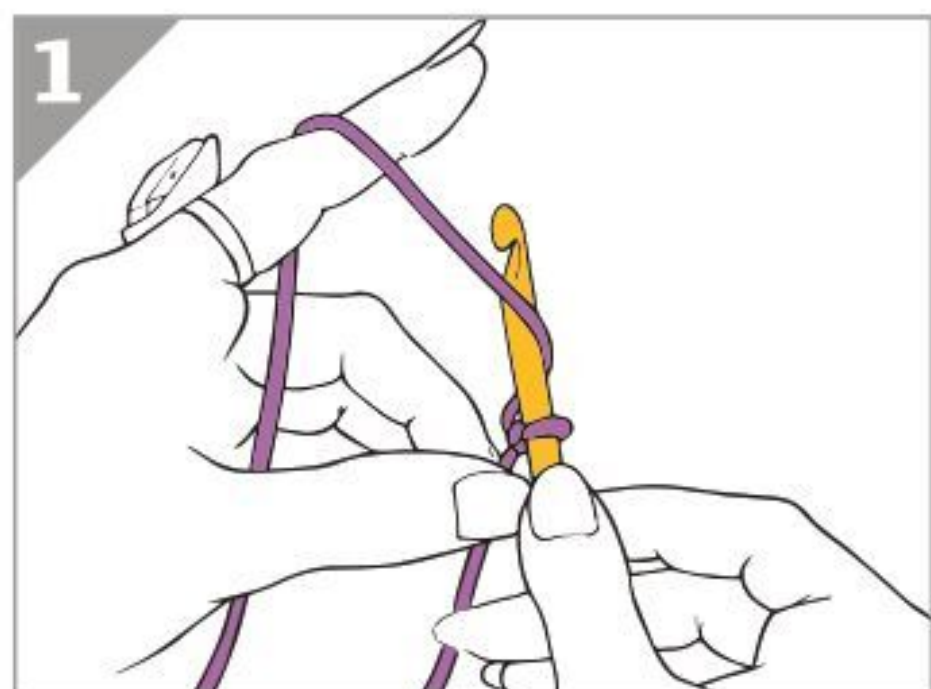
p2tog: purl two together
rem: remaining
rep: repeat
rev: reverse
RH: right-hand
RS: right side
skpo: slip one, knit one, pass slipped stitch over
sl 1: slip one stitch
sl st: slip stitch
sm: slip stitch marker
sp(s): space(s)
ssk: one by one, slip next two stitches

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

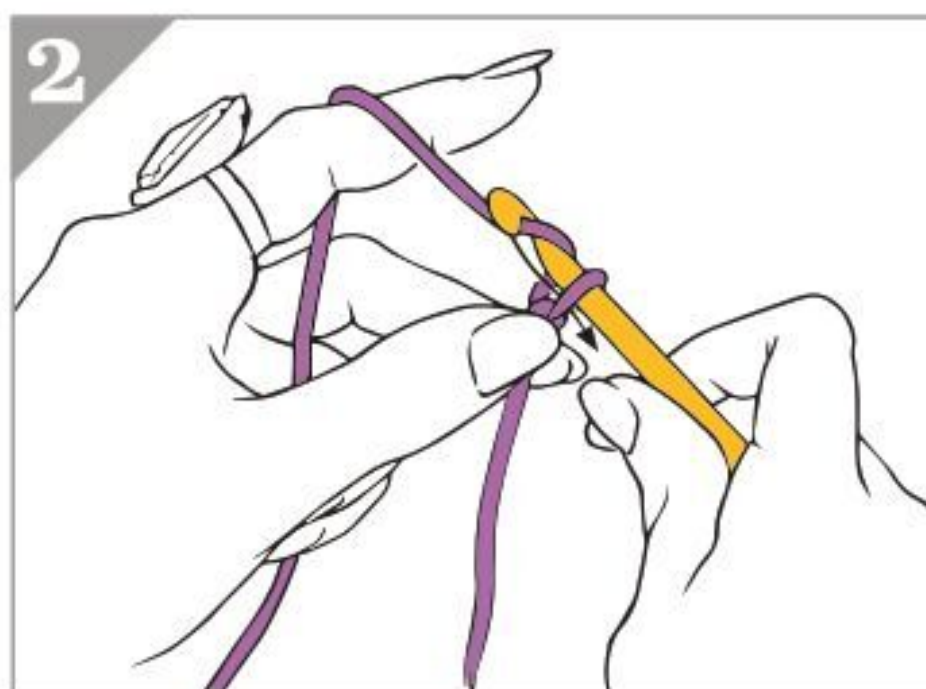
in back
wyif: with yarn in front
yb: yarn back
yfwd: yarn forward (between knit stitches)
yoh: yarn over hook
yon: yarn over needle (between a purl and a knit stitch)
ym: yarn round needle (between purl stitches and between a knit and a purl stitch)



