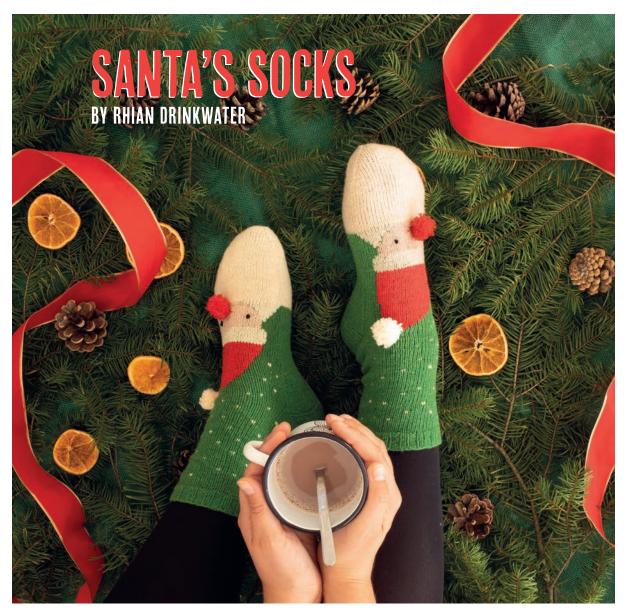
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SPECIAL BUMPER CHRISTMAS EDITION!







## **FESTIVE!**

All around the world December marks a joyous and festive time of year! In my part of the world in particular, it brings frosty mornings, Christmas trees, streets decorated with fairy lights, and of course, a flurry of Christmas shoppers! No matter how you celebrate, now is a wonderful time to reflect on the past year, to reconnect with friends, family and loved ones, to share the joy of music, warm treats, spiced cookies and hot cocoa, to lovingly give gifts all wrapped up in pretty bows, and last but not least, to spend time making something truly special, to hold onto for years to come.

I hope this special bumper issue of Pretty Little Things sparks a little festive cheer in all of you, and that it offers lots of inspiration for heartfelt gifts and projects to decorate your homes with.

Happy Holidays!

Scheepjes Creative Director Simm



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## SANTA'S SOCKS

## Gauge/Tension

32 sts and 54 rounds to measure 10 x 10cm over st st using 2.5mm needles.

## Measurements

Fits shoe size	Number of sts circumference			
EU 34-37	60			
EU 38-41	64			
EU 42-45	68			
EU 46-49	72			

#### **Abbreviations**

[] number of sts on a given row/round

**beg** begin/beginning

cont continue

dec decrease/decreasing

k knit

**k2tog** knit 2 sts together: insert needle kwise into first two sts and knit them together

kwise knitwise

**m** stitch marker(s)

**p** purl

**p2tog** purl 2 sts together: insert needle pwise into first 2 sts and purl them together (right leaning decrease)

**pm** place stitch marker

pwise purlwise

**rem** remaining

#### SHOPPING LIST

Pretty Little Things shopping lists can be cut out and taken along to your local yarn store when picking up supplies for your projects!

#### SANTA'S SOCKS

#### Scheepjes Metropolis

(75% Extra Fine Merino Wool, 25% Nylon: 50g/200m)

Yarn A: 027 San Juan x 2 balls

Yarn B: 030 Toulouse x 1 ball

Yarn C: 044 Darwin x 1 ball Yarn D: 048 Sydney x 1 ball

Scrap black yarn

2.5mm circular needle, 80cm long, for magic loop knitting, or set of 4 double pointed needles

Stitch markers

Small pompom maker

# PRETTY LITTLE THINGS

#### NOTES

Use this space to write your pattern notes!

rep repeat

RS right side

sl1p slip 1 st pwise

sm slip stitch marker

**ssk** slip 1 st kwise, slip next st kwise, insert left needle into front of 2 slipped sts and knit them together

st(s) stitch(es)

**st st** stocking stwitch: RS knit, WS purl

WS wrong side

\*.....; rep from \* once more/twice more/3
more times/to end work the instructions after \*
and then repeat that section as specified

#### **Pattern Notes**

Leg and Foot length can be adjusted to fit, keeping in mind that you may need more yarn. Socks are worked top down in the round. Heel is worked in rows and then turned using short rows. Pick sts up along Heel Flap for gusset and work Foot in the round. Santa is duplicate stitched on top of Sock before starting with Yarn B. Use short lengths of yarn for duplicate stitching, weave in ends as you go. Block Socks before adding pompoms thoroughly to allow duplicate sts to settle.

