

COMMIT TO KNIT

START CRAFTING FOR CHARITY TODAY!



A VERY WARM WELCOME TO YOU...



his June 2017 is Commit To Knit month, a charity knitting event organised by UK Hand Knitting (UKHK) aimed at giving knitters the chance to knit for meaningful causes all around the world.

We know from visits to our website that many of you are looking for charity patterns, and we also know that there are

charities out there who use hand-crafted items to raise awareness, to campaign and to raise money. So we decided to launch Commit To Knit.

We launched our first annual Commit To Knit campaign last year asking knitters and crocheters to make just one item for charity during the month of June and the response from all over the country was simply amazing.

In this special booklet, which has been so generously put together by *Simply Knitting* magazine, you will find a number of patterns from our members that you can use to help your favourite charity.

We have teamed up with libraries across the country who have volunteered to host Commit To Knit events during the month of June. Many will take place on Saturday 10 June, which also happens to be Worldwide Knit In Public Day – the perfect excuse to get together for a good cause.

For more details on events, you'll find a map on our website www.ukhandknitting.com/commit-to-knit. Please email us at info@ukhandknitting.com with any questions.

And whether you knit one little hat, or get together with your knitting group to create a whole blanket, we think you are wonderful. Thank you!

Russell Morris UKHK













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WHAT IS UKHK?

Find out how this organisation can help you get more from your knitting and crocheting.

K Hand Knitting (UKHK) is a notfor-profit organisation dedicated to promoting hand knitting and yarn crafts. It has developed a nationwide network of volunteers, who pass on their skills to encourage newcomers to learn to knit or crochet at craft shows and other events across the UK.

The UKHK board members are major distributors of yarn and associated products in the UK – the list includes James C Brett, Rico Design, Designer Yarns, Groves, King Cole, Sirdar, Norland, Thomas B Ramsden and Stylecraft.

The UKHK website (www.ukhandknitting.com) is a fantastic resource for knitters and crocheters, featuring how-to videos, information on knitting and crocheting workshops across the UK, the latest news, a directory of yarn shops and lots more.

It also features a comprehensive list of over 550 knitting groups in the UK, which can be searched by region to find the ones closest to you.

UKHK members create special patterns for you to buy, the sale of which go towards funding UKHK activities such as its 'learn to knit' stands at yarn shows. These are available from the website and shops around the country.

If this booklet inspires you to take up your needles and hooks to do more charity crafting, you'll find a special Commit to Knit section on the UKHK website with information on other organisations that are currently accepting donations, plus more free patterns to help you get involved.





Make these pretty cushions and give a home a fresh new look for summer. By **Designer Yarns**.







DK WEIGHT

YOU WILL NEED

BOBBLE STRIPES CUSHION

■ DY Choice, Cotton Fresh DK (100% cotton, 100g/170m)

2 balls of each:

Yarn A Rose (16)

Yarn B White (01)

- A pair of 4mm needles
- 45x45cm (18x18in) cushion pad

LACE CUSHION

■ DY Choice, Cotton Fresh DK (100% cotton, 100g/170m) 1 ball of each:

Yarn A White (01)

Yarn B Rose (16)

- A pair of 4mm needles
- 30x30cm (12x12in) cushion pad

For yarn stockists contact
Designer Yarns 01535 664222

www.designeryarns.uk.com

TENSION

Yarn used knits as DK to this tension: 20 sts and 28 rows to 10x10cm (4x4in) over st st using 4mm needles

MEASUREMENTS

Bobble Stripes Cushion

45x45cm (18x18in)

Lace Cushion

30x30cm (12x12in)

ABBREVIATIONS

MB Make bobble: (K1, P1, K1, P1, K1) into next st, turn, P5, turn, K5, turn, p2tog, P1, p2tog, turn, k3tog.

For a full list turn to page 31

These two cushions make a lovely pair. One has stripes that are softened by rows of looping bobbles, and the other has a pretty lace pattern on the front. Each is deceptively easy to knit.

BOBBLE STRIPES CUSHION

(MAKE 2 PIECES)

Cast on 90 sts using 4mm needles and Yarn A.

Continuing in Yarn A:

Row 1 (RS) Knit.

Row 2 Purl.

Row 3 Knit.

Row 4 Purl.

Change to Yarn B.

Row 5 Knit.

Row 6 Purl.

Rows 7-18 Rep rows 1-6 twice more.

Continuing in Yarn B:

Row 19 K2 *MB, K2, rep from * to last st, K1.

Row 20 Purl.

These 20 rows form bobble stripe patt. Rep these 20 rows 4 times more.

Rep rows 1-16 once more.

Cast off.



Make the bobbles by working five stitches, over four rows, into a knit stitch.



TO MAKE UP

Join 3 sides of cushion, insert cushion pad and join final seam. Refer to yarn label for care instructions.

LACE CUSHION FRONT

Cast on 61 sts using 4mm needles and Yarn A.
Row 1 (RS) K1, *yfwd, sl1, K1, psso, K1,
k2tog, yfwd, K1; rep from * to end.
Row 2 Purl.

Row 3 K2, *yfwd, sl1, k2tog, psso, yfwd, K3; rep from * to last 5 sts, yfwd, sl1, k2tog, psso, yfwd, K2.

Row 4 Purl.

These 4 rows form lace patt.
Cont in patt until front measures

approximately 30cm, ending with Row 2 or 4 of patt.

Cast off.

BACK

Cast on 61 sts using 4mm needles and Yarn B. Work in st st until back measures same as front, ending with a WS row.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Follow the same instructions as for the Bobble Stripes Cushion.

For more DY Choice patterns and a selection of free downloads visit www.designeryarns.uk.com

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Keep a premature baby warm with **Sirdar**'s pompom hat, complete with secure-under-the-chin ear flaps.