Many projects start with a series of chain stitches. To begin you need to make a slip knot on your hook (see page 62)



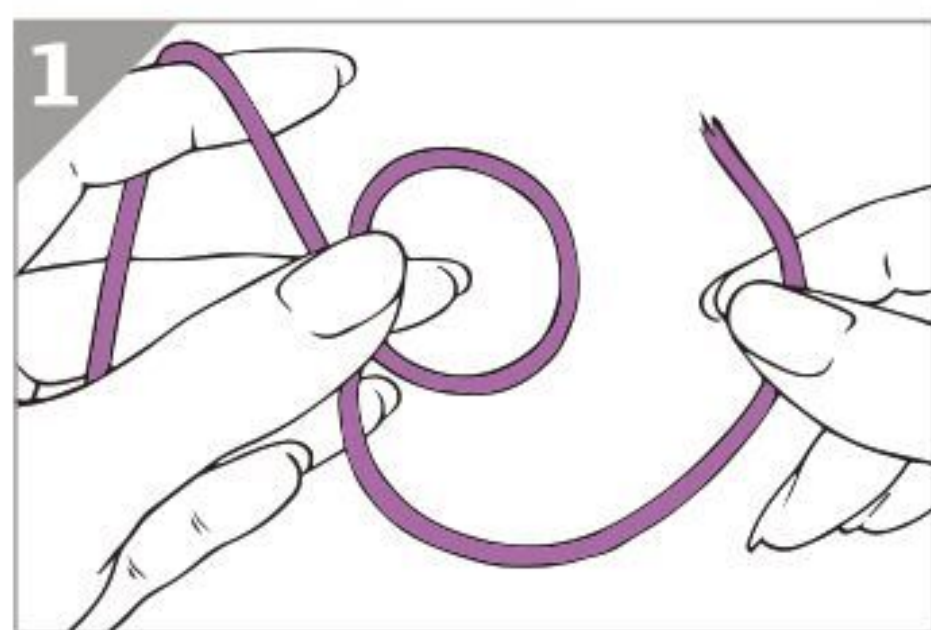
1 Make a slip knot and put it on the neck of the hook – don't pull it too tight or it will be difficult to stitch with. Coming from behind, wrap the yarn around the hook from right to left, across the 'neck'.



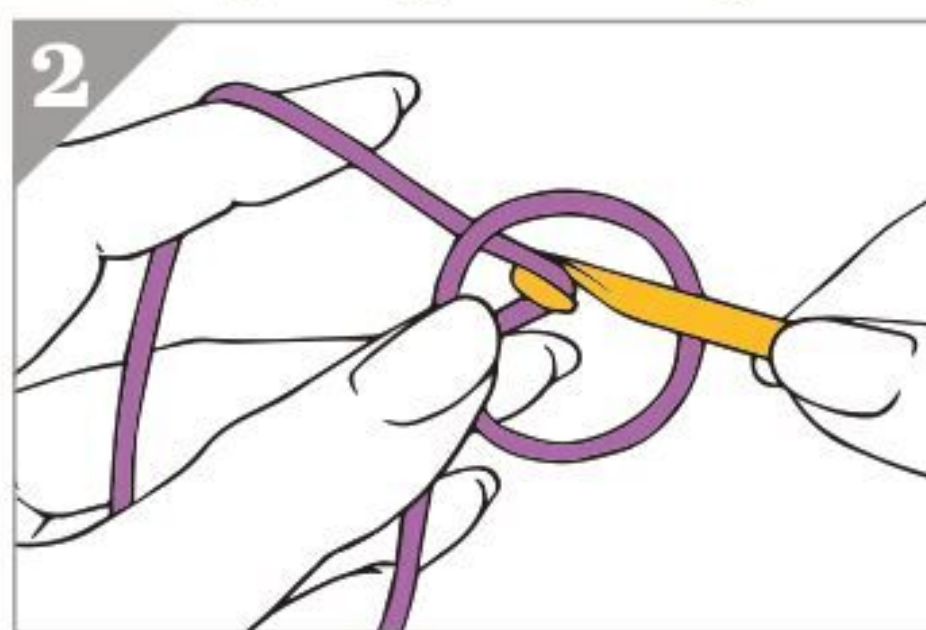
2 Catch the yarn and use the hook to pull it down through the slip knot. You have now made one chain (ch). Continue to make more chains, as directed in the pattern.