#### Instructions

Note: Before starting, cut several lengths of Yarn B, C and D to use for duplicate stitching on Foot.

## **CUFF AND LEG**

With Yarn A and 2.5mm needles, cast on 60 (64: 68: 72) sts. Join to work in the round, being careful

not to twist.

**Rib round** \*K2, p2; rep from \* to end.

Rep Rib round 9 more times.

#### Next round Knit.

This round sets st st (every round k). Cont in st st until Sock measures 14cm from cast on edge or 5.5 (6: 6.5: 7)cm less than your desired Leg length.

#### HEEL

#### **Heel Flap**

Turn work so WS is facing. Heel Flap is worked in rows over next 30 (32: 34: 36) sts. Leave rem sts on holders or on rem needles while Heel Flap is worked.

**Row 1 (WS)** Sl1p, p29 (31: 33: 35).

Row 2 (RS) (SI1p, k1) 15 (16: 17: 18) times.

Rep last 2 rows 15 (16: 17: 18) more times.

#### **Heel Turn**

Heel Turn is worked in rows.

**Next row (WS)** SI1p, p17 (18: 19: 20), p2tog, p1.

**Next row (RS)** Sl1p, k7, ssk, k1.

**Next row** SI1p, p to 1 st before opening, p2tog, p1.

**Next row** SI1p, k to 1 st before opening, ssk, k1.

Cont this way until all Heel sts have been worked. Note: You may not be able to work final p1 or k1 on final rows. End with RS row. do NOT turn.

[20 (22: 22: 24) Heel sts]

## **GUSSET**

Cont working in the round on all sts.
With RS facing, pick up and knit a total of 18 (19: 20: 21)sts down left side of Heel Flap picking up one st in each slip st and an extra at join before

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instep sts to minimise holes, pm, knit across 30 (32: 34: 36)sts of instep, pm, pick up and knit a total of 18 (19: 20: 21)sts up right side of Heel Flap, pm to mark new beg of round. [86 (92: 96: 102) sts]

Note: For next round only, knit any picked-up sts through back loop to prevent holes in fabric.

**Dec round** K to 3 sts before m, k2tog, k1, sm, k to next m, sm, k1, ssk, k to end. [2 sts dec]

#### **Next round** Knit.

Rep last two rounds until 60 (64: 68: 72) sts remain.

## **FOOT**

With Yarn A, cont straight in st st until Foot measures 9cm less than desired Foot length. Change to Yarn B.

Work 10 rounds in st st. Do not fasten off Yarn B.

## **Duplicate St Colourwork**

Working from Chart according to right width, add colourwork details using duplicate st on top of Foot. Bottom of Chart corresponds with final round using Yarn A on Foot. Work upwards from this point, beg with Face in Yarn D.

#### **Complete Foot**

With Yarn B, cont in st st until Foot measures 3.5 (3.5: 4: 4.5)cm less than desired Foot length. >>

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#### TOF

Next round (partial) Remove beg of round m, k to next marker. This is new beg of round marker.

Dec round K1, ssk, k to 3 sts before m, k2tog, k1, sm, k1, ssk, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1. [4 sts dec]

Next round Knit.

Rep last two rounds until 24 (28: 28: 28) sts remain, end with dec round.

#### Close Toe

Split rem 24 (28: 28: 28) sts so there are 12 (14: 14: 14) on each needle for top and bottom. Cast off one st at end of each needle. This forms a more curved edge at top of Toe and avoids 'bunny ears' at top corners that can otherwise stick out. [20 (24: 24: 24) sts]

Graft rem 20 (24: 24: 24) sts using Kitchener st or cast off corresponding sts on both needles at same time.