23/4MM

GARTER ST MOSS ST

WEIGHT

YOU WILL NEED

- Sirdar, Snuggly 4ply (55% nylon, 45% acrylic, 50g/226m) 1 (1: 1: 1: 1: 2) ball(s) of Pastel Blue (321)
- A pair of 23/4mm needles
- A pair of 31/4mm needles
- Stitch holders
- A medium-sized button

For yarn stockists contact Sirdar 01924 231682

www.sirdar.co.uk

TENSION

Yarn used knits as 4ply to this tension: 28 sts and 36 rows to 10x10cm (4x4in) over st st using 31/4mm needles

MEASUREMENTS

To fit an average head circumference of the following sizes:

Prem small

Prem large

0-6m

6-12m

1-2yrs

2-3yrs

ABBREVIATIONS

For a full list see page 31

Check with your chosen charity what they need before you start knitting.

Knit this baby blue hat on straight needles and not in the round (a seam is worked along the back after all the knitting is done). Start with a 2x2 rib worked on the tips of the super cosy ear flaps and top off your hat with a majestic pompom.

LEFT EAR FLAP

Cast on 6 sts using 234mm needles and the thumb method.

Row 1 K2, P2, K2.

Row 2 P2, K2, P2.

Rows 1 & 2 set 2x2 rib.

Row 3 (Buttonhole row) K2, vfwd, yrn,

p2tog, K2.

Cont in 2x2 rib until strap measures 2 (2: 3: 4: 4)cm, ending with a WS row. Keeping continuity of 2x2 rib proceed as follows:

Next row K2, M1, P2, M1, K2. [8 sts]

Next row P3, K2, P3.

Next row K2, M1, K1, P2, K1, M1, K2. [10 sts]

Next row P4, K2, P4.

Next row K2, M1, K2, P2, K2, M1, K2. [12 sts]

Next row P2, K1, P2, K2, P2, K1, P2.

Next row K2, M1, P1, K2, P2, K2, P1, M1, K2. [14 sts]

Next row (P2, K2) 3 times, P2.

Work 8 (8: 8: 8: 12: 12) rows, inc 1 st at each end as before in next and every foll alt row. [22 (22: 22: 26: 26) sts]

Next row (K2, P2) 5 (5: 5: 5: 6: 6) times,

Next row P2, (K2, P2) 5 (5: 5: 5: 6: 6) times.

Rep last 2 rows until ear flap measures 3 (3: 4: 4: 5: 5)cm from last inc row, ending with a WS row.

Break off varn and leave these 22 (22: 22: 22: 26: 26) sts on a stitch holder.

RIGHT EAR FLAP

Work as given for Left Ear Flap, omitting buttonhole.

SIRDAR

MAIN SECTION

Cast on 12 (12: 12: 16: 16: 16) sts using 2¾mm needle and thumb method.
With RS facing, rib across 22 (22: 22: 26: 26: 26) sts left on stitch holder for Left Ear Flap.

Cast on 22 (26: 34: 34: 34: 38) sts, with RS facing, rib across 22 (22: 22: 26: 26) sts left on stitch holder for Right Ear Flap and cast on 12 (12: 12: 16: 16: 16) sts. [90 (94: 102: 110: 118: 122) sts]

Row 1 *P2, K2, rep from * to last 2 sts,

Row 2 K2, *P2, K2, rep from * to end. Work 4 rows more in 2x2 rib.

Rows 7-10 Knit.

Row 11 Knitting throughout, dec 0 (0: 0: 2: 4: 2) sts evenly across row for 4th, 5th and 6th sizes only and inc 0 (2: 0: 0: 0: 0) sts for 2nd size only.

[90 (96: 102: 108: 114: 120) sts]

Row 12 *K3, P3, rep from * to end. Repeat Row 12 3 more times.

Row 16 Purl.

Row 17 *P3, K3, rep from * to end. Repeat Row 17 3 more times.

Work 3 rows in garter st.

Row 24 K4 (7: 8: 5: 8: 9), k2tog, (K18 (18: 12: 14: 10: 23), k2tog) 4 (4: 6: 6: 8: 4) times, K4 (7: 8: 5: 8: 9).

[85 (91: 95: 101: 105: 115) sts]

Change to 31/4mm needles and proceed as follows:

Row 1 *K1, P1, rep from * to last st, K1. **Row 2** P1, *K1, P1, rep from * to end.

Row 3 P1, *K1, P1, rep from * to end.

Row 4 *K1, P1, rep from * to last st, K1. Last 4 rows set Irish moss st.

Work in Irish moss st as set, cont until helmet measures approximately 7 (8: 10: 11: 12: 12)cm, ending with a Row 4 of Irish

moss st.

SHAPE CROWN

Next row (Moss st 7, p3tog) 8 (9: 9: 10: 10: 11) times, moss st 5 (1: 5: 1: 5: 5). [69 (73: 77: 81: 85: 93) sts]



Work 5 rows without shaping. **Next row** (Moss st 5, k3tog) 8 (9: 9: 10: 10: 11) times, moss st 5 (1: 5: 1: 5: 5). [53 (55: 59: 61: 65: 71) sts] Work 5 rows without shaping. **Next row** (Moss st 3, p3tog) 8 (9: 9: 10: 10: 11) times, moss st 5 (1: 5: 1: 5: 5). [37 (37: 41: 41: 45: 49) sts] Work 3 (3: 5: 5: 5) rows without shaping. **Next row** (Moss st 1, k3tog) 8 (9: 9: 10: 10: 11) times, moss st 5 (1: 5: 1: 5: 5). [21 (19: 23: 21: 25: 27) sts] Work 2 rows without shaping. **Next row** (P2tog) 10 (9: 11: 10: 12: 13) times, P1. [11 (10: 12: 11: 13: 14) sts] Break off yarn, run yarn through rem 11 (10: 12: 11: 13: 14) sts, draw up and fasten off.