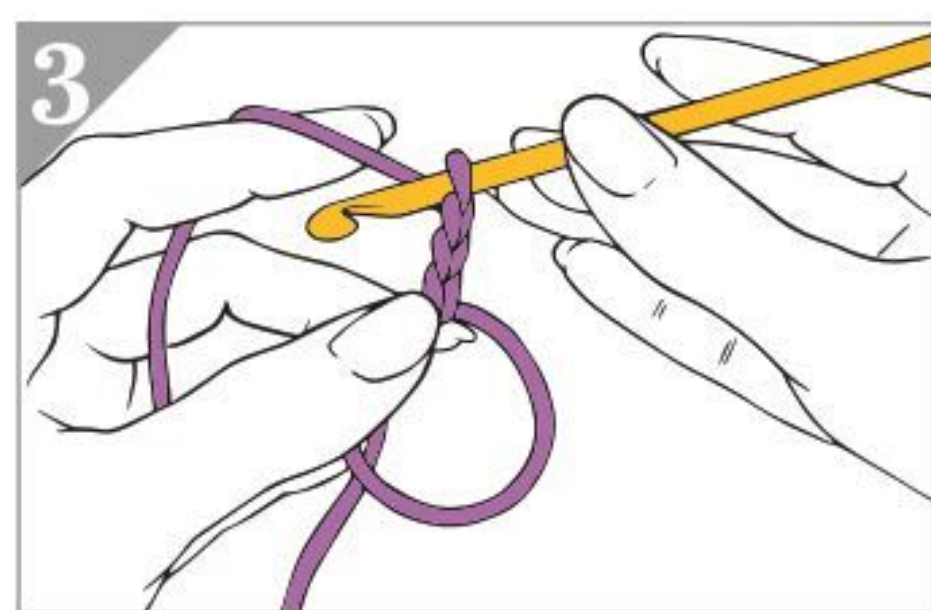
The magic ring is an easy way of beginning to work in the round. It is often used when making amigurumi toys



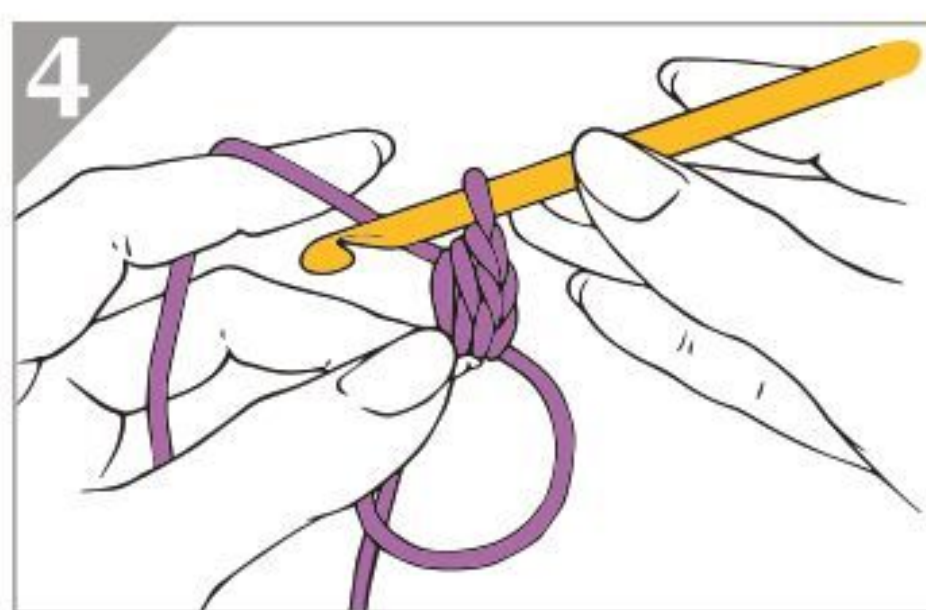
1 Make a large loop by putting the yarn tail behind the working yarn.



