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Hello and welcome...

...to the May issue of *Knitting & Crochet* magazine.

It's always exciting to start planning the contents of any issue, and never more so than at the beginning of spring. Now, at last, we can look at a fresh palette of colours for the season, in lightweight, cooler yarns for the warmer days ahead. Our opening family patterns feature, *Painting With Pastels* (p6), illustrates this perfectly: practical easy-wear designs made in the prettiest new-season shades.

Still looking ahead, we know that many of you will be planning tabletop sales and other fundraising events this spring and summer. Our collection of fete makes (p29) – mini storage boxes, decorated picture frames, lavender pouches, bunting, mini shoppers and jam-jar covers – should give you some inspiration for unique pieces to sell. Why not colour-theme your projects, as we have, for extra 'stop and look' appeal?

Plus, we've our regular visit to the *Woman's Weekly* archives: this month, a three little bears pattern; our Designer of the Month, Debbie Bliss, and her lace cardigan and stole patterns; and not forgetting knitting and crochet workshops, your Q&As, and much, much more.



See you next month!

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Whether you're a seasoned *Woman's Weekly* reader or picking up our fabulous new *Knitting & Crochet* magazine for the first time, we're aware that, while of course you'll love to knit and/or crochet, you'll also have different skills at different levels. So we've signposted each project in the magazine with a new rating, from Easy Peasy to Quite A Challenge, as a guide to help you decide if the pattern suits your ability. However, we pride ourselves on our clear instructions, so you can try something that's more challenging or simply enjoy your skill.

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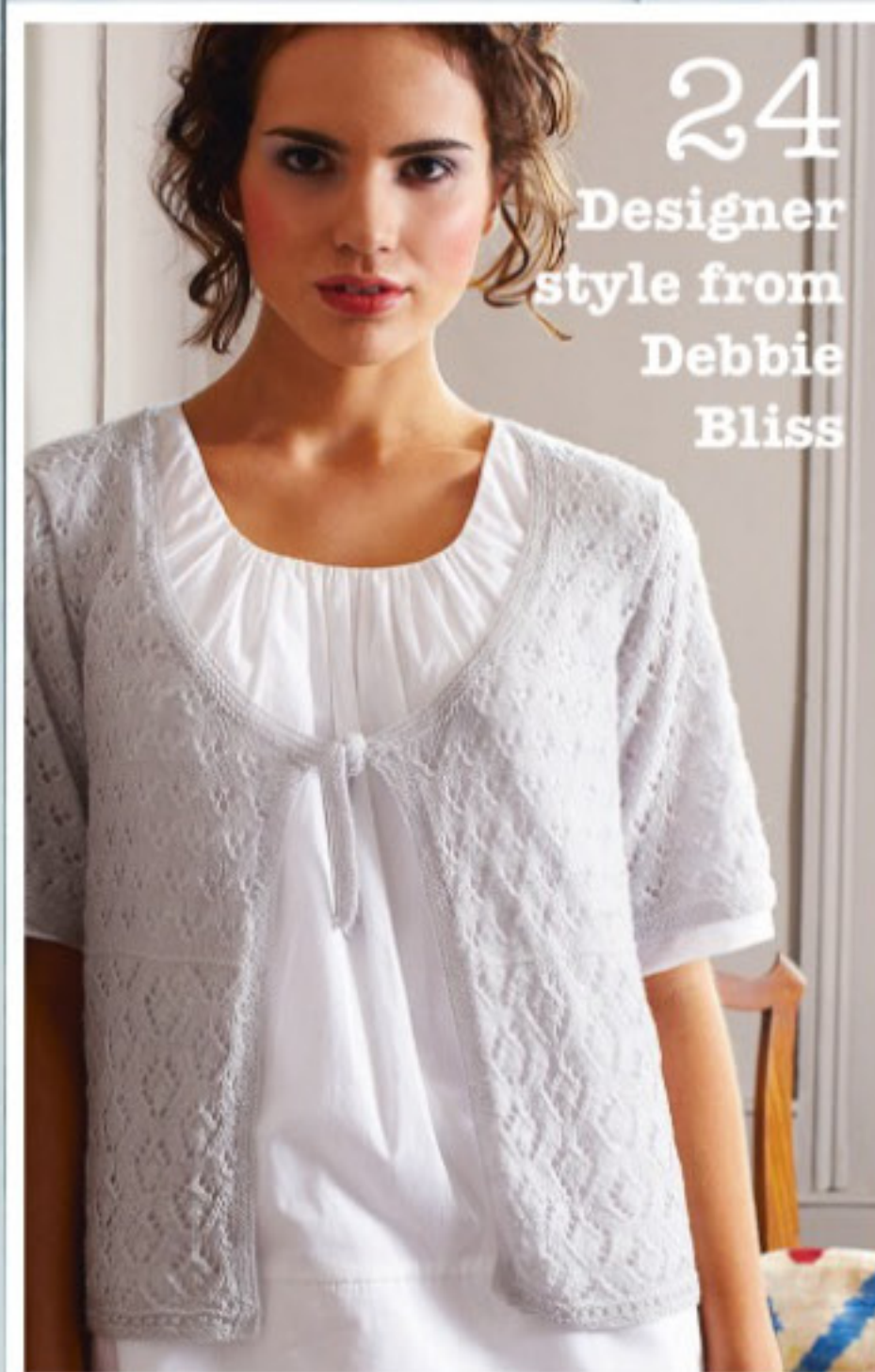
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Baby's Short-sleeved Cardigan

Measurements

To fit chest sizes 41 (46) (51) cm/
16 (18) (20) in.

Actual measurements 42.5 (48)
(53.5) cm/16¾ (19) (21) in.

Side seams 6.5 (9) (10) cm/2½ (3½)
(4) in.

Length to back neck 16.5 (20) (22)
cm/6½ (7¾ (8½) in.

Sleeve seam All sizes 3cm/1¼in.

Materials

2 (2) (3) 50g (95m) balls of Sirdar
Snuggly Baby Bamboo DK (80%
bamboo, 20% wool) in Lemonade
(116). A pair of 4mm (No. 8) and
3¼mm (No. 10) knitting needles.

You can buy the yarn from
womansweekly.co.uk/yarn. For
other yarn stockists, call Sirdar
Spinning Ltd on 01924 371501.

Tension

22 stitches and 28 rows, to 10 x
10cm, over stocking stitch, using
4mm needles.

Abbreviations

K, knit; **p**, purl; **st**, stitch; **tog**, together;
sl, slip; **dec**, decrease (by working
2 sts tog); **ss**, stocking st (k on right
side and p on wrong side); **psso**,
pass sl st over; **skpo**, (sl1, k1, psso);
yf, yarn forward to make a st; **gst**,
garter st (every row k); **nil**, meaning
nothing is worked here for this size.

Note

Yarn amounts are based on average
requirements and are therefore
approximate. Instructions are given
for small size. Where they vary,
work figures in round brackets for
larger sizes. Instructions in square
brackets are worked as stated after
the 2nd bracket.

Back and fronts

(worked in one piece to armholes)

With 4mm needles, cast on 99 (115) (131)
sts loosely.

1st row: K to end.

2nd row: P1, k to last st, p1.

3rd row: K1, k2tog, [k2, yf, k1, yf, k2, sl2 as
if about to k2tog, k1, pass 2 slsts over] to
last 8 sts, k2, yf, k1, yf, k2, skpo, k1.

4th row: P to end.

5th row: As 3rd row.

6th row: P to end.

7th row: P to end.

8th row: K to end.

9th row: As 3rd row.

10th row: P to end.

11th row: As 3rd row.

12th row: P to end.

The 7th to 12th rows form the lace
pattern.

1st size only: Work 7th and 8th rows,
once.

2nd and 3rd sizes only: Continue in
pattern until work measures 7 (8) cm from
beginning, ending with an 8th row.

All sizes: **Next row:** K2 (4) (4), k2tog, [k21
(11) (8), k2tog] 4 (8) (12) times, k3 (5) (5)
– 94 (106) (118) sts.

Next row: P to end.

Beginning with a k row, continue in ss and
work 2 (4) (4) rows.

Divide for back and fronts: **Next row:**
K2tog, k18 (21) (24) and leave these 19 (22)
(25) sts on a st holder for right front, cast
off next 6 sts, k a further 41 (47) (53) and
leave these 42 (48) (54) sts on a st holder
for back, cast off next 6 sts, k a further 17
(20) (23), k2tog and work on these 19 (22)
(25) sts for left front.

Left front: **Next row:** P to end.

Shape raglan armhole and neck: **Next
row:** K1, skpo, k to last nil (nil) (2) sts, k nil
(nil) (k2tog).

Next row: P to end.

Next row: K to last 2 (2) (nil) sts, [k2tog]
1 (1) (nil) time.

Next row: P to end.

Next row: K1, skpo, k to last nil (nil) (2) sts,
k nil (nil) (k2tog).

Next row: P to end.

1st and 2nd sizes only: **Next row:** K to
last 2 sts, dec.

Next row: P to end.

For all sizes: **Next row:** K1, skpo, k to end.

Next row: P to end.

Next row: K1, skpo, k to last 2 sts, dec.

Next row: P to end.

Repeat last 4 rows, 2 (3) (4) times more,
then work first 2 rows again – 5 sts

Next row: K1, skpo, dec – 3 sts.

Next row: P to end.

Next row: K1, skpo – 2 sts.

P2tog and fasten off.

Back: With wrong side facing, rejoin
yarn to 42 (48) (54) sts on st holder and
p to end.

Shape raglan armholes: **Next row:** K1,
skpo, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1.

Next row: P to end.

Next row: K to end.

Next row: P to end.

Repeat last 4 rows, once (once) (nil) more
– 38 (44) (52) sts.

Next row: K1, skpo, k to last 3 sts, k2tog,
k1.

Next row: P to end.

Repeat last 2 rows, 8 (10) (13) times more
– 20 (22) (24) sts. Cast off.

Right front: With wrong side facing,
rejoin yarn to inner edge of 19 (22) (25) sts
on st holder and p to end.

Shape raglan armhole and neck: **Next
row:** K nil (nil) (k2tog) to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1.

Next row: P to end.

Next row: [K2tog] 1 (1) (nil) time, k to end.

Next row: P to end.

Next row: K nil (nil) (k2tog), k to last 3 sts,
k2tog, k1.

Next row: P to end.

1st and 2nd sizes only: **Next row:** Dec,
k to end.

Next row: P to end.

For all sizes: **Next row:** K to last 3 sts,
k2tog, k1.

Next row: P to end.

Next row: K2tog, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1.

Next row: P to end.

Repeat last 4 rows, 2 (3) (4) times more,
then work first 2 rows again – 5 sts

Next row: K2tog, k2tog, k1 – 3 sts.

Next row: P to end.

Next row: K2tog, k1 – 2 sts.

P2tog and fasten off.

Sleeves

(both alike)

With 3¼mm needles, cast on 40 (44) (48)
sts loosely.

Gst 2 rows.

Change to 4mm needles.

Beginning with a k row, work in ss until
sleeve measures 3cm from beginning,
ending with a p row.

Shape raglan top: Cast off 3 sts at
beginning of next 2 rows.

Next row: K1, skpo, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1.

Next row: P to end.

Next row: K to end.

Next row: P to end.

Repeat last 4 rows, once – 30 (34) (38) sts.

Next row: K1, skpo, k to
last 3 sts, k2tog, k1.





Next row: P to end.
Repeat last 2 rows, 8 (10) (11) times more – 12 (12) (14) sts. Cast off.

Right front border

Join raglan seams. With right side facing, using 3¼mm needles, pick up and k14 (24) (26) sts evenly along right front edge, 22 (26) (28) sts evenly along neck shaping rows, 12 (12) (14) sts across top of right sleeve, and 10 (11) (12) sts across back, to centre back neck – 58 (73) (80) sts.
K 2 rows. Cast off kwise.

Left front border

With right side facing, using 3¼mm needles, pick up and k10 (11) (12) sts across remaining sts of back neck, 12 (12) (14) sts across top of left sleeve, 22 (26) (28) sts evenly along neck shaping rows, and 14 (24) (26) evenly along left front edge – 58 (73) (80) sts.
K 2 rows. Cast off kwise.

To make up

Join sleeve seams. Join front borders together at centre back neck. Make 2 twisted cords, approximately 20cm long and attach to fronts at beginning of neck shaping. Pin out garment to measurements given. Cover with damp cloths and leave until dry.

Boy's Sweater

Measurements

To fit chest sizes 56 (61) (66) cm/22 (24) (26) in.

Actual measurements 60.5 (65) (70.5) cm/23¾ (25½) (27¾) in.

Side seam 23 (26) (31) cm/9 (10¼) (12¼) in.

Length to back neck 35 (39) (45) cm/13¾ (15¼) (17¾) in.

Sleeve seam 24 (29) (33) cm/9½ (11½) (13) in.

Materials

3 (4) (4) 50g (226m) balls of Sirdar Snuggly 4ply (55% nylon, 45% acrylic) in Pastel Blue (321). A pair of 3¼mm (No. 10) and 2¾mm (No. 12) knitting needles. **You can buy the yarn online at womansweeklyshop.co.uk/yarn.** For other yarn stockists, call Sirdar Spinning Ltd on 01924 371501.

Tension

28 stitches and 40 rows, to 10 x 10cm, over pattern and 28 stitches and 36

rows, to 10 x 10cm, over stocking stitch, using 3¼mm needles.

Abbreviations

K, knit; **p**, purl; **st**, stitch; **tog**, together; **dec**, decrease (by working 2 sts tog); **inc**, increase (by working twice into same st); **ss**, stocking st (k on right side and p on wrong side); **nil**, meaning nothing is worked here for this size

Note

Yarn amounts are based on average requirements and are therefore approximate. Instructions are given for the small size. Where they vary, work figures in round brackets for larger sizes. Instructions in square brackets are worked as stated after 2nd bracket.

Back

With 2¾mm needles, cast on 95 (103) (111) sts.

1st rib row: K1, [p1, k1] to end.

2nd rib row: P1, [k1, p1] to end.

Repeat these 2 rows, 4 times more, then work the 1st of these rows again.

Dec row: Rib 2 (7) (11), dec, [rib 8 (6) (6), dec] 9 (11) (11) times, rib 1 (6) (10) – 85 (91) (99) sts.

Change to 3¼mm needles.

1st row: K2 (1) (1), p1, [k 7, p1] to last 2 (1) (1) sts, k2 (1) (1).

2nd row: P1 (nil) (nil), k3 [p5, k3] to last 1 (nil) (nil) st, p1 (nil) (nil).

3rd row: P2 (1) (1), k1, p2, [k3, p2, k1, p2] to last 8 (7) (7) sts, k3, p2, k1, p2 (1) (1).

4th row: K1 (nil) (nil), p3, [k2, p1, k2, p3] to last 1 (nil) (nil) st, k1 (nil) (nil).

5th row: K5 (4) (4), [p1, k1, p1, k5] to last 8 (7) (7) sts, p1, k1, p1, k5 (4) (4).

6th row: P to end.

These 6 rows form pattern.

Continue in pattern until work measures 23 (26) (31) cm from beginning, ending with a wrong side row.

Shape raglan armholes: Cast off 3 (4) (4) sts at beginning of next 2 rows, then dec 1 st at each end of next 4 (nil) (4) rows – 71 (83) (83) sts. **

Dec 1 st at each end of the next row and 20 (24) (24) following alternate rows – 29 (33) (33) sts. Pattern 1 row.

Leave remaining 29 (33) (33) sts on a spare needle.

Front

Work as back to **.

Dec 1 st at each end of next row and 12 (16) (16) following alternate rows – 45 (49) (49) sts. Pattern 1 row.

Shape neck: Next row: Dec, pattern 14, turn and work on these 15 sts for left front neck.

Left front neck: Work 1 row, then dec 1 st at each end of next row and 5 following alternate rows – 3 sts. Pattern 1 row.

Next row: K2tog, k1 – 2 sts.
P2tog and fasten off.

Right front neck: With right side facing, slip next 13 (17) (17) sts onto a st holder, rejoin yarn to remaining sts, pattern to last 2 sts, dec – 15 sts.

Work 1 row, then dec 1 st at each end of next row and 5 following alternate rows – 3 sts. Pattern 1 row.

Next row: K1, k2tog – 2 sts.
P2tog and fasten off.

Sleeves

(both alike)

With 2¾mm needles, cast on 47 (53) (57) sts.

Work 11 rows in rib as given on back.

Dec row: Rib 8 (8) (10), dec, [rib 8 (10) (10), dec] 3 times, rib 7 (7) (9) – 43 (49) (53) sts.
1st row: K15 (18) (20), p2, k4, p1, k4, p2, k15 (18) (20).

2nd row: P15 (18) (20), k2, p3, k3, p3, k2, p15 (18) (20).

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Man's Sweater



Measurements

To fit sizes 91 (97-102) (107) (112-117) cm/36 (38-40) (42) (44-46) in.

Actual measurements 97 (105) (113) (121) cm/38 (41½) (44½) (47½) in.

Side seam All sizes 43cm/17in.

Length 65 (67) (68) (70) cm/25½ (26¼) (26¾) (27½) in.

Sleeve seam 46 (48) (50) (52) cm/18 (19) (19¾) (20½) in.

Materials

15 (16) (17) (18) 50g (100m) balls of King Cole Baby Alpaca DK (100% alpaca) in Dill (627). Pair of 3¼mm (No. 10) and 3¾mm (No. 9) knitting needles; cable needle. **You can buy the yarn online at womansweeklyshop.co.uk/yarn.** For other yarn stockists, call King Cole on 01535 650230.

Tension

30 stitches and 30 rows, to 10 x 10cm, over pattern, using 3¾mm needles.

Abbreviations

K, knit; **p**, purl; **st**, stitch; **dec**, decrease (by taking 2 sts together); **inc**, increase (by working twice into same st); **c6b**, cable 6 back (slip next 3 sts on cable needle and leave at back, k3, then k3 from cable needle); **c6f**, cable 6 front (slip next 3 sts on cable needle and leave at front, k3, then k3 from cable needle); **nil**, meaning nothing is worked here for this size.

Note

Yarn amounts are based on average requirements and are therefore approximate. Instructions are given for small size. Where they vary, work figures in round brackets for larger sizes. Instructions in square brackets are worked as stated after 2nd bracket.

3rd row: K15 (18) (20), p2, k2, p2, k1, p2, k2, p2, k15 (18) (20).

4th row: P15 (18) (20), k2, p1, k2, p3, k2, p1, k2, p15 (18) (20).

5th row: Inc, k14 (17) (19), p2, k1, p1, k5, p1, k1, p2, k14 (17) (19), inc – 45 (51) (55) sts.

6th row: P16 (19) (21), k2, p9, k2, p16 (19) (21).

These 6 rows form the centre pattern with ss at each end. Pattern another 4 (6) (6) rows.

Keeping continuity of pattern, taking extra sts into ss as they occur, inc 1 st at each end of next row and 7 (7) (5) following 6th (8th) (8th) rows – 61 (67) (67) sts.

Pattern 7 (9) (9) rows, then inc 1 st at each end of next row and nil (nil) (3) following nil (nil) (10th) rows – 63 (69) (75) sts.

Continue in pattern until sleeve measures 24 (29) (33) cm, from beginning, ending with a wrong side row.

Shape raglan top: Cast off 3 (4) (4) sts at beginning of next 2 rows.

Dec 1 st at each end of next row and 2 (1) (nil) following 4th row(s) – 51 (57) (65) sts. Pattern 1 row.

Dec 1 st at each end of next row and 15

(18) (22) following alternate rows – 19 sts. Pattern 1 row.

Leave remaining 19 sts on a st holder.

Neckband

Join raglan seams leaving left back raglan open. With right side facing, using 2¾mm needles, rejoin yarn and k19 sts of left sleeve, pick up and k17 sts down left front neck, k 13 (17) (17) sts at centre front, inc 1 st, pick and k17 sts up right front neck, k19 sts of right sleeve, and finally, k29 (33) (33) sts at back neck – 115 (123) (123) sts. Beginning with the 2nd row, work 8 rows in rib as given on back. Cast off in rib.

To make up

Join left back raglan and neckband seams. Join side and sleeve seams. Pin out garment to measurements given, cover with damp cloths and leave to dry.

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Back

With 3¾mm needles, cast on 146 (158) (170) (182) sts.

1st row: K nil (2) (nil) (2), [p2, k2] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, p2, [k2, p2, k6, p2, k6, p2, k2, p2] to last nil (6) (nil) (6) sts, [k2, p2] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, k nil (2) (nil) (2).

2nd row: P nil (2) (nil) (2), [k2, p2] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, k2, [p2, k2, p6, k2, p6, k2, p2, k2] to last nil (6) (nil) (6) sts, [p2, k2] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, p nil (2) (nil) (2).

3rd and 4th rows: As 1st and 2nd rows.

5th row: K nil (2) (nil) (2), [p2, k2] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, p2, [k2, p2, c6b, p2, c6f, p2, k2, p2] to last nil (6) (nil) (6) sts, [k2, p2] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, k nil (2) (nil) (2).



(1) time, k nil (2) (nil) (2).

6th row: As 2nd row.

7th and 8th rows: As 1st and 2nd rows.

9th to 16th rows: Work 1st to 8th rows.

17th row: K nil (2) (nil) (2), [p2, k2] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, p2, [k6, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k6, p2] to last nil (6) (nil) (6) sts, [k2, p2] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, k nil (2) (nil) (2).

18th row: P nil (2) (nil) (2), [k2, p2] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, k2, [p6, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p6, k2] to last nil (6) (nil) (6) sts, [p2, k2] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, p nil (2) (nil) (2).

19th and 20th rows: As 17th and 18th rows.

21st row: K nil (2) (nil) (2), [p2, k2] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, p2, [c6f, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, c6b, p2] to last nil (6) (nil) (6) sts, [k2, p2] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, k nil (2) (nil) (2).

22nd row: As 18th row.

23rd and 24th rows: As 17th and 18th rows.

25th to 32nd rows: Work 17th to 24th rows.

These 32 rows form pattern.

Pattern another 98 rows.

Mark each end of last row for side seams.

Pattern another 65 (71) (75) (81) rows.

Shape shoulders: Next row: Cast off in pattern 48 (52) (56) (60) sts, pattern to last 48 (52) (56) (60) sts, cast off last 48 (52) (56) (60) sts.

Leave remaining 50 (54) (58) (62) sts on a st holder.

Front

With 3¾mm needles, cast on 146 (158) (170) (182) sts.

1st row: K nil (2) (nil) (2), [p2, k2] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, p2, [k2, p2, k6, p2, k6, p2, k2, p2] to last nil (6) (nil) (6) sts, [k2, p2] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, k nil (2) (nil) (2).

2nd row: P nil (2) (nil) (2), [k2, p2] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, k2, [p2, k2, p6, k2, p6, k2, p2, k2] to last nil (6) (nil) (6) sts, [p2, k2] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, p nil (2) (nil) (2).

3rd and 4th rows: As 1st and 2nd rows.

5th row: K nil (2) (nil) (2), [p2, k2] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, p2, [k2, p2, c6b, p2, c6f, p2, k2, p2] to last nil (6) (nil) (6) sts, [k2, p2] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, k nil (2) (nil) (2).

6th row: As 2nd row.

7th and 8th rows: As 1st and 2nd rows.

9th to 16th rows: Work 1st to 8th rows.

17th row: K nil (2) (nil) (2), [p2, k2] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, p2, [k6, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k6, p2] to last nil (6) (nil) (6) sts, [k2, p2] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, k nil (2) (nil) (2).

18th row: P nil (2) (nil) (2), [k2, p2] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, k2, [p6, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p6, k2] to last nil (6) (nil) (6) sts, [p2, k2] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, p nil (2) (nil) (2).

19th and 20th rows: As 17th and 18th rows.

21st row: K nil (2) (nil) (2), [p2, k2] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, p2, [c6f, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, c6b, p2] to last nil (6) (nil) (6) sts, [k2, p2] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, k nil (2) (nil) (2).

(nil) (1) time, k nil (2) (nil) (2).

22nd row: As 18th row.

23rd and 24th rows: As 17th and 18th rows.

25th to 32nd rows: Work 17th to 24th rows.

These 32 rows form pattern.

Pattern another 98 rows.

Mark each end of last row for side seams.

Pattern another 50 (52) (54) (58) rows.

Shape neck: Next row: Pattern 58 (62) (66) (70), turn and work on these sts only for left half neck.

Left half neck: Keeping pattern correct, dec 1 st at neck edge on next 10 rows – 48 (52) (56) (60) sts.

Pattern 4 (8) (10) (12) rows. Cast off.

Right half neck: With right side facing slip centre 30 (34) (38) (42) sts onto a st holder, rejoin yarn to remaining sts, pattern to end – 58 (62) (66) (70) sts.

Dec 1 st at neck edge on next 10 rows – 48 (52) (56) (60) sts.

Pattern 4 (8) (10) (12) rows. Cast off.

Sleeves

(both alike)

With 3¾mm needles, cast on 74 sts.

Work 16 (16) (10) (4) rows in pattern as given for first size of back. Working extra sts into pattern as they occur, inc 1 st at each end of next row and 23 (27) (31) (37) following 4th rows – 122 (130) (138) (150) sts. Pattern another 29 (19) (15) (3) rows. Cast off.

Neckband

Join right shoulder seam. With right side facing and 3¾mm needles, pick up and k12 (16) (20) (20) sts down left front neck, pattern 30 (34) (38) (42) across centre front sts, pick up and k12 (16) (20) (20) sts up right front neck, pattern 50 (54) (58) (62) across centre back sts – 104 (120) (136) (144) sts.

1st row (wrong side): Pattern 50 (54) (58) (62), p2 (nil) (2) (nil), [k2, p2] 2 (4) (4) (5) times, k2 (nil) (2) (nil), pattern 30 (34) (38) (42), k2 (nil) (2) (nil), [p2, k2] 2 (4) (4) (5) times, p2 (nil) (2) (nil).

2nd row: K2 (nil) (2) (nil), [p2, k2] 2 (4) (4) (5) times, p2 (nil) (2) (nil), pattern 30 (34) (38) (42), p2 (nil) (2) (nil), [k2, p2] 2 (4) (4) (5) times, k2 (nil) (2) (nil), pattern 50 (54) (58) (62).

Repeat last 2 rows, 3 times more.

Cast off in pattern.

To make up

Join left shoulder and neckband seam.

Sew on sleeve tops to row-ends above markers on back and front. Join side and sleeve seams.

Woman's Sweater

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Woman's Sweater

Measurements

To fit sizes 86 (91) (97) (102) (107) cm/34 (36) (38) (40) (42) in.

Actual measurements 89 (95) (98) (104) (110.5) cm/35 (37½) (38½) (41) (43½) in.

Side seam 41 (41) (41) (42) (43) cm/16 (16) (16) (16½) (17) in.

Length to shoulder 60 (61) (62) (64) (66) cm/23¾ (24) (24½) (25¼) (26) in.

Sleeve seam 46 (46) (46) (46) (47) cm/18 (18) (18) (18) (18½) in.

Materials

5 (5) (5) (5) (6) 50g (130m) balls of Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton) in Violet (20). A pair of 5½mm (No. 5) and 4mm (No. 8) knitting needles. The yarn can be purchased from Black Sheep Wools, call 01925 764231, or visit blacksheepwools.com.

Tension

13 stitches and 18 rows, to 10 x 10cm, over pattern, using 5½mm needles.

Abbreviations

K, knit; **p**, purl; **st**, stitch; **tog**, together; **yrn**, yarn round needle to make a st; **dec**, decrease (by working 2 sts tog); **inc**, increase (by working twice into same st); **nil**, meaning nothing is worked here for this size.

Note

Yarn amounts are based on average requirements and are therefore approximate. Instructions are given for small size. Where they vary, work figures in round brackets for larger sizes. Instructions in square brackets are worked as stated after 2nd bracket.

Back and front

(both alike)

With 5½mm needles, cast on 58 (62) (64) (68) (72) sts loosely.

Pattern row: K1, [yrn, p2tog] to last st, k1. Continue in pattern until work measures 41 (41) (41) (42) (43) cm from beginning, ending with an even-numbered row.

Shape armholes: Next row: K1, dec, pattern to last 3 sts, dec, k1.

Repeat last row, 3 (3) (3) (5) (5) times more – 50 (54) (56) (56) (60) sts.

Continue in pattern until armhole measures 15 (16) (17) (17) (18) cm, ending with a wrong side row.

Divide for neck: Next row: Pattern 11 (11) (13) (13) (15), turn and work on these 11 (11) (13) (13) (15) sts for first side neck.

First side neck: 1st row: Pattern to end.

2nd row: Pattern to last 2 sts, dec.

3rd row: Dec, pattern to end.

Repeat 2nd and 3rd rows, once more – 7 (7) (9) (9) (11) sts.

Continue in pattern for a few more rows until armhole measures 19 (20) (21) (22) (23) cm, ending with a wrong side row.

Shape shoulder: Cast off 3 (3) (5) (5) (5) sts at beginning of next row – 4 (4) (4) (4) (6) sts. Pattern 1 row.

Cast off.

Second side neck: With right side facing, rejoin yarn to remaining sts and cast off centre 28 (32) (30) (30) (30) sts loosely, pattern to end – 11 (11) (13) (13) (15) sts.

1st row: Pattern to end.

2nd row: Dec, pattern to end.

3rd row: Pattern to last 2 sts, dec.

Repeat 2nd and 3rd rows, once more – 7 (7) (9) (9) (11) sts.

Continue in pattern for a few more rows until armhole measures 19 (20) (21) (22) (23) cm, ending with a right side row.

Shape shoulder: Cast off 3 (3) (5) (5) (5) sts at beginning of next row – 4 (4) (4) (4) (6) sts. Pattern 1 row.

Cast off.