MAKING UP

Join back seam. Sew on button. Make a large pompom as shown in image. Sew pompom to top of helmet. Cover with a damp cloth and leave until dry.

For more gorgeous Sirdar baby patterns visit www.sirdar.co.uk.

WHO SHOULD I MAKE FOR?

If you're an eager charity maker ready to get started, read our advice on what to create and who for...



CHARITY SHOPS

Charity shops are always looking for stock to sell and handmade items are in demand. Why not pop to your local shop and ask if they need anything in particular? Our cushions or teddies on page 5 & 13 perhaps?

BLANKETS

Blankets are useful for many charities – from animal shelters to premature baby units. If our crochet blanket (page 28) is too big why not get together with your craft group to make one between you? There are some charities, such as Knit for Peace, that will accept individual squares. Check for any special requirements beforehand.



THE HOMELESS AND REFUGEES

Hats and mittens (on pages 22 and 18) are ideal for homeless or refugee charities during the colder months. Check out St Mungo's, Knit for Peace, Shelter and The Sailor's Society websites for ideas.

BABIES

Premature baby units always need items for little ones and our bobble hat (page 8) comes in premature sizes. Ask your local hospital for specific details.



This cruel disease often leads people to have restless hands which is where twiddlemuffs (page 25) come in. With interesting textures, buttons and other embellishments, they help keep dementia patients' hands occupied, avoiding injury. Search for a local dementia charity or visit Knit For Peace for details.



If your charity doesn't need any items, sell what you have made at a local bazaar or charity sale to raise money.

Whoever you are knitting for, thank you for your amazing help – we hope you find all our patterns useful!









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Rico's cuddly bears and textured blanket are the perfect little knits for children's charities!







TEXTURED

WEIGHT

YOU WILL NEED

BLANKET

- Rico, Baby Merino DK (100% Merino, 25g/53m) 14 balls of Pebble (006)
- A 4mm circular needle, 80cm long

TEDDIES

■ Rico, Baby Merino DK (100% Merino, 25g/53m)

Small Bear

4 balls of chosen shade

Medium Bear

4 balls of chosen shade

Large Bear

6 balls of chosen shade

- A pair of 4mm needles
- A small amount of contrast yarn for embroidering face details
- Washable toy stuffing

For yarn stockists contact

Rico Design www.rico-design.de

TENSION

Yarn used knits as DK to this tension: 22 sts and 28 rows to 10x10cm (4x4in) over st st using 4mm needles

MEASUREMENTS

Blanket

60x80cm (233/4x311/2in)

Teddies

Small 20cm (8in) tall

Medium 30cm (11¾in) tall

Large 35cm (13¾in) tall

ABBREVIATIONS

For a full list see page 31

Rico's Baby Merino DK is really soft, so what better yarn to use for bears to hug and a blanket to play on? The bears come in three sizes so there's one that's just the right size for everyone, and together they make a happy group of best friends.

BLANKET

Cast on 131 sts using 4mm circular needle and thumb method.

Row 1 (RS) *K1, P1; rep from * to last st, K1

Row 2 P1, *K1, P1; rep from * to end.

Row 3 *P1, K1; rep from * to last st, P1.

 ${f Row~4}$ K1, *P1, K1; rep from * to end.

Last 4 rows set patt.

Cont in patt until work meas 15cm (6in), ending with a RS row.

Next row Patt 33 sts, P32, M1, P33, patt 33 sts. [132 sts]

Patt row 1 Patt 33 sts, K66, patt 33 sts.

Patt row 2 Patt 33 sts, P66, patt 33 sts.

Last 2 rows set pattern with the centre 66 sts as st st.

Cont in patt with centre sts until work meas 65cm (25½in), ending with a RS row.

Next row Patt 65 sts, p2tog, patt 65 sts. [131 sts]

Cont in patt until work meas 80cm (31½in), ending with a WS row.

Cast off in patt.

TO MAKE UP

Weave in ends and block blanket to measurements given.

TEDDIES HEAD

Cast on 10 (10: 10) sts using 4mm needles and thumb method.

Next row (WS) P1, (pfb) 8 times, P1.

[18 (18: 18) sts]

Next row Knit.

Next row Purl.

Next row K1, *kfb, K2, kfb; rep from * to last st, K1. [26 (26: 26) sts]

Next row Purl.

Next row K1, *kfb, K4, kfb; rep from * to last st, K1. [34 (34: 34) sts]

Next row Purl.

Next row K1, *kfb, K6, kfb; rep from * to last st, K1. [42 (42: 42) sts]

Next row Purl.

Next row K1, *kfb, K8, kfb; rep from * to last st, K1. [50 (50: 50) sts]

Next row Purl.

MEDIUM AND LARGE TEDDIES ONLY

Next row K1, *kfb, K10, kfb; rep from * to last st, K1. [(58: 58) sts] **Next row** Purl.

ALL SIZES

Cont in st st until work meas 7 (8.5: 8.5) cm, ending with a WS row.

Next row K1, (k2tog, K8 (10: 10), sl1, K1, psso) 4 times, K1. [42 (50: 50) sts]

Next row Purl.

Next row K1, (k2tog, K6 (8: 8), sl1, K1, psso) 4 times, K1. [34 (42: 42) sts]

Next row Purl.

Next row K1, (k2tog, K4 (6: 6), sl1, K1, psso) 4 times, K1. [26 (34: 34) sts]

Next row Purl.

Next row K1, (k2tog, K2 (4: 4), sl1, K1, psso) 4 times, K1. [18 (26: 26) sts]

Next row Purl.

Next row K1, (k2tog, K0 (2: 2), sl1, K1, psso) 4 times, K1. [10 (18: 18) sts]

MEDIUM AND LARGE TEDDIES ONLY

Next row K1, (k2tog, sl1, K1, psso) 4 times, K1. [(10: 10) sts]

ALL SIZES

Break off yarn, run yarn through rem 10 sts, draw up and fasten off.

