

LOVE HEART

KNITTING PATTERNS BY AMANDA BERRY

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YARN + NOTIONS

Needles:

- A pair of 4mm straight knitting needles (US 6)

Notions:

- A small amount of toy filling to stuff the heart
- A darning or tapestry needle to sew the knitted pieces together
- A stitch holder

Yarn:

Less than 20g of DK yarn:



Pink: Hayfield Bonus DK in "Cerise" 984



NOTES

Finished size: The finished heart is approximately 7cm high x 8cm wide.

Work flat: All pieces are knitted flat (back and forth) on a pair of straight knitting needles.

Tension: The tension is approximately 22 sts x 28 rows for a 10cm x 10cm square in stockinette stitch on 4mm needles. Don't worry too much about tension for this pattern.

Casting on: Unless otherwise specified, I prefer to use the long tail cast on for all pieces.

Sewing seams: Use mattress stitch to sew the seams.

ABBREVIATIONS

DK	Double knitting or light worsted weight yarn
k	Knit
k2tog	<i>Decrease:</i> knit two stitches together.
m1	<i>Increase:</i> Make one stitch by picking up the horizontal bar between the needles and placing it on the left-hand needle. Knit into the back of this loop.
p	Purl
psso	<i>Decrease:</i> pass the slipped stitch over.
rep	Repeat
sl 1	Slip the next stitch on the left needle onto the right needle purl-wise without knitting or purling the stitch.
ssk	<i>Decrease:</i> slip the next stitch on the left needle knit-wise, then slip the next stitch on the left needle purl-wise. Take the left needle and knit through the front of the two slipped stitches on the right needle
st(s)	Stitch(es)
WS	Wrong side
[...]	Repeat the sequence between the square brackets by the number indicated.
(.. sts)	The number in round brackets at the end of the instruction indicates the number of stitches after working the row.

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Make 2. Cast on 5 sts in pink on straight 4mm needles.

Row 1: p (5 sts, WS)

Row 2: k1, m1, k to the last st, m1, k1 (7 sts)

Rows 3 to 4: rep rows 1 and 2 (9 sts)

Row 5: p (9 sts)

Row 6: k (9 sts)

Cut the yarn and place these 9 sts for the first heart top on a stitch holder. Now make the second heart top.

Cast on 5 sts, and rep rows 1 to 6 (9 sts) but don't break the yarn.

Row 7: purl the 9 sts for the second heart top, then put the held sts for the first heart top on the needle with the WS facing you, and purl across those 9 sts to join the two tops for a total of 18 sts

Row 8: k8, k2tog, k8 (17 sts)

Row 9: p (17 sts)

row 10: ssk, k to the last 2 sts, k2tog (15 sts)

Row 11: p (15 sts)

Rows 12 to 23: rep rows 10 and 11 six times (3 sts)

Row 24: sl 1, k2tog, psso (1 st)

Bind off.

Making up: Pin the two heart pieces together and sew around the edges, adding a little stuffing as you sew. I used mattress stitch to sew my hearts together for a neat join.

To make a hanging decoration or bag charm, thread a length of narrow ribbon on a darning needle and through the top of the heart, and knot in place.

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