Sleeves

(both alike)

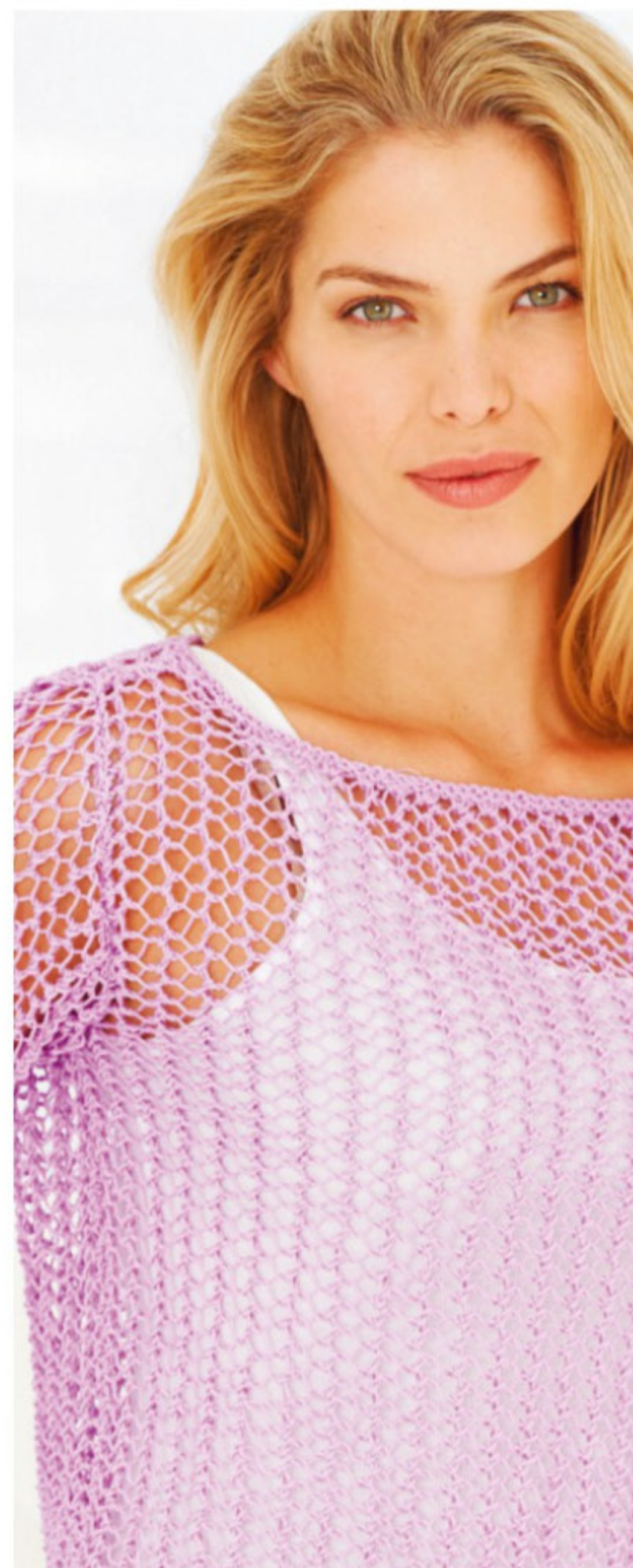
With 5½mm needles, cast on 26 (28) (28) (28) (28) sts loosely.

Pattern row: K1, [yrn, p2tog] to last st, k1. Pattern another 3 rows.

Maintaining continuity of pattern, taking extra sts into pattern as they occur, inc 1 st at each end of next row and 5 (1) (1) (6) (9) following 8th (6th) (6th) (6th) (6th) row(s) – 38 (32) (32) (42) (48) sts.

Pattern 9 (7) (7) (7) (7) rows.

Inc 1 st at each end of next row and 2 (7) (7) (3) (1) following 10th (8th) (8th) (8th) (8th) row(s) – 44 (48) (48) (50) (52) sts.



Continue in pattern until sleeve measures 46 (46) (46) (46) (47) cm from beginning, ending with a wrong side row.

Shape top: Next row: K1, dec, pattern to last 3 sts, dec, k1.

Repeat last row, 3 (3) (3) (5) (5) times more – 36 (40) (40) (38) (40) sts.

Cast off 3 (3) (2) (2) (2) sts at beginning of next 6 (10) (6) (8) (12) rows and 4 (nil) (3) (3) (3) sts at beginning of following 2 (nil) (6) (4) (2) rows – 10 sts. Cast off.

Neckband

Join right shoulder seam. With right side facing, using 4mm needles, rejoin yarn and pick up and k13 (13) (13) (15) (15) sts down first side neck, 32 (32) (34) (34) (34) sts across centre front, 13 (13) (13) (15) (15) sts up second side neck, 13 (13) (13) (15) (15) sts down first side neck, 32 (32) (34) (34) (34) sts across centre back, and finally, pick up and k13 (13) (13) (15) (15) sts up second side neck – 116 (116) (120) (128) (128) sts. Cast off loosely, kwise.

To make up

Join left shoulder seam. Sew sleeves into armholes, then join side and sleeve seams. Pin out garment to measurements given, cover with damp cloths and leave to dry.

Girl's Cardigan

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Girl's Cardigan

Measurements

To fit chest 56 (61) (66) cm/22 (24) (26) in.

Actual measurements 59 (64) (68) cm/
23¼ (25¼) (26¾) in.

Side seam 15 (16) (17) cm/6 (6¼) (6¾) in.

Length to back neck 28 (30) (32) cm/
11 (11¾) (12½) in.

Sleeve seam 24 (29) (33) cm/9½ (11½)
(13) in.

Materials

4 (5) (5) 50g (95m) balls of Sirdar Snuggly Baby Bamboo DK (80% bamboo, 20% wool) in Shrimpy (119). Pair of 3¼mm (No. 10) and 4mm (No. 8) knitting needles; 1 button. **You can buy the yarn online from womansweeklyshop.co.uk/yarn.** For other yarn stockists, call Sirdar Spinning Ltd on 01924 371501.

Tension

22 stitches and 28 rows, to 10 x 10cm, over stocking stitch, using 4mm needles.

Abbreviations

K, knit; **p**, purl; **st**, stitch; **tog**, together; **up1**, pick up loop lying between needles and work through back of it; **dec**, decrease (by working 2 sts tog); **inc**, increase (by working twice in same st); **nil**, meaning nothing is worked here for this size; **skpo**, slip 1, k1, pass slip stitch over; **yf**, yarn forward to make a st; **gst**, garter st (every row k); **ss**, stocking st (k on right side and p on wrong side).

Note

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Back

With 3¼mm needles, cast on 92 (110) (128) sts.

1st row: K.

2nd row: K2, [k1 and slip this st back onto left needle, with right needle, lift the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th st over 1st st, yarn forward and over needle to make 2 sts, k slipped st again, k2] to end – 52 (62) (72) sts.

3rd row: K1, [k2tog, work k1 and p1 in yarn forward and round needle of previous row, k1] to last st, k1 – 42 (50) (58) sts.

4th to 6th rows: K.

7th row: K5, up1, [k1 (2) (3), up1, k2 (2) (3), up1] to last 4 (5) (5) sts, k4 (5) (5) – 65 (71) (75) sts.

Change to 4mm needles.

Beginning with a p row, work in ss until back measures 15 (16) (17) cm from beginning, ending with a p row.

Shape raglan armholes: Cast off 5 sts at beginning of next 2 rows.

Next row: Skpo, k to last 2 sts, k2tog.

Ss 3 rows.

Repeat last 4 rows, nil (1) (nil) time. Dec 1 st at each end of next row as before and 14 (14) (17) following alternate rows – 23 (27) (27) sts. P 1 row. Cast off.

Left front

With 3¼mm needles, cast on 56 (65) (65) sts.

1st row: K.

2nd row: K2, [k1 and slip this st back onto left needle, with right needle, lift the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th st over 1st st, yarn forward and over needle to make 2 sts, k slipped st again, k2] to end – 32 (37) (37) sts.

3rd row: K1, [k2tog, work k1 and p1 in yarn forward and round needle, k1] to last st, k1 – 26 (30) (30) sts.

4th to 6th rows: K. **

7th row: K2 (3) (3), up1, [k3 (4) (3), up1] to last 3 sts, turn and leave these 3 sts on a safety pin – 31 (34) (36) sts.

Change to 4mm needles.

Beginning with a p row, work in ss until front measures 15 (16) (17) cm from beginning, ending with a p row.

Shape raglan armhole and neck: Next row: Cast off 5, k to last 2 sts, k2tog. P 1 row.

Next row: Skpo, k to end. P 1 row.

Next row: K to last 2 sts, k2tog. P 1 row. Repeat last 4 rows, nil (1) (nil) time.

Dec 1 st at armhole edge on next row as before and 11 (13) (15) following alternate rows, at the same time, dec 1 st at neck edge on 3rd of these rows and 5 (6) (7) following 4th rows – 5 (3) (4) sts. P 1 row. Dec 1 st at armhole edge on next row and 2 (nil) (1) following alternate row(s) – 2 sts. P2tog and fasten off.

Right front

Work as given for left front to **.

7th row: K3 and slip these 3 sts on a safety pin, up1, [k3 (4) (3), up1] to last 2 (3) (3) sts, k2 (3) (3) – 31 (34) (36) sts.

Change to 4mm needles.

Beginning with a p row, work in ss until front measures 15 (16) (17) cm from beginning, ending with a p row.

Shape raglan armhole and neck: Next row: Skpo, k to end.

Cast off 5 sts at beginning of next row.

Next row: K to last 2 sts, k2tog. P 1 row.

Next row: Skpo, k to end. P 1 row.

Repeat last 4 rows, nil (1) (nil) time.

Dec 1 st at armhole edge on next row as

before and 11 (13) (15) following alternate rows, at the same time, dec 1 st at neck edge on 3rd of these rows and 5 (6) (7) following 4th rows – 5 (3) (4) sts. P 1 row.

Dec 1 st at armhole edge on next row and 2 (nil) (1) following alternate row(s) – 2 sts.

P2tog and fasten off.

Sleeves

(both alike)

With 3¼mm needles, cast on 65 (74) (74) sts.

1st row: K.

2nd row: K2, [k1 and slip this st back onto left needle, with right needle, lift the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th st over 1st st, yarn forward and over needle to make 2 sts, k slipped st again, k2] to end – 37 (42) (42) sts.

3rd row: K1, [k2tog, work k1 and p1 in yarn forward and round needle, k1] to last st, k1 – 30 (34) (34) sts.

4th to 6th rows: K.

7th row: K3 (1) (2), up1, [k4 (4) (3), up1] to last 3 (1) (2) st(s), k3 (1) (2) – 37 (43) (45) sts.

Change to 4mm needles.

Beginning with a p row, ss 3 (7) (7) rows.

Inc 1 st at each end of next row and 7 (6) (7) following 6th (10th) (10th) rows – 53 (57) (61) sts.

Continue straight until sleeve measures 24 (29) (33) cm from beginning, ending with a p row.

Shape raglan top: Cast off 5 sts at beginning of next 2 rows.

Next row: Skpo, k to last 2 sts, k2tog.

Ss 3 (3) (1) row(s).

Dec 1 st at each end on next row as before and 14 (16) (18) following alternate rows – 11 sts. P 1 row. Cast off.

Left front band

Join all raglan seams. With 3¼mm needles, rejoin yarn to inside edge of 3 sts on left front safety pin, cast on 1 st, k to end – 4 sts. Continue in gst until band, when slightly stretched, fits up left front, across sleeve top and half way across back neck, ending at outside edge. Cast off.

Right front band

With 3¼mm needles, rejoin yarn to inside edge of 3 sts on right front safety pin, cast on 1 st, k to end – 4 sts. Continue in gst until band, when slightly stretched, fits up right front to beginning of neck shaping, ending at outside edge.

Buttonhole row: K1, k2tog, yf, k1. Continue in gst until band fits up right front neck, across sleeve top and half way across back neck, ending at outside edge. Cast off.

To make up

Join bands at back neck and sew band to front edges and back neck. Join side and sleeve seams. Sew on button. Pin out garment to the measurements given. Cover with damp cloths and leave until dry.

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The Three Bears

Teddies are timeless – our little family from the 1960s are as cute as ever. Goldilocks seems to have given up searching for them, though...

We're really lucky to have such a rich back catalogue of fantastic Woman's Weekly knitting and crochet patterns. These bears originally featured in the 10 November 1962 issue.



Measurements

20 (24) (28) cm/8 (9¼) (11) in high.

Materials

1 (2) (2) 50g (105m) ball(s) of Sublime Egyptian Cotton DK (100% cotton) in Forever and Ever (322). Oddments of Grey for embroidery. Pair of 3mm (No. 11) knitting needles; washable toy stuffing; length of ribbon. **You can buy the yarn online from womansweekly shop.co.uk/yarn.** For other yarn stockists, call Sublime on 01924 369666.

Tension

26 stitches and 50 rows, to 10 x 10cm, over garter stitch, using 3mm needles.

Abbreviations

K, knit; **p**, purl; **st**, stitch; **tog**, together; **sl**, slip; **inc**, increase (by working twice into same st); **dec**, decrease (by taking

2 sts tog); **gst**, garter st (every row k); **psso**, pass sl st over; **skpo**, sl1, k1, psso; **up1**, pick up loop lying between needles and k into the back of it; **wrap1**, slip next st onto right hand needle, take yarn between needles to opposite side of work, place the slipped st back onto left hand needle; **nil**, meaning nothing is worked here for this size.

Note

Yarn amounts are based on average requirements and are therefore approximate. Instructions are given for small bear. Where they vary, work figures in round brackets for medium and large bears. Instructions in square brackets are worked as stated after 2nd bracket.

1st dec row: K8 (9) (11), skpo, k1, k2tog, k15 (18) (19), skpo, k1, k2tog, k8 (9) (11) – 37 (42) (47) sts. K 3 rows.

2nd dec row: K2, [k2tog, k3] to end – 30 (34) (38) sts. K 3 rows.

3rd dec row: K2, [k2tog, k2] to end – 23 (26) (29) sts. K 1 row.

4th dec row: K2, [k2tog, k1] to end – 16 (18) (20) sts.

5th dec row: [K2tog] to end – 8 (9) (10) sts. Break off yarn and thread end through remaining sts, pull up tightly and fasten off. Join back seam of body and head, leaving an opening. With back seam to centre, join cast-on edge. Stuff head and body firmly and close opening.

Muzzle

With 3mm needles, cast on 21 (25) (29) sts. K 5 (7) (9) rows.

1st dec row: K1, [k2tog, k2] to end – 16 (19) (22) sts. K 1 row.

2nd dec row: K1, [k2tog, k1] to end – 11 (13) (15) sts. K 1 row.

3rd dec row: K1, [k2tog] to end – 6 (7) (8) sts. Break off yarn and thread end through remaining sts, pull up tightly and fasten off. Join row-ends together. Stuff muzzle and sew cast-on edge to centre front of head.

Legs

(make 2)

Sole: With 3mm needles, cast on 4 (4) (5) sts. K 1 row.

Continue in gst and inc 1 st at each end of next 2 (3) (3) rows – 8 (10) (11) sts. K 7 (7) (9) rows.

Dec 1 st at each end of next row and 1 (2) (2) following 3rd (3rd) (4th) row(s) – 4 (4) (5) sts. K 2 rows. Cast off.

Foot and leg: With 3mm needles, cast on 18 (22) (26) sts. K 1 row.

1st increase row: K1, up1, k7 (9) (11), up1, k2, up1, k7 (9) (11), up1, k1 – 22 (26) (30) sts. K 5 (9) (11) rows.

Shape instep: 1st dec row: K8 (10) (12), skpo, k2, k2tog, k8 (10) (12) – 20 (24) (28) sts.

Body and head

Body: With 3mm needles, cast on 12 (16) (16) sts. K 1 row.

1st increase row: K3 (4) (4), up1, k1, up1, k4 (6) (6), up1, k1, up1, k3 (4) (4) – 16 (20) (20) sts. K 3 rows.

2nd increase row: K4 (5) (5), up1, k1, up1, k6 (8) (8), up1, k1, up1, k4 (5) (5) – 20 (24) (24) sts. K 1 row.

3rd increase row: K4 (5) (5), [up1, k1] 2 (2) (3) times, up1, k8 (10) (8), up1, [k1, up1] 2 (2) (3) times, k4 (5) (5) – 26 (30) (32) sts. K 1 row.

4th increase row: K6 (7) (7), [up1, k1] 2 (2) (3) times, up1, k10 (12) (12), up1, [k1, up1] 2 (2) (3) times, k6 (7) (7) – 32 (36) (40) sts.

K 15 (19) (23) rows.

1st dec row: K6 (7) (8), skpo, k1, k2tog, k10 (12) (14), skpo, k1, k2tog, k6 (7) (8) – 28 (32) (36) sts. K 1 row.

2nd dec row: K5 (6) (7), skpo, k1, k2tog, k8 (10) (12), skpo, k1, k2tog, k5 (6) (7) – 24 (28) (32) sts. K 1 row.

3rd dec row: K6 (7) (8), k2tog, k8 (10) (12), k2tog, k6 (7) (8) – 22 (26) (30) sts. K 5 rows.

4th dec row: K4 (5) (6), skpo, k2tog, k6 (8) (10), skpo, k2tog, k4 (5) (6) – 18 (22) (26) sts. K 1 row.

5th dec row: K3 (4) (5), skpo, k2tog, k4 (6) (8), skpo, k2tog, k3 (4) (5) – 14 (18) (22) sts. Cast off but do not break off the yarn.

Head: With 3mm needles and beginning at end of cast-off row, pick up and k14 (18) (22) sts along cast-off edge of body.

1st increase row: K1, [up1, k2 (2) (3)] to last 1 (3) (3) st(s), up1, k1 (3) (3) – 21 (26) (29) sts. K 1 row.

2nd increase row: K1, [up1, k3] to last 2 (4) (4) sts, up1, k2 (4) (4) – 28 (34) (38) sts. K 3 rows.

3rd increase row: K1 (2) (2), [up1, k3 (4) (4)] to end – 37 (42) (47) sts. K 3 rows.

4th increase row: K9 (10) (12), up1, k1, up1, k17 (20) (21), up1, k1, up1, k9 (10) (12) – 41 (46) (51) sts. K 7 (11) (15) rows.



Next row: K7 (8) (10), cast off next 6 (8) (8) sts, k to end – 14 (16) (20) sts.

K 4 rows.

2nd increase row: K2, [up1, k3 (4) (5)] 3 times, up1, k3 (2) (3) – 18 (20) (24) sts.

K 3 (7) (9) rows.

3rd increase row: K3, [up1, k4 (5) (6)] 3 times, up1, k3 (2) (3) – 22 (24) (28) sts.

K 11 (13) (17) rows.

Shape top: 1st dec row: K1, skpo, k5 (6) (8), k2tog, k2, skpo, k5 (6) (8), k2tog, k1 – 18 (20) (24) sts. K 1 row.

2nd dec row: K1, skpo, k3 (4) (6), k2tog, k2, skpo, k3 (4) (6), k2tog, k1 – 14 (16) (20) sts.

3rd dec row: K1, skpo, k1 (2) (4), k2tog, k2, skpo, k1 (2) (4), k2tog, k1 – 10 (12) (16) sts.

Small bear: 4th dec row: K1, sl1, k2tog, psso, k2, sl1, k2tog, psso, k1 – 6 sts.

Cast off.

Medium and large bears: 4th dec row: K1, skpo, k nil (2), k2tog, k2, skpo, k nil (2), k2tog, k1 – 8 (12) sts. Cast off.

All bears: Fold legs in half and join cast-off sts on top of instep together. Join back and top seam, leaving an opening. With cast-on edge of soles at centre of back leg seam, sew in sole. Stuff legs firmly and close opening. Using two strands of yarn together, attach yarn about 2cm down from top edge on inside of one leg. Take this yarn at hip position from one side of body to other side and attach to second leg in same position as on first leg. Pull yarn tightly to draw legs to body. Take the yarn back through body again, pull up and secure end to first leg in same place as before to create a movable joint.

Arms

(make 2)

With 3mm needles, cast on 8 (12) (16) sts. K 1 row.

1st increase row: K1, up1, k2 (4) (6), up1, k2, up1, k2 (4) (6), up1, k1 – 12 (16) (20) sts. K 1 row.

2nd increase row: K1, up1, k4 (6) (8), up1, k2, up1, k4 (6) (8), up1, k1 – 16 (20) (24) sts. K 3 (7) (11) rows.

Shape wrist: 1st dec row: K1, skpo, k2 (4) (6), k2tog, k2, skpo, k2 (4) (6), k2tog, k1 – 12 (16) (20) sts. K 1 row.

2nd dec row: K3 (5) (7), k2tog, k2, skpo, k3 (5) (7) – 10 (14) (18) sts. K 3 (5) (5) rows.

3rd increase row: K1 (2) (3), [up1, k3 (4) (5)] 3 times – 13 (17) (21) sts. K 3 rows.

4th increase row: K1 (2) (3), [up1, k4 (5) (6)] 3 times – 16 (20) (24) sts. K 3 rows.

5th increase row: K2 (1) (1), [up1, k4 (6) (7)] 3 times, up1, k2 (1) (2) – 20 (24) (28) sts. K 9 (11) (13) rows.

Shape top: 3rd dec row: K1, skpo, k4 (6) (8), k2tog, k2, skpo, k4 (6) (8), k2tog, k1 – 16 (20) (24) sts. K 1 row.

4th dec row: K1, skpo, k2 (4) (6), k2tog, k2,



skpo, k2 (4) (6), k2tog, k1 – 12 (16) (20) sts.

Small bear: 5th dec row: K1, skpo, k2tog, k2, skpo, k2tog, k1 – 8 sts. Cast off

Medium and large bears: K nil (1) row.

5th dec row: K1, skpo, k2 (4), k2tog, k2, skpo, k2 (4), k2tog, k1 – 12 (16) sts.

6th dec row: K1, skpo, k nil (2), k2tog, k2, skpo, k nil (2), k2tog, k1 – 8 (12) sts.

Cast off.

All bears: Fold arms in half and join cast-on edge, back and top seam, leaving an opening. Stuff arms firmly and close opening. Attach arms to body at shoulder positions in same way as legs.

Ears

(make 2)

With 3mm needles, cast on 11 (13) (15) sts for top edge.

1st row: K9 (11) (13), wrap1, turn.

2nd row: K7 (9) (11), wrap1, turn.

3rd row: K6 (8) (10), wrap1, turn.

4th row: K5 (7) (9), wrap1, turn.

5th row: K4 (6) (8), wrap1, turn.

6th and 7th rows: K3 (5) (7), wrap1, turn, k to end. K 2 (2) (3) rows across all sts.

Dec row: K1, [k2tog] to end – 6 (7) (8) sts.

Break off yarn, thread end through remaining sts, pull up tightly and secure. Position and sew ears on top of head.

To complete

With Grey, embroider small circle of 6 chain stitches for each eye and straight stitches for mouth and nose. Tie ribbon round neck.

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Debbie Bliss's wonderfully feminine designs fit and flatter a woman's shape beautifully



Knitted history

Debbie Bliss studied fashion and textile design at art college in London. At the start of her career she made and sold knitted plants to stores such as Liberty; she then went on to become a freelance knitwear designer, specialising in childrenswear. Her women's clothes are inspired not only by fashion trends but also by the shape of 'real women', with garments designed to fit and flatter the body.

Twelve years ago, Debbie launched her own yarn brand, and she's now involved in the development of new yarns. She tours the UK, US and Canada frequently, presenting her latest yarns and patterns to the stores and talking about her inspiration, and fashion and colour predictions.

Debbie has published more than 35 books to date, including *Wild Knitting*, *Baby Knits for Beginners* and *The Knitter's Year*. Her designs are admired and enjoyed around the world, and she's produced collections for Baby Gap and M&S. She lives in London with her husband Barry, and their two dogs, Monty and Smiffy.



Instructions for stole
on page 28

Debbie's signature style for womenswear is 'classic with a contemporary twist' – ultra-feminine knits with an emphasis on defining the waist or A-line shapes that skim the figure



 Easy Peasy

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overleaf



Scoop-neck Cardigan

Measurements

To fit sizes 81-86 (91-97) (102-107) (112-117) cm/32-34 (36-38) (40-42) (44-46) in.

Actual measurements 91 (101) (111) (121) cm/35¾ (39¾) (43¾) (47¾) in.

Side seams 29 (29) (31) (33) cm/11½ (11½) (12¼) (13) in.

Length to shoulder 48 (50) (54) (58) cm/19 (19¾) (21¼) (22¾) in.

Sleeve seam All sizes 12cm/4¾in.

Materials

3 (3) (4) (4) 50g (390m) balls of Debbie Bliss Rialto Lace (100% wool) in Silver (02). Pair of 3¾mm (No. 9) and 3mm (No. 11) knitting needles. **You can buy the yarn online from womansweeklyshop.co.uk/yarn.** For other yarn stockists, call Designer Yarns on 01535 664222.

Tension

26 stitches and 38 rows, to 10 x 10cm, over both patterns, using 3¾mm needles.

Abbreviations

K, knit; **p**, purl; **st**, stitch; **tog**, together; **sl**, slip; **yf**, yarn forward to make a st; **dec**, decrease (by working 2 sts tog); **psso**, pass sl st over; **skpo**, (sl1, k1, psso); **gst**, garter st (every row k); **nil**, meaning nothing is worked here for this size.

Note

Yarn amounts are based on average requirements and are therefore approximate. Instructions are given for the small size. Where they vary, work figures in round brackets for larger sizes. Instructions in square brackets are worked as stated after 2nd brackets.

3 (4) (4) (5) sts, yf, skpo, k1 (2) (2) (3).

15th row: K nil (1) (1) (2), k2tog, yf, [k1, yf, skpo, k1, k2tog, yf] to last 3 (4) (4) (5) sts, k1, yf, skpo, k nil (1) (1) (2).

16th row: P.

These 16 rows form main pattern.

Continue in pattern until back measures 29 (29) (31) (33) cm from beginning, ending with a wrong side row.

Shape armholes: Cast off 4 (6) (7) (9) sts at beginning of next 2 rows.

Dec 1 st at each end of next 5 (7) (7) (9) rows and 4 (5) (7) (8) following alternate rows – 93 (97) (103) (107) sts.

Continue straight until armholes measure 19 (21) (23) (25) cm, ending with a wrong side row.

Shape shoulders: Cast off 7 (7) (8) (9) sts at beginning of next 4 rows and 6 (8) (8) (8) sts at beginning of following 2 rows – 53 (53) (55) (55) sts. Cast off.

Left front

With 3mm needles, cast on 58 (65) (71) (78) sts.

Gst 5 rows. P 1 row.

Next row: K1, [yf, k2tog] to last 1 (nil) (nil) (1) st, k1 (nil) (nil) (1).

P 1 row. K 3 rows. P 1 row.

Change to 3¾mm needles.

1st row: K8 (4) (5) (1), [k2tog, yf, k9] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, [yf, skpo, k3, k2tog, yf, k9] to last 2 sts, k2.

2nd row and every following alternate row: P.

3rd row: K1 (3) (1) (nil), [k2tog, yf, k3] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, [k2tog, yf, k1] 1 (1) (nil) (1) time, yf, skpo, k2, [k1, yf, skpo, k1, k2tog, yf, k3, k2tog, yf, k1, yf, skpo, k2] to last 2 sts, k2.

5th row: K nil (1) (2) (4), [yf, sl1, k2tog, psso, yf, k3] nil (1) (nil) (nil) time, [k2tog, yf, k3] 1 (1) (nil) (1) time, yf, skpo, k1, [k2, yf, sl1, k2tog, psso, yf, k3, k2tog, yf, k3, yf, skpo, k1] to last 2 sts, k2.

7th row: K6 (6) (3) (3), [k2tog, yf, k5] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, yf, skpo, [k7, k2tog, yf, k5, yf, skpo] to last 2 sts, k2.

9th row: K5 (7) (2) (4), [yf, skpo, k3] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, k2tog, yf, k1, [k8, yf, skpo, k3, k2tog, yf, k1] to last 2 sts, k2.

11th row: K1 (nil) (1) (5), [k2tog, yf, k1, yf, skpo, k3] nil (1) (nil) (nil) time, [yf, skpo, k1] 1 (1) (nil) (1) time, k2tog, yf, k2, [k1, k2tog, yf, k1, yf, skpo, k3, yf, skpo, k1, k2tog, yf, k2] to last 2 sts, k2.

13th row: K2 (4) (nil) (1), [yf, skpo, k3] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, [yf, sl1, k2tog, psso, yf, k3] 1 (1) (nil) (1) time, [k2tog, yf, k3] nil (nil) (1) (nil) time, [k2tog, yf, k3, yf, skpo, k3, yf, sl1, k2tog, psso, yf, k3] to last 2 sts, k2.

Back

With 3mm needles, cast on 119 (133) (145) (159) sts.

Gst 5 rows. P 1 row.

Next row: K1, [yf, k2tog] to end.

P 1 row. K 3 rows. P 1 row.

Change to 3¾mm needles.

1st row: K8 (4) (5) (1), [k2tog, yf, k9] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, [yf, skpo, k3, k2tog, yf, k9] to last 15 (6) (12) (3) sts, yf, skpo, [k3, k2tog, yf] 1 (nil) (1) (nil) time, k8 (4) (5) (1).

2nd row and every following alternate row: P.

3rd row: K1 (3) (1) (nil), [k2tog, yf, k3] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, [k2tog, yf, k1] 1 (1) (nil) (1) time, yf, skpo, k2, [k1, yf, skpo, k1, k2tog, yf, k3, k2tog, yf, k1, yf, skpo, k2] to last 15 (6) (12) (3) sts, k1, yf, skpo, [k1, k2tog, yf, k3, k2tog, yf] 1 (nil) (1) (nil) time, [k1, yf, skpo] 1 (nil) (nil) (nil) time, k1 (3) (1) (nil).

5th row: K nil (1) (2) (4), [yf, sl1, k2tog, psso, yf, k3] nil (1) (nil) (nil) time, [k2tog, yf, k3] 1 (1) (nil) (1) time, yf, skpo, k1, [k2, yf, sl1, k2tog, psso, yf, k3, k2tog, yf, k3, yf, skpo, k1] to last 15 (6) (12) (3) sts, [k2, yf, sl1, k2tog, psso, yf] 1 (1) (1) (nil) time, [k3, k2tog, yf] 1 (nil) (1) (nil) time, [k3, yf, skpo] 1 (nil) (nil) (nil) time, k nil (1) (2) (3).

7th row: K6 (6) (3) (3), [k2tog, yf, k5] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, yf, skpo, [k7, k2tog, yf, k5, yf, skpo] to last 15 (6) (12) (3) sts, [k7, k2tog, yf] 1 (nil) (1) (nil) time, k6 (6) (3) (3).

9th row: K5 (7) (2) (4), [yf, skpo, k3] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, k2tog, yf, k1, [k8, yf, skpo, k3, k2tog, yf, k1] to last 15 (6) (12) (3) sts, [k8, yf, skpo] 1 (nil) (1) (nil) time, k5 (6) (2) (3).