NOSE

Cast on 26 (32: 38) sts using 4mm needles and thumb method.



Around the edges of the blanket a knit-and-purl textured stitch pattern forms a deep border.



Knit the nose separately then sew it onto the bear's face. Then embroider facial features.

Next row (WS) Purl.

Cont in st st for 3 (5: 7) rows more.

Next row K1, *K1, k2tog; rep from * to last st, K1. [18 (22: 26) sts]

Next row Purl.

Next row K1, (k2tog) 8 (10: 12) times, K1.

[10 (12: 14) sts]

Break off yarn, run yarn through rem 10 (12: 14) sts, draw up and fasten off.

BODY

Cast on 10 (10: 10) sts using 4mm needles and thumb method.

Next row (WS) Purl.

Next row K1, (kfb) 8 times, K1.

[18 (18: 18) sts]
Next row Purl.

Next row K1, *kfb, K2, kfb; rep from * to

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last st, K1. [26 (26: 26) sts]

Next row Purl.

Next row K1, *kfb, K4, kfb; rep from * to last st, K1. [34 (34: 34) sts]

Next row Purl.

Next row K1, *kfb, K6, kfb; rep from * to last st, K1. [42 (42: 42) sts]

Next row Purl.

Next row K1, *kfb, K8, kfb; rep from * to last st, K1. [50 (50: 50) sts]

Next row Purl.

Next row K1, *kfb, K10, kfb; rep from * to last st, K1. [58 (58: 58) sts]

Next row Purl.

Next row K1, *kfb, K12, kfb; rep from * to last st, K1. [66 (66: 66) sts]

Next row Purl.

LARGE TEDDY ONLY

Next row K1, *kfb, K14, kfb; rep from * to last st, K1. [66 sts]
Next row Purl.

ALL SIZES

Working in st st throughout, cont until work meas 10 (11: 12)cm, ending with a WS row.

Next row K1, (k2tog, K12 (12: 14), sl1, K1, psso) 4 times, K1. [58 (58: 66) sts]

Next row Purl.

Next row K1, (k2tog, K10 (10: 12), sl1, K1, psso) 4 times, K1. [50 (50: 58) sts]

Next row Purl.

Next row K1, (k2tog, K8 (8: 10), sl1, K1, psso) 4 times, K1. [42 (42: 50) sts]

Next row Purl.

Next row K1, (k2tog, K6 (6: 8), sl1, K1, psso) 4 times, K1. [34 (34: 42) sts]

Next row Purl.

Next row K1, (k2tog, K4 (4: 6), sl1, K1, psso) 4 times, K1. [26 (26: 34) sts]

Next row Purl.

Next row K1, (k2tog, K2 (2: 4), sl1, K1, psso) 4 times, K1. [18 (18: 26) sts]

Next row Purl.

Next row K1, (k2tog, K0 (0: 2), sl1, K1, psso) 4 times, K1. [10 (10: 18) sts]

LARGE TEDDY ONLY

Next row K1, (k2tog, sl1, K1, psso) 4 times, K1. [10 sts]

ALL SIZES

Break off yarn, run yarn through rem 10 sts, draw up and fasten off.

LEGS (BOTHALIKE)

Cast on 21 (27: 31) sts using 4mm needles and thumb method.

Work in st st for 5 (7: 8)cm, ending with a WS row.

Next row K9 (12: 14), M1, K2, M1, K10 (13: 15). [23 (29: 33) sts]

Next row Purl.

Next row K9 (12: 14), M1, K4, M1, K10 (13: 15). [25 (31: 35) sts]

Next row Purl.

Next row K9 (12: 14), M1, K6, M1, K10 (13: 15). [27 (33: 37) sts]

Next row Purl.

MEDIUM AND LARGE TEDDIES ONLY

Next row K(12: 14), M1, K8, M1, K(13: 15). [(35: 39) sts].

Next row Purl.

Next row K(12: 14), M1, K10, M1, K(13: 15). [(37: 41) sts].

Next row Purl.

ALL SIZES

Next row K1, k2tog, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, K1. [25 (35: 39) sts]

Next row Purl.

Next row K1, *k2tog, K1; rep from * to last 0 (1: 2) sts, K0 (1: 2). [17 (24: 27) sts]

Next row Purl.

Next row K1, (k2tog) 8 (11: 13) times, K0 (1: 0). [9 (13: 14) sts]

Break off yarn, run yarn through rem 9 (13: 14) sts, draw up and fasten off.

ARMS (BOTH ALIKE)

Cast on 10 (12: 14) sts using 4mm needles and thumb method.



Next row (WS) Purl.

Work in st st for 10 (14: 14) rows, inc 1 st at each end of next and every foll alt row. [20 (26: 28) sts]

Cont without shaping until work meas 4.5 (5.5: 7)cm from last inc row, ending with a WS row.

Next row K1, *k2tog, K1; rep from * to last 1 (1: 0) sts, K1 (1: 0). [14 (18: 19) sts]

Next row Purl.

Next row K1, (k2tog) 6 (8: 9) times,

K1 (1: 0). [8 (10: 10) sts]

Break off yarn, run yarn through rem 8 (10: 10) sts, draw up and fasten off.

EARS (BOTH ALIKE)

Cast on 22 (28: 30) sts using 4mm needles and thumb method.

Work in st st for 4 (6: 6) rows.

Next row K1 (1: 0), *k2tog, K1; rep from * to end. [15 (19: 20) sts]

Next row Purl.

Next row K1 (1: 0), (k2tog) 7 (9: 10) times.

[8 (10: 10) sts]

Break off yarn, run yarn through rem 8 (10: 10) sts, draw up and fasten off.

TO MAKE UP

Fold head and body in half lenghways, join seams leaving the top open to stuff. Close seams and sew head to body.