2 With your hook, draw the working yarn through the loop, so you have one loop on the hook.



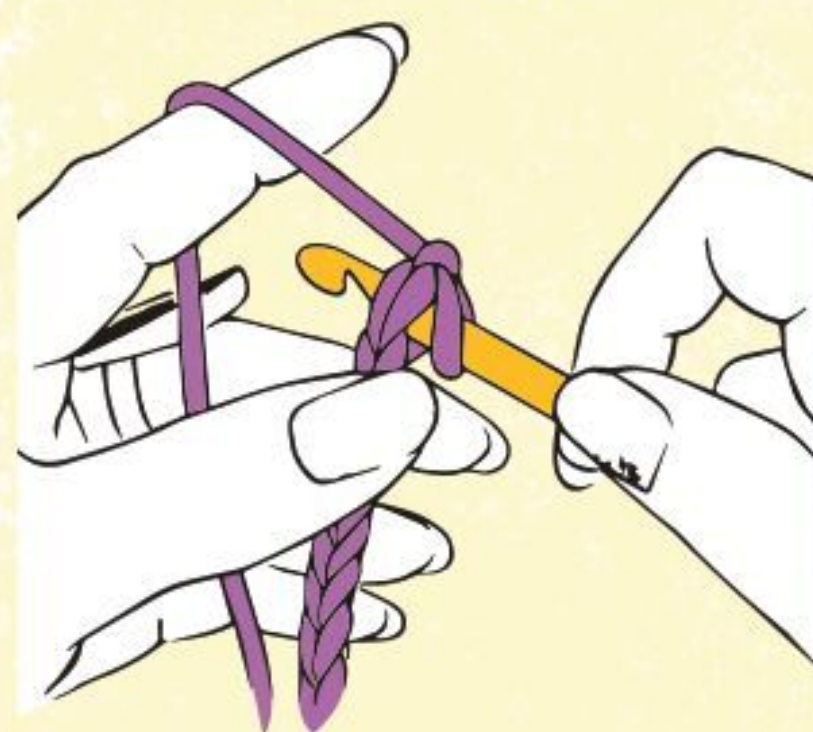
3 Make three chain stitches (counts as first treble), work a treble into the loop, crocheting over the tail.



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.

