

Christmas decorations - Angel

BODY AND HEAD (Make one piece)

Cast on 8 sts with 3mm needles and cream dk for base edge and st st 2 rows.

1st inc row Inc into every st to end. [16 sts]

Next row Purl.

2nd inc row (Inc 1, K1) to end. [24 sts]

K 2 rows for fold line.

Next row Purl.

Change to Sunflower and K 1 row

Change to Aran and P 1 row

1st dec row (K1 k2tog, K1) to end. [18 sts]

St st 3 rows

2nd dec row (K1, k2tog) to end [12 sts]

St st 4 rows.

Change to Flesh Tone for head and st st 6 rows

3rd dec row (P2tog, P1) to end. [8 sts]

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.



HALO (MAKE 1 PIECE)

Cast on 14 sts with Sunflower dk for outside edge and st st 2 rows.

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

WINGS (MAKE 2

Cast on 2 sts with Snowflake for centre back edge and st st 2 rows.

Inc 1 st at beg and end of next 4 rows. [10 sts]

St st 2 rows.

Next row Dec 1 st at beg and end of next 4 rows. [2 sts]

Cast off.

ARMS (MAKE 2 PIECES)

Cast on 4 sts with Aran for top edge and cont in st st.

Inc row Inc into every st to end. [8 sts]

St st 4 rows.

Dec row (k2tog) to end. [4 sts]

Change to Flesh Tone for hand and st st 2 rows, beg with a K row.

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

CHRISTMAS TREE (Make 1 PIECE)

Cast on 9 sts with Spruce for base edge and g st 2 rows.

Dec 1 st at beg of next 6 rows. [3 sts]

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

TO MAKE UP

Work a gathering thread through every stitch along base edge of body, draw up tightly and fasten off, then join side edges, stopping above Sunflower stripe. Glue a 1½ in (3cm) diameter card circle inside base, then join seam down from gathered top of head, leaving a 1 in (2.5cm) space open. Stuff body and head firmly, then join remainder of seam. Work a gathering thread through every stitch along first row of head, draw up to shape, then fasten off and darn ends into body. Using Daisy yarn, embroider 3 chain stitches over top of head for hair parting, then sew two 6 in (15cm) lengths of Daisy yarn through each chain for hair.

Sew end of each hair strand into back of head, then join halo seam and glue in place. Using Flesh Tone yarn, embroider nose with a tiny, horizontal, straight stitch. Draw out a single strand from a length of Walnut yarn and use to embroider eyes and mouth with small, horizontal straight stitches. Join each arm seam, stuff lightly, work a gathering thread through every stitch along top edge, draw up tightly and fasten off, then sew arms to body sides. Fold each wing piece in half and oversew edges together, then position and glue-sew to back of body. Cut a ¾ in (2cm) length of cotton bud and bind with Chocolate yarn for tree trunk. Oversew side edges of tree piece to form a cone, then glue trunk inside cone and attach to right hand with glue.