Fold nose in half lengthways, fill lightly with stuffing (taking care that the nose doesn't get too big) and sew onto head. Fold ears in half, join together and sew onto head.

Fold arms and legs in half lengthways, join seams leaving the top open to fill with stuffing and sew onto body.

Using contrast yarn embroider eyes, nose and mouth as shown.

See ball band for washing and further yarn care instructions.

For more Rico Design patterns visit www.rico-design.de.

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Enjoy the best of both worlds – warm hands and digit freedom – with these fingerless mitts by **Wendy**.



YOU WILL NEED

- Wendy, Roam Fusion 4ply(75% wool, 25% nylon, 100g/370m)1 ball of Fell (2032)
- A set of 2½mm double-pointed needles (DPNs) or a circular needle, 80cm long, if using Magic Loop method
- Stitch markers
- Stitch holders

For yarn stockists contact TB Ramsden 01943 872264 www.tbramsden.co.uk

TENSION

Yarn used knits as 4ply to this tension: 36 sts and 46 rows to 10x10cm (4x4in) over st st using 2½mm needles

MEASUREMENTS

Small 15cm (6in) diameter around palm of hand

Medium 18cm (7in) diameter around palm of hand

Large 19cm (7½in) diameter around palm of hand

ABBREVIATIONS

For a full list see page 31

Whip up these flecked woolly warmers by knitting on DPNs or a circular needle using magic loop. Working in the round leaves these fingerless mittens totally seam free, meaning you can add them to your charity stock as soon as you've finished knitting and sewing in your ends – we love them!

FINGERLESS MITTS

(MAKETWO)

Cast on 56 (60: 64) sts using 2½mm DPNs or a circular needle. Join to work in the round, taking care not to twist the sts. Work K2, P2 rib for 7cm, working in the round.

Continue in st st for 12 more rounds.

THUMB GUSSET

Round 1 M1, K1, M1, PM, K to end of round.

Rounds 2 & 3 K to sm, sl sm, K to end of round.

Round 4 M1, K to sm, M1, sl sm, K to end of round.

Repeat Rounds 2-4 until there are 20 sts before the sm.

Repeat Rounds 2 & 3 once more.

HAND

Place first 20 sts on a stitch holder for thumb.

Cast on 2 sts and continue in st st to end of round.

Continue in st st for 16 more rounds. Work 8 rounds in K2, P2 rib.

Cast off.

THUMB

Place the 20 held sts back onto needles. Join in yarn at beginning of gusset. K20 then **cast on** 4 sts. Work 10 rounds in K2, P2 rib. **Cast off** and weave in ends.

For more Wendy patterns visit www.tbramsden.co.uk.

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Give the gift of comfort and warmth with **King Cole**'s pompom cable hat – it's sure to keep its recipient warm!



YOU WILL NEED

- King Cole, Merino Blend DK Prints*
 (100% wool, 50g/104m)
 *This yarn has been discontinued,
 but King Cole Drifter DK in New
 Orleans (1365) is a great alternative.
 Always take care with your tension
 when substituting yarn, be sure to
 knit a tension square beforehand.
- A pair of 3¼mm needles
- A pair of 4mm needles
- A cable needle
- A pompom maker (optional)

For yarn stockists contact King Cole 01756 703670 www.kingcole.co.uk

TENSION

Yarn used knits as DK to this tension: 27 sts and 31 rows to 10x10cm (4x4in) over st st using 4mm needles

ABBREVIATIONS

For a full list see page 31

A warm hat is always a welcome gift for those chillier occasions. King Cole's cable creation is ideal for keeping heads snug with its extra cosy folded rib. This unisex design works well in any colour combo – you could even try making the rib and pompom in a fun contrast colour. The simple cable pattern is easy-peasy to follow – if you're new to cables you'll get the hang of these ones in no time at all!

POMPOM HAT

Cast on 118 (126: 134: 142) sts using 3½mm needles and thumb method.

Row 1 *K2, P2; rep from * to last 2 sts, K2. Row 2 *P2, K2; rep from * to last 2 sts, P2. These 2 rows form 2x2 rib. Work 15 (17: 19: 23) more rows in 2x2 rib.

Next row P to end inc 2 (3: 3: 3) sts evenly across row. [120 (129: 137: 145) sts] Change to 4mm needles and work as follows:

Row 1 *P7 (6: 7: 6), K10; rep from * to last st, P1.

Row 2 K1, *P10, K7 (6: 7: 6); rep from * to end

Rep rows 1 and 2 once.

Row 5 *P7 (6: 7: 6), C10B; rep from * to last st, P1.

Row 6 K1, *P10, K7 (6: 7: 6); rep from * to end.

Rep rows 1 and 2 four times.

These 14 rows form patt. Work 28 rows more in patt.

SHAPE CROWN

Row 1 *P2togtbl, P3 (2: 3: 2), p2tog, K10; rep from * to last st, P1.

[106 (113: 121: 127) sts]

Row 2 K1, *P10, K5 (4: 5: 4); rep from * to end.

Row 3 *P2togtbl, P1 (0: 1: 0), p2tog, K10; rep from * to last st, P1.

[92 (97: 105: 109) sts]

Row 4 K1, * P10, K3 (2: 3: 2); rep from * to end.



Row 5 *P3 (2: 3: 2), C10B; rep from * to last st, P1.

Row 6 K1, *P10, K3 (2: 3: 2); rep from * to end.

Row 7 *P3 (2: 3: 2), sl 1, K1, psso, K6, k2tog; rep from * to last st, P1.

[78 (81: 89: 91) sts]

Row 8 K1, *P8, K3 (2: 3: 2); rep from * to end.

Row 9 *P3 (2: 3: 2), sl 1, K1, psso, K4, k2tog; rep from * to last st, P1. [64 (65: 73: 73) sts]

Row 10 K1, *P6, K3 (2: 3: 2); rep from * to end.

