

Hearts

These hearts are a quick make, they are knit sideways using garter stitch and shaped by increasing and decreasing stitches.

The hearts would make fun confetti, photo props or decorations. They could embellish knitted garments or accessories by sewing them on as an applique.

Make different sized hearts by altering the yarn weight.



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PATTERN INFORMATION

Sizes

Using DK yarn:

approximately 5cm/2in high, 5cm/2in wide

Materials

100% wool or a wool/acrylic mix is ideal in DK/8ply

Suggested shades: See photographs or any colour of your choice!

Yarn amounts: No more than 5yds for one heart

Notions

1 pair 3.25mm (No10/US 3) needles if using DK yarn

Tapestry needle for weaving in yarn ends

Note: Yarn amounts given are based on average requirements and are approximate.

Tension/Gauge

Will vary depending on your choice of yarn(s) – I suggest you use needles approximately 2 sizes smaller than suggested by the yarn company.

Abbreviations – See opposite

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cm – centimetre(s)

DK – double knitting (light worsted)

g st – garter stitch (k every row)

in – inch(es)

k – knit

k2tog – knit 2 stitches together (knit the next 2 stitches together as one - to decrease)

kfb – knit front and back (knit into the front and back of next stitch – to increase)

mm – millimetres

st – stitch, **sts** – stitches

tbl – through the back of the loop(s)

tog – together



PATTERN INSTRUCTIONS

Heart

Using DK yarn and 3.25mm/US 3 needles, cast on 3 sts.

Work in g st thus:

Row 1: kfb, k1, kfb. (5sts)

Row 2: k.

Row 3: kfb, k3, kfb. (7sts)

Row 4: k.

Row 5: k6, kfb. (8sts)

Row 6: k.

Row 7: k2tog tbl, k5, kfb. (8 sts)

Row 8: k.

Row 9: k2tog tbl, k5, kfb. (8sts)

Row 10: k.

Row 11: k.

Row 12: k.

Row 13: kfb, k5, k2tog. (8sts)

Row 14: k.

Row 15: kfb, k5, k2tog. (8sts)

Row 16: k.

Row 17: k6, k2tog. (7sts)

Row 18: k.

Row 19: k2tog tbl, k3, k2tog. (5 sts)

Row 20: k2tog tbl, k1, k2tog. (3 sts)

Cast/Bind off remaining 3 sts.

Weave in yarn ends.

There is no need to steam press the hearts.



You could embellish your heart with a button or a smaller knitted heart.



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