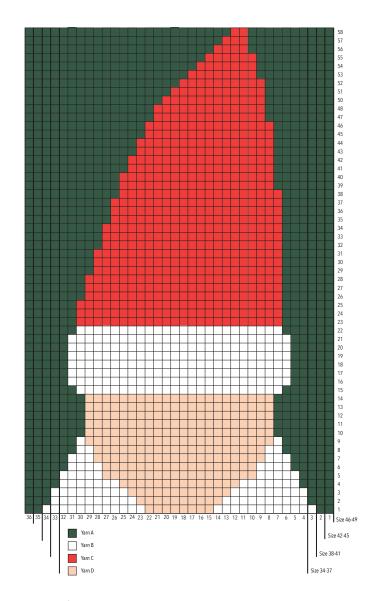
Weave in all ends. Soak Socks thoroughly and block.

#### To Finish

With Yarn B, work random single duplicate sts around Leg and sides of Face, use photo as guide. Note: Keep an even tension between sts. Weave in any remaining ends.

With scrap of black yarn, work French Knots for eyes. French Knot instructions available here: bit.ly/simys-embroidery-tutorial.

With Yarn B, make two small pompoms. Make two more using Yarn C. Attach pompoms as Nose and on Hat (use photo as guide).







#### 0 Measurements

Maximum stitch count: 64 high x 53 wide Design area: 12cm high x 9.8cm wide

#### **Pattern Notes**

This design features whole cross stitches using three strands of embroidery thread. Chart depicts colour and stitch placement: each square represents one square on aida fabric and one whole cross stitch in the design. Cross stitch is worked by bringing needle up from bottom left corner of one aida square over to top right, then back down from top left across to bottom right. When working multiple cross stitches in same colour, work vertically by only completing first part of each stitch (/) when working bottom up, followed by second part of each stitch (\) when working back downwards. Weave all thread tails under cross stitches at back of work rather than knotting thread for neater, flat finish.

#### Instructions

**Step 1** Find centre of aida fabric by folding in half lengthways, then again horizontally. Using a pencil, lightly trace central Tree from design (see Chart) to aida fabric.

**Step 2** Take 3 strands of Yarn F and begin stitching Tree, leaving 5cm thread tails at back of work.

**Step 3** Once central Tree is complete, embroider remaining motifs in any order, referring to Chart and using central Tree as point of reference for correct placement on aida fabric.

Note: Use pencil to lightly trace other motifs on fabric if needed, as discretely as possible so markings are hidden by stitches.

Step 4 Weave in all ends and trim.

**Step 5** With front side facing down on a towel, iron back of fabric/design using warm (cotton) setting to set stitches and achieve a smooth, finished look. Allow to cool.

**Step 6** Apply your chosen adhesive to back of card mount and carefully stick fabric in place ensuring smooth, centred and straight. Fold the backing card inwards and stick in place to conceal back of fabric.

#### To Finish

Send your card with your best festive greetings!







## SHOPPING LIST SEASON'S GREETINGS CARD

DMC Stranded Cotton embroidery thread

Yarn A: Green (item no. 117MC-0904)

Yarn B: Red (item no. 117MC-0666) Yarn C: Peach

(item no. 117MC-0967)

Yarn D: Purple (item no. 117MC-3834)

Yarn E: Burgundy (item no. 117MC-0814)

Yarn F: Golden yellow (item no. 117MC-0444)

Tapestry needle size 24

15 x 13cm white aida fabric 5.5/14-count (includes border for mounting) (item no. GD1436BX-BLANC)

White A5 greeting card with 9.5 x 12cm aperture

Glue gun or double-sided craft tape



## Gauge/Tension

20 sts and 36 rows to measure 10 x 10cm over patt using 5mm needles.