Row 11 *P3 (2: 3: 2), C6B; rep from * to last st, P1.

Row 12 K1, *P6, K3 (2: 3: 2); rep from * to end.

Row 13 *P3 (2: 3: 2), sl 1, K1, psso, K2, k2tog; rep from * to last st, P1. [50 (49: 57: 55) sts]

Row 14 K1, *P4, K3 (2: 3: 2); rep from * to end.

Row 15 *P3 (2: 3: 2), sl 1, K1, psso, k2tog; rep from * to last st, P1. [36 (33: 41: 37) sts] **Row 16** K1, *P2, K3 (2: 3: 2); rep from * to end.

Row 17 *P1 (0: 1: 0), p2tog, k2tog; rep from * to last st, P1. [22 (17: 25: 19) sts]
Row 18 K2 (1: 1: 1), *p2tog; rep from * to end. Break yarn and thread through rem 12 (9: 13: 10) sts. Fasten off.

MAKING UP

Sew back seam reversing sewing for $5\,$



Such a quick-knit design is easy to make again and again, using up scraps in your yarn stash!

(5.5: 6.5: 6.5)cm for turnback. Make a 7cm diameter pompom and attach to crown. Cover with a clean damp tea towel and leave until dry. See ball band for washing and further care instructions.

For more King Cole patterns visit www.kingcole.co.uk.

FIND YOUR SIZE

SIZE		4-6yrs	7-9yrs 10-12yrs		Ladies	
WIDTH AROUND	cm	44	47	50	55	
HEAD	in	171⁄4	181⁄2	19¾	21¾	
YARN		King Cole, Merino Blend DK Prints (100% wool, 50g/104m)				
Danube 645		2	2	3	3	

SIZING COLOUR KEY So you can re-use this pattern, we've colour-coded the sizing instructions. Simply follow our colour-coded measurements and you're off.



Have fun knitting **James C Brett**'s cleverly textured twiddlemuff and help those with dementia today.





ST ST DK
GARTER ST WEIGHT

YOU WILL NEED

- James C Brett, Woodlander DK —(80% acrylic, 20% wool, 100g/250m) 1 ball of shade L7
- Oddments of DK yarn
- A pair of 4mm needles
- Cable needle
- Assorted buttons
- Ribbon or cord

For yarn stockists contact
James C Brett 01274 565959

www.jamescbrett.co.uk

TENSION

Yarn used knits as DK to this tension: 22 sts and 30 rows to measure 10x10cm (4x4in) over st st using 4mm needles

MEASUREMENTS

30cm circumference 30cm long

ABBREVIATIONS

MB make bobble. K1, P1, K1 into next st, turn, K3, turn, P3, turn, K3, turn, slip 2nd and then 3rd bobble st over the 1st on left hand needle, K1tbl

C2B slip next st to cn & hold at back, K1; K1 from cn

C2F slip next st to cn & hold at front, K1; K1 from cn

For a full list see page 31

Twiddlemuffs are easy-to-make hand muffs that are comforting and therapeutic for Alzheimer's, arthritis and dementia patients. They use bright and colourful embellishments to encourage movement and brain stimulation. Adding things like buttons and ribbons attracts attention and creates something to twiddle with!

TWIDDLEMUFF

Cast on 66 sts using 4mm needles and your main yarn.

Rows 1-12 K all sts (garter st).

Rows 13-20 Starting with a knit row, work in st st.

Rep rows 1-20 twice more.

Row 61 (K2, k2tog, yo) rep to last two sts, K2.

Work five rows in st st.

Row 67 (K2, k2tog, yo) rep to last two sts, K2.

Cont in st st until work meas 28cm ending with a WS row.

Work 20 rows in garter st. Work 6 rows in st st.

BOBBLE SECTION

Bobble row 1 K4, *MB, K7; rep from * to last 6 sts, MB, K5.

Work seven rows in st st.

Bobble row 2 K8, *MB, K7; rep from * to last 2 sts. K2.

Work seven rows in st st. Rep bobble row 1.

Cont in stocking st until work meas 48cm ending with a WS row.

Next row K1, *C2B, C2F; rep from * to last st. K1.

Next row P to end.

Next row K1, *C2F, C2B; rep from * to last st, K1.

Next row P to end.

Rep last four rows until work meas 59cm ending with WS row.

Work four rows in garter st.

Cast off.

CONTRAST PATCHES

Cast on 2 sts using 4mm needles and an oddment of DK.

Row 1 Kfb, K1. [3 sts]

Row 2 Kfb, K2. [4 sts]

Row 3 Kfb, K to end.

Rep row 3 until side meas 3cm or desired size.

Next row K2tog, K to end. Rep last row until 2 sts rem. **Cast off.**

Make a few patches as desired.

TO MAKE UP

1 Stitch patches to outer side of twiddlemuff, overlapping them to create additional texture.

2 Sew a selection of buttons randomly across the stocking stitch sections and on the patches.

3 Sew the twiddlemuff into a tube along the long edges.

4 Tuck the section with bobbles and honeycomb st into the tube. Secure the folded edge with a line of running stitches.

5 Stitch the cast-off and cast-on edges together at the other end to secure the lining in place.

6 Run ribbon, cords or plaited yarn through the eyelets.

7 Weave in all ends.

For more James C. Brett patterns visit www.jamescbrett.co.uk.



Add cute little bobbles to give the twiddlemuff a raised texture that stands out against st st.