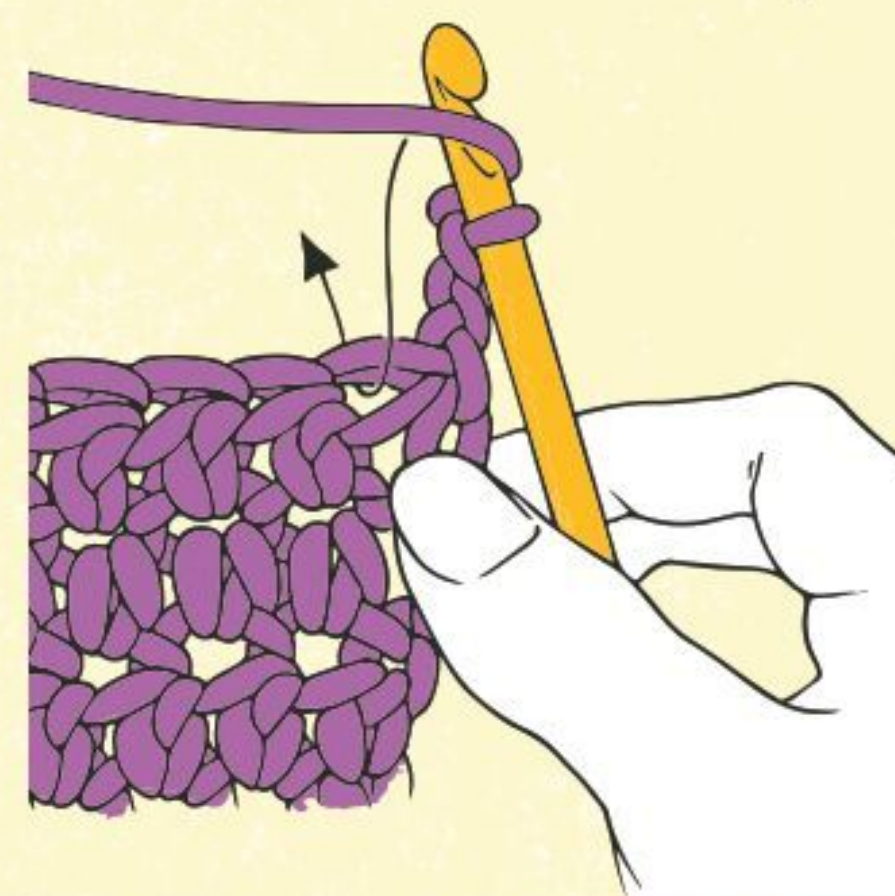


2 Yarn over the hook and draw back through the work. There will be two loops of yarn on the hook.

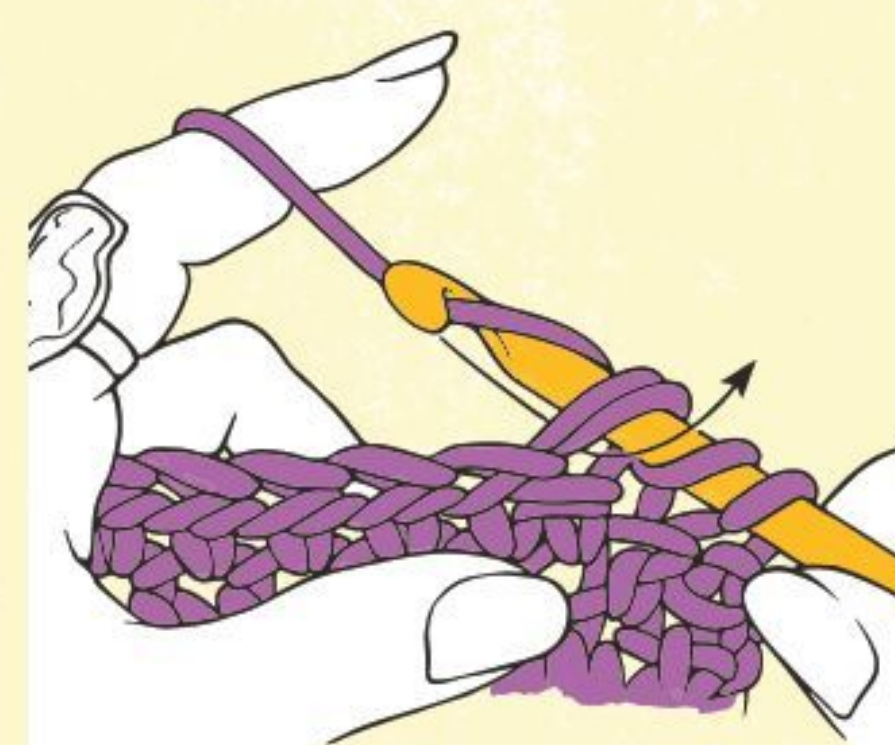


3 Yarn over the hook again and draw through both loops.

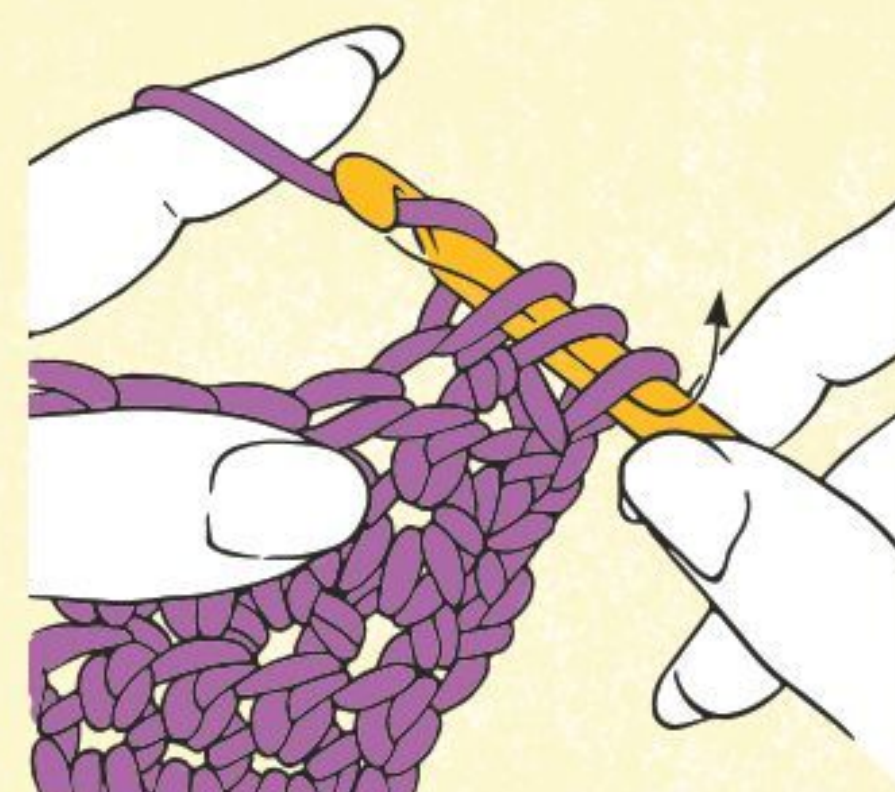
This stitch is longer than a double crochet and involves one extra step