11th row: K1 (nil) (1) (5), [k2tog, yf, k1, yf, skpo, k3] nil (1) (nil) (nil) time, [yf, skpo, k1]

1 (1) (nil) (1) time, k2tog, yf, k2, [k1, k2tog, yf, k1, yf, skpo, k3, yf, skpo, k1, k2tog, yf, k2] to last 15 (6) (12) (3) sts, [k1, k2tog, yf, k1, yf, skpo] 1 (1) (1) (nil) time, [k3, yf, skpo] 1 (nil) (1) (nil) time, [k1, k2tog, yf] 1 (nil) (nil) (nil) time, k1 (nil) (1) (3).

13th row: K2 (4) (nil) (1), [yf, skpo, k3] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, [yf, sl1, k2tog, psso, yf, k3] 1 (1) (nil) (1) time, [k2tog, yf, k3] nil (nil) (1) (nil) time, [k2tog, yf, k3, yf, skpo, k3, yf, sl1, k2tog, psso, yf, k3] to last 15 (6) (12) (3) sts, k2tog, yf, [k3, yf, skpo] 1 (nil) (1) (nil) time, [k3, yf, sl1, k2tog, psso, yf] 1 (nil) (nil) (nil) time, [k3, yf, skpo] nil (nil) (1) (nil) time, k2 (4) (nil) (1).

15th row: K7 (5) (4) (2), [yf, skpo, k7] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, [k2tog, yf, k5, yf, skpo, k7] to last nil (7) (13) (4) sts, [k2tog, yf] nil (1) (1) (1) time, [k5, yf, skpo] nil (nil) (1) (nil) time, k nil (5) (4) (2).

16th row: P.

These 16 rows form diamond pattern. Pattern another 56 (56) (64) (72) rows. K 2 rows.

Work main pattern thus: 1st row: K.

2nd row and every following alternate row: P.

3rd row: K.

5th row: K2 (3) (3) (1), [yf, skpo, k1] nil (nil) (1) time, [k3, yf, skpo, k1] to last 3 (4) (4) (5) sts, k3 (4) (4) (3), [yf, skpo] nil (nil) (nil) (1) time.

7th row: K2 (1) (1) (2), [yf, skpo] nil (1) (1) (1) time, [k1, k2tog, yf, k1, yf, skpo] to last 3 (4) (4) (5) sts, [k1, k2tog, yf] nil (1) (1) (1) time, k3 (1) (1) (2).

9th row: K. **11th row:** K.

13th row: K2 (3) (3) (4), [yf, skpo, k4] to last

15th row: K7 (5) (4) (2), [yf, skpo, k7] nil (1) (nil) (1) time, [k2tog, yf, k5, yf, skpo, k7] to last 3 sts, k3.

16th row: P.

These 16 rows form diamond pattern. Pattern another 56 (56) (64) (72) rows. K 2 rows.

Work main pattern thus: 1st row: K.

2nd row and every following alternate row: P. **3rd row:** K.

5th row: K2 (3) (3) (1), [yf, skpo, k1] nil (nil) (nil) (1) time, [k3, yf, skpo, k1] to last 2 sts, k2.

7th row: K2 (1) (1) (2), [yf, skpo] nil (1) (1) (1) time, [k1, k2tog, yf, k1, yf, skpo] to last 2 sts, k2.

9th row: K. **11th row:** K.

13th row: K2 (3) (3) (4), [yf, skpo, k4] to last 2 sts, k2.

15th row: K nil (1) (1) (2), k2tog, yf, [k1, yf, skpo, k1, k2tog, yf] to last 2 sts, k2.

16th row: P.

** These 16 rows form main pattern.

Continue in pattern until front measures 29 (29) (31) (33) cm from beginning, ending at armhole edge.

Shape armhole: Cast off 4 (6) (7) (9) sts at beginning of next row. Work 1 row – omit this row when working right front.

Dec 1 st at armhole edge on next 2 (7) (7) (9) rows and nil (1) (1) (4) following alternate row(s) – 52 (51) (56) (56) sts.

Work nil (1) (1) (1) row. **

Shape neck: Next row: K2tog, work to last 7 (7) (8) (8) sts, turn and leave these sts on a safety pin – 44 (43) (47) (47) sts.

*** Dec 1st at armhole edge on next 2 (nil) (nil) (nil) rows and 4 (3) (5) (3) following alternate rows, at the same time, dec 1 st at neck edge on first of these rows and on next 9 (5) (9) (5) rows – 28 (34) (32) (38) sts. Dec 1 st at neck edge on next nil (4) (nil) (4) rows. Work 1 row.

Dec 1 st at neck edge on next row and 3 following alternate rows then on 3 following 4th rows and following 6th row – 20 (22) (24) (26) sts.

Continue straight until front measures the same as back to shoulder shaping, ending at armhole edge.

Shape shoulder: Cast off 7 (7) (8) (9) sts at beginning of next row and following alternate row – 6 (8) (8) (8) sts. Work 1 row. Cast off.

Right front

With 3mm needles, cast on 58 (65) (71) (78) sts.

Gst 5 rows. P 1 row.

Next row: K2 (1) (1) (2), [yf, k2tog] to end. P 1 row. K 3 rows. P 1 row.

Change to 3¾mm needles.

1st row: K11, [yf, skpo, k3, k2tog, yf, k9] to last 15 (6) (12) (3) sts, yf, skpo, [k3, k2tog, yf] 1 (nil) (1) (nil) time, k8 (4) (5) (1).

2nd row and every following alternate row: P.

3rd row: K4, k2tog, yf, k1, yf, skpo, k2, [k1, yf, skpo, k1, k2tog, yf, k3, k2tog, yf, k1, yf, skpo, k2] to last 15 (6) (12) (3) sts, k1, yf, skpo, [k1, k2tog, yf, k3, k2tog, yf] 1 (nil) (1) (nil) time, [k1, yf, skpo] 1 (nil) (nil) (nil) time, k1 (3) (1) (nil).

5th row: K3, k2tog, yf, k3, yf, skpo, k1, [k2, yf, sl1, k2tog, psso, yf, k3, k2tog, yf, k3, yf, skpo, k1] to last 15 (6) (12) (3) sts, [k2, yf, sl1, k2tog, psso, yf] 1 (1) (1) (nil) time, [k3, k2tog, yf] 1 (nil) (1) (nil) time, [k3, yf, skpo] 1 (nil) (nil) (nil) time, k nil (1) (2) (3).

7th row: K2, k2tog, yf, k5, yf, skpo, [k7, k2tog, yf, k5, yf, skpo] to last 15 (6) (12) (3) sts, [k7, k2tog, yf] 1 (nil) (1) (nil) time, k6 (6) (3) (3).

9th row: K3, yf, skpo, k3, k2tog, yf, k1, [k8, yf, skpo, k3, k2tog, yf, k1] to last 15 (6) (12) (3) sts, [k8, yf, skpo] 1 (nil) (1) (nil) time, k5 (6) (2) (3).

11th row: K4, yf, skpo, k1, k2tog, yf, k2, [k1, k2tog, yf, k1, yf, skpo, k3, yf, skpo, k1, k2tog, yf, k2] to last 15 (6) (12) (3) sts, [k1, k2tog, yf, k1, yf, skpo] 1 (1) (1) (nil) time, [k3, yf, skpo] 1 (nil) (1) (nil) time, [k1, k2tog, yf] 1 (nil) (nil) (nil) time, k1 (nil) (1) (3).

13th row: K5, yf, sl1, k2tog, psso, yf, k3, [k2tog, yf, k3, yf, skpo, k3, yf, sl1, k2tog, psso, yf, k3] to last 15 (6) (12) (3) sts, k2tog, yf, [k3, yf, skpo] 1 (nil) (1) (nil) time, [k3, yf, sl1, k2tog, psso, yf] 1 (nil) (nil) (nil) time, [k3, yf, skpo] nil (nil) (1) (nil) time, k2 (4) (nil) (1).

15th row: K10, [k2tog, yf, k5, yf, skpo, k7] to last nil (7) (13) (4) sts, [k2tog, yf] nil (1) (1) (1) time, [k5, yf, skpo] nil (nil) (1) (nil) time, k nil (5) (4) (2).

16th row: P to end.

These 16 rows form diamond pattern. Pattern another 56 (56) (64) (72) rows. K 2 rows.

Work main pattern thus: 1st row: K.

2nd row and every following alternate row: P.

3rd row: K.

5th row: K1, [k3, yf, skpo, k1] to last 3 (4) (4) (5) sts, [yf, skpo] nil (nil) (nil) (1) time.

7th row: K2, [k2tog, yf, k1, yf, skpo, k1] to last 2 (3) (3) (4) sts, [k2tog, yf] nil (1) (1) (1) time, k2 (1) (1) (2).

9th row: K. **11th row:** K.

13th row: K1, [yf, skpo, k4] to last 3 (4) (4) (5) sts, yf, skpo, k1 (2) (2) (3).

15th row: K2, [yf, skpo, k1, k2tog, yf, k1] to last 2 (3) (3) (4) sts, yf, skpo, k nil (1) (1) (2).

16th row: P.

Work as left front from ** to **, noting variation.

Shape neck: Next row: K7 (7) (8) (8) and leave these sts on a safety pin, work to last 2 sts, k2tog – 44 (43) (47) (47) sts. Work as left front from *** to end.

Sleeves

(both alike)

With 3mm needles, cast on 93 (99) (109) (119) sts.

Gst 8 rows.

Change to 3¾mm needles.

1st row: K.

2nd row and every following alternate row: P.

3rd row: K.

5th row: K1 (1) (nil) (2), [k3, yf, skpo, k1] to last 2 (2) (1) (3) st(s), k2 (2) (1) (3).

7th row: K1 (1) (nil) (2), [k1, k2tog, yf, k1, yf, skpo] to last 2 (2) (1) (3) st(s), k2 (2) (1) (3).

9th row: K. **11th row:** K.

13th row: K1 (1) (6) (2), [yf, k2tog, k4] to last 2 (2) (1) (3) st(s), [yf, skpo] 1 (1) (nil) (1) time, k nil (nil) (1) (1).

15th row: K1 (1) (nil) (nil), [k2tog, yf] nil (nil) (nil) (1) time, [k1, yf, skpo, k1, k2tog, yf] to last 2 (2) (1) (3) st(s), [k1, yf, skpo] nil (nil) (nil) (1) time, k2 (2) (1) (nil).

16th row: P.

These 16 rows form pattern. Continue in pattern until sleeve measures 12cm from beginning, ending with a wrong side row.

Shape top: Cast off 4 (6) (7) (9) sts at beginning of next 2 rows.

Dec 1 st at each end of next 5 rows and 8 (11) (11) (12) following alternate rows – 59 (55) (63) (67) sts.

Dec 1 st at each end of next 12 (10) (14) (16) rows – 35 sts.

Cast off 6 sts at beginning of next 2 rows – 23 sts. Cast off.

Right and left front bands

With right side facing, using 3mm needles, rejoin yarn and pick up and k78 (83) (91) (99) sts evenly between lower edge and neck edge.

K 6 rows. Cast off kwise.

Neckband

Join shoulder seams. With 3mm needles, cast on 46 (48) (50) (52) sts, turn, and with right side facing, pick up and k5 sts across right front band, k7 (7) (8) (8) sts from safety pin, pick up and k68 (68) (72) (76) sts up right front neck, 53 (53) (55) (55) sts across back neck, 68 (68) (72) (76) sts down left front neck, k7 (7) (8) (8) sts from safety pin, then pick up and k5 sts from left front band, turn, cast on 46 (48) (50) (52) sts – 305 (309) (325) (337) sts.

K 6 rows. Cast off kwise.

To make up

Sew sleeves into armholes. Join side and sleeve seams.



Frill-edged Stole

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To make

Main part: With 4mm needles, cast on 97 sts. P1 row.

1st row: K1, * k3tog, k1, [yf, k1b] 3 times, yf, k1, [skpo] twice, k4, repeat from * to end.

2nd and every following alternate row: P to end.

3rd row: K1, * skpo, k2, yf, k3, yf, k1b, yf, k1, [skpo] twice, k3, repeat from * to end.

5th row: K1, * skpo, k1, yf, k5, yf, k1b, yf, k1, [skpo] twice, k2, repeat from * to end.

7th row: K1, * skpo, yf, k3, k2tog, k1, [yf, k1b] twice, yf, k1, [skpo] twice, k1, repeat from * to end.

9th row: * K4, [k2tog] twice, k1, [yf, k1b]

Measurements

Approximately 48 x 144cm/19 x 56¾in.

Materials

3 x 50g (390m) balls of Debbie Bliss Rialto Lace (100% wool) in Royal (19). Pair of 4mm (No. 8) knitting needles and a long 4mm (No. 8) circular knitting needle. **You can buy the yarn online from womansweeklyshop.co.uk/yarn.** For other yarn stockists, call Designer Yarns on 01535 664222.

Tension

22 stitches and 30 rows, to 10 x 10cm, over stocking stitch (knit on right side and purl on wrong side), using 4mm needles.

Abbreviations

K, knit; **p**, purl; **st**, stitch; **sl**, slip; **tog**,

together; **yf**, yarn forward to make a st; **yrn**, yarn round needle to make a st; **yon**, yarn over needle to make a st; **yfb**, yarn to back; **skpo**, sl1, k1, pass sl st over; **ssk2tog**, sl1kwise from left-hand needle, then sl1k from circular needle, insert tip of left-hand needle from left to right through front of both sts and k2tog slipping both sts off needle; **p2sso**, pass 2 sl sts over; **sl2tog**, sl next 2 sts as if to work k2tog; **k1b**, k1 through back of st.

Note

Yarn amounts are based on average requirements and are therefore approximate. Instructions in square brackets are worked as stated after 2nd bracket.

3 times, yf, k1, sl2tog, k1, p2sso, repeat from * to last st, k1.

11th row: * K3, [k2tog] twice, k1, yf, k1b, yf, k3, yf, k2, k2tog, repeat from * to last st, k1.

13th row: * K2, [k2tog] twice, k1, yf, k1b, yf, k5, yf, k1, k2tog, repeat from * to last st, k1.

15th row: * K1, [k2tog] twice, k1, [yf, k1b] twice, yf, k1, skpo, k3, yf, k2tog, repeat from * to last st, k1.

16th row: P to end.

These 16 rows form pattern.

Repeat these 16 rows, 21 times more, then work 1st to 15th rows again.

Cast off loosely, pwise.

Border: With right side facing, using long 4mm circular needle and beginning at star of cast-on row, pick up and k3 sts in corner, 252 sts along row-ends of one side edge, 3 sts in corner, 78 sts along cast-off edge, 3 sts in corner, 252 sts along row-ends of other side edge, 3 sts in corner and finally 78 sts along cast-on edge, do not fasten off – 672 sts.

Work border thus: With 4mm needles and a smooth contrasting length of yarn, cast on 10 sts.

(This yarn will be removed later so that beginning and end of border can be joined together.) Using main yarn, work pattern along the 10 cast-on sts, joining border to picked up sts around main part on every wrong side row, thus:

**** 1st row:** K2, yf, k2tog, p1, yon, k1, yf, k2, k2tog – 11 sts.

2nd row: P6, k1, yrn, p2tog, p1, yfb, ssk2tog, turn.

3rd row: K2, yf, k2tog, p1, k1, yf, k1, yf, k2, k2tog – 12 sts.

4th row: P7, k1, yrn, p2tog, p1, yfb, ssk2tog, turn.

5th row: K2, yf, k2tog, p1, k2, yf, k1, yf, k2, k2tog – 13 sts.

6th row: P8, k1, yrn, p2tog, p1, yfb, ssk2tog, turn.

7th row: K2, yf, k2tog, p1, k3, yf, k1, yf, k2, k2tog – 14 sts.

8th row: P9, k1, yrn, p2tog, p1, yfb, ssk2tog, turn.

9th row: K2, yf, k2tog, p1, k4, yf, k1, yf, k2, k2tog – 15 sts.

10th row: P10, k1, yrn, p2tog, p1, yfb, ssk2tog, turn.

11th row: K2, yf, k2tog, p1, k8, k2tog – 14 sts.

12th row: Cast off 4 sts – 1 st on right-hand needle, p4, k1, yrn, p2tog, p1, yfb, ssk2tog, turn – 10 sts. **

Work from ** to ** 12 times more, over 3 corner sts, work from ** to ** once, slipping the remaining st from ssk2tog of first and 2 following alternate wrong side rows, back onto circular needle to be worked again on the next wrong side row.

Work from ** to ** 42 times, work corner as before, work from ** to ** 13 times, work corner as before, work from ** to ** 42 times, work corner as before.

Remove contrasting yarn from the 10 cast-on sts at beginning and sl these sts onto a 4mm needle and with right side together, cast off both set of sts tog.

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Put A Lid On It

Cute little boxes for storing
teeny-tiny keepsakes

Crochet

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Top Of The Pots

This co-ordinating set of jam-jar covers will sell like hot cakes

Knitting

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Handy Bag

A lightweight string number for those quick trips to the shops

Knitting

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Stacks Of Scent

Pretty lavender sachets tied into bundles – almost too nice to hide in a drawer!

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Flower Show

Customise frames with crocheted blooms for a really unique look

Crochet

Instructions on p40



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Seaside Special

Measurements

Approximately 223cm/88in long.

Materials

1 x 50g (130m) ball of Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton) in each of Dark Jeans (85), Light Blue (27) and White (80). A 3.50 crochet hook. The yarn can be purchased from Black Sheep Wools, call 01925 764231, or visit blacksheepwools.com.

Abbreviations

Ch, chain; **dc**, double crochet; **tr**, treble; **st**, stitch; **yrh**, yarn round hook; **tr2tog**, [yrh, insert hook into next st, yrh and pull loop through, yrh and pull through first 2 loops on hook] twice, yrh and draw through 3 loops on hook.

Note

Yarn amounts are based on average requirements and are therefore approximate. Instructions in square brackets are worked as stated after 2nd bracket.

Dark Blue Pennant

Using 3.50 hook and Dark Jeans, make 27ch.

1st row: 1dc in 2nd ch from hook (counts as 1 st), [1dc in next ch] to end, turn – 26 sts.

2nd row: 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next dc] to end, turn.

3rd row: 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next tr] 23 times, tr2tog, turn.

4th row: 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next tr] 21 times, tr2tog, turn.

5th row: 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next tr] 19 times, tr2tog, turn.

6th row: 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next tr] 17 times, tr2tog, turn.

7th row: 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next tr] 15 times, tr2tog, turn.

8th row: 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next tr] 13 times, tr2tog, turn.

9th row: 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next tr] 11 times, tr2tog, turn.

10th row: 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next tr] 9 times, tr2tog, turn.

11th row: 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next tr] 7 times, tr2tog, turn.

12th row: 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next tr] 5 times, tr2tog, turn.



13th row: 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next tr] 3 times, tr2tog, turn.

14th row: 2ch (counts as 1tr), 1tr in next tr, tr2tog.

Fasten off and neaten ends.

Edging: With right side facing, beginning at side edge of 1st row, using 3.50 hook, join in Light Blue and work 1ch, 1dc in next row-end, [3dc in next row-end, 1dc in next row-end] 6 times, 5dc in tip of pennant, then in opposite side, work [1dc in next row-end, 3dc in next row-end] 6 times, 1dc in each of last 2 row-ends.

Fasten off and neaten ends.

Light Blue Pennant and edging

Work as given for Dark Blue Pennant, using Light Blue instead of Dark Jeans and White instead of Light Blue.

White Pennant and edging

Work as given for Dark Blue Pennant, using White instead of Dark Jeans and Dark Jeans instead of Light Blue.

Dark Blue Striped Pennant

Using 3.50 hook and Dark Jeans, make 27ch.

1st row: 1dc in 2nd ch from hook (counts as 1 st), [1dc in next ch] to end, turn – 26 sts.

2nd row: 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next dc] to end, turn.

3rd row: With Light Blue, work 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next tr] 23 times, tr2tog, turn.

4th row: With White, work 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next st] 21 times, tr2tog, turn.

5th row: With Dark Jeans, work 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next tr] 19 times, tr2tog, turn.

6th row: With Light Blue, work 2ch (counts

as 1tr), [1tr in next tr] 17 times, tr2tog, turn.

7th row: With White, work 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next tr] 15 times, tr2tog, turn.

8th row: With Dark Jeans, work 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next tr] 13 times, tr2tog, turn.

9th row: With Light Blue, work 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next tr] 11 times, tr2tog, turn.

10th row: With White, work 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next tr] 9 times, tr2tog, turn.

11th row: With Dark Jeans, work 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next tr] 7 times, tr2tog, turn.

12th row: With Light Blue, work 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next tr] 5 times, tr2tog, turn.

13th row: With White, work 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next tr] 3 times, tr2tog, turn.

14th row: With Dark Jeans, work 2ch (counts as 1tr), 1tr in next tr, tr2tog.

Fasten off and neaten ends.

Edging: Work as given for Dark Blue Pennant.

Light Blue Striped Pennant

Work as given for Dark Blue Striped Pennant, using Light Blue instead of Dark Jeans, White instead of Light Blue and Dark Jeans instead of White.

Edging: Using White, work as given for Dark Blue Pennant.

White Striped Pennant

Work as given for Dark Blue Striped Pennant, using White instead of Dark Jeans, Dark Jeans instead of Light Blue and Light Blue instead of White.

Edging: Using Dark Jeans, work as given for Dark Blue Pennant.

Dark Blue Broken Striped Pennant

Using 3.50 hook and Dark Jeans, make 27ch.

1st row: 1dc in 2nd ch from hook (counts as 1st), [1dc in next ch] to end, turn – 26 sts.

2nd row: 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next dc] to end, turn.

Joining in and breaking off colours as required, stranding yarn loosely along wrong side of work, pulling next colour to be worked through last procedure of st(s) just worked, continue thus:

3rd row: With Dark Jeans, work 2ch, (counts as 1tr), 1 Light Blue tr in next tr, [1 Dark Jeans tr in next tr, 1 Light Blue tr in next tr] 11 times, with Dark Jeans, tr2tog, turn.

4th row: With Light Blue, work 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next tr] 21 times, tr2tog, turn.

5th row: With Light Blue, work 2ch (counts as 1tr), 1 White tr in next tr, [1 Light Blue tr in next tr, 1 White tr in next tr] 9 times, with Light Blue,



tr2tog, turn.

6th row: With White, work 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next tr] 17 times, tr2tog, turn.

7th row: With White, work 2ch (counts as 1tr), 1 Light Blue tr in next tr, [1 White tr in next tr, 1 Light Blue tr in next tr] 7 times, with White, tr2tog, turn.

8th row: With Light Blue, work 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next tr] 13 times, tr2tog, turn.

9th row: With Light Blue, work 2ch (counts as 1tr), 1 Dark Jeans tr in next tr, [1 Light Blue tr in next tr, 1 Dark Jeans tr in next tr] 5 times, with Light Blue, tr2tog, turn.

10th row: With Dark Jeans, work 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next tr] 9 times, tr2tog, turn.

11th row: With Dark Jeans, work 2ch (counts as 1tr), 1 Light Blue tr in next tr, [1 Dark Jeans tr in next tr, 1 Light Blue tr in next tr] 3 times, with Dark Jeans, tr2tog, turn.

12th row: With Light Blue, work 2ch (counts as 1tr), [1tr in next tr] 5 times, tr2tog, turn.

13th row: With Light Blue, work 2ch (counts as 1tr), 1 White tr in next tr, 1 Light Blue tr in next tr, 1 White tr in next tr, with Light Blue, tr2tog, turn.

14th row: With White, work 2ch (counts as 1tr), 1tr in next tr, tr2tog.

Fasten off and neaten ends.

Edging: Work as given for Dark Blue Pennant.

Light Blue Broken Striped Pennant

Work as given for Dark Blue Broken Striped Pennant, using Light Blue instead of Dark Jeans, White instead of Light Blue and Light Blue instead of White, with exception of the 7th, 8th and 9th rows, when you use Dark Jeans instead of Light Blue.

Edging: Using White, work as given for Dark Blue Pennant.

White/Blue Broken Striped Pennant

Work as given for Dark Blue Broken Striped Pennant, using White instead of Dark Jeans, Light Blue in same place used on Dark Blue Broken Striped Pennant and Dark Jeans instead of White.

Edging: Using Dark Jeans, work as given for Dark Blue Pennant.

Hanging band

With 3.50 hook and White, work a length of chain to measure 223cm/88in.

1st row: 1dc in 2nd ch from hook, 1dc in each ch to end.

Break off White, join in Dark Jeans.

2nd row: 1ch, [1dc in next dc] to end, turn. Fasten off and neaten ends.

To complete bunting

Leave 16.5cm/6½in free at each end of band, then arrange pennants evenly spaced as shown in photograph on page 29 and using White, sew pennants to band.

Put A Lid On It

Measurements

Width: 5 (7) (9) cm/2 (2¾) (3½) in.

Depth: 5 (7) (9) cm/2 (2¾) (3½) in.

Height: 3 (4) (5) cm/1¼ (1½) (2) in.

Materials

For the 2 sets of 3 boxes each: 2 x 50g (85m) balls of Rico Design Creative Cotton Aran (100% cotton) in each of White (80) and Light Blue (32). Size 3.00 crochet hook. **You can buy the yarn online at womansweeklyshop.co.uk/yarn.** The yarn can also be purchased from Black Sheep Wools, call 01925 764231, or visit blacksheepwools.com.

Abbreviations

Ch, chain; **dc**, double crochet; **st**, stitch; **slst**, slip st; **chsp**, chain space; **nil**, meaning nothing is worked here for this size.

Note

Yarn amounts are based on average requirements and are therefore approximate. Instructions are given for small box. Where they vary, work figures in round brackets for medium and large boxes. Instructions in square brackets are worked as stated after 2nd bracket.

Base

With 3.00 hook and main colour, make 2ch.

1st round: 8dc in 2nd ch from hook, slst in first st.

2nd round: 1ch (does not count as a st), 1dc in same st as slst, [work 1dc, 2ch and 1dc in next st, 1dc in next st] 3 times, work 1dc, 2ch and 1dc in last st, slst in first st.

3rd round: 1ch, 1dc in same st as slst, 1dc in next st, [work 1dc, 2ch and 1dc in next chsp, 1dc in each of next 3 sts] 3 times, work 1dc, 2ch and 1dc in next chsp, 1dc in last st, slst in first st.

4th round: 1ch, 1dc in same st as slst, [1dc in each st to corner chsp, work 1dc, 2ch and 1dc in corner chsp] 4 times, work 1dc in each st to end, slst in first st.

Repeat 4th round, nil (2) (4) times more.

Next round: 1ch, working in back loop of each st, 1dc in same place as slst, [1dc in each st to corner chsp, 1dc in corner chsp] 4 times, 1dc in each st to end, slst in first st.

Next round: 1ch, 1dc in same place as slst, [1dc in next st] to end, slst in first st.

Repeat last round, 4 (6) (7) times more.

Change to contrast colour and work last round again. Fasten off.

Lid

With 3.00 hook and main colour, make 2ch.

1st round: 8dc in 2nd ch from hook, slst in first st.

2nd round: 1ch (does not count as a st), 1dc in same st as slst, [work 1dc, 2ch and 1dc in next st, 1dc in next st] 3 times, work 1dc, 2ch and 1dc in last st, slst in first st.

3rd round: 1ch, 1dc in same st as slst, 1dc in next st, [work 1dc, 2ch and 1dc in next chsp, 1dc in each of next 3 sts] 3 times, work 1dc, 2ch and 1dc in next chsp, 1dc in last st, slst in first st.

4th round: 1ch, 1dc in same st as slst, [1dc in each st to corner chsp, work 1dc, 2ch and 1dc in corner chsp] 4 times, work 1dc in each

st to end, slst in first st.

Repeat 4th round, 1 (3) (5) times more.

Next round: 1ch, working in back loop of each st, 1dc in same place as slst, [1dc in each st to corner chsp, 1dc in corner chsp] 4 times, 1dc in each st to end, slst in first st. Change to contrast colour for small box only.

Next round: 1ch, 1dc in same place as slst, [1dc in next st] to end, slst in first st.

Fasten off for small box only.

Medium and large boxes: Repeat last round, 1 (2) time(s) more.

Change to contrast colour and work last round again. Fasten off.



Top Of The Pots

White cover

Lower edge: With 3mm needles and White, cast on 10 sts.

1st row: Sl1, k2tog, yf and yrn, k2tog, yf, k5.

2nd row: K5, [p1, k2] twice.

3rd row: Sl1, k4, yf, k6.

4th row: K5, p2, k5.

5th row: Sl1, k2tog, yf and yrn, k2tog, yf, k7.

6th row: K5, p3, k2, p1, k2.

7th row: Sl1, k4, yf, k8.

8th row: K5, p4, k5.

9th row: Sl1, k2tog, yf and yrn, k2tog, yf, k9.

10th row: K5, p5, k2, p1, k2.

11th row: Sl1, k4, yf, k10 – 16 sts.

12th row: Cast off 6 sts loosely, k1 st more, p3, k5 – 10 sts.

The last 12 rows form pattern.

Repeat these 12 rows, 5 times more.

Fasten off.

Top: With right side facing, using 3mm needles and White, pick up and k53 sts evenly along straight edge of lower edge. Gst 5 rows.

Eyelet row: K1, [yf, k2tog] to end.

Gst 5 rows, dec 2 sts evenly on last of these rows – 51 sts.

Shape top: 1st row: K1, [k2tog, k8] to end – 46 sts.

2nd row: [K7, k2tog] to last st, k1 – 41 sts.

3rd row: K1, [k2tog, k6] to end – 36 sts.

4th row: [K5, k2tog] to last st, k1 – 31 sts.

5th row: K1, [k2tog, k4] to end – 26 sts.

6th row: [K3, k2tog] to last st, k1 – 21 sts.

7th row: K1, [k2tog, k2] to end – 16 sts.

8th row: [K1, k2tog] to last st, k1 – 11 sts.

9th row: K1, [k2tog] to end – 6 sts.

Break off yarn leaving a long end. Thread end through remaining sts, pull up tightly and fasten off securely.

Cord: Using 3mm needles and White, cast on 115 sts. Cast off.

To make up: Join seam. Thread cord through large eyelet holes in lower edge, bringing ends out to tie.

Blue cover

Top: With 3mm needles and Blue, cast on 52 sts.

Beginning with a p row, rss 7 rows, dec 1 st in centre of last row – 51 sts.

Shape top: 1st row: K1, [k2tog, k8] to end – 46 sts.

2nd row: [P7, p2togb] to last st, p1 – 41 sts.

3rd row: K1, [k2tog, k6] to end – 36 sts.

4th row: [P5, p2togb] to last st, p1 – 31 sts.

5th row: K1, [k2tog, k4] to end – 26 sts.

6th row: [P3, p2togb] to last st, p1 – 21 sts.

7th row: K1, [k2tog, k2] to end – 16 sts.