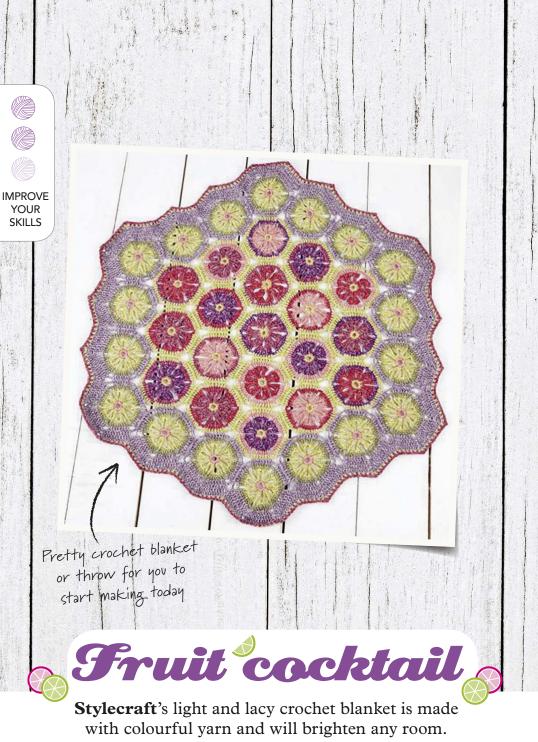


Bright buttons of different sizes are great for fidgeting hands and easily grab attention!



Knit contrast squares, or use scrap fabric, to create patches of interest on the twiddlemuff.

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YOU WILL NEED

- Stylecraft, Batik (80% acrylic, 20% wool, 50g/138m) 1 ball of each: Gold (1902), Coral (1903), Cherry (1904), Raspberry (1905), Heather (1906), Plum (1907), Pistachio (1910), Olive (1911)
- A 4mm crochet hook
 For yarn stockists contact
 Stylecraft 01484 848435
 www.stylecraft-yarns.co.uk

TENSION

Diameter of each motif measures 14cm (5½in), using a 4mm hook or the size required to give the correct tension

MEASUREMENTS

103x103cm (40x40in)

ABBREVIATIONS

Crochet abbreviations use UK terms For a full list see page 31 This hexagon blanket would look bright and cheery in a conservatory or sunny room. Throw over a bed, a sofa or a chair.

HEXAGON MOTIF BLANKET

The blanket is made from 37 motifs, which are joined together as they are worked. The Blanket Chart on the following page shows the arrangements of the hexagons, and the colour order of each motif.

CENTRAL MOTIF

Using 4mm hook and first colour (see Blanket Chart) make 5ch and join with a sl st to form a ring.

Joining in and breaking off colours as required, cont as folls:

Round 1 Using first colour, 1ch (doesn't count as st), 2dc into ring, 9ch, (3dc into ring, 9ch) 5 times, 1dc into ring, sl st into dc at beg of round.

[6 groups of 3dc and 6 loops]

Round 2 Join second colour to centre do of any group of 3dc, *miss 1dc, (4dc, 1htr, 1tr, 1dtr, 1tr, 1htr, 2dc, 1htr, 1tr, 1dtr, 1tr, 1htr, 4dc) into 9-ch loop, miss 1dc, sl st into next dc; rep from * to end, ending last rep with sl st into dc where yarn was joined. [6 petals]

Round 3 Attach third colour to first dtr of any petal, 3ch (counts as 1tr), 1tr into each of next 7 sts (last tr is worked into second dtr of petal), 2ch, *miss next 13 sts, 1tr into each of next 8 sts, 2ch; rep from * to end, ending last rep with sl st to 3rd of 3ch at beg of round. [6 sets of 8tr]

Round 4 Attach fourth colour to first tr of any set of 8 tr, 3ch (counts as 1tr), 1tr into each of next 7tr, 3ch, *miss 2ch, 1tr into each of next 8 sts, 3ch; rep from * to end, ending last rep with sl st to 3rd of 3ch at beg of round.

The completed motif is a hexagon. In each corner is a 3-ch space and along each side there are 8tr.

BALANCE OF MOTIFS

Make another 36 motifs as for Central Motif, following the Blanket Chart for colours and position. Join along sides in Round 4 as folls:

Instead of "1tr into each of next 8 sts", work (1tr into next tr, sl st into corresponding st from adjoining motif) 8 times.

BORDER

Round 1 Attach Heather to any "corner" 3-ch sp marked with a black dot on the Blanket Chart, 5ch (counts as first tr and 2-ch sp), 1tr into same 3-ch sp, 1tr in next 8 sts, *(1tr, 3ch, 1tr) into next 3-ch sp, 1tr into each of next 8 sts, 1tr in 3-ch sp, 1tr into each of next 8 sts; rep from * twice more**, (1tr, 3ch, 1tr) into next "corner" 3-ch sp, 1tr into each of next 8 sts, work from * in the same way across rem 5 sides of blanket ending last rep at **, sl st into 3rd of 5ch at beg of round.

Round 2 5ch (counts as first tr and 2-ch sp), 1tr into same 3-ch sp, 1tr in next 10 sts, *(1tr, 3ch, 1tr) into next 3-ch sp, 1tr into each of next 20 sts; rep from * twice more**, (1tr, 3ch, 1tr) into next 3-ch sp, 1tr into each of next 10 sts, work from * in the same way across rem 5 sides of blanket ending last rep at **, sl st into 3rd of 5ch

at beg of round.

Round 3 5ch (counts as first tr and 2-ch sp), 1tr into same 3-ch sp, 1tr into each of next 12 sts, *(1tr, 3ch, 1tr) into next 3-ch sp, 1tr into each of next 22 sts; rep from * twice more**, (1tr, 3ch, 1tr) into next 3-ch sp, 1tr into each of next 12 sts, work from * in the same way across rem 5 sides of blanket ending last rep at **, sl st into 3rd of 5ch at beg of round. Fasten off yarn.

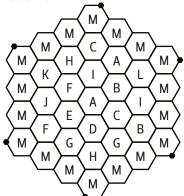
Round 4 Attach Pistachio to any 3-ch sp, 1ch (doesn't count as st), **(1dc, 2ch, 1dc) into 3-ch sp, 1ch, *miss next tr, 1dc into next tr, 1ch; rep from * to next 3-ch sp, ** rep from ** to ** to end, sl st to dc at beg of round.

