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This 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.

UK Hand Knitting (UKHK) is a not-for-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.
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.

**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.  
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**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

The yarn comes in 20 colours so matching decor is easy.
Keep a premature baby warm with Sirdar’s pompom hat, complete with secure-under-the-chin ear flaps.
MAIN SECTION

Cast on 12 (12: 16: 16: 16) sts using 2¾mm needle and thumb method.


[90 (94: 102: 110: 118: 122) sts]

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

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: 110: 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.


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

Change to 3¼mm 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 5 rows without shaping.

Next row (Moss st 5, k2tog) 8 (9: 9: 10: 10: 11) times, moss st 5 (1: 5: 1: 5: 5).


Work 5 rows without shaping.


[37 (37: 41: 41: 45: 49) sts]

Work 3 (3: 5: 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).


Work 2 rows without shaping.

Next row (P2tog) 10 (9: 11: 11: 12: 13) times, P1.


Break off yarn, run yarn through rem 11 (10: 12: 11: 13: 14) sts, draw up and fasten off.

SHAPE CROWN


[69 (73: 77: 81: 85: 93) sts]

Work 5 rows without shaping.

Next row (Moss st 5, k2tog) 8 (9: 9: 10: 10: 11) times, moss st 5 (1: 5: 1: 5: 5).


Work 5 rows without shaping.


[37 (37: 41: 41: 45: 49) sts]

Work 3 (3: 5: 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).


Work 2 rows without shaping.


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.

DEMENTIA CHARITIES

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.

BAZAARS OR CHARITY SALES

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!

Picnic time

The blanket has a central panel of stocking stitch surrounded by textured stitches.

Fresh looks!

Modern classics

Fresh looks!
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.

**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: 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 (18: 18) sts]**

**ALL SIZES**

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

**NOSE**

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

Next row **Purl.**

Next row **K1, *kfb, K4, kfb; rep from * to last st, K1. [34 (42: 42) 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 (WS) Purl.**

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

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

Next row **Purl.**

Next row **K1, (k2tog, K8 (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) 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]**

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

**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 (23¼x31½in)

Teddies

Small 20cm (8in) tall

Medium 30cm (11¼in) 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.
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 66 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: 58) sts]
Next row Purl.
Next row K1, (k2tog, K10 (10: 12), sl1, K1, psso) 4 times, K1. [50 (50: 50) 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.

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 (BOTH ALIKE)
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 Purl.

ALL SIZES
Working 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 lengthways, 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. Use 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.

For a smooth shape, take care not to overstuffed the bears.
Enjoy the best of both worlds – warm hands and digit freedom – with these fingerless mitts by Wendy.

**FINGERLESS MITTS (MAKE TWO)**

**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

**TSH**

**ST ST**

**RIB ST**

**4PLY**

**WEIGHT**

**2½MM**

- 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
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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 cozy 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 3¼mm 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

FIND YOUR SIZE

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YARN
Danube 645

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.

Bits & bobs
Have fun knitting James C Brett’s cleverly textured twiddlemuff and help those with dementia today.

James C. Brett
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, K1 tbl
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

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.

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.
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 K2tog, 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.
**IMPROVE YOUR SKILLS**

Stylecraft’s light and lacy crochet blanket is made with colourful yarn and will brighten any room.

Fruit cocktail

This hexagon blanket would look bright and cheery in a conservatory or sunny room. Throw over a bed, a sofa or a chair.

**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
- 4PLY WEIGHT
- 4MM HOOK

**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

**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 dc 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 7 trs (last tr is worked into second dtr of petal), 2ch, *miss next 13 trs, 1tr into each of next 8 trs, 2ch; rep from * to end, ending last rep with sl st to 3rd of 3ch at beg of round. [6 sets of 8tr]

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

**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.
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 follows:
Instead of “1 tr into each of next 8 sts”, work (1 tr 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 22 sts; rep from * twice more**, 1tr, 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 2 (1tr into next tr, sl st into corresponding st from adjoining motif) 8 times.

Round 3 Attach Raspberry to any 2-ch sp, (1tr into next tr, sl st into corresponding st from adjoining motif) 8 times.

Round 4 Attach Pistachio to any 3-ch sp, (1tr into next tr, sl st into corresponding st from adjoining motif) 8 times.

Round 5 Attach Raspberry to any 3-ch sp, (1tr into next tr, sl st into corresponding st from adjoining motif) 8 times.

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

KNITTING ABBREVIATIONS

CROCHET ABBREVIATIONS

Key
● 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
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