8th row: [P1, p2togb] to last st, p1 – 11 sts.

9th row: K1, [k2tog] to end – 6 sts.

Materials

For the set of 3 covers: 1 x 50g (130m) ball of Rico Design Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton) in each of White (80) and Blue (85). A pair of 3mm (No. 11) knitting needles; 3 jam preserving jars. **You can buy the yarn online from womansweeklyshop.co.uk/yarn.** The yarn can also be purchased from Black Sheep Wools, call 01925 764231, or visit blacksheepwools.com. Jam jars are available from hobbycraft.co.uk.

Abbreviations

K, knit; **p**, purl; **st**, stitch; **tog**, together; **sl**, slip; **dec**, decrease (by working 2 sts tog);

yf, yarn forward to make a st; **yrn**, yarn round needle to make a st; **p2togb**, p2tog through back of sts; **3from1** (k into front, back and front of next st); **ss**, stocking st (k on right side and p on wrong side); **rss**, reverse stocking st (p on right side and k on wrong side); **gst**, garter st (every row k).

Note

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Break off yarn leaving a long end. Thread end through remaining sts, pull up tightly and fasten off securely.

Lower edge: With right side facing, using 3mm needles, rejoin Blue to cast-on edge of top and pick up and k51 sts evenly. K1 row.

1st rib row: K1, [p1, k1] to end.

2nd rib row: P1, [k1, p1] to end.

3rd rib row: K1, [p1, k1] to end.

Increase row: P1, [3from1, p1] to end – 101 sts.

1st pattern row: K1, [p3, k1] to end.

2nd pattern row: P1, [k3, p1] to end.

Repeat last 2 rows, twice more, then work 1st of these rows again. Cast off in pattern.

Cord: Using 4 strands of Blue together, make a twisted cord 47cm/18½in long. Knot ends, leaving 2cm strands free for tassel.

To make up: Join seam. To secure cord, sew centre of cord to seam at pick up row.

Blue and white cover

Main part: Using 3mm needles and Blue, cast on 71 sts.

Beginning with a k row, ss 2 rows.

Picot row: K1, [yf, k2tog] to end.

Beginning with a p row, ss 3 rows.

Taking yarn not in use loosely up side of work, ss 4 rows White, 4 rows Blue and 4 rows White.

Next row: With Blue, k9, [k2tog, k1] to last 8 sts, k8 – 53 sts. K1 row Blue.

Eyelet row: With Blue, k1, [yf, k2tog] to end. K1 row Blue.

Beginning with a k row, ss 4 rows White and 2 rows Blue, dec 2 sts evenly on the last of these rows – 51 sts.

Shape top: Continue working in ss, in a striped sequence of 2 rows Blue, 4 rows White and 3 rows Blue and shape top as given for Blue cover.

Cord: Using 3mm needles and Blue, cast on 115 sts. Cast off.

To make up: Join seam. Fold hem at picot row and catch down on the inside. Thread cord through eyelet holes, bringing ends out to tie.



Handy Bag

Measurements

Approximately 24cm/9½in wide and 31cm/12¼in deep.

Materials

1 x 100g (212m) ball of Sirdar Cotton DK (100% Cotton) in Seersucker (503) or French Navy (514). Pair of 3¾mm (No. 9) and 4½mm (No. 7) knitting needles. **You can buy the yarn online from womansweeklyshop.co.uk/yarn.** For other yarn stockists, call Sirdar on 01924 371501.

Abbreviations

K, knit; **p**, purl; **st**, stitch; **tog**, together; **skpo**, slip 1, k1, pass slip st over; **yf**, yarn forward to make a st; **yrn**, yarn round needle.

Tension

20 stitches and 28 rows, to 10 x 10cm, over pattern using 4½mm needles.

Note

Yarn amounts are based on average requirements and are therefore approx. Instructions in square brackets are worked as stated after 2nd bracket.

To make

Back: With 4½mm needles, cast on 48 sts. P 1 row.

1st row: [K2, yf, skpo] to end.

2nd row: [P2, yrn, p2tog] to end. Repeat the last 2 rows until work measures 20cm from cast-on edge, ending with a 2nd row.

Side openings: Cast off 4 sts at beginning of next 2 rows – 40 sts. Continue in pattern until work measures 30cm from cast-on edge, ending with a 2nd row.

Next row: [K2, skpo] to end – 30 sts.

Change to 3¾mm needles.

K 4 rows. Cast off.

Front: With right side facing and using 4½mm needles, pick up and k48 sts along cast-on edge of back.

P 1 row.

1st row: [K2, yf, skpo] to end.

2nd row: [P2, yrn, p2tog] to end.

Repeat the last 2 rows until work measures 20cm from picked-up row, ending with a 2nd row.

Side openings: Cast off 4 sts at beginning of next 2 rows – 40 sts.

Continue in pattern until work measures 30cm from picked-up row, ending with a 2nd row.

Next row: [K2, skpo] to end – 30 sts.

Change to 3¾mm needles.



K 4 rows. Cast off.

Side edgings and straps

Join back and front together from lower edge to beginning of opening.

With right side facing and 3¾mm needles, pick up and k26 sts along side of back opening, cast on 66 sts for handle, then pick up and k26 sts along other side of back opening – 118 sts.

K 4 rows. Cast off.

Work front side edging and strap in same way. Join row-ends of edgings to cast-off sts at base of openings.

Stacks Of Scent

Measurements

Approximately 13.5 x 13.5cm/5¼ x 5¼in.

Materials

For nine sachets: 2 x 50g (125m) balls of Rico Design Baby Cotton Soft DK (50% cotton, 50% acrylic) in each of White (001) and Beige (004); 1 ball in each of Petrol (017) and Light Blue (003). A pair of 3¾mm (No. 10) knitting needles. A 62 x 72cm/24½ x 28½in piece of cotton fabric; cotton thread; 180g of dried lavender and 2 metres of narrow ribbon. **You can buy the yarn online at womansweeklyshop.co.uk/yarn.**

Abbreviations

K, knit; **p**, purl; **st**, stitch; **mst**, moss st; **ss**, stocking st (k on right side and p on wrong side).

Tension

24 stitches and 32 rows, to 10 x 10cm, over stocking stitch, using 3¾mm needles.

Note

Yarn amounts are based on average requirements and are therefore approx. Instructions in square brackets are worked as stated after 2nd bracket.

Sachets

(make 9)

Cut cotton fabric into 15 x 28cm/6 x 11in lengths. Fold each piece in half and allowing 1cm for seams, join seams, leaving an opening. Add 20g of dried lavender and close opening.

Fish motif square

Back: Using 3¾mm needles and White, cast on 33 sts.

1st to 3rd rows: K1, [p1, k1] to end.

4th row: K1, p1, k29, p1, k1.

5th row: K1, p1, k1, p27, k1, p1, k1.

6th to 41st rows: Work 4th and 5th rows, 18 times.

42nd to 44th rows: K1, [p1, k1] to end.

Cast off in pattern.

Front: Using 3¾mm needles and White, cast on 33 sts.

Mst row: K1, [p1, k1] to end.

Mst another 2 rows.

Using separate small balls of yarn for each coloured area, twisting yarns together at joins on wrong side to avoid making holes, and reading chart from right to left on right side rows and from left to right on wrong side rows, work fish motif from chart (page 39) thus:



1st row: With White, mst 3, p27 sts of 1st row of chart, with White, mst 3.
2nd row: With White, mst 3, k27 sts of 2nd row of chart, with White, mst 3.
3rd to 38th rows: Repeat last 2 rows, 16 times more, working 3rd to 38th row of chart.
42nd to 44th rows: Using White, K1, [p1, k1] to end. Cast off in mst.
To make up: Join back and front squares together, leaving an opening. Add lavender sachet and close opening.

Flower motif square

Back: Work as given for back of fish motif square, but using Beige instead of White.
Front: Using 3¼mm needles and Beige, cast on 33 sts.
Mst rows: K1, [p1, k1] to end.
 Moss st another 2 rows.
 Using separate small balls of yarn for each coloured area, twisting yarns together at joins on wrong side to avoid making holes, reading chart from right to left on right side rows and from left to right on wrong side rows, work flower motif from chart (middle right) thus:
1st row: With Beige, mst 3, p27 sts of 1st row of chart, with Beige, mst 3.
2nd row: With Beige, mst 3, k27 sts of 2nd row of chart, with Beige, mst 3.
3rd to 38th rows: Repeat last 2 rows, 16 times more, working 3rd to 38th row of chart.
42nd to 44th rows: Using Beige, k1, [p1, k1] to end. Cast off in mst.
To make up: Work as given for fish motif square.

Boat motif square

Back: Work as given for back of fish motif square, but using Petrol instead of White.
Front: Using 3¼mm needles and Petrol, cast on 33 sts.
Mst row: K1, [p1, k1] to end.
 Mst another 2 rows.
 Using separate small balls of yarn for each coloured area, twisting yarns together at

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	Petrol		Beige
	Light Blue		White

joins on wrong side to avoid making holes, reading chart from right to left on right side rows and from left to right on wrong side rows, work boat motif from chart (top right) thus:

1st row: With Petrol, mst 3, p27 sts of 1st row of chart, with Petrol, mst 3.
2nd row: With Petrol, mst 3, k27 sts of 2nd row of chart, with Petrol, mst 3.
3rd to 38th rows: Repeat last 2 rows, 16 times more, working 3rd to 38th row of chart.
42nd to 44th rows: With Petrol, k1, [p1, k1] to end. Cast off in mst.

To make up: Work as given for fish motif square.

Plain squares

Make 2 squares as given for back of fish motif square in White, 2 squares in Beige and 2 squares in Light Blue.
 Make up squares as given for fish motif square.

11-row striped square (make 2)

Work as given for back of fish motif square, but work in a striped sequence of 11 rows Light Blue, 11 rows Beige, 11 rows White and 11 rows Light Blue. Cast off in Light Blue.
To make up: Work as given for fish motif square.

4-row striped square (make 2)

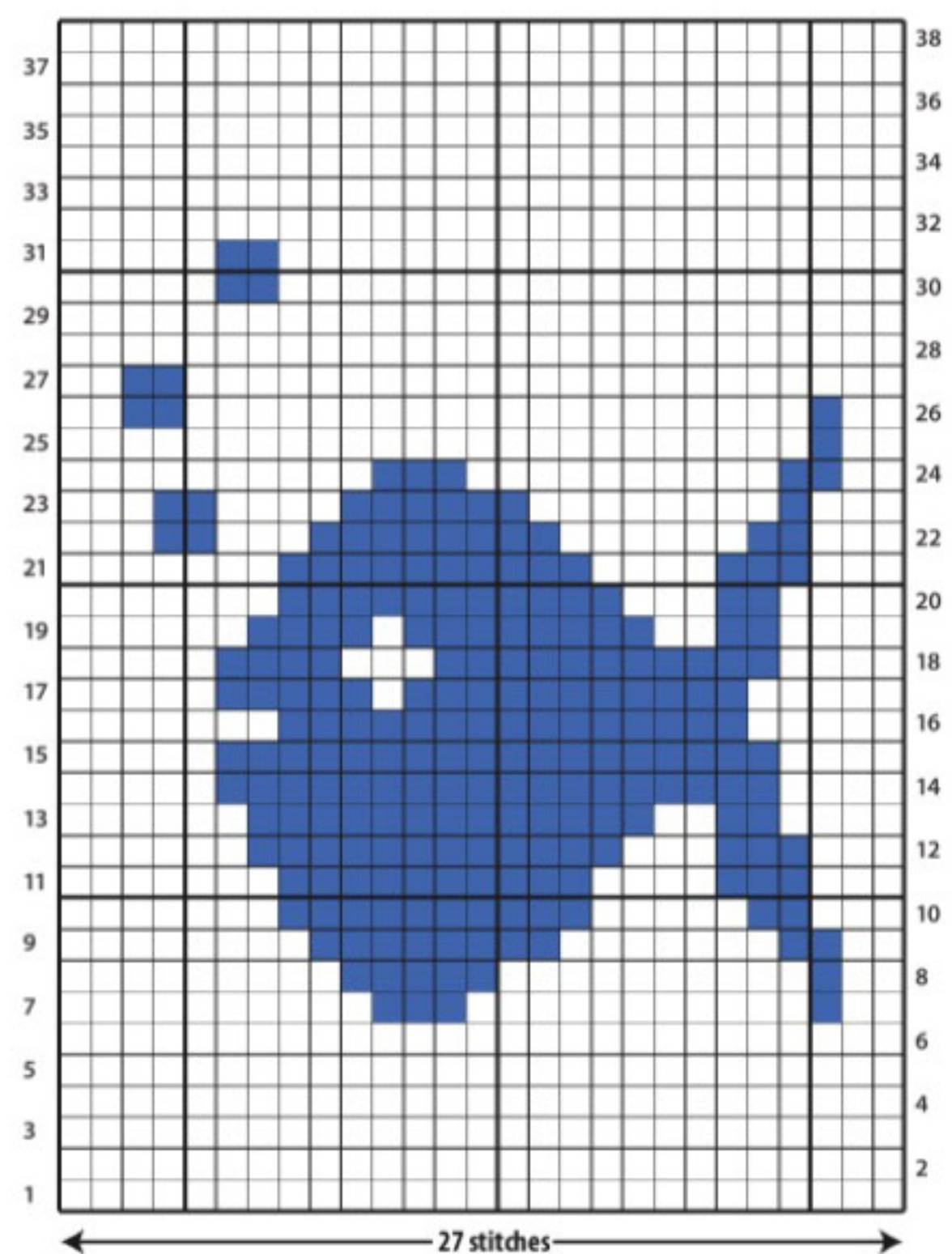
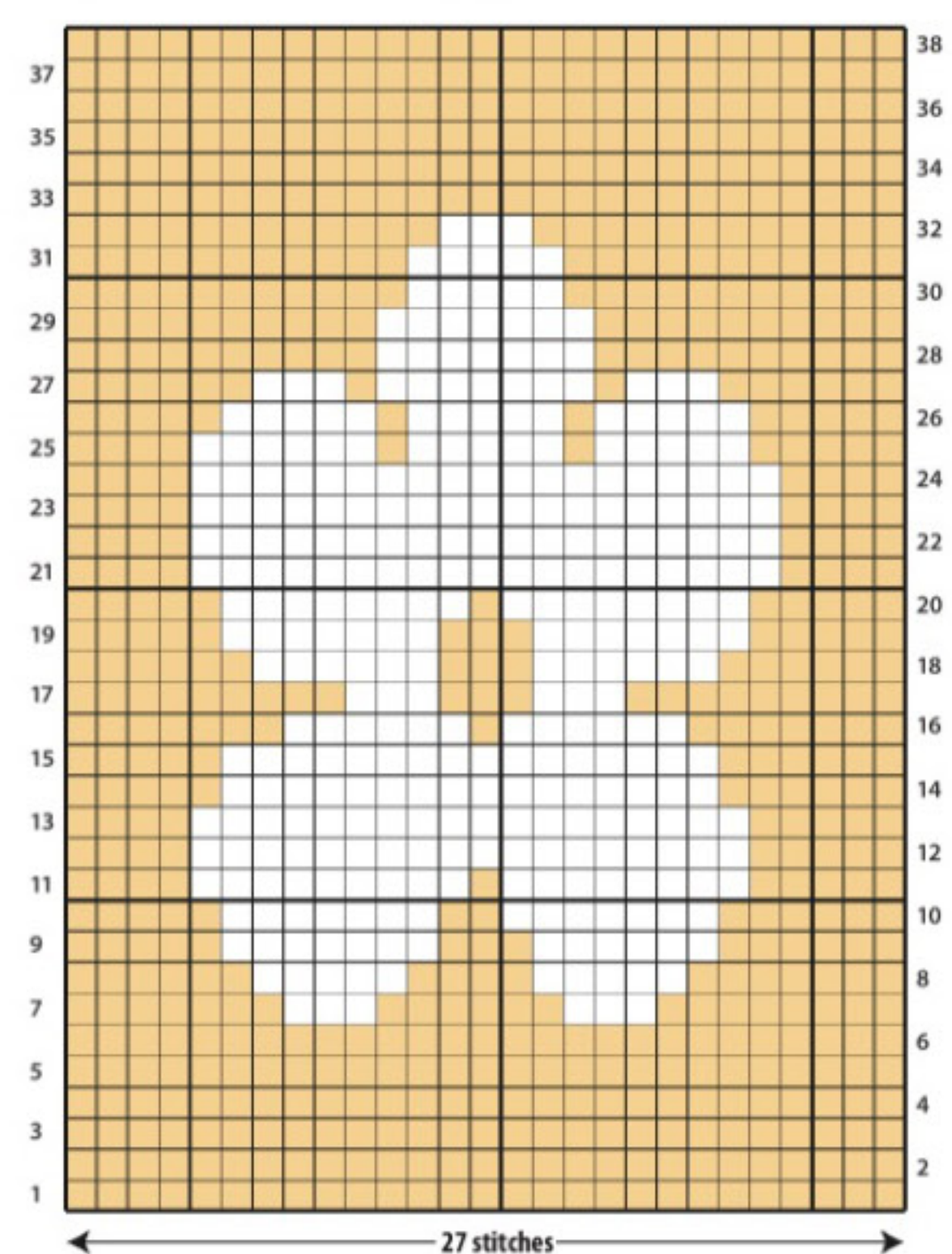
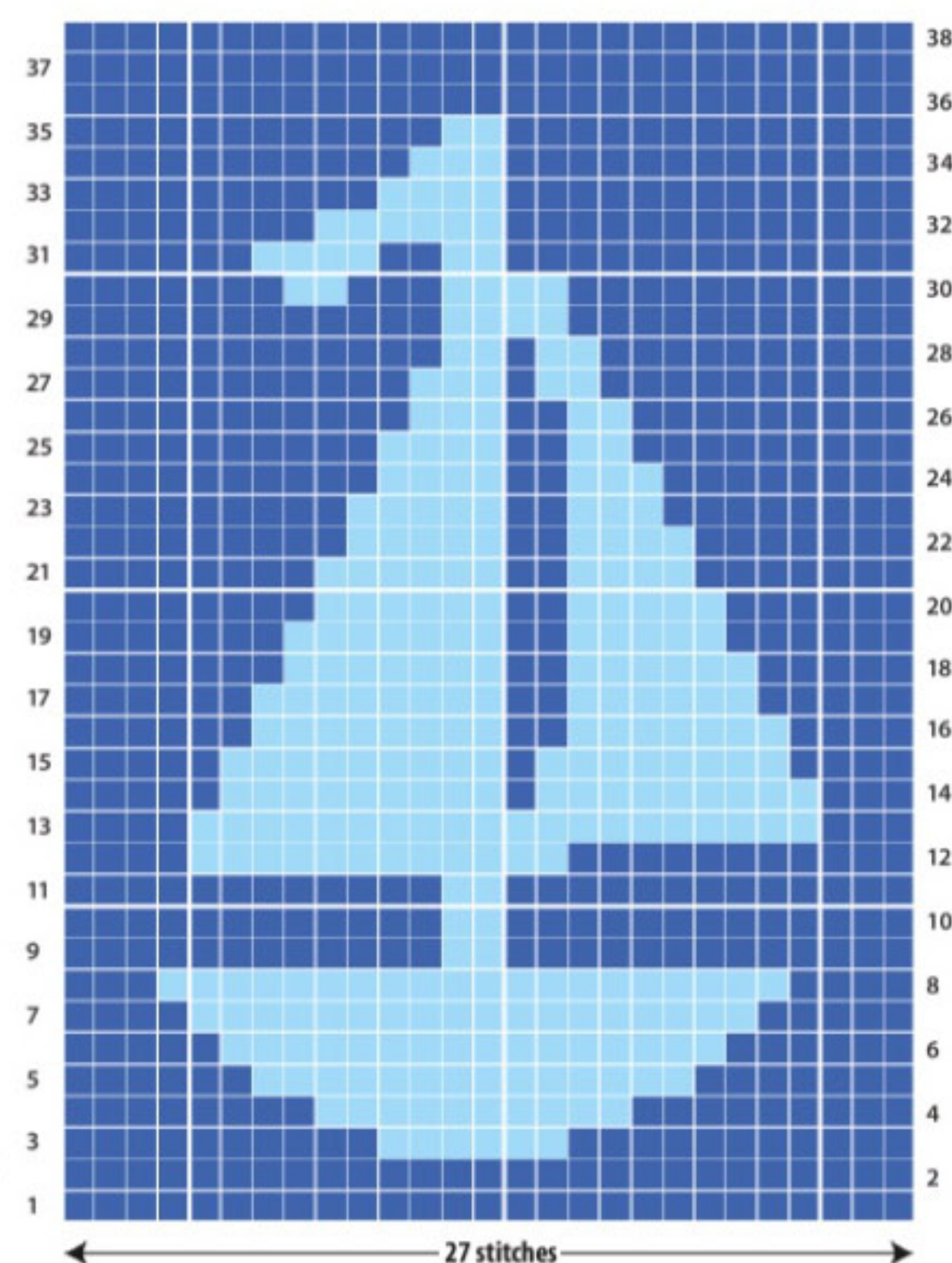
Work as given for back of fish motif square, but work in a striped sequence of 4 rows Petrol, 4 rows Beige, 4 rows Petrol, 4 rows Beige, 4 rows Petrol, 4 rows White, 4 rows Petrol, 4 rows Beige, 4 rows Petrol, 4 rows Beige and 4 rows Petrol. Cast off in Petrol.
To make up: Work given for fish motif square.

4 plus 2-row striped square (make 2)

Work as given for back of fish motif square, but work in a striped sequence of 2 rows Beige, 4 rows White, 2 rows Petrol and 4 rows Light Blue, which is repeated throughout. Cast off in Petrol.
To make up: Work as given for fish motif square.

To complete

Cut ribbon into three equal lengths and tie sachets into groups of three.





Flower Show

Materials

For a set of 4 frames: Allow 1 x 50g (130m) ball of Rico Design Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton) in Natural (51), Silver (03), White (80) and Dark Jeans (85). Size 3.50 crochet hook; four 17 x 21cm picture frames; glue. **You can buy the yarn online from womansweeklyshop.co.uk/yarn.** Frames are available from hobbycraft.co.uk.

Abbreviations

Ch, chain; **dc**, double crochet; **htr**, half treble; **tr**, treble; **dtr**, double treble; **slst**, slip stitch; **chlp**, chain loop.

Note

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Small flowers

(make 19 in your chosen colour combination)

1st round: Leaving a loose end and using 3.50 hook and inner shade, wind yarn around index finger of left hand to form a ring, insert hook into ring, yarn over hook and pull through, 1ch (counts as 1dc), work 9dc in ring, pull up end of yarn tightly to close ring, slst in ch at beginning – 10dc. Break off inner shade and join in outer shade.

2nd round: Work 1ch, 1tr, 2dtr and 1tr all in same place as last slst, [slst in each of next 2 dc, then work 1ch, 1tr, 2dtr and 1tr all in same place as last slst] 4 times, slst in next dc and in base of ch at beginning of round. Fasten off and neaten ends.

Larger flowers

(make 18 in your chosen colour combination)

1st round: Leaving a loose end and using 3.50 hook and inner shade, wind yarn around index finger of left hand to form a ring, insert hook into ring, yarn over hook and pull through, 1ch (counts as 1dc), work 9dc in ring, pull up end of yarn tightly to close ring, slst in ch at beginning – 10dc. Break off inner shade and join in outer shade.

2nd round: 5ch, slst in same place as last slst, [slst in each of next 2dc, 5ch, slst in same

place as last slst] 4 times, slst in next dc, then slst in base of 5chlp at beginning of round. 3rd round: Slst into 5chlp, 7dc in same place as last slst, [slst between 5chlp just worked into and next 5chlp, 7dc in same place as last slst] 4 times, slst between 5chlp just worked into and base of loop at beginning of round. Fasten off and neaten ends.

Leaves

(make 7 in your chosen colours)

1st row: Using 3.50 hook and chosen shade, [make 12ch, 1dc in 2nd ch from hook, 1dc in next ch, 1htr in each of next 2ch, 1tr in each of next 3ch, 1dtr in next ch, 1tr in next ch, 1htr in next ch, 1dc in last ch, do not turn, for stem, make 7ch, slst in 2nd ch from hook, slst in each of next 5ch, then work along opposite side in base ch thus, 1dc in next ch, 1htr in next ch, 1tr in next ch, 1dtr in next ch, 1tr in each of next 3ch, 1 htr in each of next 2ch, 1dc in each of next 2ch, slst in ch at end of leaf. Fasten off and neaten ends.

To complete

Arrange and glue flowers and leaves to picture frames, as shown in photograph.

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Measurements

To fit ages 2-3 (4-5) (6-7) years.

Actual measurements 66.5 (74.5) (81) cm/26¼ (29¼) (32) in.

Side seam All sizes 21 (24.5) (28) cm/8¼ (9½) (11) in.

Length to shoulder 34 (39) (43.5) cm/13¼ (15¼) (17) in.

Sleeve seam 22.5 (27) (31) cm/8¾ (10½) (12¼) in.

Materials

Pink cardigan: 4 (5) (7) 50g (85m) balls of Rowan Handknit Cotton (100% cotton) in Pink (Raspberry 356), 2 balls in Red (Rosso 215) and 1 ball in each of Green (Gooseberry 219) and Orange (Florence 350).

Red cardigan: 4 (5) (7) 50g (85m) balls of Rowan Handknit Cotton (100% cotton) in Red (Rosso 215), 2 balls in Pink (Raspberry 356) and 1 ball in each of Green (Gooseberry 219) and Orange (Florence 350).

For each cardigan: Pair of 3¼mm (No. 10) and 4mm (No. 8) knitting needles;

5 buttons. **You can buy the yarn online from womansweeklyshop.co.uk/yarn.** For other yarn stockists, call Rowan Yarns on 01484 681881.

Tension

20 stitches and 28 rows, to 10 x 10cm, over stocking stitch, using 4mm needles.

Abbreviations

K, knit; **p**, purl; **st**, stitch; **tog**, together; **dec**, decrease (by working 2 sts tog); **inc**, increase (by working twice into same st); **ss**, stocking st (k on right side and p on wrong side); **mst**, moss st; **nil**, meaning nothing is worked here for this size; **yf**, yarn forward to make a st.

Note

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PINK CARDIGAN

Back

With 3¼mm needles and Pink, cast on 67 (75) (82) sts.

1st mst row: K1 (1) (nil), [p1, k1] to end.

2nd mst row: [K1, p1] to last 1 (1) (nil) st, k1 (1) (nil).

Repeat last 2 rows, twice more.

Change to 4mm needles.

**** Work border pattern as follows:**

Beginning with a k row, * work in ss and stripe pattern of 2 rows Pink, 1 row Red, 1 row Pink, 1 row Orange, 1 row Pink, [1 row Green, 1 row Pink] twice, 1 row Orange, 1 row Pink, 1 row Red and 2 rows Pink *. Use small balls of contrast colours for each flower motif, twisting yarns together on wrong side at joins and weaving in background colour across wrong side when not in use. Reading right side (k) rows from right to left and wrong side (p) rows from left to right, work 12 rows of the appropriate chart (right), thus placing Red and Orange flower motifs of border pattern. Repeat from * to * once.

Omitting Orange flower motifs on first repeat and Red flower motifs on second repeat of 12 rows of chart, replacing these sts in Pink, keep repeating these 24 rows throughout for main pattern, continue and work in main pattern for 12 (22) (32) rows. **

Shape armholes: Keeping pattern correct, cast off 2 sts at beginning of next 2 rows. Dec 1 st each end of next 3 rows – 57 (65) (72) sts.

Pattern another 30 (34) (36) rows.

Shape neck: Next row: P20 (22) (24), cast off next 17 (21) (24) sts, p to end.

Work on last 20 (22) (24) sts only for right shoulder.

Right shoulder: Cast off 8 (9) (10) sts at beginning of next row and 4 sts on following row. Cast off remaining 8 (9) (10) sts.

Left shoulder: With right side facing, rejoin yarn to remaining 20 (22) (24) sts and k to end.

Cast off 8 (9) (10) sts at beginning of next row and 4 sts on following row. Cast off remaining 8 (9) (10) sts.

Left front

With 3¼mm needles and Pink, cast on 32 (36) (39) sts.

1st mst row: [K1, p1] to last nil (nil) (1) st, k nil (nil) (1).

2nd mst row: K nil (nil) (1), [p1, k1] to end. Repeat last 2 rows, twice more.

Change to 4mm needles.

Following appropriate chart, work as given for back from ** to **.

Shape armhole: Keeping pattern correct, cast off 2 sts at beginning of next row. Pattern 1 row.

*** Dec 1 st at armhole edge on next 3 rows – 27 (31) (34) sts.

Pattern another 5 rows.

Shape neck: Keeping pattern correct, dec 1 st at front edge on next row and 10 (12) (13) following alternate rows – 16 (18) (20) sts. Pattern another 5 rows – read 6 rows here on right front.

Shape shoulder: Cast off 8 (9) (10) sts at beginning of next row.

Ss 1 row. Cast off remaining 8 (9) (10) sts.

Right front

With 3¼mm needles and Pink, cast on 32 (36) (39) sts.

1st mst row: K nil (nil) (1), [p1, k1] to end.

2nd mst row: [K1, p1] to last nil (nil) (1) st, k nil (nil) (1).

Repeat last 2 rows, twice more.

Change to 4mm needles.

Following appropriate chart, work as given for back from ** to **.

Pattern 1 more row.

Shape armhole: Keeping pattern correct, cast off 2 sts at beginning of next row. Complete as left front from *** to end, noting variation.

Sleeves

(both alike)

With 3¼mm needles and Pink, cast on 37 (39) (41) sts.

Mst row: [K1, p1] to last st, k1.

Repeat last row, 5 times more.

Change to 4mm needles.

Following appropriate chart, work border

pattern then main pattern as given on back, at the same time, inc and work into pattern 1 st at each end of 7th row and 6 (7) (8) following 6th (8th) (8th) rows – 51 (55) (59) sts.
 Pattern another 15 (7) (11) rows.
Shape top: Keeping pattern correct, cast off 2 sts at beginning of next 2 rows.
 Dec 1 st at each end of next row and following alternate row, then on following row – 41 (45) (49) sts.
 Cast off 6 (7) (8) sts at beginning of next 4 rows – 17 sts. Cast off.