Round 5 Attach Raspberry to any 2-ch sp, 1ch (doesn't count as st), **(1dc, 2ch, 1dc) into 2-ch sp, 1ch, *miss next dc, 1dc into next 1-ch sp, 1ch; rep from * to next 3-ch sp, ** rep from ** to ** to end, sl st to dc at beg of round.

TO FINISH

Sew in all yarn ends neatly.
Pin out blanket to the measurements given. Cover with clean, damp tea towels and leave to dry. See ball band for washing and further care instructions. For more crochet and knitting patterns visit www.stylecraft-yarns.co.uk

Blanket Chart



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• "corner" 3-ch sps The 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th colours in each motif on the Chart are as follows: A: Gold, Raspberry, Plum, Pistachio B: Gold, Plum, Coral, Pistachio C: Gold, Cherry, Coral, Pistachio D: Gold, Coral, Raspberry, Pistachio E: Gold, Plum, Cherry, Pistachio F: Gold, Cherry, Raspberry, Pistachio G: Gold, Raspberry, Cherry, Pistachio H: Gold, Plum, Raspberry, Pistachio I: Gold, Coral, Cherry, Pistachio J: Gold, Raspberry, Coral, Pistachio K: Gold. Coral. Plum. Pistachio L: Gold, Cherry, Plum, Pistachio M: Coral, Pistachio, Olive, Heather

KNITTING ABBREVIATIONS

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alt approx beg	alternate approximately beginning	M1R M1P	make one twisted to the right (increase 1 stitch) make one purlwise by	skpo	slip 1 stitch, knit 1 stitch, pass slipped stitch over (1 stitch decreased)
cb	cable back		purling into back of loop	sk2po	slip 1 stitch, knit 2 stitches
CC	contrast colour		between two sts (increase	•	together, pass slipped stitch
cf	cable forward		1 stitch)		over (2 stitches decreased)
cn	cable needle	MB	make a bobble	sl	slip
co	cast on	MC	main colour	slst	slip stitch
cont	continue	P/p	purl	sm	stitch marker
dec	decrease(ing) (by working	patt(s)	pattern(s)	ssk	slip 2 stitches one at a time,
ucc	two stitches together)	patt(s) patt rep(s)	pattern repeat(s)	3310	knit 2 slipped stitches
est	established	PB	place bead		together (1 stitch decreased)
DK	double knitting	pfb	purl into front and back	sssk	slip 3 sts one at a time, knit 3
foll/s	following/follows	PID	of stitch	333K	slipped stitches together (2
	garter stitch (knit every row)	PM	place marker		stitches decreased)
g st inc	increase (usually knit into	P2tog	purl 2 stitches together		slip 2 sts one at a time, purl
inc	same stitch twice)	rztog	(1 stitch decreased)	ssp	2 slipped stitches together
K/k	knit	P3toq	purl 3 stitches together		through back of the loops
kfb	knit into front and back of	rstog	(2 stitches decreased)		(1 stitch decreased)
ктр					
	stitch	prev	previous	st(s)	stitch(es)
kwise	knitwise; by knitting the	psso	pass slipped stitch over	st st	stocking stitch
	stitch	p2sso	pass 2 slipped stitches over	tbl	through the back of the loop
k2tog	knit the next two stitches	p(1)tbl	purl (1) into back loop	tog	together
	together	pwise	purlwise; by purling the	WS	wrong side
k3tog	knit the next three stitches		stitch	wyib	with yarn at back
	together	rem	remain/remaining	wyif	with yarn in front
k(1)tbl	knit (1) into back loop	rep(s)	repeat(s)	ybk	yarn to the back
LH	left hand	RH	right hand	yfwd	yarn forward
meas	measure(s)	rib2tog	either k2tog or p2tog	yo	yarn over
M1	make one by knitting into		dep on what next st in	yrn	yarn round needle
	back of loop between two		ribbing should be	yon	yarn over needle
	sts (increase 1 stitch)		(keeps ribbing looking	*	work instructions
M1L	make one twisted to the left		neat on buttonholes)		immediately following *,
	(increase 1 stitch)	RS	right side		then repeat as directed

CROCHET ABBREVIATIONS

across alt approx beg bl	to end of the row alternate/alternating approximate(ly) beginning insert hook under back	dec dtr dtr2tog fl	decrease double treble crochet work 2dtr together insert hook under front	sl st sp(s) ss st(s) tbl	slip stitch space(s) slip stitch stitch(es) through back loop
DI	loop only	foll/folls	loop only following/follows	t-ch(s)	turning chain(s)
ch(s)	chain/chain stitch(es)	htr	half treble	tog	together
ch-sp(s)	chain space(s)	htr2tog	work 2htr together	tr	treble crochet
ch-	refers to ch made previously, eg. ch-3	in next	sts to be worked into the same stitch	tr2tog	(yrh, insert hook in next st, yrh and pull up loop, yrh
cl(s)	clusters	inc	increase		and draw through 2 loops)
4-tr cl	(yrh, insert hook in sp/st,	LH	left hand		twice, yrh and draw
	yrh & pull up loop, yrh &	lp(s)	loop(s)		through all loops on hook
	draw through 2 loops) 4	meas	measures	WS	wrong side
	times, inserting hook in	p or pc	picot	yoh	yarn over hook
	same sp/st, yrh & draw	patt(s)	pattern(s)	yrh	yarn round hook
	through all loops on hook	pm	place marker	*	work instructions
cont	continue	prev	previous		immediately foll *, then
dc	double crochet	rem	remain(s)/remaining		rep as directed
dc2tog	(insert hook in next st, yrh	rep	repeat	[] or ()	work or repeat all
	and draw a loop through)	RH	right hand		instructions in the
	twice, yrh and draw	rnd(s)	round(s)		brackets as directed
	through all 3 loops on	RS	right side		

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