1 (You will need a turning chain of two stitches.) Yarn over the hook and insert through 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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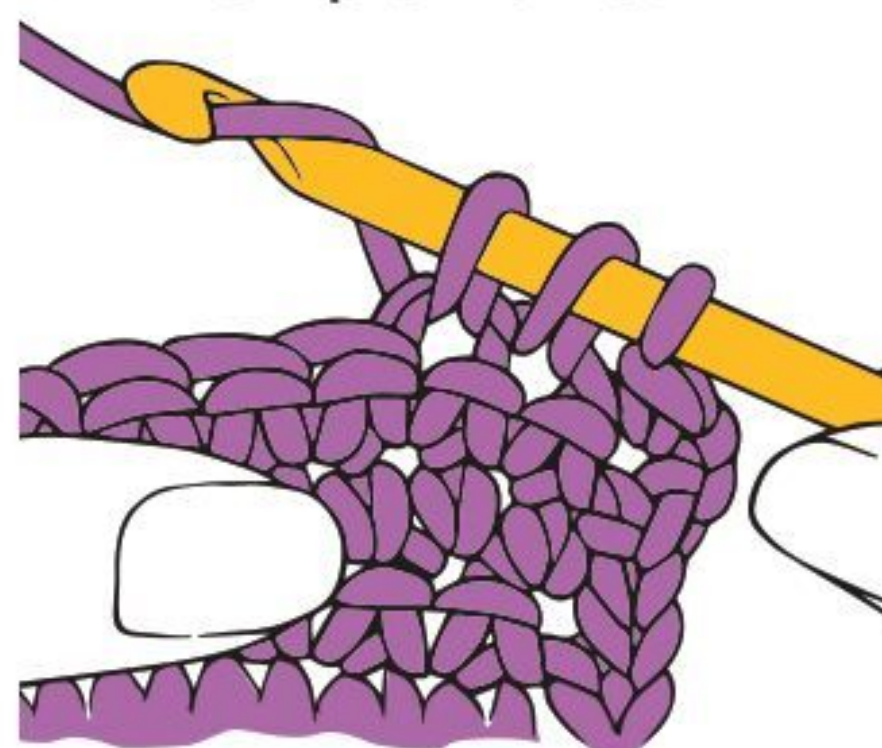
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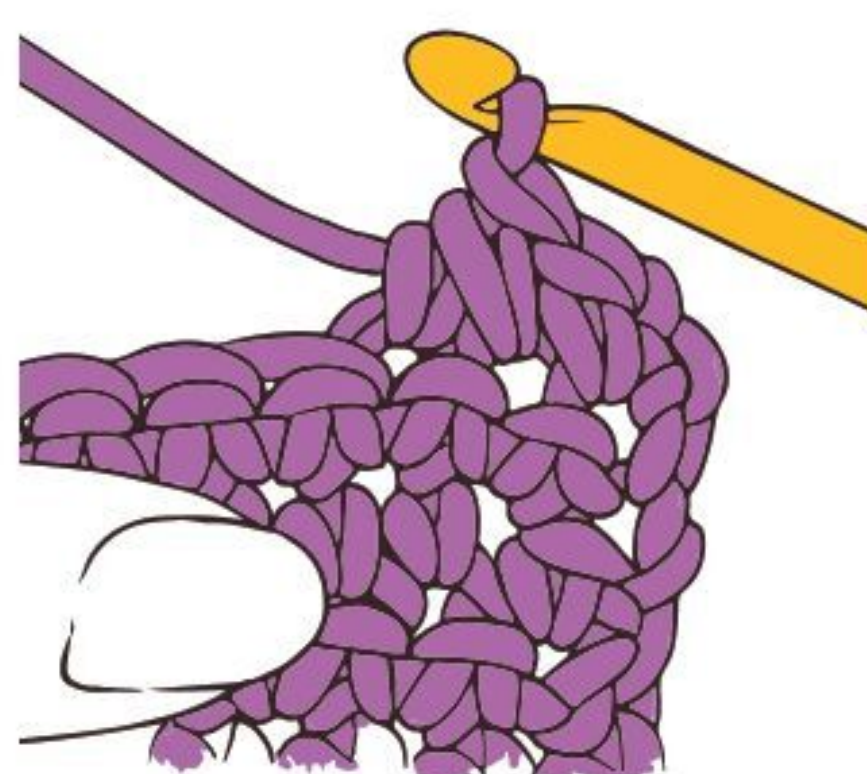
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double crochet two together (dc2tog)

Turn two crochet stitches into one with this simple method



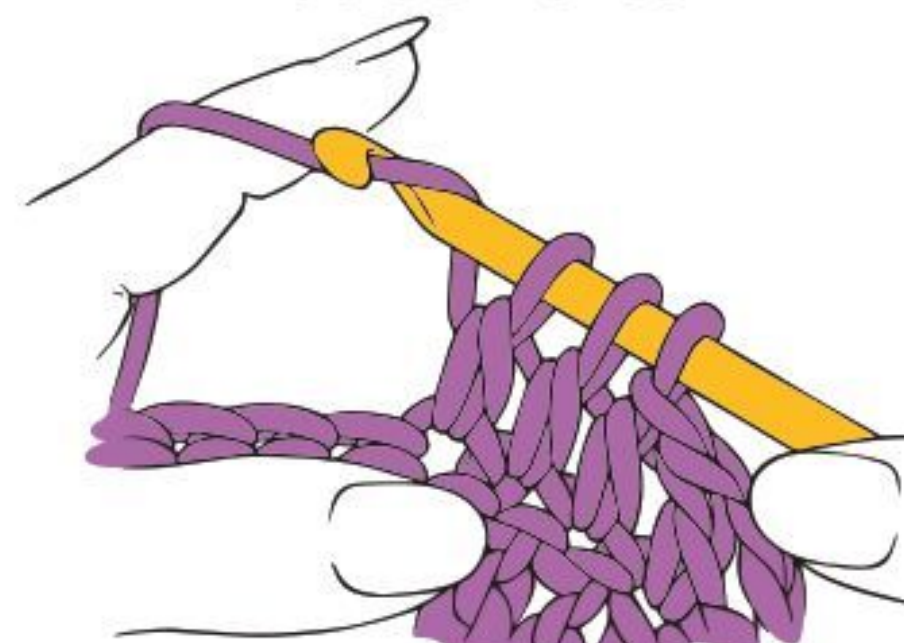
1 Insert hook through next stitch, yarn over hook, draw back through work. Two loops on hook. Insert hook into next stitch, yarn over hook, draw back through. Three loops on hook.