Front band

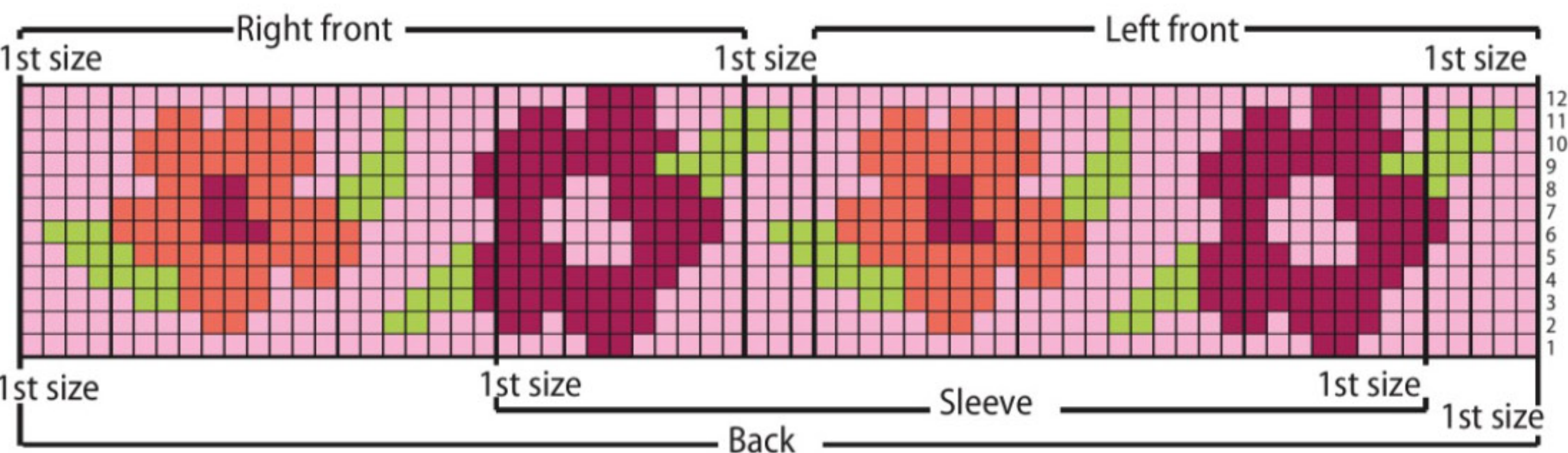
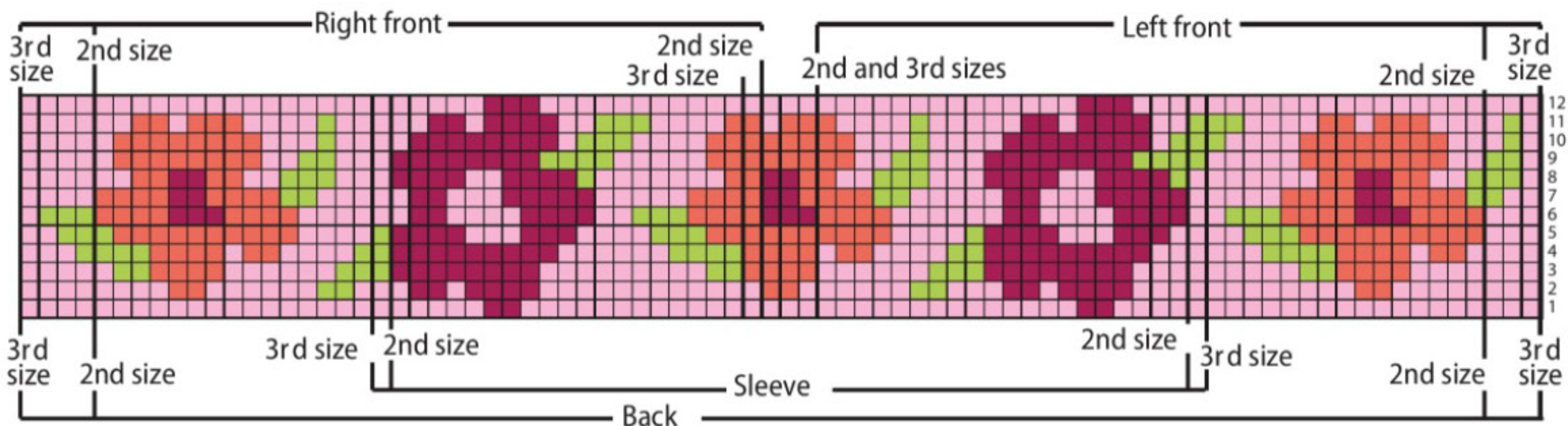
Mark front edge of right front to indicate position of 5 buttons; first one 4 rows up from cast-on edge, last one level with beginning of front shaping and remaining 3 evenly spaced between.
 With 3¼mm needles and Red, cast on 7 sts. Work 4 rows in mst as given for sleeves.
Buttonhole row: Mst 2, k2tog, yf, mst 3. Continue in mst, until band when slightly stretched, fits up right front across back neck and down left front, making buttonholes as before to match markers. Cast off in mst.

To make up

Press as on ball band. Join shoulder seams. Set sleeves into armholes. Taking 1 st into the seam at each edge, join side and sleeve seams. Sew on front band and buttons.

RED CARDIGAN

Work as given for Pink cardigan, using Red instead of Pink and Pink instead of Red, except on centre of Orange flowers which are worked in Red.





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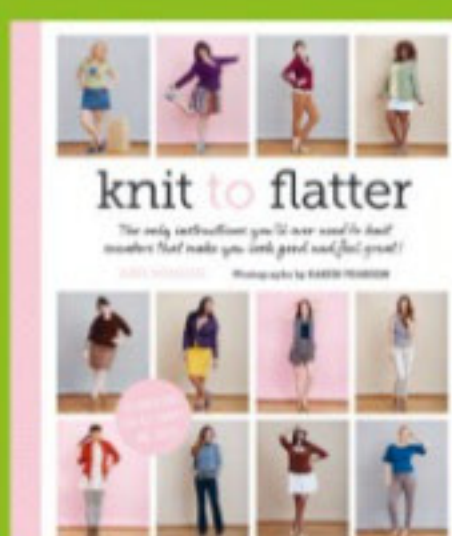


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Measurements

To fit sizes 81-86 (91-97) (102-107) (112-117) (122-127) cm/32-34 (36-38) (40-42) (44-46) (48-50) in.

Actual measurements 95.5 (107) (118) (127) (138) cm/37½ (42) (46½) (50) (54¼) in.

Side seam 57 (57) (59) (61) (62) cm/22½ (22½) (23¼) (24) (24½) in.

Length to shoulder 78 (80) (84) (87) (89) cm/30¾ (31½) (33) (34¼) (35) in.

Sleeve seam 10 (10) (11) (12) (12) cm/4 (4) (4¼) (4¾) (4¾) in.

Materials

4 (4) (5) (5) (6) 100g (250m) balls of King Cole Opium (54% cotton, 42% acrylic, 4% polyamide) in Lipstick (199). Pair of 5mm (No. 6) and 6mm (No. 4) knitting needles. **You can buy this yarn online from womansweeklyshop.co.uk/yarn.** For other yarn stockists, call King Cole on 01535 650230.

Tension

14 stitches and 21 rows, to 10 x 10cm, over stocking stitch, using 6mm needles.

Abbreviations

K, knit; **p**, purl; **st**, stitch; **dec**, decrease (by taking 2 sts together); **ss**, stocking st (k on right side and p on wrong side); **nil**, meaning nothing is worked here for this size.

Note

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Back

Due to the thick-and-thin nature of slub yarn, cast on and cast off the stitches made from the thin part of the yarn loosely.

With 5mm needles, cast on 67 (75) (83) (89) (97) sts.

K 8 rows.

Change to 6mm needles.

Beginning with a k row, work in ss until back measures 57 (57) (59) (61) (62) cm from beginning, ending with a p row.

Shape armholes: Dec 1 st at each end of next 5 (5) (5) (6) (6) rows – 57 (65) (73) (77) (85) sts.

Continue straight until armholes measure 21 (23) (25) (26) (27) cm, ending with a p row.

Shape shoulders: Cast off 9 (11) (13) (13) (15) sts at beginning of next 2 rows and 10 (11) (13) (14) (16) sts on following 2 rows – 19 (21) (21) (23) (23) sts.

K 8 rows. Cast off.

Left front

With 5mm needles, cast on 54 (58) (62) (66) (70) sts.

K 8 rows.

Change to 6mm needles.

1st row: K to last 8 sts, for border [p1, k1] 4 times.

2nd row: [P1, k1] 4 times, p to end. Keeping the 8 sts at front edge in rib and remainder in ss, continue until front measures 57 (57) (59) (61) (62) cm from beginning, ending with a wrong-side row.

Shape armhole: Dec 1 st at armhole edge on next 5 (5) (5) (6) (6) rows – 49 (53) (57) (60) (64) sts.

Continue straight until armhole measures 21 (23) (25) (26) (27) cm, ending with a wrong-side row.

Shape shoulder: Cast off 9 (11) (13) (13) (15) sts at beginning of next row and 10 (11) (13) (14) (16) sts at beginning of following alternate row – 30 (31) (31) (33) (33) sts.

K 9 rows. Cast off.

Right front

With 5mm needles, cast on 54 (58) (62) (66) (70) sts.

K 8 rows.

Change to 6mm needles.

1st row: For border [k1, p1] 4 times, k to end.

2nd row: P to last 8 sts, [k1, p1] 4 times. Keeping the 8 sts at front edge in rib and remainder in ss, continue until front measures 57 (57) (59) (61) (62) cm from beginning, ending with a wrong-side row.

Shape armhole: Dec 1 st at armhole edge on next 5 (5) (5) (6) (6) rows – 49 (53) (57)

(60) (64) sts.

Continue straight until armhole measures 21 (23) (25) (26) (27) cm, ending with a right-side row.

Shape shoulder: Cast off 9 (11) (13) (13) (15) sts at beginning of next row and 10 (11) (13) (14) (16) sts at beginning of following alternate row – 30 (31) (31) (33) (33) sts.

K 8 rows. Cast off.

Sleeves

(both alike)

With 5mm needles, cast on 47 (51) (57) (59) (61) sts.

K 6 rows.

Change to 6mm needles.

Beginning with a k row, work in ss until sleeve measures 10 (10) (11) (12) (12) cm from beginning, ending with a p row.

Shape top: Dec 1 st at each end of next 5 (5) (5) (6) (6) rows.

P 1 (1) (1) (nil) (nil) row.

Cast off 3 (2) (2) (2) (2) sts at beginning of next 4 (4) (10) (16) (14) rows and 4 (3) (3) (3) (3) sts on following 4 (8) (6) (2) (4) rows – 9 sts. Cast off.

To make up

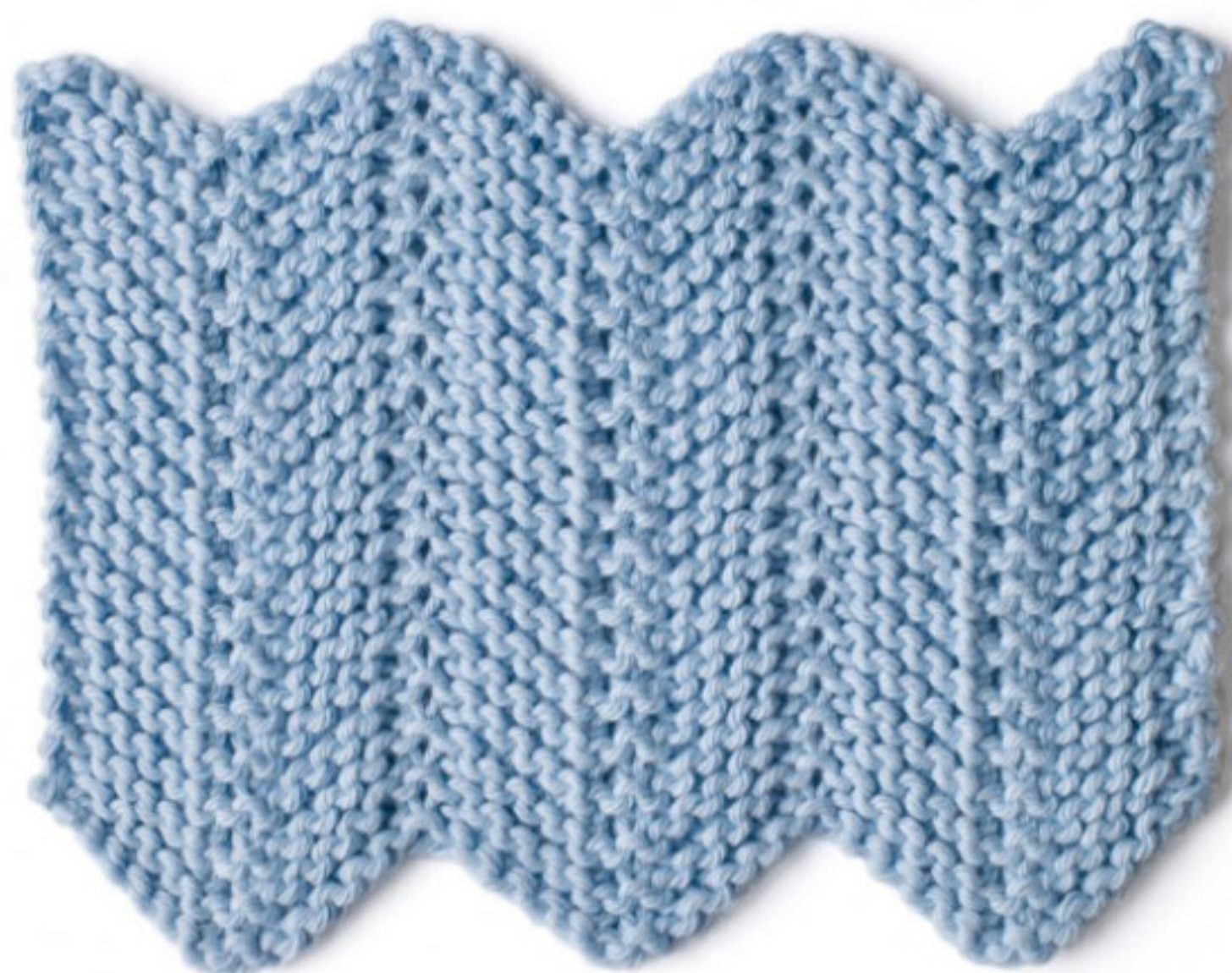
Join shoulder seams. Sew in sleeves, then join side and sleeve seams. Pin out garment to measurements given. Cover with damp cloths and leave until dry.



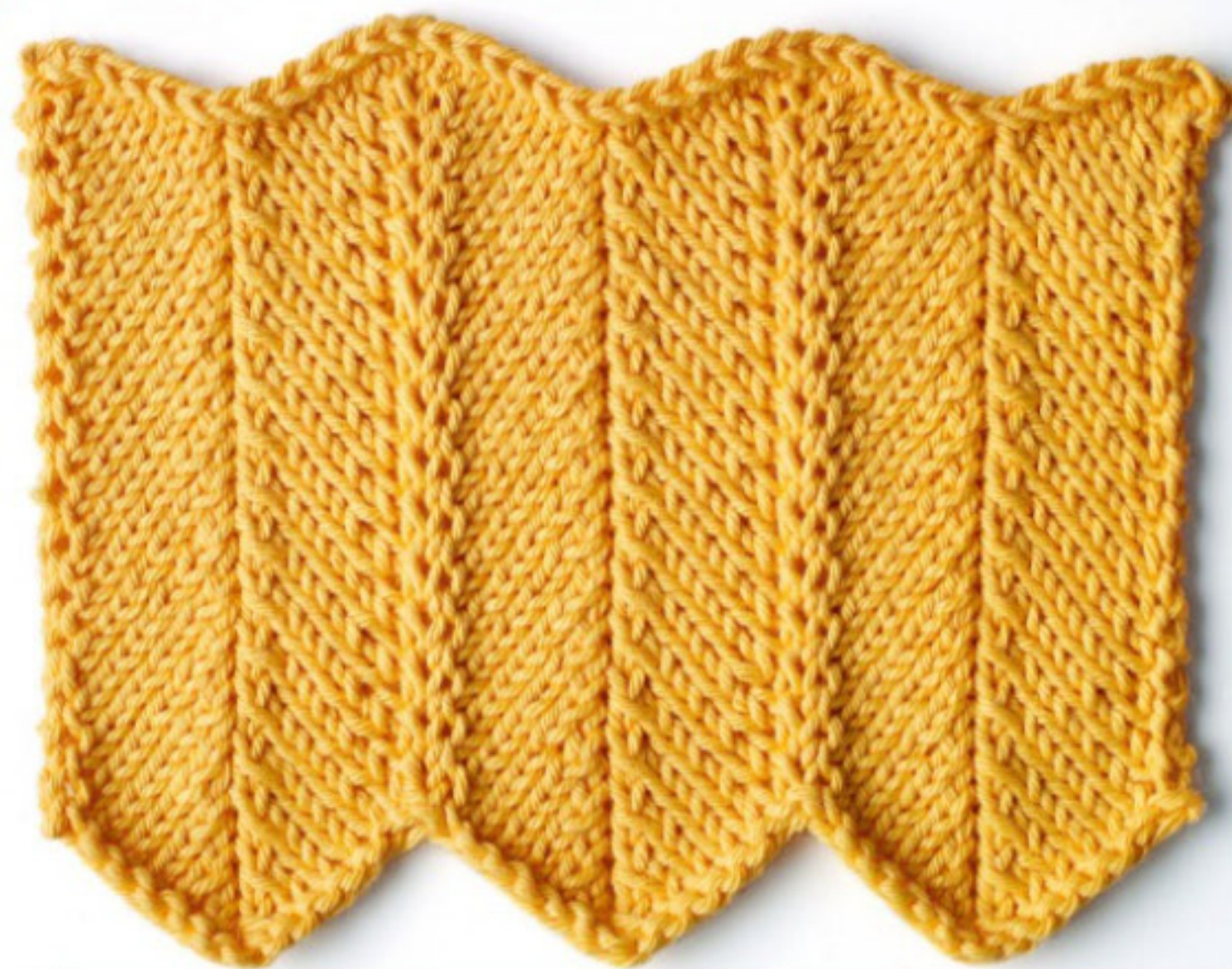
KNITTING WORKSHOP

Our simple instructions will teach you all about the basic knitting stitches. Then you can practise your brand-new skills with the easy project on page 53

Knit Stitch Library



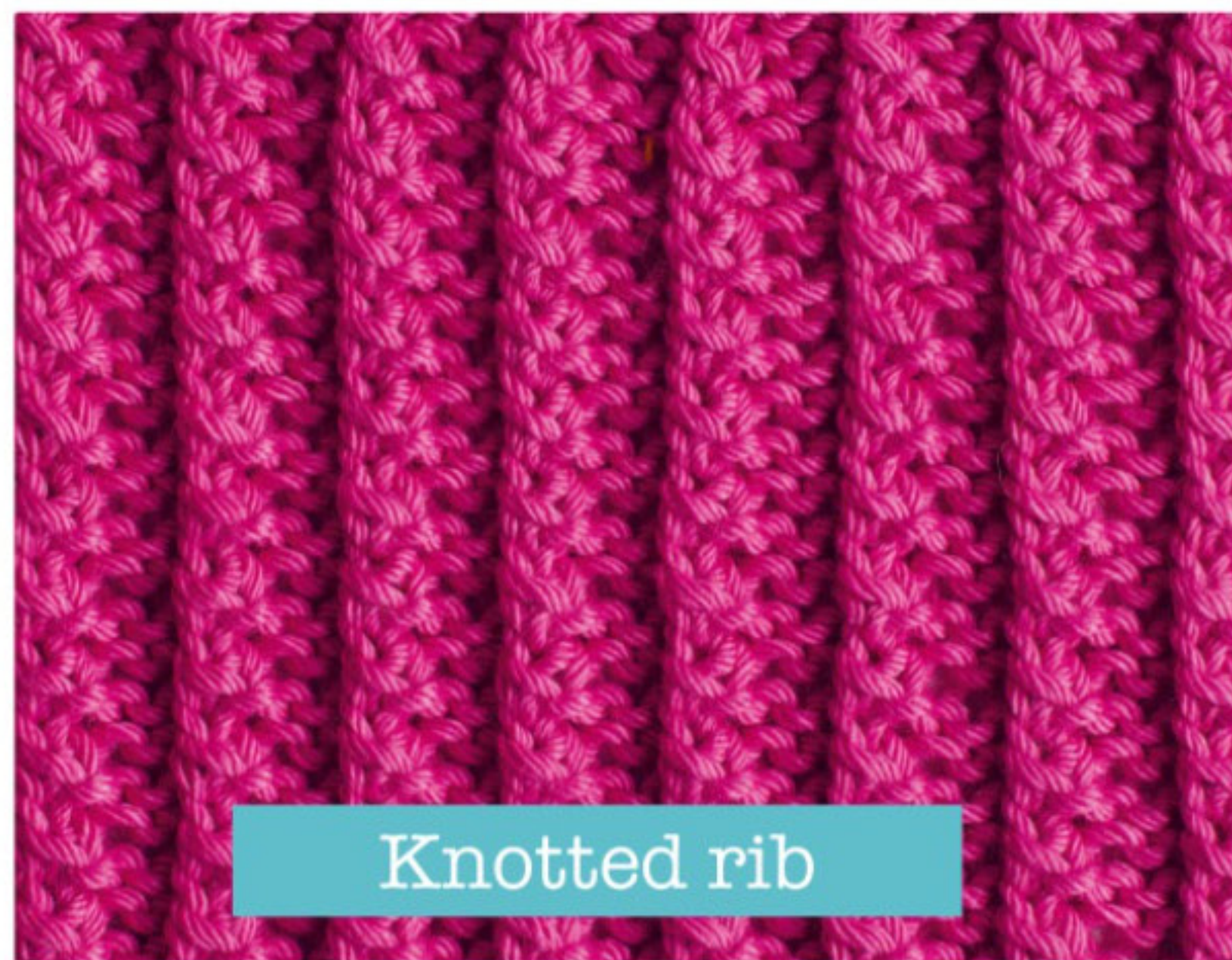
Garter stitch chevrons



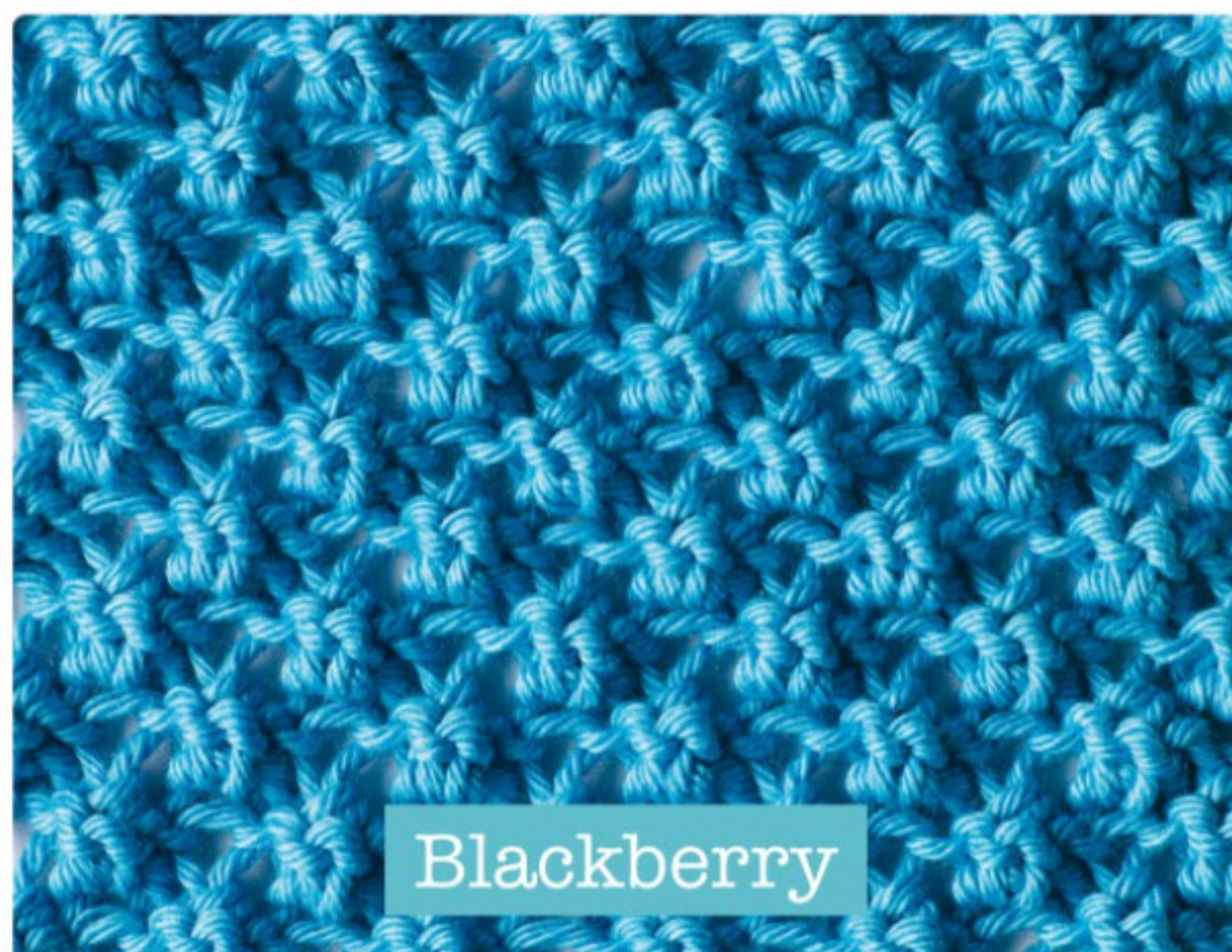
Stocking stitch chevrons



Tunisian stitch



Knotted rib



Blackberry



Fans

Photos: Nicky Dowey

Simple increases and decreases can be used to create stitch patterns, as well as shapings. Here are just a few of the effects you can create.

Yarn

Stylecraft Classique Cotton DK.

Abbreviations

K, knit; **p**, purl; **st**, stitch; **tog**, together; **kfb**, knit in front and back of stitch (see page 51); **up1**, pick up loop lying between needles and work into the back of it; **skpo**,

slip 1 stitch knitwise, knit 1, pass slipped stitch over; **sk2po**, slip 1 stitch knitwise, k2tog, pass slipped stitch over; **yo**, yarn forward and over needle to make a stitch.

Note

Instructions in square brackets are worked as stated after 2nd bracket.

Stocking stitch chevrons

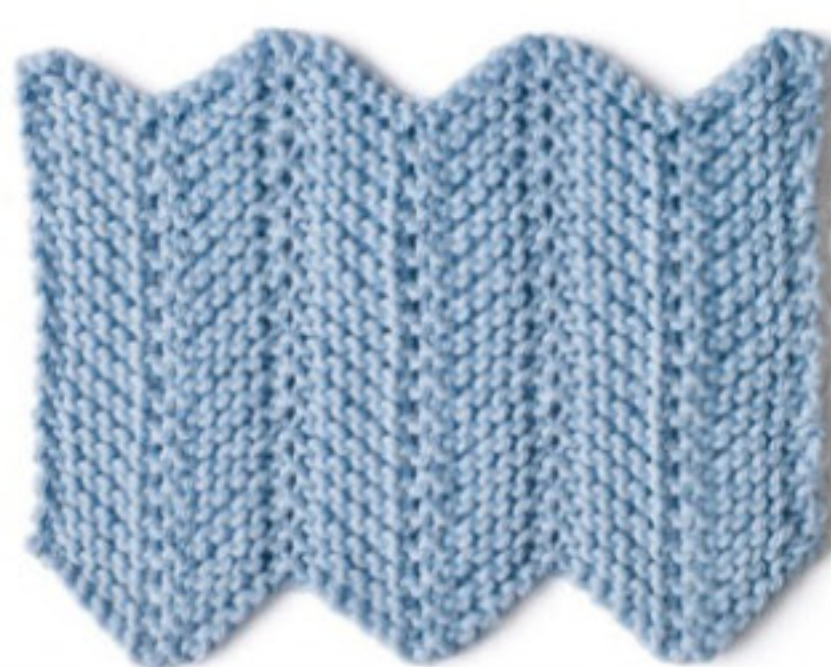
This is a smoother-looking chevron using a between stitch increase and two types of decreases. Both chevron stitches look very lively if they are striped.



Multiple of 13 sts plus 1.
1st row (wrong side): P.
2nd row: * K1, up1, k4, skpo, k2tog, k4, up1, repeat from * to last st, k1.
 Repeat 1st and 2nd rows.

Garter stitch chevrons

On right-side rows each increase is balanced by a decrease a few stitches away, causing the rows to form chevrons. This is particularly noticeable along the cast-on edge.



Multiple of 13 sts plus 1.
1st row (right side): * Kfb, k4, [k2tog] twice, k3, kfb, repeat from * to last st, k1.
2nd row: K.
 Repeat 1st and 2nd rows.



Knotted rib

Increasing on one row and decreasing on the next makes a nice crunchy texture that looks like a rib but has no stretch. Don't be put off by the change in the stitch count – it's a really easy pattern.

Multiple of 3 sts plus 2.
1st row (right side): P2, [kfb, p2] to end.
2nd row: K2, [p2tog, k2] to end.
 Repeat 1st and 2nd rows.



Tunisian stitch

This stitch pattern gets its name because it looks a little like Tunisian crochet. It makes a fairly dense fabric, so should be worked with needles at least two sizes larger than usual.

Multiple of 2 sts plus 1.
 K one row. Now pattern:
1st row (wrong side): K1, [yo, with yarn at back slip 1 purlwise, k1] to end.
2nd row: K1, [ktog the yo and slip st through the back of the loops, k1] to end.
 Repeat 1st and 2nd rows.



Fans

Open yarn-over increases build up until they are all decreased on one row to produce soft scallops. The pattern is an eight row repeat, but alternatively, a single repeat could be used as an edging.

Multiple of 12 sts plus 1.
 K 2 rows. Now pattern:
1st row (right side): K1, * yo, [k1, p1] 5 times, k1, yo, k1, repeat from * to end.
2nd row: P3, * [k1, p1] 4 times, k1, p5, repeat from *, ending p3.
3rd row: K2, * yo, [k1, p1] 5 times, k1, yo, k3, repeat from *, ending k2.
4th row: P4, * [k1, p1] 4 times, k1, p7, repeat from *, ending p4.
5th row: K3, * yo, [k1, p1] 5 times, k1, yo, k5, repeat from *, ending k3.
6th row: P5, * [k1, p1] 4 times, k1, p9, repeat from *, ending p5.
7th row: K4, * [skpo] twice, sk2po, [k2tog] twice, k7, repeat from *, ending k4.
8th row: K.
 Repeat 1st to 8th rows.