#### Measurements (in cm)

Age in years	2	4	6	8	10
Actual Chest	68	72	76	80	84
To fit Chest	54	58	62	66	70
Length	35	37	39	41	43
Sleeve Seam	27	28	30	32	34

#### **Abbreviations**

[] number of sts on a given row

cont continue

inc increase

**k** knit

**k2tog** knit 2 sts together: insert needle kwise into first two sts and knit them together

**kfb** knit front and back to increase by 1 st: insert needle into next st, kwise; knit as you normally would but don't slip st from needle, instead bring needle around to back and knit through back loop of same st

kwise knitwise

**p** purl

**p2tog** purl 2 sts together: insert needle pwise into first 2 sts and purl them together (right leaning decrease)

**p3tog** purl 3 sts together: insert needle pwise into first 3 sts and purl them together (right leaning double decrease)

patt pattern

rem remaining

rep(s) repeat(s)

RS right side

sl2p slip next 2 sts purlwise

sl3p slip next 3 sts purlwise

st(s) stitch(es)

**yo** yarn over

**WS** wrong side

**(.....) once/twice/3 times** work the instructions between brackets the total number of times stated

#### **Pattern Notes**

Sweater is worked flat in rows. Work Back first, then Front and Sleeves. Colour patt is explained below. Keep colour patt correct at shaping sections. Right side of Neck is shorter to accommodate Button(hole) Bands.

#### **Colour Patt**

With Yarn A.

Row 1 Knit.

Row 2 Purl.

With Yarn B.

**Row 3** K2, (sl2p, k2) to end.

**Row 4** P2, (sl2p, p2) to end.

With Yarn A.

Row 5 Knit.

Row 6 Purl.

With Yarn B.

**Row 7** (sl2p, k2) to last 2 sts, sl2p.

**Row 8** (sl2p, p2) to last 2 sts, sl2p.

Rep these eight rows for patt.

# ARETTY LITTLE THINGS

## SHOPPING LIST

## 'TIS THE SEASON SWEATER

## Scheepjes Eliza

(100% Polyester; 100g/230m)

Yarn A: 218 Bobtail White

x 2 (2: 2: 2: 3) balls

**Yarn B:** 226 Rosy Red or 237 Evergreen

x1 (1: 2: 2: 2) balls

4.5 and 5mm knitting needles or 4.5 mm crochet hook

Stitch holders

Stitch markers

3 x tree buttons (item no. 97147-32)





NOTES

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#### Instructions

### BACK

#### Ribbing

With Yarn A and 4.5mm needles, cast on 70 (74: 78: 82: 86) sts.

**Row 1 (RS)** K2, (p2, k2) to end. [70 (74: 78: 82: 86) sts]

**Row 2 (WS)** P2, (k2, p2) to end.

Rep last two rows twice more.

#### **Main Body**

With 5mm needles, work in Colour Patt.
Cont until Back measures approximately 34 (36: 38:

40: 42)cm, ending with a Row 8 of Colour Patt.

#### **Shape Back Neck and Shoulders**

**Next row (RS)** Cast off 18 (20: 20: 20: 22) sts, place centre 34 (34: 38: 42: 42) sts on stitch holder. Rejoin yarn to rem 18 (20: 20: 20: 22) unworked sts for Left Shoulder with RS facing, k across.

**Next row** Cast of 8 sts, p to end. [10 (10: 12: 12: 14) sts]

**Next row** K to end.

**Next row** Cast off 6 (8: 8: 8: 8) sts, p to end.

**Next row** Cast off rem 4 (4: 4: 4: 6) sts.

## FRONT

Work as for Back until Front measures eight rows less than Back until Back Neck and Shoulder Shaping, end with a Row 8.

## **Shape Front Neck and Shoulder**

**Row 1** K28 (30: 30: 30: 32), turn leaving rem sts unworked. [28 (30: 30: 30: 32) sts]

Left Neck

**Row 2** P1, p3tog, p to end. [26 (28: 28: 28: 30) sts]

**Row 3** K to last 2 sts, k2tog. [25 (27: 27: 27: 29) sts]

**Row 4** P1, p2tog, p to end. [24 (26: 26: 26: 28) sts]

**Row 5** K to last 2 sts, k2tog. [23 (25: 25: 27) sts]

**Row 6** P1, p2tog, p to end. [22 (24: 24: 24: 26) sts]

**Row 7** K to last 2 sts, k2tog. [21 (23: 23: 23: 25) sts]

**Row 8** P1, p2tog, p to end. [20 (22: 22: 24) sts]

**Row 9** Cast off 8 sts, k to last 2 sts, k2tog. [11 (13: 13: 13: 15) sts]

**Row 10** P1, p2tog, p to end. [10 (12: 12: 12: 14) sts] **Row 11** Cast off 6 (8: 8: 8: 8) sts, k to end. [4 (4: 4:

4: 6) sts]

Row 12 P4 (4: 4: 4: 6).