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



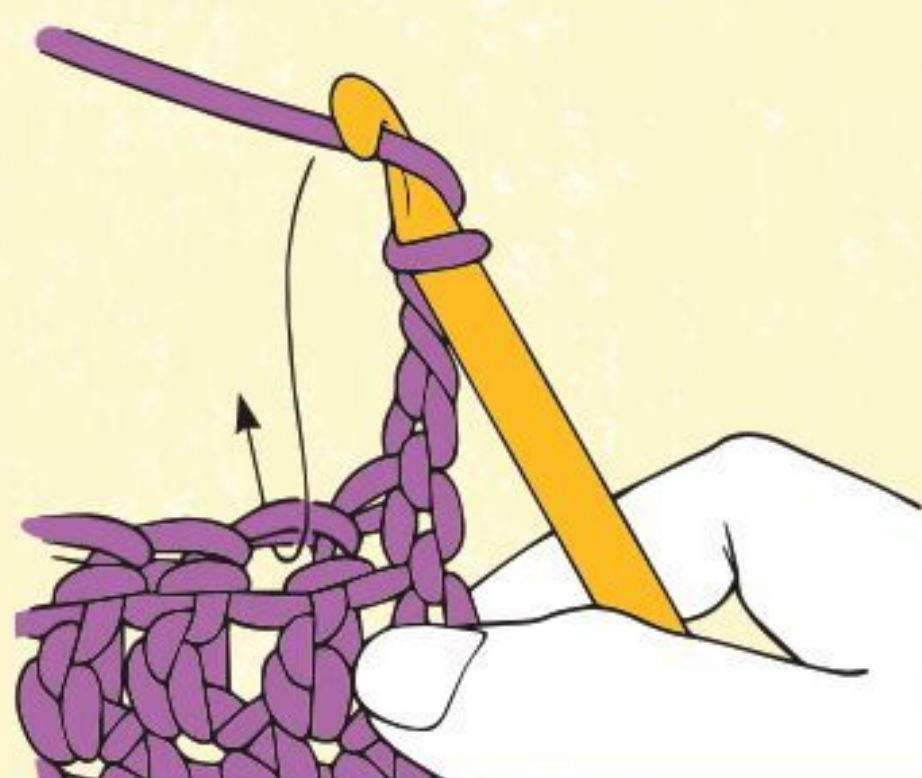
1 Yarn over the hook. Insert the hook through the stitch. Yarn over the hook and draw back through the work. There will be three loops of yarn on the hook. Yarn over the hook and draw through the first two loops. This will leave two loops on the hook. Yarn over the hook and insert through the next stitch, 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.

treble (tr)

Treble crochet is slightly taller than half treble crochet but is made in a similar way



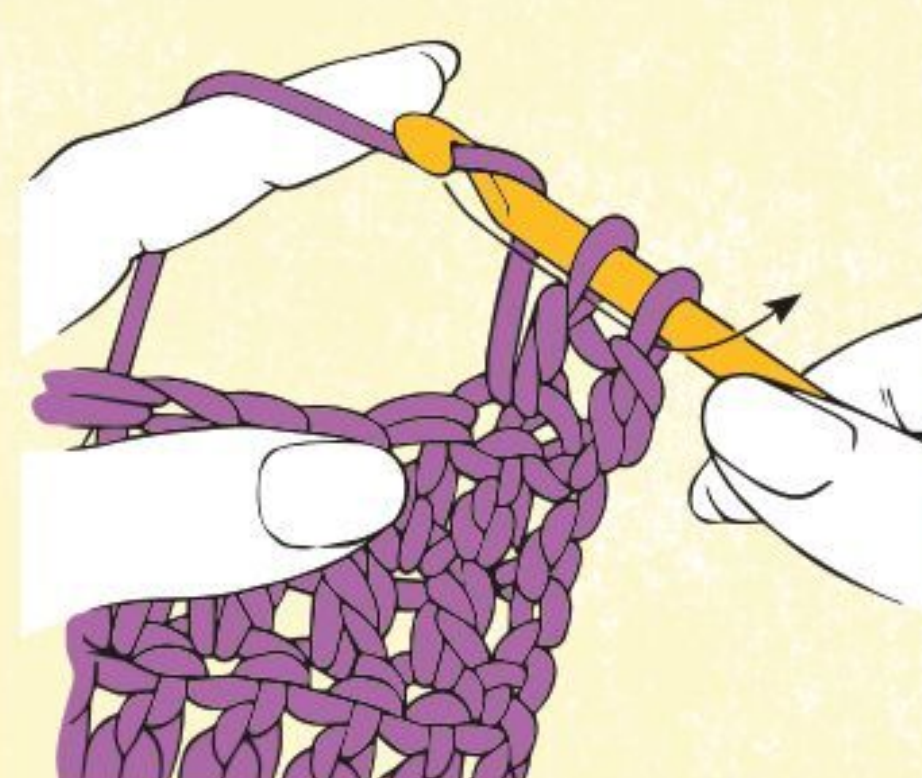
1 (You will need a turning chain of three stitches). Yarn over the hook. Insert the hook through the stitch.



