



Apple Orange Banana and Pear Fruit Basket

Tip. It is preferable to sew the fruit up using mattress stitch (instructions are under Information Sheets) as it gives a neater and smaller seam. If you can't use it then cast on an extra st and knit the st at the beginning of a knit row and end of a purl.

Apple



3 ¾ mm needles (straight and double ended) and red (or green) dk yarn.

Row 1: Cast on 6 sts and Kf&b into every st. (12)

Row 2 and every even row: Purl.

Row 3: (k1, Kf&b in next st) 6 times. (18)

Row 5: (k2, Kf&b in next st) 6 times. (24)

Row 7: (k3, Kf&b in next st) 6 times. (30)

Row 9: (k4, Kf&b in next st) 6 times. (36)

Rows 10-20: Knit.

Row 21: (k4, k2tog) 6 times. (30)

Row 23: (k3, k2tog) 6 times. (24)

Row 25: (k2, k2tog) 6 times. (18)

Row 27: (k4, k2tog) 6 times. (12)

Row 29: K2tog 6 times. (6)

Row 30: P2tog 3 times. (3)

Cut yarn, leaving a long end for sewing up and change to brown and double ended needles and work an eye cord for 1".

Cut yarn and fasten off. Sew up seam and stuff. Push needle through apple, catch a stitch and push back. Pull up to make a dimple and fasten off.

Leaf

Cast on 2 sts.

K1 row.

Inc 1 st at each end of row. (4)

Repeat above row. (6)

K 3 rows.

Dec 1 st at each end of next row. (4)

K1 row.

Repeat last 2 rows. (2sts) Cast off and sew in ends. Sew to top of apple.

Orange

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$\frac{3}{4}$ mm

needles and orange yarn.

Row 1: Cast on 6 sts and Kf&b into every st. (12)

Row 2 and every even row: Purl.

Row 3: (k1, Kf&b in next st) 6 times. (18)

Row 5: (k2, Kf&b in next st) 6 times. (24)

Row 7: (k3, Kf&b in next st) 6 times. (30)

Row 9: (k4, Kf&b in next st) 6 times. (36)

Rows 10-20: Knit.

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Row 27: (k4, k2tog) 6 times. (12)

Row 29: K2tog 6 times. (6)

Row 30: P2tog 3 times. (3)

Cut yarn, leaving a long end for sewing up

Cut yarn and fasten off. Sew a small star in brown to top of orange.

Pear



3 $\frac{3}{4}$ mm needles and brown and green (or red) yarn.

Cast on 9 sts.

Row 1: Purl

Row 2: Kf&b into each st. (18)

Row 3: Purl.

Row 4: Kf&b into each st. (36)

Rows 5,6,7: Purl, Knit, purl.

Row 8: (k2, kf&b) repeat to end of row. (48)

Place a marker on row 8 and continue in st st until work measures 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ " from marker.

Decreasing.

Row 1: (k2, k2tog) to end of row. (36)

Rows 2,3,4: Purl, knit, purl. Place a st marker on row 3.

Row 5: (k1, sl1, k1, pssso, k6, k2tog, k1) repeat twice more. (30)

Continue in st st until work measure 1" from marker.

Next row: (k3, k2tog) repeat to end of row. (24)

Next row: Purl.

Next row: (k2, k2tog) repeat to end of row. (18)

Next row: Purl.

Next row: (k1, k2tog) repeat to end of row. (12)

Next row: Purl.

Next row: (k1, k2tog) repeat to end of row. (9)

Next row: Purl.

Next row: k2tog) repeat to end of row, k1. (5)

Stem

Cut yarn and using brown slip the sts onto a double ended needle.

K2tog twice3, k1.

Work an l cord for 1".

Sew up seam, stuff and finish off all ends.



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mm needles and yellow and brown yarn

Cast on 6 sts.

Next row: Kf&b into every st. (12)

Next row: Purl.

Next row: (k1,kf&b) across row. (18)

Next row: Purl.

Next row: (k2, kf&b) across row. (24)

Starting with a purl row work 51 rows in st st.

Next row: (k2, k2tog) across row: (18)

Next row: Purl.

Next row: (k1, k2tog) across row. (12)

Next row: Purl.

Next row: K2tog across row. (6)

Cut yarn and change to brown and double ended needles and work and l cord for 4 rows. Cut yarn and thread through sts. Pull up and fasten off.

Sew up seam (pull thread tight to make a slight bend in the banana, stuff and finish off.

Banana