Cast off all sts.

## **Right Neck**

Slip centre 14 (14: 18: 22: 22) Neck sts on holder and rejoin yarn to Right Neck with RS facing, complete to match Left Neck, reversing all shaping as follows:

Row 1 K28 (30: 30: 30, 32).

**Row 2** P to last 4 sts, p3tog, p1. [26 (28: 28: 28: 30) sts]

**Row 3** K1, k2tog, k to end. [25 (27: 27: 27: 29) sts]

**Row 4** P to last 3 sts, p2tog, p1. [24 (26: 26: 26: 28) sts]

**Row 5** K1, k2tog, k to end. [23 (25: 25: 25: 27) sts]

**Row 6** P to last 3 sts, p2tog, p1. [22 (24: 24: 24: 26) sts]

**Row 7** K1, k2tog, k to end. [21 (23: 23: 23: 25) sts]

**Row 8** P to last 3 sts, p2tog, p1. [20 (22: 22: 22: 24) sts]

Cast off all rem sts.

## **SLEEVE (MAKE TWO)**

## **Ribbing**

With Yarn A and 4.5mm needles, cast on 34 (38: 38:



42: 46)sts.

**Row 1 (RS)** K2, (p2, k2) to end.

Row 2 (WS) P2, (k2, p2) to end.

Rep last two rows twice more.

#### **Sleeve Shaping**

With 5mm needles, work eight rows in Colour Patt. Begin to inc on next and every following 8th (8th: 8th: 10th: 10th) row until there are 54 (58: 60: 6w2: 66) sts Cast off loosely in  $2 \times 2$  rib. as follows:

Row 9 (inc row) Kfb, work in patt to last st, kfb in last st. [36 (40: 40: 44: 48) sts]

Row 10 Purl.

With Yarn B

**Row 11** K3, (sl2p, k2) to last st, k1.

**Row 12** P3, (sl2p, p2) to last st, p1.

With Yarn A.

Row 13 Knit.

Row 14 Purl.

With Yarn B.

**Row 15** (Sl3p, k2) to last 3 sts, sl3p.

**Row 16** Sl3p, p2, (sl2p, p2) to last 3 sts, sl3p. Now work straight in patt until Sleeve measures 27 (28: 30: 32: 34)cm from cast on edge, ending with WS row of patt.

Cast off all sts

#### To Finish

Sew Left Shoulder seam together.

#### **NECK RIBBING**

With Yarn A, 4.5mm needles and RS facing, k across 34 (34: 38: 42: 42) Back Neck sts on holder, pick up and k11 sts evenly around Neck edge to stitch holder, k across 14 (14: 18: 22: 22) Front Neck sts on holder, pick up and k11 sts evenly around rem Neck edge, turn. [70 (70: 78: 84: 84) sts]

**Row 1** P2, (k2, p2) to end.

Row 2 K2, (p2, k2) to end.

These two rows form  $2 \times 2$  rib.

Rep Rows 1-2 once more, then Row 1 once more.

#### BUTTONHOLF BAND

With Yarn A, 4.5mm needles and RS facing, pick up 20 (22: 22: 24) sts evenly across Front Right Shoulder and Neck Ribbing, work two rows of 2 x 2 rib on these sts begin with k2.

**Row 3 (RS)** (K2, yo, p2tog, k2, p2) twice, k2, yo, p2tog, k0 (2: 2: 2: 2), p0 (0: 0: 0: 2). Work 2 more rows in 2 x 2 rib. Cast off loosely in 2 x 2 rib.

#### **BUTTON BAND**

With Yarn A. 4.5mm needles and RS facing, pick up 20 (22: 22: 24) sts evenly across Back Right Shoulder and Neck Ribbing, work five rows of 2 x 2 rib on these sts begin with k2. Cast off loosely in 2 x 2 rib.

Overlap shoulder Buttonhole and Button Bands and stitch outside edge together at Shoulder/Sleeve seam. Mark centre of top of Sleeves, pin Sleeves in place, matching centre marker to shoulder seam. Sew in Sleeves. With mattress st sew underarm seams and side seams.

