

Neatishhead Knit and Stitch



Tree Decorations – Knit-Along (8) Star One



The instructions might seem a little complicated but don't be disheartened, once you master the decreasing and increasing you will be very impressed with the result.

Materials: 40g approx aran weight yarn, or 2x double knitting yarn; polyester stuffing. **Needles:** 5mm

Abbreviations: **K** = knit, **P** = purl, **st** = stitch, **sts** = stitches, **tog** = together, **st st** = stocking stitch, **rs** = right side, **ws** = wrong side.

dec2K = decrease 2 sts knitwise as follows: slip next 2 sts as though to K2 tog, K1, then pass the 2 slipped sts over this K st.

dec2P = decrease 2sts purlwise as follows: slip next 2 sts as though to purl 2 tog as through back of loops, P1, then pass the 2 slipped sts over this P st.

M1 = pick up loop lying between needles and K into back of this loop.

Instructions – make 2. Cast on 111 sts

Row 1 (rs): K

Row 2 (ws): P1, (P9, dec2P – see abbreviations, P10) 5 times. 101 sts.

Row 3: K1, (M1, K8, dec2K – see abbreviations, K8, M1, K1) 5 times.

Row 4: P1, (P8, dec2P, P9) 5 times.. 91sts.

Row 5: K1, (K7, dec2K, K8) 5 times. 81 sts.

Row 6: P1, (P6, dec2P, P7) 5 times. 71 sts.

Row 7: K1, (M1, K5, dec2K, K5, M1, K1) 5 times.

Row 8: P1, (P5, dec2P, P6) 5 times. 61 sts.

Row 9: K1, (K4, dec2K, K5) 5 times. 51sts.

Row 10: P1, (P3, dec2P, P4) 5 times. 41 sts.

Row 11: K1, (M1, K2, dec2K, K2, M1, K1) 5 times.

Row 12: P1, (P2, dec2P, P3) 5 times. 31 sts.

Row 13: K1, (K1, dec2K, K2) 5 times. 21 sts.

Row 14: P1, (dec2P, P1) 5 times, 11sts.

Row 15: (K2tog) 5 times, K1. 6 sts.

Break yarn and thread through remaining 6 sts. Pull up tight and fasten securely.

To Make Up: join row edges together to complete star, then sew both star shapes together along outer (cast on) edges together, leave small opening to insert stuffing, then close opening. Make a loop of yarn and attach to one point of star.