Blackberry

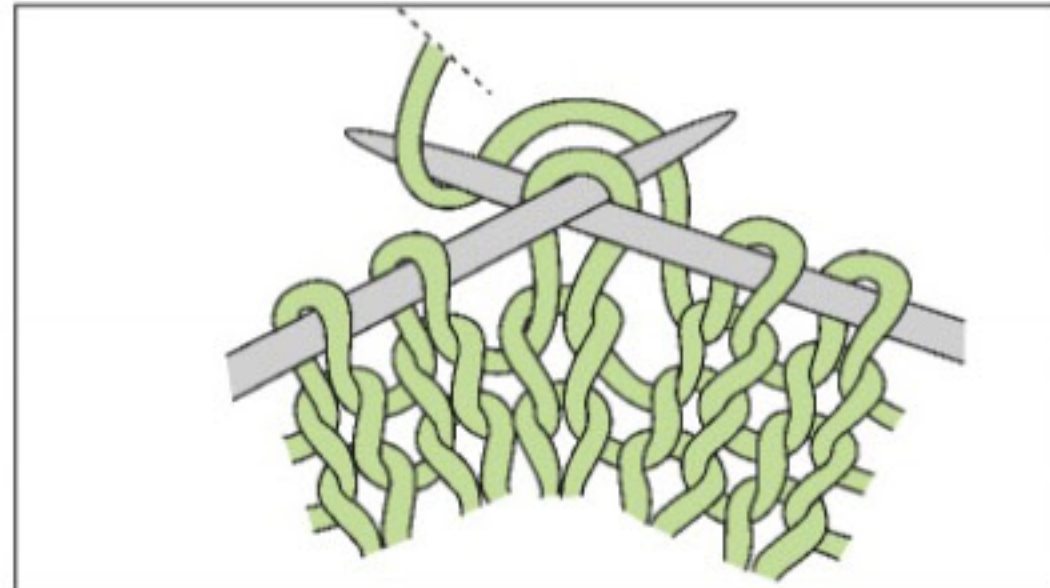
Alternate double increases and double decreases on wrong-side rows produce this beautiful, heavily textured stitch. It may be a struggle if you work it too tightly, so experiment with needle size.

Multiple of 4 sts.
1st row (right side): P.
2nd row: * Work k1, p1, k1 in one st, p3tog, repeat from * to end.
3rd row: P.
4th row: * P3tog, work k1, p1, k1 in next st, repeat from * to end.
 Repeat 1st to 4th rows.

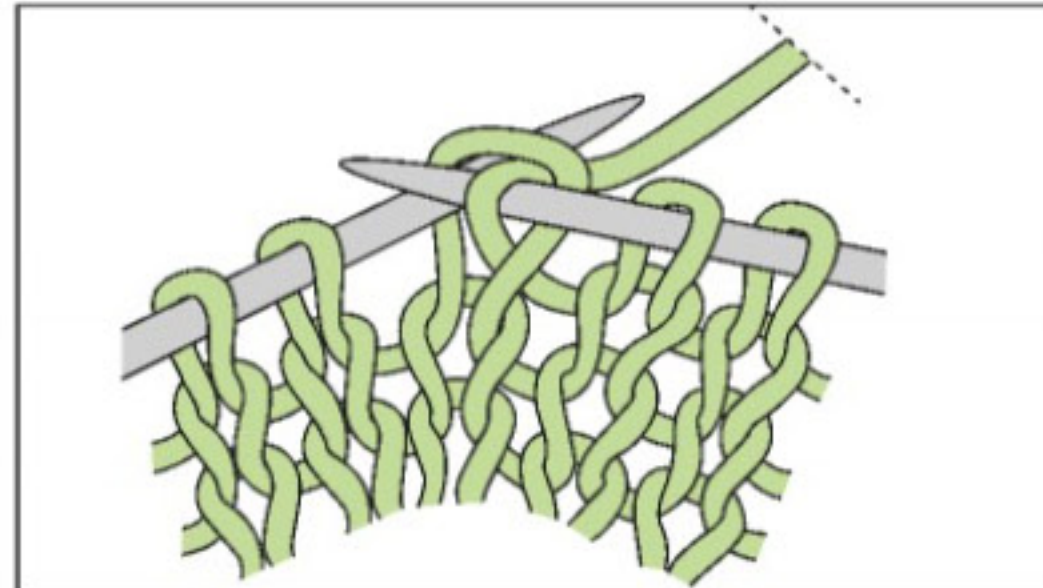
Knitting Class

Learn just a few of the increases that are possible in knitting and you'll be surprised how many effects you can achieve

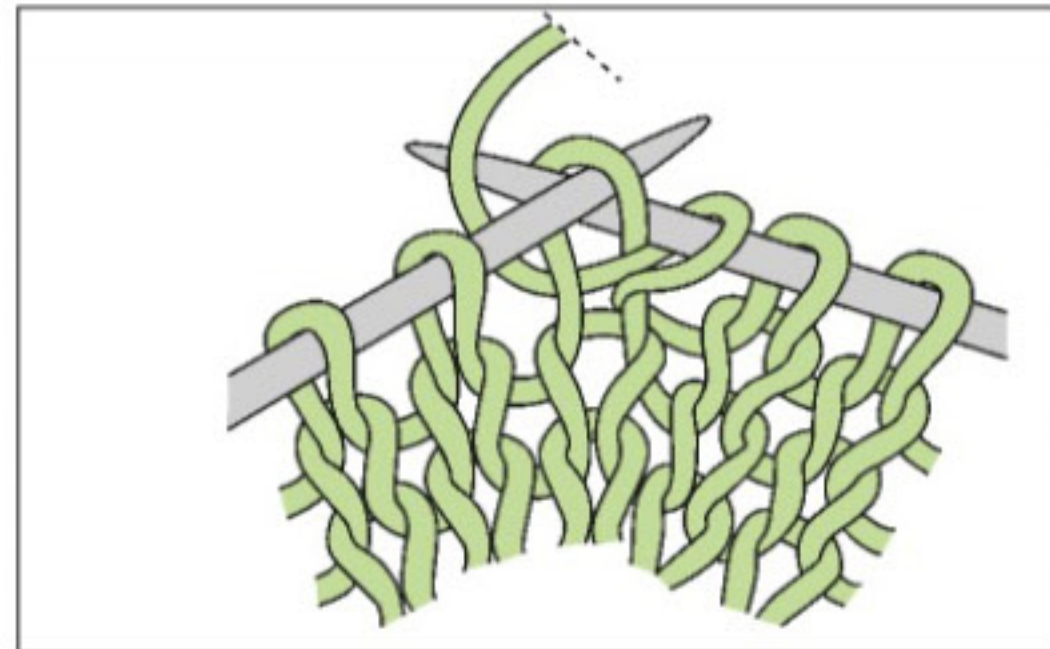
Making an additional stitch by knitting in the front and then the back of one stitch (kfb) gives a nice elastic increase.



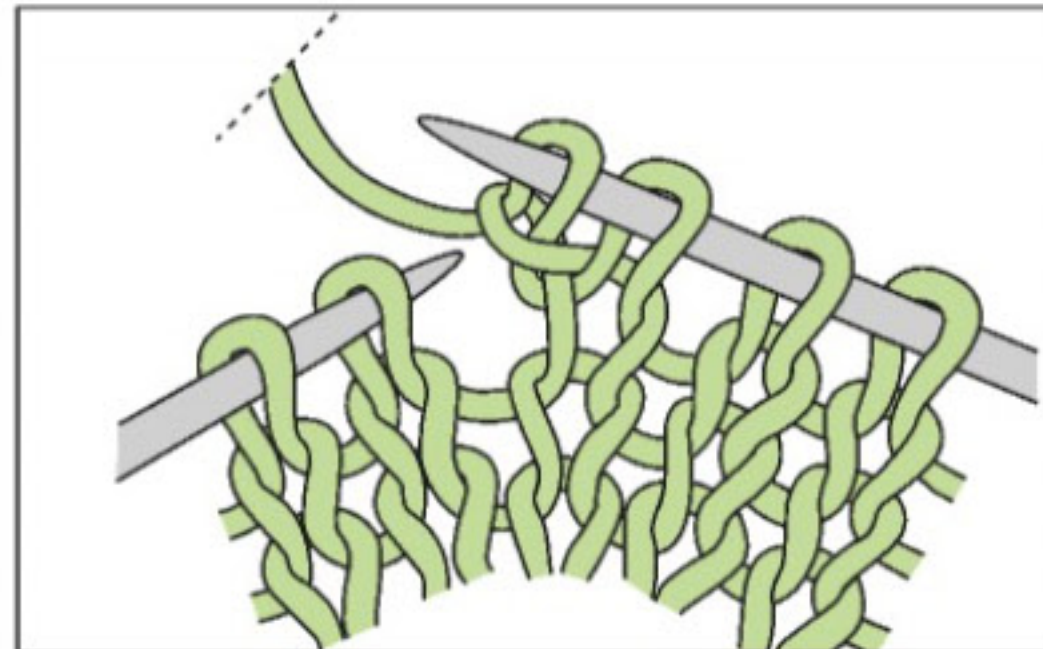
1 Insert needle in the front of the stitch and take yarn around needle in the usual way.



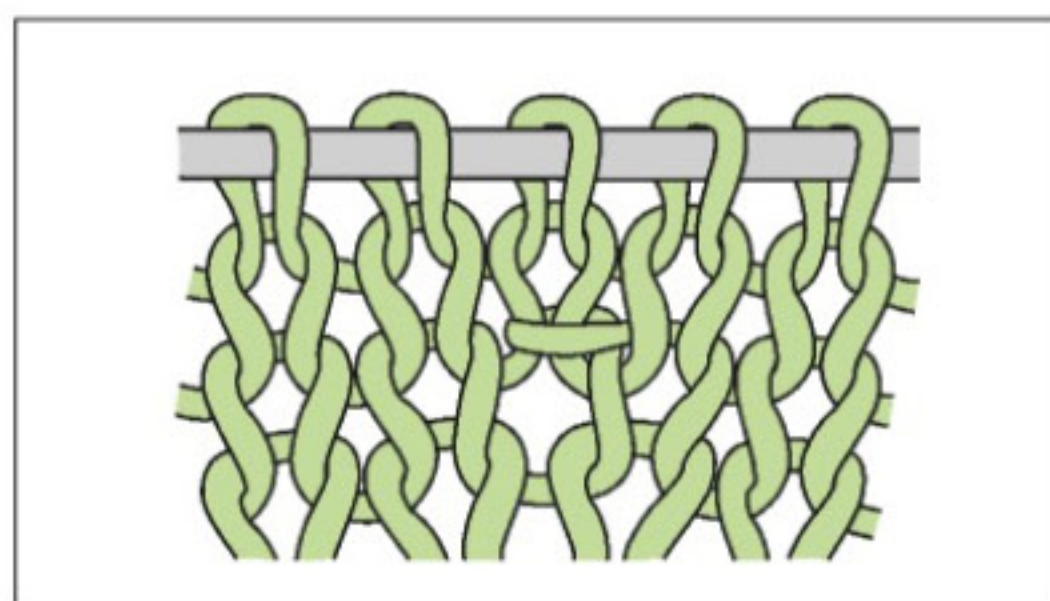
2 Draw the yarn through to the front without slipping the stitch off the left-hand needle.



3 Take the right-hand needle to the back of the work and insert it in the back of the same stitch.

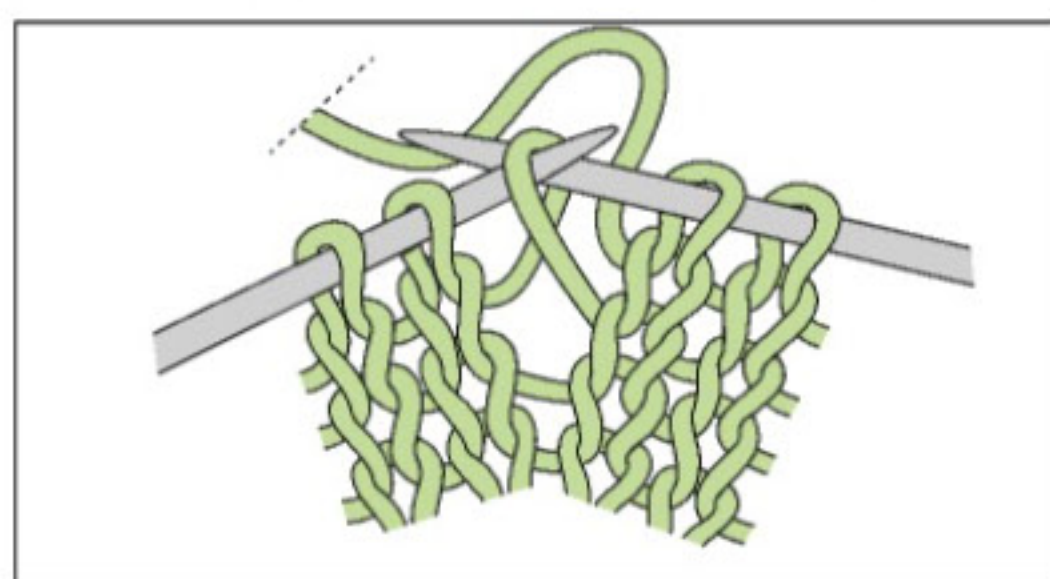


4 Knit this and then slip both stitches off together.

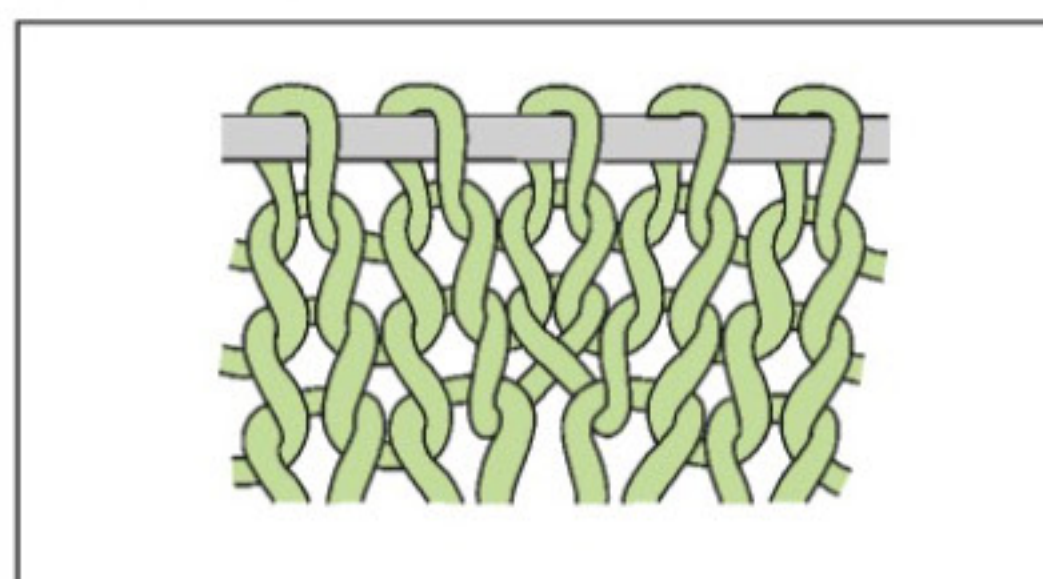


There's a tiny blip underneath the new stitch, so it's fine in the first stitch of a row, or mid-row, but it's better to make it one stitch in from the end of a row.

Making an additional stitch by working into the strand between stitches (up1) gives a smoother, but slightly tighter, increase.



Insert the left-hand needle, from the front, under the strand between stitches then insert the right-hand needle in the back of this loop to knit it.



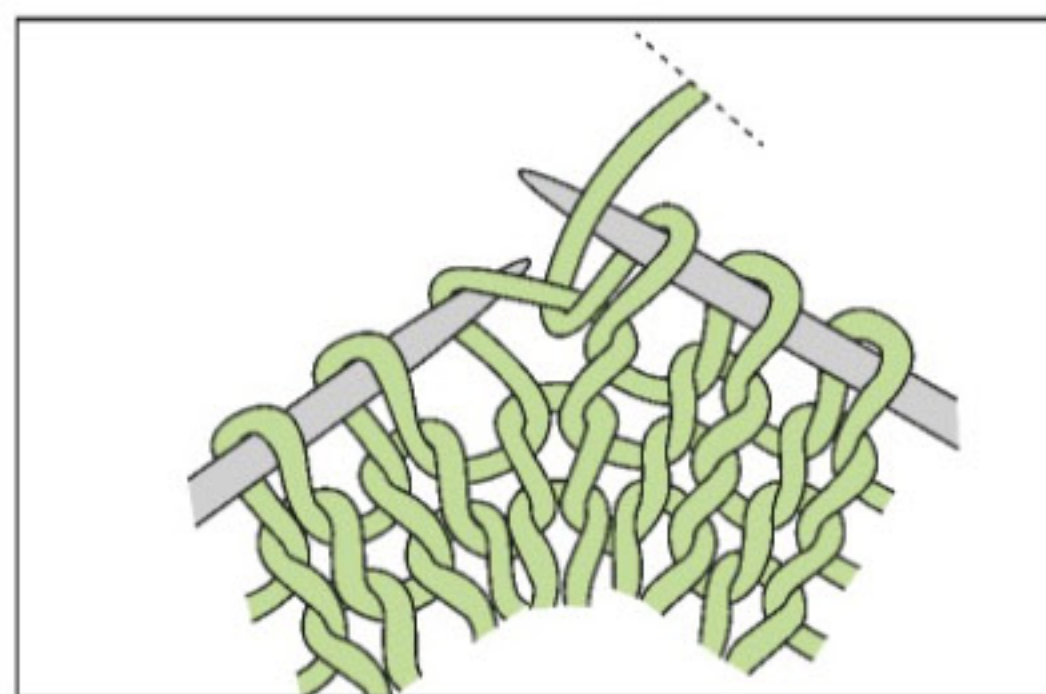
The crossed strand underneath the new stitch slants to the left and closes up the hole that would have appeared if it hadn't been knitted through the back.



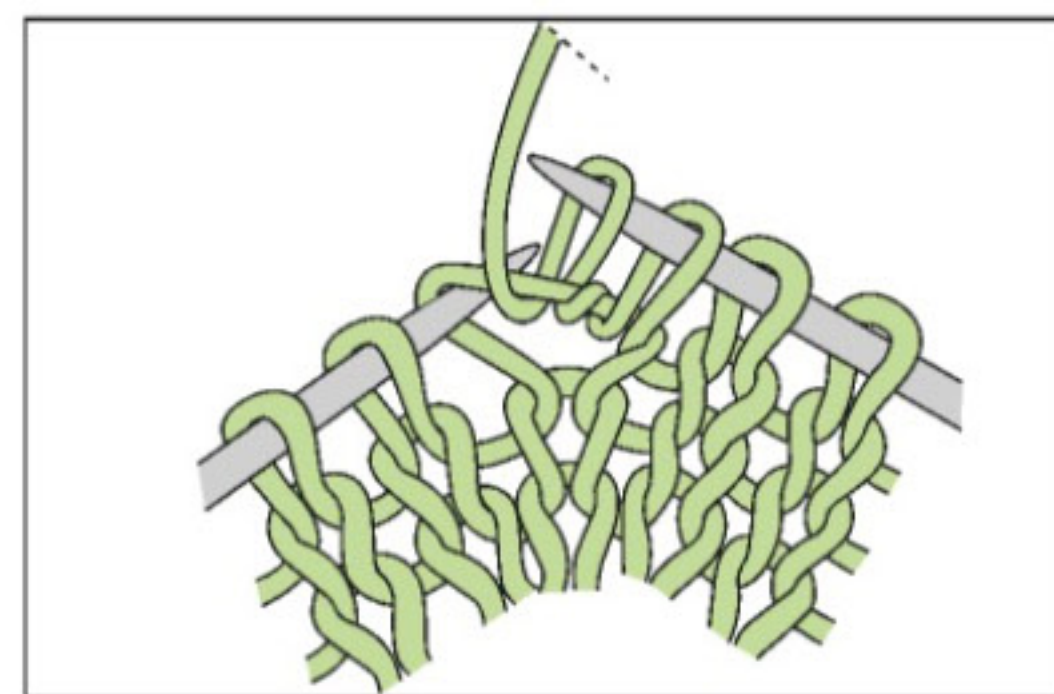
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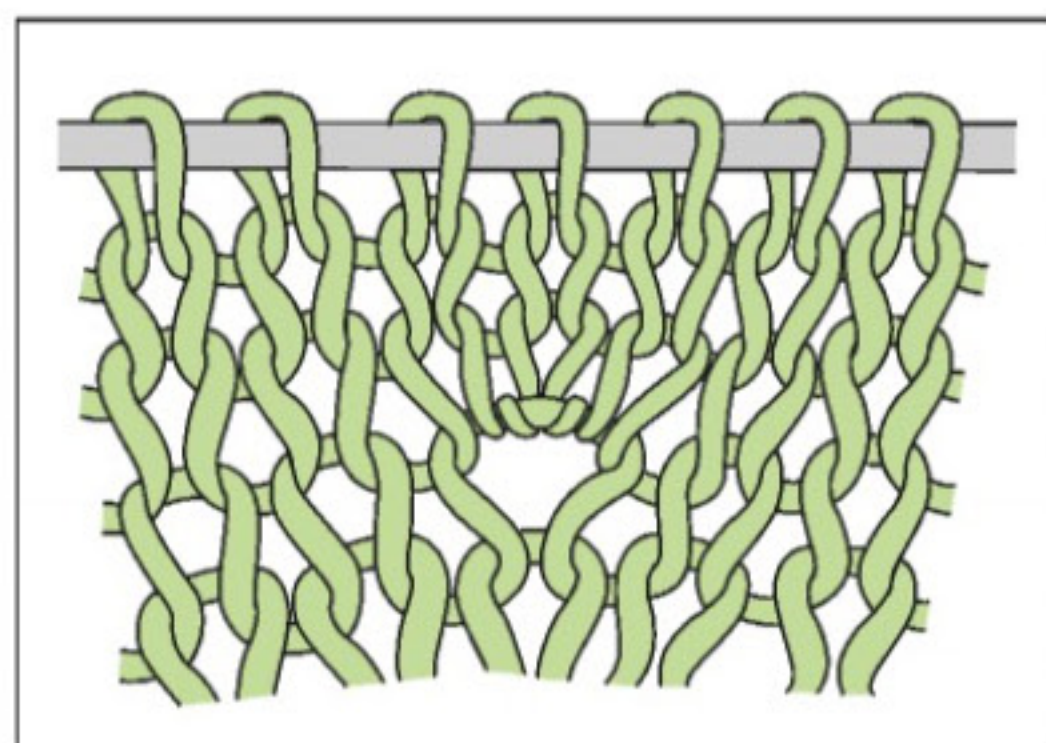
To increase two stitches in one stitch you can work knit one, purl one, knit one, all in a single stitch. This makes a firm, wide trio of stitches.



1 Knit one stitch in the usual way but without slipping the stitch off the left-hand needle, then bring the yarn to the front.



2 Purl the same stitch, again without slipping it off.

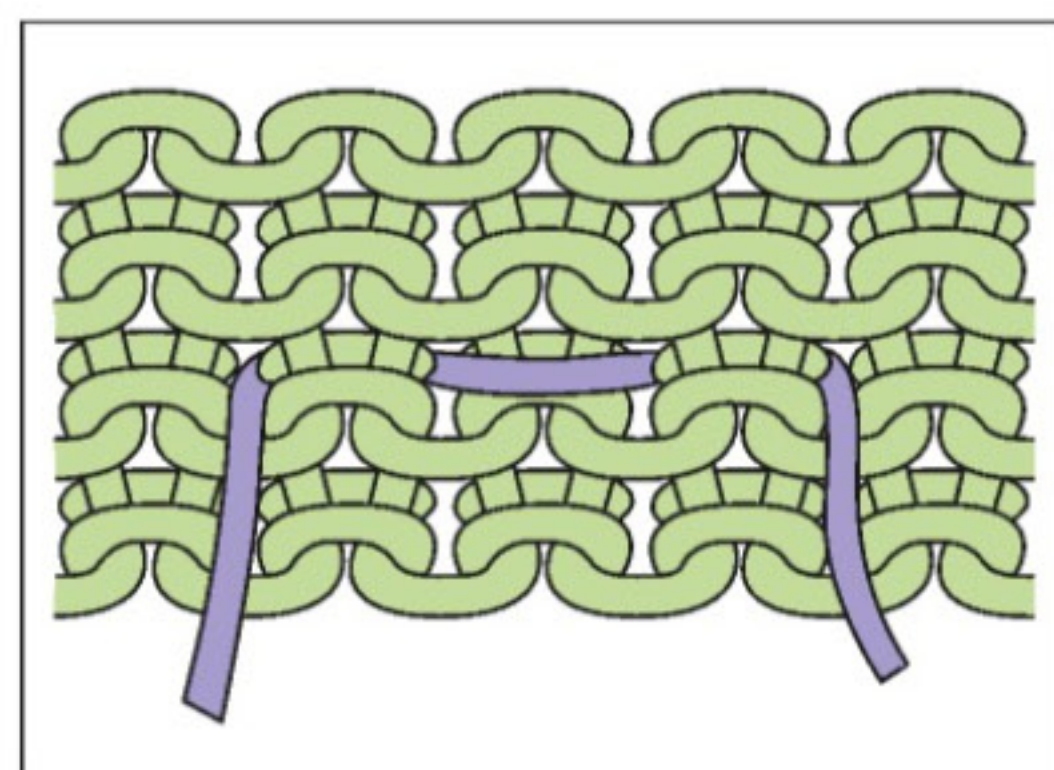


3 Take the yarn to the back and knit it, again in the front loop. Finally slip it off to give three stitches that slightly open up the stitch below.

A similar method of increasing two stitches is to work knit one, yarn over, knit one, all in a single stitch. This makes an equally symmetrical group of three.

Yarn markers

If counting rows is tedious or tricky, say in garter stitch, use a marker as a starting or finishing point. Specially designed markers exist, but using yarn is simple and it can be pulled out without leaving a trace. Take a short length of contrast yarn and at some place in the row slip it between stitches [from front to back, then from back to front] twice. The resulting strand will mark the division between rows.



A baby wearing a blue and white striped long-sleeved shirt and dark blue pants is lying on a light-colored carpet. The baby is looking down at three knitted balls: a blue one, a red one, and a yellow one. Several colorful alphabet blocks are scattered around the balls. The text 'Knitting Project' is written in white on a pink banner at the top.

Knitting Project

Playing Ball

An easy-to-grasp knitted ball is
a lovely toy for a baby

This is a simple knit for a beginner as it's all in garter stitch using two needles. The increases and decreases that shape it are very basic and are set out in a regular sequence

Measurement

23cm/9in circumference.

Materials

1 x 50g (112m) ball of King Cole Merino Blend DK (100% wool) in Gold (055), New Terracotta (837) or Slate Blue (096). Pair of 4mm (No. 8) knitting needles; wadding; knitter's sewing needle. For yarn stockists, call King Cole on 01535 650230.

Tension

22 stitches to 10cm over garter stitch, using 4mm needles.

Abbreviations

K, knit; **st**, stitch; **gst**, garter st (every row knit); **kfb**, knit in front and back of stitch to make 2 stitches (see page 51); **tog**, together.

Note

Yarn amounts are based on average requirements and are therefore approximate. Instructions in square brackets are worked as stated after 2nd bracket.



Ball

With 4mm needles, cast on 4 sts.

1st row (right side): [Kfb] 3 times, k1 – 7 sts.

2nd and alternate rows: K.

3rd row: [Kfb] 6 times, k1 – 13 sts.

5th row: K1, [kfb, k1] 6 times – 19 sts.

7th row: K1, [kfb, k2] 6 times – 25 sts.

9th row: K1, [kfb, k3] 6 times – 31 sts.

11th row: K1, [kfb, k4] 6 times – 37 sts.

13th row: K1, [kfb, k5] 6 times – 43 sts.

Mark this row (see page 52), then work 13 rows gst straight, so ending with a wrong-side row.

27th row: K1, [k2tog, k5] 6 times – 37 sts.

29th row: K1, [k2tog, k4] 6 times – 31 sts.

31st row: K1, [k2tog, k3] 6 times – 25 sts.

33rd row: K1, [k2tog, k2] 6 times – 19 sts.

35th row: K1, [k2tog, k1] 6 times – 13 sts.

37th row: K1, [k2tog] 6 times – 7 sts.

38th row (wrong side): [K2tog] 3 times, k1 – 4 sts. Leaving a long end, break the yarn and, using a knitter's sewing needle, thread it through the remaining stitches.

To make up

Use the yarn end to draw up these stitches and start joining the row ends. Before the seam is completed, firmly and evenly push wadding into the ball. Finish the seam and gather the cast-on stitches. Press the seam lightly.

CROCHET WORKSHOP

Learn about the basic stitches with our easy-to-follow guide, then turn to page 59 for a simple project that's perfect for showing off your new skills

Crochet Stitch Library



Poppy



Daisy



Bluebell



Pansy

Photos: Nicky Dowey

Here is a selection of flowers that can be made using a few simple stitches and several different techniques.

Materials

All the flowers are made with Stylecraft Classique Cotton DK in 100g (184m) balls, using a size 3.50 crochet hook. Knitter's sewing needle. **You can buy the yarn online from womansweeklyshop.co.uk/yarn.** For other yarn stockists, call Stylecraft on 01535 609798.

Abbreviations

Ch, chain; **chsp**, chain space; **dc**, double crochet; **htr**, half treble; **slst**, slip stitch; **st**, stitch; **tr**, treble.

Note

Instructions in square brackets are worked as stated after 2nd bracket.



Daisy

Fresh colours and shapely petals make this daisy very appealing.

Yarn: Sunflower (3662) and White (3660).
Flower: With Sunflower, make a slip ring (page 58).

1st round: 1ch, 12dc in ring, pull free yarn end to close ring and, using White, slst in first dc – 12 sts.

Break off Sunflower and continue with White.

2nd round: * 7ch, 1dc in 2nd ch from hook, 1htr in next ch, 1tr in each of next 2ch, 1htr in next ch, 1dc in last ch, slst in next dc of ring, repeat from *, ending slst in first st – 12 petals. Fasten off.



Poppy

Although not a beginner's piece, this flower isn't too difficult once you understand the method of working treble around both stitches and chain.

Yarn: Poppy (3672) and Tropical Jade (3676).

Flower: With Poppy, make 6ch, join with slst into a ring.