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 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.

VIDEO OF THE MONTH



[YOUTUBE.COM/THECRAFTSCHANNEL](https://www.youtube.com/thecraftschannel)



Rosina's version of the Harry Styles cardigan



'Zeens and Roger' is a shortened version of Rosina, 'Zeens', and Roger, a nickname given to her by old workmates



Get this corner-to-corner Havana Nights blanket pattern at zeensandroger.com



TEA AND A CHAT WITH...

Rosina Northcott

She eats ketchup on toast, but hey, don't knock it 'til you've tried it!

We discovered Rosina, also known as 'Zeens and Roger', when the Harry Styles cardigan was trending in 2020. She admits she's not a huge fan of the ex-One Direction star but couldn't resist designing her own version of the now-famous JW Anderson knit. What made her jump on the patchwork cardi bandwagon? "It was very much an impulsive thing. Myself and some other makers were saying we should make our own versions because it's such a fab, zeitgeisty cardigan. So, I was goaded!" she laughs. "Generally speaking though, I don't follow what Mr Styles is up to – soz, Harry! He's got a good wardrobe though." After the first design, she created a second, more fitted version. They're the most popular patterns on her blog and sparked new inspiration. "The interesting thing is how they've generated new ideas and crafty paths to follow. Without making these cardigans I wouldn't have designed my second most-popular design, the Perfect Cardigan."

CROCHET OF MANY COLOURS

So, other than Harry Styles, what else sparks Rosina's creativity? "Inspiration comes from all sorts of places.

Sometimes I deliberately break away from what everyone else is doing. Whether it's colours, stitches or something else, I'll either jump on the bandwagon or reject it entirely." Projects with a useful outcome are top of her project list. "I love designing, making and wearing shawls – but I'm starting to worry that I have too many! Also mittens, cowls, hats, bags, blankets, anything with a purpose," she explains. "I'm not a massive fan of crocheting gimmicky things that are solely decorative." One striking aspect of Rosina's design style is its vibrancy. "I love colour in crochet because I don't necessarily express that in other parts of my life. Everything else – my clothes, my home, they're a lot less in-your-face, so with art and crochet I get to explore it and have fun."

THE PERFECT GARMENT

We crafters are always looking for top tips, and Rosina is keen to stress simplicity for your early experiments with garment making. "For an easy introduction into crocheting clothes, go for something that's made in simple pieces that you can sew together. I'd suggest jumpers with plain front and back pieces, and sleeves without too much shaping. Then take your time

ROSINA'S FAVOURITE...

Breakfast food

Something I've had since I was a kid is ketchup on toast. I know it sounds weird, but it's my favourite! Lots of butter and a teeny squirt of tomato sauce, yum!

Sleepover film

We once had a sleepover with all the kids upstairs and the grown-ups watched *Hereditary*. It was a slow start, so I fell asleep. When I woke up it was the scariest bit and I had nightmares for ages!

TV shows in 2021

I loved *The Witcher*, *Squid Game* and *Chernobyl*. I'm now rewatching *Schitt's Creek* – it's so much better the second time around!

Item of clothing

A decent pair of trousers. I'm glad wide legs are back in fashion; I need more options than unflattering skinny jeans!

Holiday destination

I would love to go everywhere, but next up on the list is Croatia. I love a mini break, whether it's a cosy cottage in Wales or a city break in Amsterdam.

stitching it all together; there's no rush and it ought to be fun and relaxing, not stressful!" For more tips from the lady herself, search for 'Zeens and Roger' on YouTube where Rosina's relaxed and chatty style will ease you in to replicating her fantastic designs, including that famous cardigan.



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