Sew buttons corresponding with buttonholes.





#### Gauge/Tension

18 sts and 18 rows to measure 10 x 10cm over dc colourwork pattern using a 4.5mm hook

## Measurements (in cm)

Age in years	2	4	6	8	10
Actual Chest	64	69	73	78	82
To fit Chest	54	58	62	66	70
Length	36	38	40	42	44
Sleeve Seam	27	28	30	32	34

#### **Abbreviations**

[] number of sts on a given row

as folls as follows

**blo** back loop only

ch(s) chain(s) or chain st(s)

ch-sp(s) chain space(s)

dc double crochet

**dc2tog** double crochet 2 together to decrease by 1 st: (insert hook in next st, yoh, pull up loop) twice, yoh, draw through all lps

**inc** increase

**lp(s)** loop(s)

patt pattern

**rep** repeat

**RS** right side

ss slip stitch (es)

st(s) stitch(es)

**WS** wrong side

yoh yarn over hook

**(......) once/twice/3 times** work the instructions between brackets the total number of times stated

#### **Pattern Notes**

Sweater is worked in rows using tapestry crochet technique, ch1 at beginning of row does not count as st. Carry unused yarn along as you work, trapping it inside sts worked in main colour and switch colours to create patt. Colour change always happens in st before switch as folls: insert hook into st, yoh, pull through in old colour, yoh in new colour and pull through. See Chart for colour use, each square in Chart represents a dc stitch in indicated colour. Read Chart odd rows (WS) left to right and even rows (RS) right to left. Keep colourwork patt correct at shaping sections. Right side of Neck is shorter to accommodate Button(hole) Bands.

#### Instructions

### BACK

With Yarn A. ch6.

#### Ribbing

**Row 1** 1dc in 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end, turn. [5 dc]

**Row 2** Ch1, 1dc blo in each st to end, turn. [5 dc blo]

Rep last row until 58 (62: 66: 70: 74) rows have been worked.

#### **Main Body**

Turn work 90 degrees and work along one long side edge of Ribbing as folls:

**Row 1 (WS)** Ch1, 1dc every row end along edge of Ribbing, turn. [58 (62: 66: 70: 74) dc]

Start following Chart for colourwork, starting with Row 2 of Chart.

Continue to work in colourwork blocks until Back measures approximately 35 (37: 39: 41: 43)cm, ending with WS row.

Fasten off.

#### **Shape Back Left Neck and Shoulder**

**Next row** Skip 41 (44: 47: 50: 53) sts, join yarn with ss to next st, 1dc in same st as join, 1dc in each s to last 6 (6: 6: 6: 7) sts, turn.

**Next row** 1ss in next 6 (6: 6: 7: 7) sts, 1dc in next 5 (6: 7: 7: 7) sts, fasten off.

Note: Right side of Neck is shorter to

accommodate Button(hole) Band.

#### FRONT

Work as for Back until Front measures eight rows less than Back till Shape Back Left Neck and Shoulder.

### Shape Front Neck and Shoulder Left Neck

**Row 1** Ch1, 20 (22: 24: 25: 26)dc, turn. [20 (22: 24: 25: 26) dc]

**Row 2** 1ss in first 2 (2: 3: 3: 3) sts, ch1, 1dc each st to end, turn. [18 (20: 21: 22: 23) dc]

**Row 3** Ch1, 1dc in each st to end, turn. [18 (20: 21: 22: 23) dc]

**Row 4** Ch1, 1dc, dc2tog, 1dc in each st to end, turn. [17 (19: 20: 21: 22) dc]

Row 5 Rep Row 3

Age 2 only

**Row 6** Rep Row 3, turn. [17 dc]

Age 4, 6, 8 and 10 only

**Row 6** Ch1, 1dc, dc2tog, 1dc in each st to end, turn.

[(18: 19: 20: 21) dc]

#### All ages

**Row 7** 1ss in next 6 (6: 6: 6: 7) sts, 1dc in each st to end, turn. [11 (12: 13: 14: 14) dc]

**Row 8** Ch1, 5 (6: 7: 7: 7)dc, fasten off.

#### **Right Neck**

With RS facing, join yarn to right side of Neck, skip centre 18 (18: 18: 20: 22) sts from Left Neck.