1st round: 6ch (counts as 1tr and 3ch), in ring work [1tr, 2ch, 1tr, 3ch] 4 times, 1tr in ring, 2ch, slst in 3rd of 6ch – 10 chsp.

2nd round: 3ch, 3tr in 3-chsp, * swivel work, 4tr around next tr, swivel work, 4tr around next tr, swivel, 4tr in 3-chsp, repeat from * 3 times more, swivel, 4tr around

next tr, swivel, 4tr around last tr, slst in top of 3ch. Fasten off.

Centre: With Tropical Jade, make 5ch, join with slst into a ring.

Single round: 3ch, 9tr in ring, miss 3ch and slst in first tr. Fasten off and turn to wrong side.

Place in centre of flower and stitch at back.



Pansy

This smiling pansy is a little tricky to make, as the first three petals are worked in rounds and the two behind are worked in rows.

Yarn: Saville (3670), Nocturne (3669) and Lavender (3673).

Flower: With Saville, make 5ch, join with slst into a ring.

1st round: 1ch, 7dc in ring, with Nocturne, slst in first dc – 7 sts.

Break off Saville and continue with Nocturne.

2nd round: [2ch, 3tr in next dc, 2ch, slst in next dc] twice, 3ch, 2tr in each of next 3dc, 3ch, slst in slst of previous round. Fasten off.

3rd round: Join Lavender under first 2ch of 2nd round, 1ch, 1htr around 2ch, 1tr in first tr,

2tr in each of next 2tr, around 2ch work 1htr and 1dc, slst in slst of previous round, slst in first round, around next 2ch work 1dc and 1htr, 2tr in each of next 2tr, 1tr in next tr, around 2ch work 1htr and 1dc, slst in slst of previous round, slst in first round, around 3ch work 2dc and 1htr, 2tr in each of next 6tr, around 3ch work 1htr and 2dc, slst in first round – 3 petals made. Fasten off.

4th petal: Turn pansy to wrong side and with smaller petals uppermost, join Lavender with slst at right-hand side in 2 strands between petals, make 6ch, slst in 2 strands between petals on left-hand side.

Turn to work in rows.

1st row (right side): 1ch, 9dc in chsp, slst in first slst, turn.

2nd row: 2ch, 2tr in first dc, 1tr in each of next 7dc, 2tr in next dc, 1htr in 1ch, turn.

3rd row: 2ch, 1htr in next st, 2tr in each of next 3tr, 1htr in next tr, slst in next tr, 1ch, 1htr in next tr, 2tr in each of next 3tr, 1htr in next tr, 2ch, slst in st below. Fasten off.



Bluebell

Fiddly, rather than difficult to make, these little bells could become lily-of-the-valley if they were worked in white.

Yarn: Sky Blue (3667) and Soft Lime (3663).

Bell (make 3): With Sky Blue, make 4ch, join with slst into a ring.

1st round: 1ch, 7dc in ring, join with slst in 1ch.

2nd and 3rd rounds: 3ch, 1tr in each of next 7 sts, slst in top of 3ch – 8 sts.

4th round: [4ch, 1dc in 4th ch from hook, slst in next st] 8 times, ending slst in slst of previous round. Fasten off.

Stem: 1st row: Using Soft Lime, [insert hook in st at top of a bell, pull yarn through, make 6ch] twice, insert hook in top of third bell, make 11ch, turn.

2nd row: Slst in 2nd ch from hook (page 58), 1slst in each ch except bell sts to end.

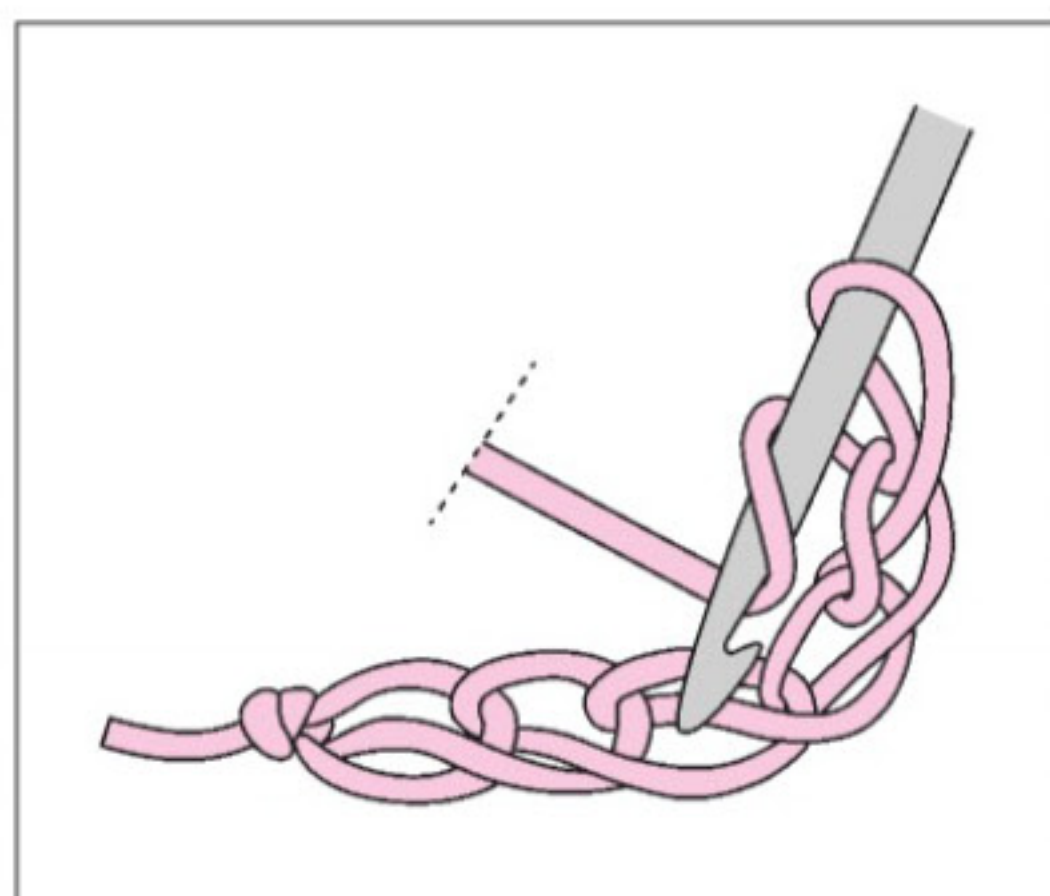
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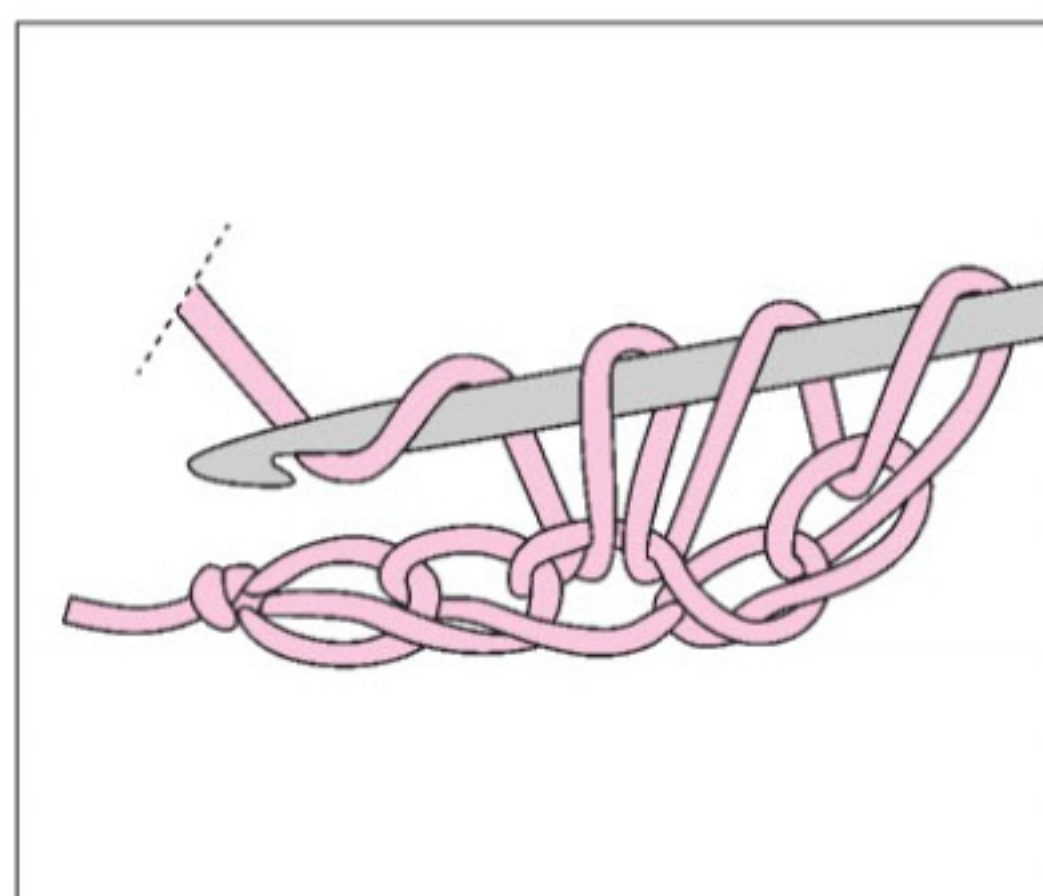
Extend your repertoire with the half treble, which is a useful in-between stitch, and a slip stitch cord, which is surprisingly round and firm

Half treble

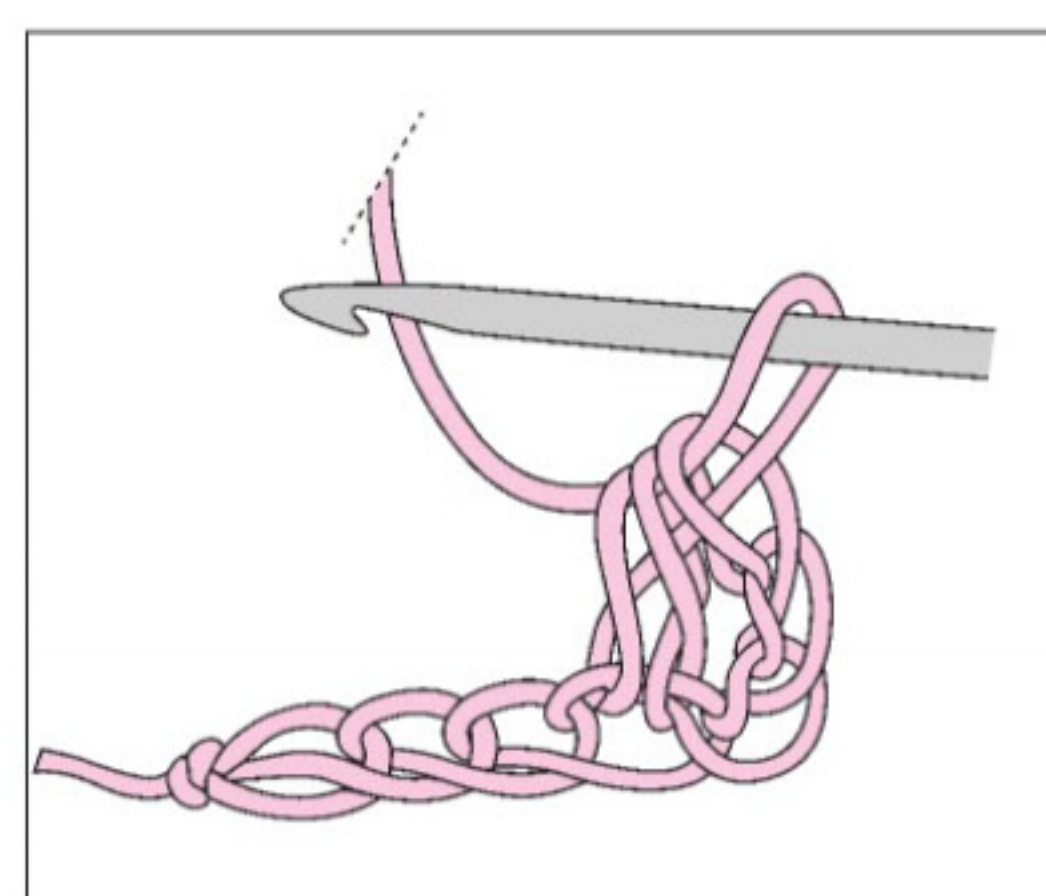
In height the half treble is halfway between a double crochet and a treble and is frequently used as a transitional stitch between the two, rather than as a stitch in its own right.



1 Yarn round hook and insert the hook in the third chain from the hook.



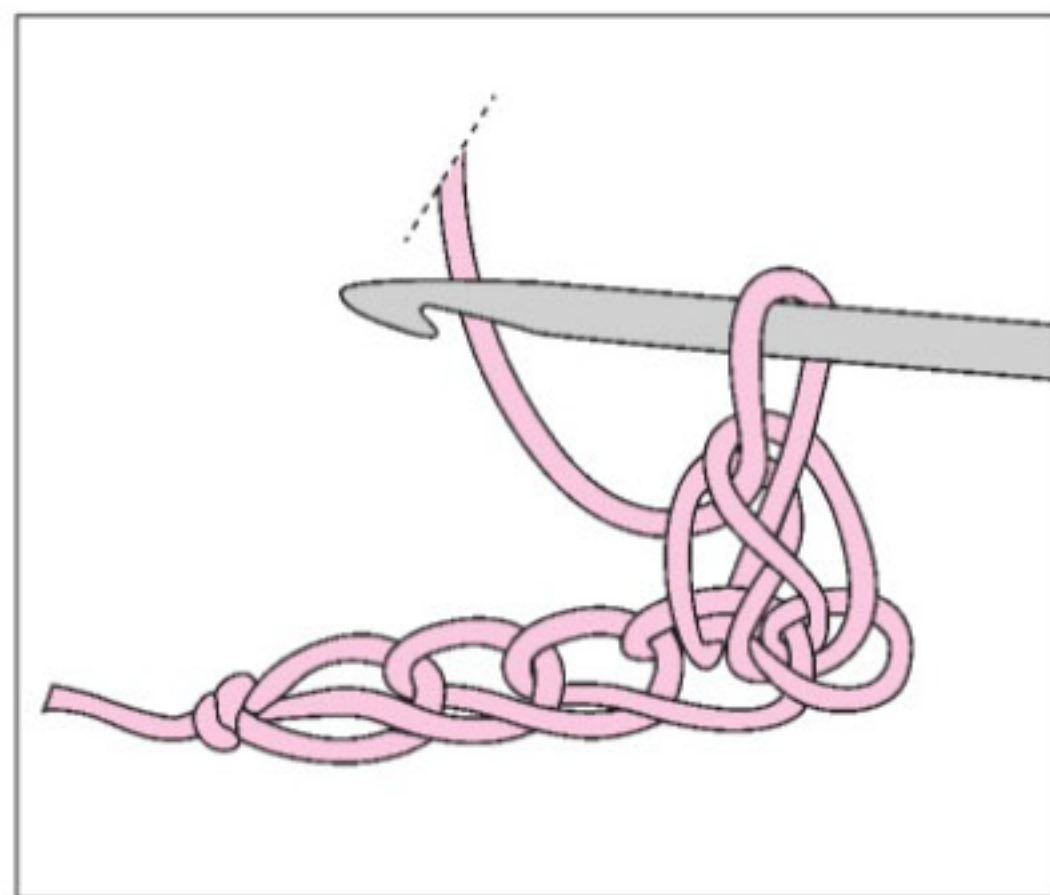
2 Yarn round hook and pull the yarn through to make a loop on the hook, then yarn round hook again.



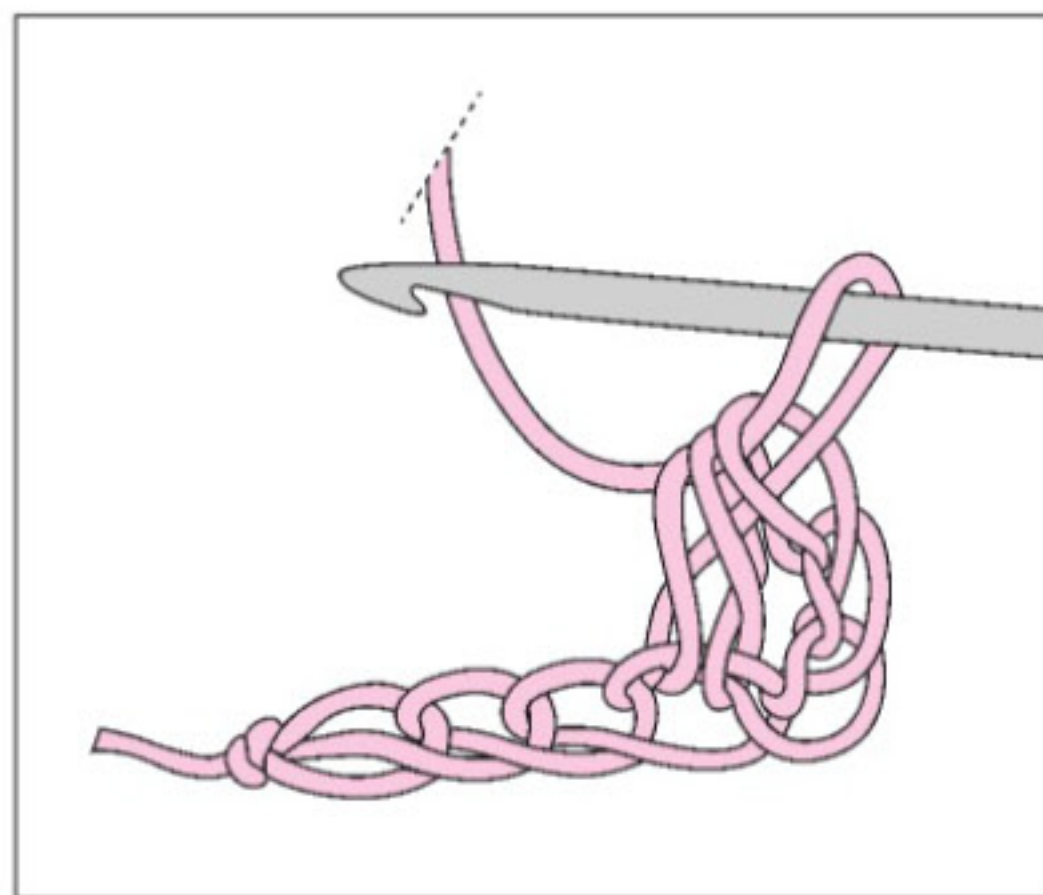
3 Pull the yarn through all three loops on the hook to complete the stitch.

Three basic stitches

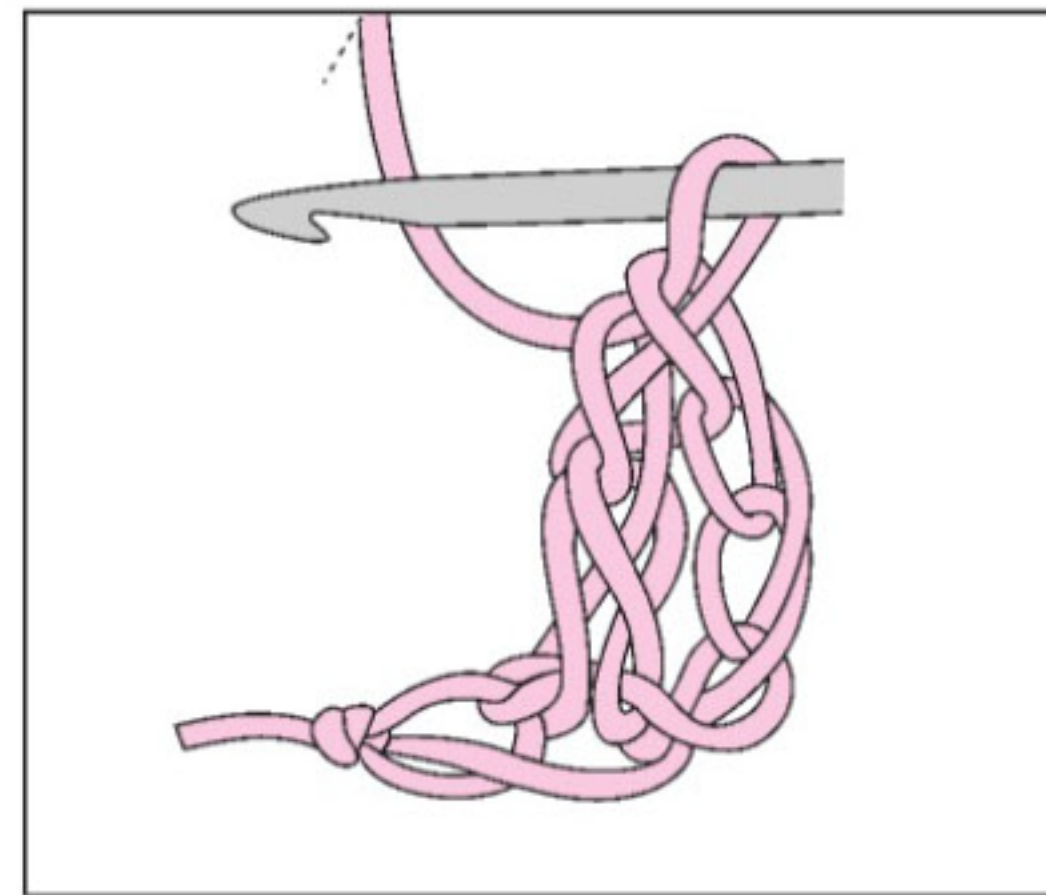
For comparison all these stitches are shown worked into five chain.



1 The double crochet is worked into the second chain from the hook, without any preliminary yarn round the hook.



2 The half treble is worked into the third chain from the hook after a preliminary yarn round the hook, as explained above.



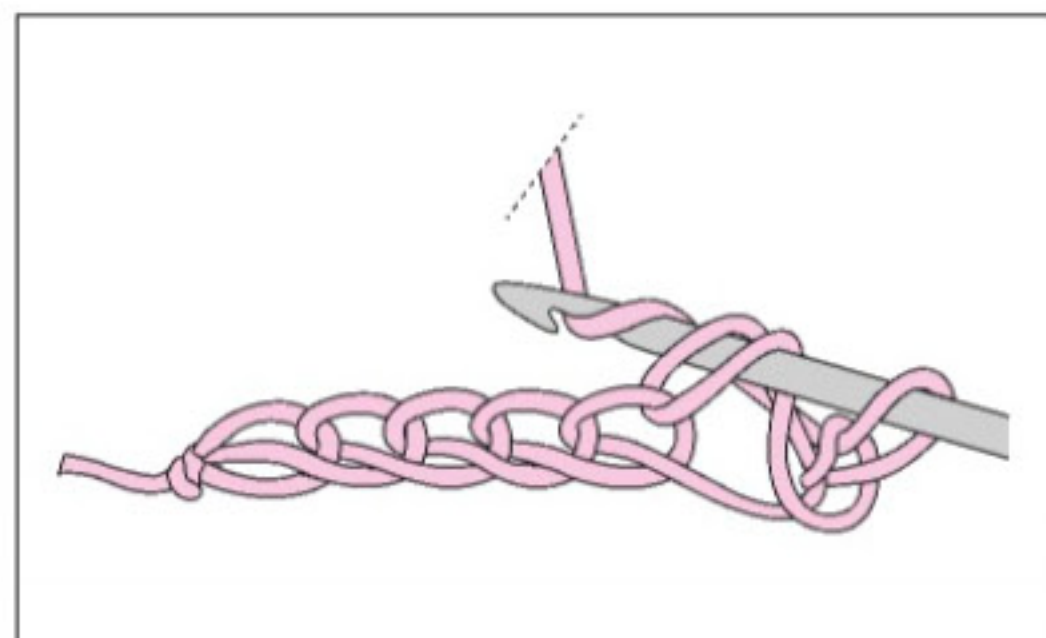
3 The treble is worked into the fourth chain from the hook, after a preliminary yarn round the hook and then two more to complete the stitch.

Diagrams: Winnie Ong

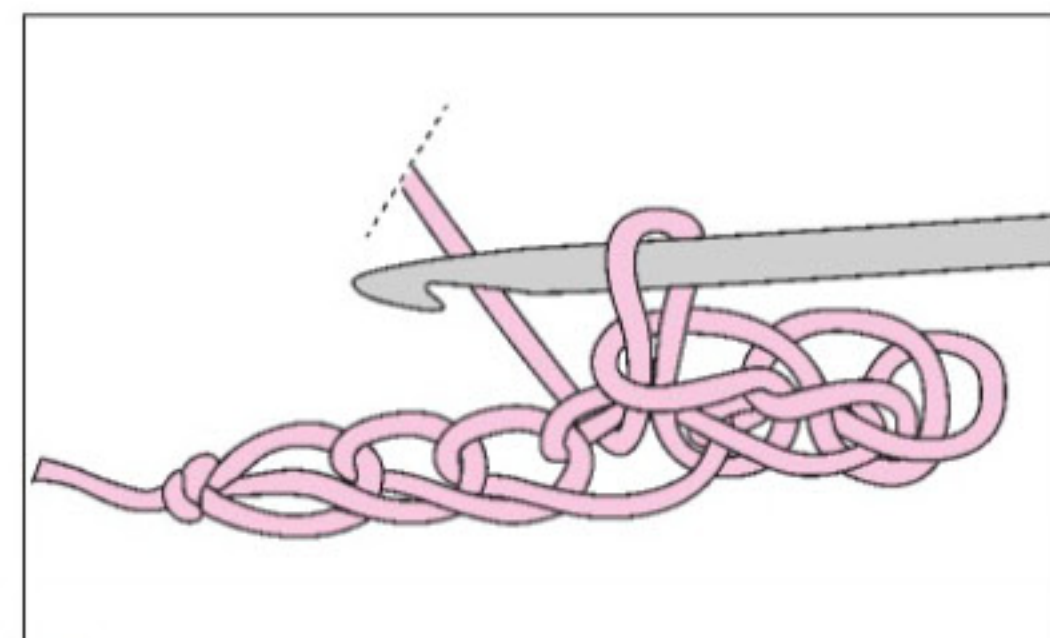


Cord

Although it has virtually no height at all, the slip stitch has many uses and one of these is to make a cord.



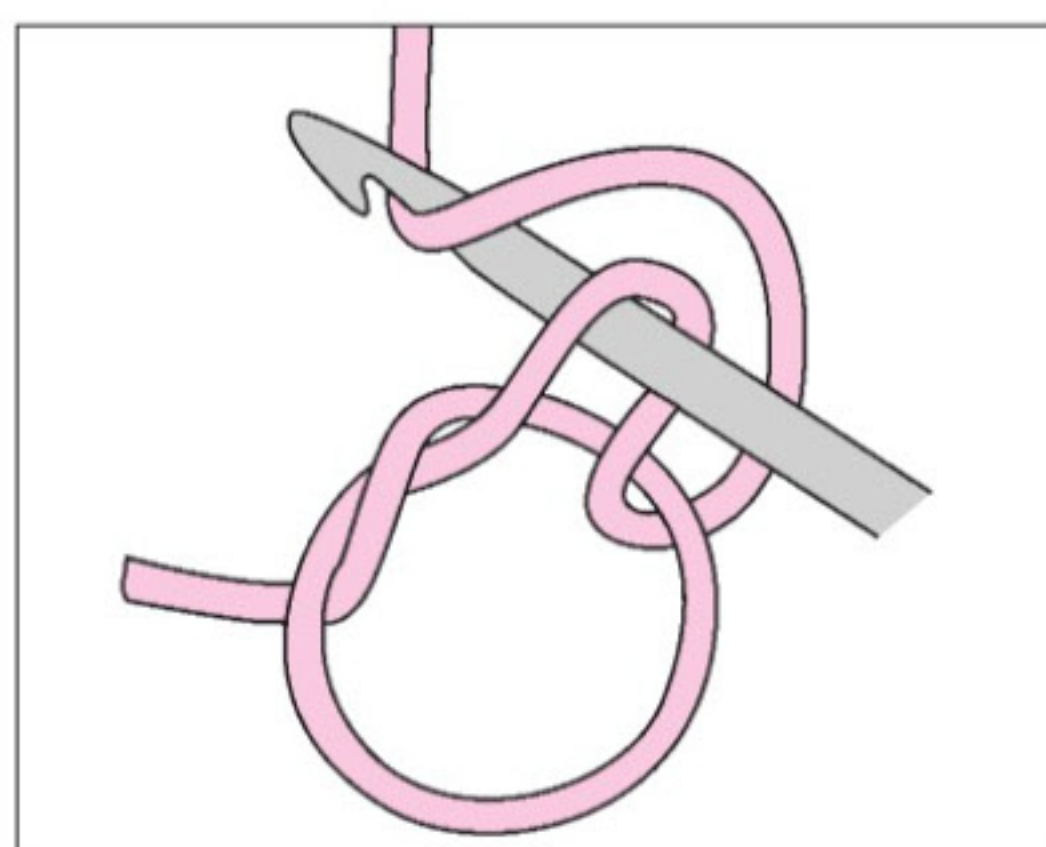
1 Make a length of chain then insert the hook under two strands of the second chain from the hook. Yarn round hook then pull it through the chain and the loop on the hook.



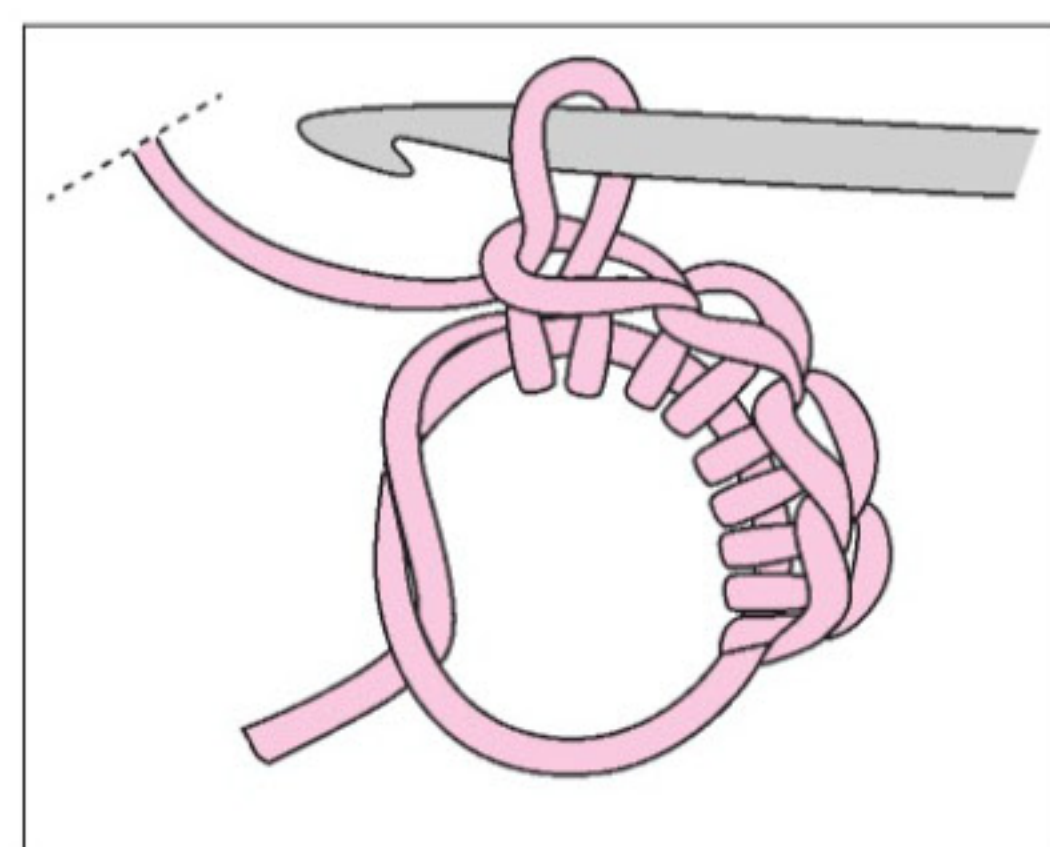
2 Insert the hook in the next chain, yarn round hook and pull it through the chain and the loop on the hook. Repeat step 2 until the chain is the required length, then fasten off. If you have made more chain than you need, simply fasten off and then unpick the remaining chain, starting at the slip knot.

Slip ring

Instead of making a chain ring at the start of rounds, you can make a slip ring which is pulled tight for a more closed centre.



1 Make a ring as if for a slip knot. That is, loop the yarn with the ball end on top and then dip the hook into the loop to catch the ball end and pull it through. Holding the join of the ring between thumb and first finger of the left hand, yarn round hook and pull it through to anchor the yarn.



2 Working over the two strands of yarn, make stitches as directed. Pull the free yarn end to close up the ring then join the stitches with a slip stitch.



Crochet Project

Daisy Chain

Crochet is fun for flower making, or for creating almost anything three-dimensional

Simple stitches have been used here to make large, open daisies and even the cord is in crochet

Measurement

Length approximately 66cm/26in, but adjustable.

Materials

1 x 50g (112m) ball of King Cole Merino Blend DK (100% wool) in each of Lavender (927), Fuchsia (787) and Dill (792). Size 2.50 crochet hook; 5 split rings, 4cm diameter (from a key cutter or hardware shop); knitter's sewing needle. **You can buy the yarn online from womansweeklyshop.co.uk/yarn.** For other yarn stockists, call King Cole on 01535 650230.

Tension

Firm stitches needed – hence the smaller-than-usual hook size.

Abbreviations

Ch, chain; **dc**, double crochet; **htr**, half treble; **slst**, slip stitch; **st**, stitch; **tr**, treble.



Flower

(make 5)

1st round (right side): Using Lavender, tie a knot on the ring. With 2.50 crochet hook and holding yarn behind, insert hook in ring, pull yarn through, yarn round hook and pull it through loop to anchor yarn, 1ch (counts as first dc), then, enclosing the yarn end, make 41dc around ring to total 42 sts (or any number divisible by 6), slst in first ch. Fasten off.

2nd round: Join Fuchsia in any dc by pulling yarn through the top of the st, yarn round hook and pull yarn through, 1ch (counts as 1dc), * 1htr in next st, in next st work 2tr, then 3ch, slst in first of 3ch (1 picot made) and 2tr, 1htr in next st, 1dc in next st, slst in next st, 1dc in

next st, repeat from * 5 times more, 1htr in next st, in next st work 2tr, 1 picot and 2tr, 1htr in next st, 1dc in next st, slst in last dc. Fasten off.

Cord

Turn flower to the wrong side. Working under 2 strands, join Dill in 2 sts of Fuchsia between petals, make 10ch, slst in back of second flower in the same way between 2 petals, turn, slst in each ch, ending at first flower. Fasten off. Allowing 3 petals at inside edge of necklace and 4 petals at outside edge, join the remaining 3 flowers in the same way. Join Dill in the back of last flower as before, make 60ch, slst in the back of first flower, turn, slst in each ch. Fasten off.

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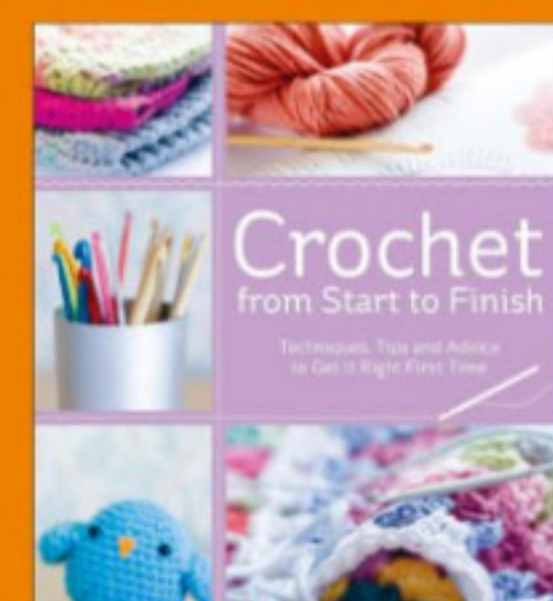


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This fun project is taken from *The Hand-Knitted Nursery*
by Melanie Porter



-  Easy Peasy
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This Little Piggy...

...is a sweet, jolly cushion that lives
happily in baby's nursery

Measurements

Approximately 41 x 41cm/16 x 16in.

Materials

2 x 100g balls of Chunky Yarn in Ecu and 1 ball in Pink. Oddments of Slate for embroidery. A pair of 6mm (No. 4) knitting needles. A 41 x 41cm/16 x 16in cushion pad; a 43 x 43cm/17 x 17in piece of Slate Grey Cotton fabric for cushion back; sewing thread; small amount of toy stuffing.

Tension

13 stitches and 20 rows, to 10 x 10cm, over stocking stitch, using 6mm needles.

Abbreviations

K, knit; **p**, purl; **st**, stitch; **tog**, together; **ss**, stocking st (k on right side and p on wrong side); **rss**, reverse stocking st (p on right side and k on wrong side); **inc**, increase (by working twice into same st); **k or p2togb**, k or p2tog through back of sts.

Note

Yarn amounts are based on average requirements and are therefore approximate. Instructions in square brackets are worked as stated after 2nd bracket.

Front

Base: With 6mm needles and Ecu, cast on 56 sts.

Beginning with a k row, ss 86 rows. Cast off.

Pig face: With 6mm needles and Pink, cast on 15 sts.

Beginning with a k row, rss 10 rows, inc 1 st at each end of every row – 35 sts. Rss another 6 rows, inc 1 st at each end of 2nd of these rows and on the 2 following alternate rows – 41 sts.

Rss 4 rows, inc 1 st at each end of 4th of these rows – 43 sts. Rss 12 rows.

Next row: K2togb, k to last 2 sts, k2tog – 41 sts. Rss 3 rows.

Next row: K2togb, k to last 2 sts, k2tog – 39 sts. Rss 1 row.

Repeat last 2 rows, twice more, then work 1st of these rows again – 33 sts.

Next row: P2tog, p to last 2 sts, p2togb – 31 sts.

Next row: K2togb, k to last 2 sts, k2tog – 29 sts.

Repeat last 2 rows, once more, then work 1st of these rows again – 23 sts.

Dividing row: Cast on 6 sts, k these 6 sts, k6 more, turn and leaving remaining 17 sts on a st holder, work on these 12 sts for first ear.

First ear: Rss 3 rows.

Next row: K2togb, k to last 2 sts, k2tog – 10 sts.

Repeat last 4 rows, once more – 8 sts. Rss 1 row.

Next row: K2togb, k to last 2 sts, k2tog – 6 sts.

Repeat last 2 rows, once more – 4 sts. Cast off.

Second ear: With wrong side facing, rejoin yarn to inner edge of 17 sts on st holder, cast off 11 sts, k to end – 6 sts.

Next row: Cast on 6 sts, p these 6 sts, p to end – 12 sts. Rss 2 rows.

Next row: K2togb, k to last 2 sts, k2tog – 10 sts. Rss 3 rows.

Next row: K2togb, k to last 2 sts, k2tog – 8 sts. Rss 1 row.

Next row: K2togb, k to last 2 sts, k2tog – 6 sts.

Repeat last 2 rows, once more – 4 sts. Cast off.

Snout: With 6mm needles and Pink, cast on 36 sts.



Beginning with a k row, ss 6 rows, then p 1 row.

Shape snout: 1st row: [K2tog, k1] to end – 24 sts.

2nd row: [P4, p2tog] to end – 20 sts.

3rd row: [K3, k2tog] to end – 16 sts.

4th row: [P2, p2tog] to end – 12 sts.

5th row: [K1, k2tog] to end – 8 sts.

Break off yarn leaving a long end. Thread end through remaining sts, pull up tightly and fasten off securely.

Eyes (make 2): With 6mm needles and Ecu, cast on 4 sts.

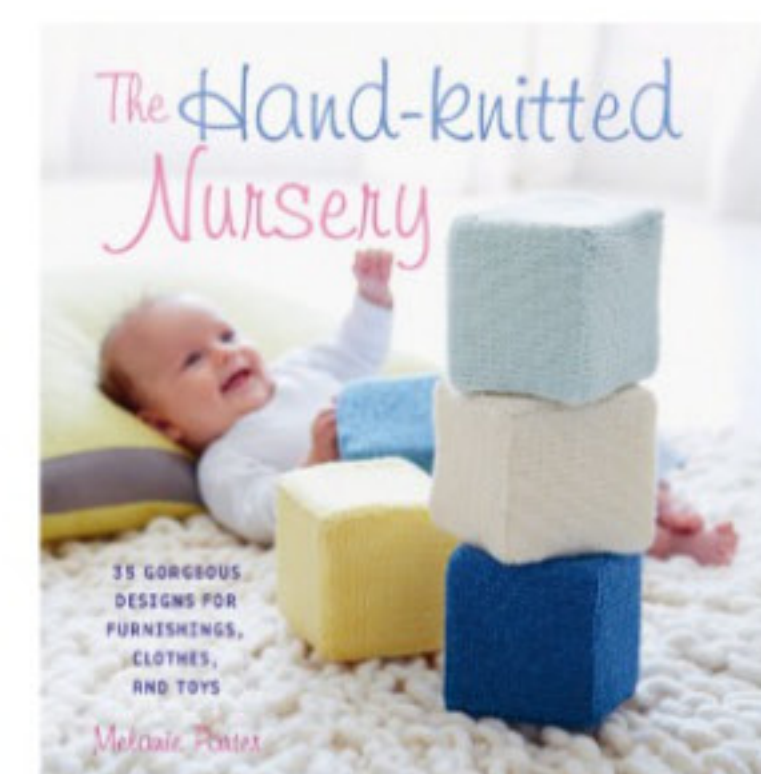
Beginning with a p row, ss 4 rows, inc 1 st at each end of 2nd and 4th of these rows – 8 sts. Ss 4 rows.

Next row: P2tog, p4, p2togb – 6 sts.

Next row: K2togb, k2, k2tog – 4 sts. Cast off.

To make up

Press knitted pieces. Position and sew cast-on stitches of ears to face as shown in photograph. Join row-ends of snout and sew to centre of face, leaving a small opening. Sew eyes to face. Sew face to centre of front base, leaving an opening. Wash and allow to dry. Stuff snout lightly and join opening. Stuff face lightly and join opening. With Slate, embroider eyes and mouth. To indent snout, work two small straight stitches evenly spaced along centre of snout and pull up stitches tightly. With right sides together, allowing 1.5cm for seam, sew knitted front to fabric back, leaving one side open. Turn right side out, insert cushion pad and join remaining seam.

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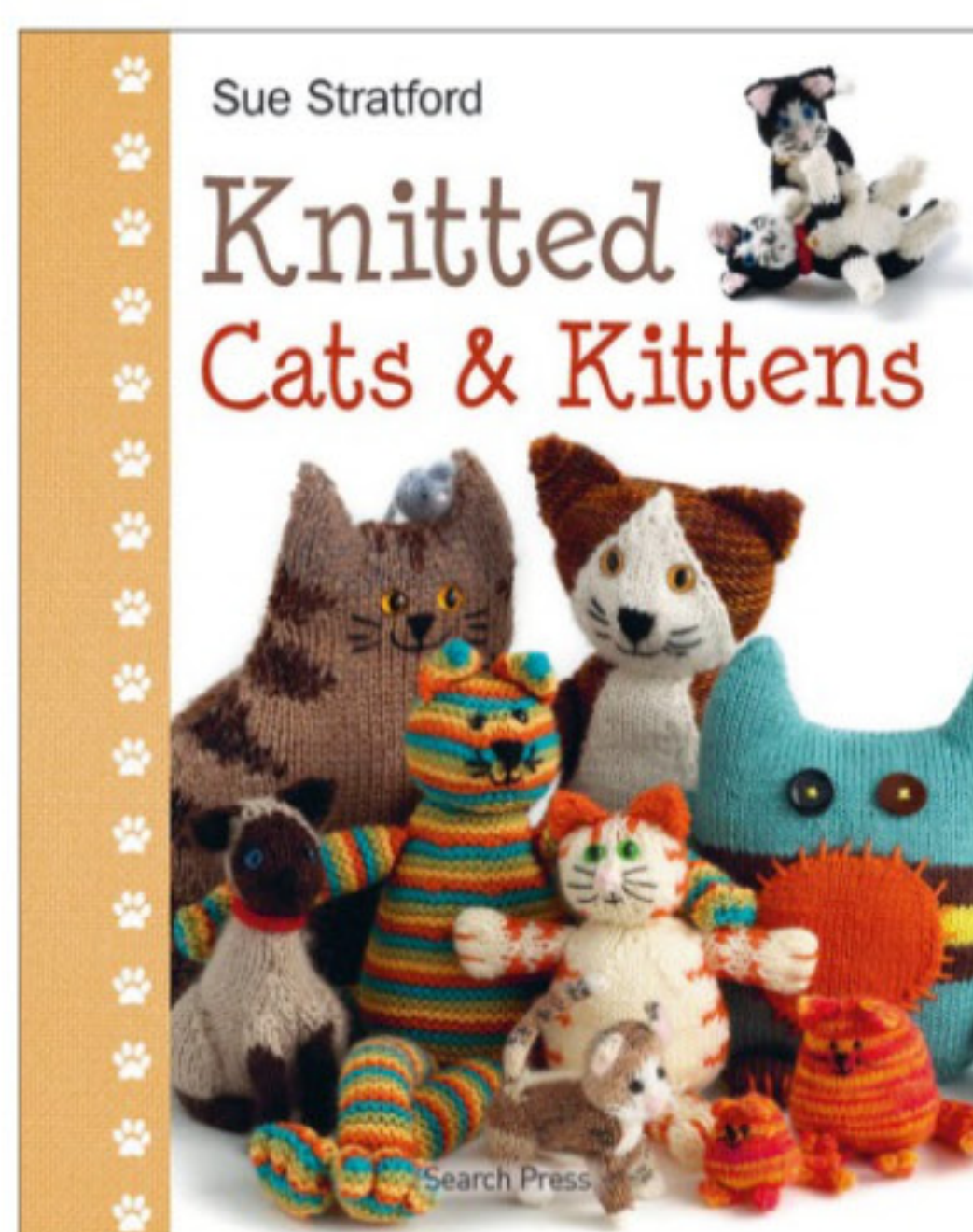
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Bookshelf

This month, make a funky toy for a little one, look stylish in a signature scarf, learn new skills with a pincushion and knit clothes to withstand toddlers' rough and tumble

Cute Knitted Toys: 20 clear and simple patterns for cuddly friends

By Karla Courtney (The Australian Women's Weekly, £7.99)

Karla Courtney understands what makes little ones tick. She's won awards in her native Australia for her designs, but first and foremost she's mum to three-year-old Marshall. Each of the 20 character toys in her book is based on one of two straightforward patterns to be knitted in the round using circular needles. The clear instructions make the projects achievable for the most inexperienced knitters, but there are ideas for elements to add to your knitted toy that will keep more confident knitters challenged, too. Karla has even come up with ways to get the kids involved and to teach them how to make their first simple stitches.



Signature Scarves: Dazzling designs to knit

By Nicky Epstein
(Nicky Epstein Books, £14.99*)

Nicky Epstein is the author of 25 knitting and crochet books. She's done high fashion, felting, home accessories and has even designed for trend-setting Barbie dolls. Now she's turned her attention to scarves.

The designs in draw on traditions from all over the world including North Africa, Japan and Celtic Britain. There's even a sexy scarf inspired by Marilyn Monroe. Knitting a scarf can be a quick and satisfying project and every level is catered for here. The instructions are clearly laid out and there's a guide to all the techniques needed. All through the book, Nicky gives ideas for how to wear her designs and ways to embellish them and make them your own. *For stockists of this book, call 01273 488005.

What To Knit: The Toddler Years - 30 gorgeous jumpers, cardigans, hats, toys & more

By Nikki van de Car
(Kyle Books, £14.99)

If there's a puddle, a toddler will want to jump into it. If there's a cupboard door, a toddler will want to open it. And it's with this constant energy in mind that US designer (and mum) Nikki van der Car has created this title. Her emphasis is on the practical as much as the stylish and cute. There's advice on which materials are the most hardwearing, both for your tot and your washing machine. Her clothes can also be adapted to accommodate sudden growth spurts. These garments are meant to endure spills and tumbles, as are the toys. Perfect for a little one's daily adventures.



50 Pincushions to knit & crochet

By Cat Thomas
(Search Press, £10.99)

Cat Thomas is a designer, blogger and teacher. Her book is filled with the wisdom of a good teacher: that the best way to learn is to *do*. A pincushion

is a small, simple project and so ideal for a knitter or crocheter looking to practise a skill or learn a new one. Some of the designs are traditional, some are supercool and some are plain old good fun. There are pincushions shaped like pears, circus drums, cacti and even a plate of sushi. Instructions are straightforward, with Cat Thomas motivating the novices and challenging the experienced crafters who come to her book. Pincushions make great little gifts. Or they can, of course, be kept for yourself...

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Jayne (left) and Emily from the
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- 11.30** Tea and coffee
- 11.45** Continue with your button-initial picture (leave to dry)
- 12.15** Make a button posy
- 1.00** Lunch
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Tina's Tips & Tricks

Get the little things right and your knitting will be beautiful

We want your knitting to be the best it can possibly be. So it's a good job we have Tina. A true knitting professional, Tina's been Technical Knitting Editor at Woman's Weekly for the last 14 years. And now she's here to help you! Every month, Tina will be answering the most common questions you've sent in and resolving some of the issues we all face as knitters. Together, we'll make your knitting beautiful!

Unlucky rabbit foot

Q I started to knit the rabbit pattern in your April issue, but soon got into trouble. On the last row of inset shaping of the foot, the instructions don't work out right. However I do it, I end up with the wrong amount of stitches. Could you clarify this for me?

A When writing this pattern, I was wondering how to phrase this section of the foot as either way it was going to be tricky. I wanted to create a smooth, curvy top, so straightforward cast-off wasn't the option. In the end I went for a technique that most of you use when working the neckband of V-neck sweaters. When you cast off stitches on the neckband, the instruction will state to cast off, decreasing 1 stitch at each side of the V as before. This is what you needed to do on the last row of instep shaping. On this row, 10 stitches will remain at each side with 12 stitches cast off at centre, but while you're casting off stitches at centre, you'll also work decreases as before – 1 st at each side of centre 2 stitches. In other words, you are losing 12 stitches at centre, but 2 of these 12 stitches would have been lost by working 2 stitches together at each side of centre 2 stitches.

Keeping up the tension

Q I was diagnosed with arthritis in my hands recently, and it's getting more and more difficult for me to get the right tension when I'm following patterns. Do you know how I can get round this? I love to crochet and just couldn't bear to pack up my crochet kit for good.

A And I couldn't bear for you to pack it up, either! Your grip on your crochet hook isn't as firm as it once was, and so your crochet fabric is looser. One way round it would be to try a smaller-size hook to help you get the tension stated in the pattern. Or failing that, you could buy hooks with easy to hold (non-slip) handles, or even try comfort grips for crochet hooks. These options can be pricey, though. You could try the jam-jar trick. Just as you'd wrap an elastic band round a jam-jar lid for extra grip, wrap one round your crochet hook handle. You should have a better hold immediately.

Yarn thickness info

Q In the February *Knitting & Crochet* magazine, there was a gorgeous pattern for a little girl's sweater. It was really colourful and pretty and I decided that I'd make one for my granddaughter. And then I found the yarn specified in the pattern wasn't available in my local wool shop. I thought I'd get another yarn instead, but nowhere in the instructions did it say what thickness of yarn was used. Is there a reason why you don't always state the thickness of yarn in your instructions?

A This is an issue that comes up a lot, and I really do feel your frustration. It's down to the manufacturers to classify the thickness of each yarn. When we feature a particular yarn in a pattern, we can only give you the information we have, and that is what's on the ball band. That said, the best indications of a yarn's thickness are the tension and the size of needles used. For the girl's sweater we featured in our February issue, you could use a DK yarn. Use a bit of spare DK yarn to check you can get the right tension and adjust the size of needles if you need to. You may find that when you substitute yarn, the amount you need changes. For more information on how to substitute yarn, please see the advice on our website – www.womansweekly.co.uk/knitting-crochet/how-to-choose-substitute-yarn/



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Trendsetting Ted

Just what any hip, with-it bear-about-town needs – the last word in natty knitted jackets. But sadly for Ted, he's only got it on loan. My auntie Annie made this adorable jacket for my baby boy after she saw it in a recent issue of WW. He's only two months old and still a little too small for it. Which is why I let Ted borrow it, just for now. But I must say, it suits him and he looks really rather handsome in it.

Holly Canetti, Chesterfield



Thank you, Granny!

I felt like the luckiest girl in the world when my Granny Pauline knitted this gorgeous jumper for me last Christmas. As soon as I got it, I put it on. And from that moment, I've hardly been able to take it off. It's the warmest, snuggliest piece of clothing I own, and my mates are green with envy. I love the colour. I love the cables. I love the cosiness. I love my Granny Pauline!

Ella Dove, Kent



Potty for Peppa

My granddaughter, Myah, is Peppa Pig's number-one fan, so I had to knit her a Peppa Pig doll when the pattern first appeared in WW. Imagine Myah's face when I made her the Peppa Pig jumper you featured in Feb. But Peppa Pig isn't the only person with a number-one fan. Myah has one, too. It's me. Myah's potty for Peppa, and I'm mad for Myah!

Cathy Harvey, Pt Augusta, Australia



An egg-cellent idea

I've always thought a balanced diet is a bar of chocolate in both hands. But even I have to admit, Easter is a chocolate overload. So this year, instead of buying eggs for my three grandkids and my goddaughter's son, I made each of them their own Easter bunny, complete with stylish outfits. There are two reasons why this was a good idea of mine. First, the kids got a present they could keep. And second, I got to eat all the chocolate eggs myself.

Regina Stachecka, Ashton-under-Lyne

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Cuddly Couple

Kids will love this cute pair of characters, each wearing specs and a smart bow



Pair Of Toys

Measurements

Approximately 13cm/5in tall.

Materials

For the pair: 1 x 100g (450m) ball of Stylecraft Life 4ply (75% acrylic, 25% wool) in each of Cream (2305), Fern (2311) or Clover (2358) and Black (2307) or Aqua (2357). Small amount of DK yarn in Black or Blue, Grey and Red for embroidery. Pair of 2¾mm (No. 12) knitting needles. Washable toy stuffing; 4 plastic rings 3cm in diameter. **You can buy the yarn online from womansweeklyshop.co.uk/yarn.** For other yarn stockists, call Stylecraft on 01535 609798.

Tension

34 stitches and 42 rows, to 10 x 10cm, over stocking stitch, using 2¾mm needles.

Abbreviations

K, knit; **p**, purl; **st**, stitch; **sl**, slip; **tog**, together; **dec**, decrease; **ss**, stocking st (k on right side and p on wrong side); **psso**, pass sl st over; **yf**, yarn forward to make a st; **up1**, pick up loop lying between needles and work into the back of it; **wrap1**, slip next st onto right-hand needle, take yarn between needles to opposite side of work, place the slipped st back onto left-hand needle, bring yarn back.

Note

Yarn amounts are based on average requirements and are therefore approximate. Instructions in square brackets are worked as stated after 2nd bracket.

Right leg

Foot: With 2¾mm needles and Fern or Clover, cast on 6 sts. P 1 row.

1st increase row: [K1, up1] twice, k2, [up1, k1] twice – 10 sts. P 1 row.

2nd increase row: K1, up1, k3, up1, k2, up1, k3, up1, k1 – 14 sts. Ss 8 rows.

Shape heel: 1st row: P7, wrap1, turn.

2nd and 3rd rows: K6, wrap1, turn, p5, wrap1, turn.

4th and 5th rows: K4, wrap1, turn, p3, wrap1, turn.

6th and 7th rows: K2, wrap1, turn, p3, wrap1, turn.

8th and 9th rows: K4, wrap1, turn, p5, wrap1, turn.

10th and 11th rows: K6, wrap1, turn, p to end.

Leg: Continue straight in ss for another 18 rows. Cast off.

Left leg

Foot: With 2¾mm needles and Fern or Clover, cast on 6 sts. P 1 row.

1st increase row: [K1, up1] twice, k2, [up1, k1] twice – 10 sts. P 1 row.

2nd increase row: K1, up1, k3, up1, k2, up1, k3, up1, k1 – 14 sts. Ss 9 rows.

Shape heel: 1st row: K7, wrap1, turn.

2nd and 3rd rows: P6, wrap1, turn, k5, wrap1, turn.

4th and 5th rows: P4, wrap1, turn, k3, wrap1, turn.

6th and 7th rows: P2, wrap1, turn, k3, wrap1, turn.

8th and 9th rows: P4, wrap1, turn, k5, wrap1, turn.

10th and 11th rows: P6, wrap1, turn, k to end.

Leg: Continue straight in ss for another 17 rows. Cast off.

Arms

(make 2)

Hand: With 2¾mm needles and Fern or Clover, cast on 6 sts. P 1 row.

1st increase row: K2, [up1, k1] 4 times – 10 sts. P 1 row.

2nd increase row: K2, [up1, k2] 4 times – 14 sts.

3rd increase row: K2, [up1, k3] 4 times – 18 sts. Ss 5 rows.

Dec row: K2, [k2tog, k2] to end – 14 sts.

Arm: Continue straight in ss for another 15 rows. Cast off.

Body

With 2¾mm needles and Cream, cast on 9 sts for neck edge. P 1 row.

1st increase row: K1, [up1, k1] to end – 17 sts. P 1 row.

2nd increase row: K1, [up1, k2] to end – 25 sts. P 1 row.

3rd increase row: K1, [up1, k3] to end – 33 sts. P 1 row.

4th increase row: K1, [up1, k4] to end – 41 sts. P 1 row.

5th increase row: K1, [up1, k5] to end – 49 sts. P 1 row.

6th increase row: K1, [up1, k6] to end – 57 sts. P 1 row.

7th increase row: K1, [up1, k7] to end – 65 sts. P 1 row.

8th increase row: K1, [up1, k8] to end – 73 sts. Ss 3 rows.

9th increase row: K1, [up1, k9] to end – 81 sts. Ss 5 rows.

10th increase row: K1, [up1, k10] to end – 89 sts. Ss 15 rows.

1st dec row: K1, [k2tog, k9] to end – 81 sts. Ss 5 rows.

2nd dec row: K1, [k2tog, k8] to end – 73 sts. Ss 3 rows.

3rd dec row: K1, [k2tog, k7] to end – 65 sts. P 1 row.

4th dec row: K1, [k2tog, k6] to end – 57 sts. P 1 row.

5th dec row: K1, [k2tog, k5] to end – 49 sts. P 1 row.

6th dec row: K1, [k2tog, k4] to end – 41 sts. P 1 row.

7th dec row: K1, [k2tog, k3] to end – 33 sts. P 1 row.

8th dec row: K1, [k2tog, k2] to end – 25 sts. P 1 row.

9th dec row: K1, [k2tog, k1] to end – 17 sts.

10th dec row: [P2tog] to last st, p1 – 9 sts. Break off yarn and thread end through remaining sts, pull up tightly and secure.

Bow

With 2¾mm needles and using two strands of Black together or Aqua together, cast on 13 sts. K 7 rows.

Next row: K5, sl1, k2tog, psso, k5. K 1 row.

Next row: K4, sl1, k2tog, psso, k4. K 1 row.

Next row: K3, sl1, k2tog, psso, k3. K 1 row.

Next row: K2, sl1, k2tog, psso, k2. K 1 row.

Next row: K1, sl1, k2tog, psso, k1 – 3 sts. K 1 row.

Next row: K1, yf, k1, yf, k1.

Next row and 4 following alternate rows: K to end, working into back of each yf of previous row.

Next row: K2, yf, k1, yf, k2.

Next row: K3, yf, k1, yf, k3.

Next row: K4, yf, k1, yf, k4.

Next row: K5, yf, k1, yf, k5 – 13 sts. K 6 rows. Cast off.

With 2¾mm needles and using two strands of Black together or Aqua together, cast on 6 sts for tie. Cast off.

To make up

Join row-ends of body, leaving an opening. Stuff body firmly and close opening. Join row-ends on legs and arms, then stuff them firmly. Sew tops of legs to lower body and top of arms to sides of body.

With Black or Blue, work ring of 6 chain stitches for each eye. Work buttonhole stitch around each plastic ring with Grey. Place rings over eyes and sew in position. With Grey and chain stitch embroider bridge and arms to complete the spectacles. Embroider mouth with Red. Place tie around centre of bow and join short ends. Sew bow in position.

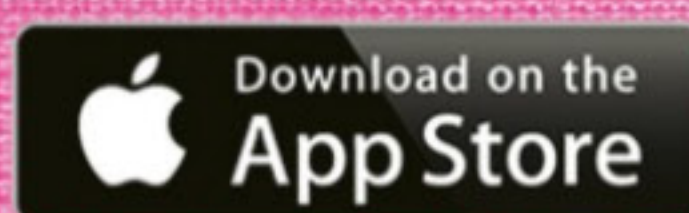
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