**Row 1** Ch1, 20 (22: 24: 25: 26)dc, turn. [20 (22: 24: 25: 26) dc]

**Row 2** Ch1, 1dc in each st to last 2 (2: 3: 3: 3) sts, turn. [18 (20: 21: 22: 23) dc]

**Row 3** Ch1, 1dc in each st to end, turn. [18 (20: 21: 22: 23) dc]

**Row 4** Ch1, 1dc in each st to last 3 sts, dc2tog, 1dc, turn. [17 (19: 20: 21: 22) dc]

**Row 5** Rep Row 3.

## Age 2 only

**Row 6** Rep Row 3, turn. [17 dc] Easten off.

### Age 4, 6, 8 and 10 only

**Row 6** Ch1, 1dc in each st to last 3 sts, dc2tog, 1dc, turn. [(18: 19: 20: 21) dc] Fasten off.

## **SLEEVE (MAKE TWO)**

With Yarn A, ch6.

#### Ribbing

**Row 1** 1dc in 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end, turn. [5 dc]

**Row 2** Ch1, 1dc blo in each st to end, turn. [5 dc blo]

Rep last row until 30 (34: 38: 38: 42) rows have been worked.





#### NOTES

Use this space to write your pattern notes!

#### **Sleeve Shaping**

Turn work 90 degrees and work along one long side edge of Ribbing as folls:

**Row 1 (WS)** Ch1, 1dc in every row end along edge of Ribbing, turn. [30 (34: 38: 38: 42) dc]

**Rows 2-3** Start following Chart for colourwork. [30 (34: 38: 38: 42) dc]

**Row 4 (inc row)** 2dc in first st, 1dc in each st to last st, 2dc in last st, turn. [32 (36: 40: 40: 44) sts]

Continue increasing in patt every following 4th (4th: 5th: 5th: 6th) row, until there are 50 (54: 54: 58: 60) sts.

Continue straight until Sleeve measures 27 (28: 30: 32: 34)cm long, ending with a WS row. Fasten off.

#### To Finish

Sew Left Shoulder seam together.

### **NECK EDGE**

With RS facing, join Yarn A to open edge of back Neck and work 1dc evenly around entire Neck edge, turn.

**Next 4 rows** Ch1, 1dc in each st to end. Fasten off.

## **BUTTONHOLE BAND**

With RS facing and Yarn A, work 18 (20: 20: 20: 22)dc evenly across Front Right Shoulder, turn.

Row 2 Ch1, 1dc in each st to end.

**Row 3 (RS)** 2dc, ch1, skip next st, (5 (6: 6: 6: 7) dc, ch1, skip next st) twice, 3dc, turn.

**Row 4** Ch1, 1dc in each st and ch-1 sp across. [18 (20: 20: 20: 22) dc]

**Row 5** 1dc in each st to end.

Fasten off.

#### **BUTTON BAND**

With RS facing and Yarn A, work 18 (20: 20: 20: 22)dc evenly across Back Right Shoulder, turn.

Rows 2-5 1dc in each st to end.

Fasten off.

Overlap Button and Buttonhole Bands and stitch outside edge together at Shoulder/Sleeve seam. Mark centre of top of Sleeves, pin Sleeves in place, matching centre marker to shoulder seam. Sew in Sleeves. With mattress st sew underarm seams and side seams.

Sew buttons corresponding with buttonholes.



## DECEMBER CELEBRATIONS AROUND THE WORLD

There are so many ways to celebrate throughout the month of December depending on where in the world you grew up, currently live, your religious beliefs or cultural traditions. Many would be surprised to simply learn how diverse Christmas celebrations can be just within the small continent of Europe! So, allow us to take you on a quick trip around the world, exploring different continents and cultures along the way, to discover some of the different ways communities are celebrating during this special time of year.

## **Carols by Candlelight**

A Christmas tradition originating down under, Australians have been enjoying summer evenings spent in their local parks, listening to a host of popular and traditional festive performances, since the 1930s. These days, it's hard to come by an Aussie who isn't spending their Christmas Eve watching a Carols by Candlelight event!

#### Las Posadas

Celebrated primarily in Mexico and by Latin Americans, this Christian festival held from 16-24 December commemorates Joseph and Mary's journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem. Each evening, a procession of children walks through the streets of town centres carolling, all in the lead up to a joyous final night where children get to open festive piñatas filled with candy and toys.

#### Pancha Ganapati

From 21-25 December, this modern-day festival is celebrated by Hindus far and wide in honour of their Lord Ganesha. Largely centred around spending time with family and loved ones, you can expect a selection of sweets, fruits, and burning incense, along with colourful gifts and music, shared every day of this joyful holiday!

#### Hanukkah

This eight-day Jewish festival marks a special time for Jewish people all around the world. It celebrates the core beliefs of Judaism and commemorates the rededication of the Second Temple in Jerusalem after it had been previously taken over (circa 160 BC). At the time, oil was lit and expected to burn for just one day, though after burning non-stop for eight days, the Jewish people chose to transform this event into a celebration that continues to this day.

#### Kwanzaa

This Pan-African festival originating in the USA was started in 1966 to recognise and proudly celebrate African and African-American cultures. Through engaging with both ancient and contemporary African traditions and values, this holiday intends to bring families and communities together to feast, dance, play music, reflect and celebrate.







#### Measurements

Single Motifs approx. 10cm x 7cm Garland length approx. 90cm

#### **Pattern Notes**

Sts used for embroidery on Hats and Mittes are blanket st, whip st, straight st, back st and French knots. A tutorial on how to make these sts is available here: bit.ly/simys-embroidery-tutorial. Refer to template on p. 19 for tracing/cutting out Motifs. Use image as guide for embroidery st placement. Motifs hang from a simple crocheted chain with loops made separately. Dab a small amount of Prym Fray Check onto ribbon ends to prevent fraying.

#### **Abbreviations**

ch(s) chain(s) or chain stitch(es)
ss slip stitch(es)
st(s) stitch(es)

#### Instructions

## MITTEN (MAKE 4)

**Step 1** Fold beige felt in half lengthways, trace around Mitten and cut through both layers to get a pair.

**Step 2** Take top Mitten piece, with thumb facing right, and draw on snowflake design using air erasable pen.

**Step 3** Take three strands of green embroidery thread and make four even back sts between the tip of each branch and the snowflake's centre. Make diagonal straight sts on each side of all branches. Make a French knot at tip of each branch.

**Step 4** Place Mitten on top of mirrored back piece and pin together. Using two strands of beige thread,

back st around Mitten from point A to B through both layers. Cuff

**Step 5** Cut Cuff from white felt and pin in position on embroidered side of Mitten. Blanket st around Cuff from point A to B using two strands of green thread, attaching to Mitten through embroidered side only as you go.

Step 6 Lightly stuff Mitten and continue to blanket st around through all felt layers to point C. Do not fasten off.

#### Loop

**Step 7** With Yarn A, ch20. Fasten off and trim ends to 2cm. Place ends between two Mitten lavers at point C to create Loop. Catch ends securely in place with embroidery thread as you continue to blanket st from point C to point A.

## HAT (MAKE 5)

**Step 1** Fold beige felt in half lengthways, trace around Hat and cut through both layers to get a pair. **Step 2** Take top Hat piece. Using air erasable pen, draw lines 1-9. With two strands of beige thread. back st lines 2-8 only.

## **Pompom**

**Step 3** Cut circle to make Pompom from white felt. Place on Hat and using two strands of white thread, make 12 long, evenly spaced straight sts 2mm from Pompom edge to centre through both felt layers. Make another 12 sts between those already made. Repeat sts with two strands of green thread.

**Step 4** Place Hat on top of mirrored back piece and pin together.

#### Brim

**Step 5** Cut Brim from white felt and position on embroidered side of Hat. Blanket st along top of Brim from A to B through embroidered side only. Continue blanket st through all felt layers around Brim back to point A.

**Step 6** Back st line 1 from Brim to Pompom through all felt layers using two strands of beige thread. Lightly stuff Hat and repeat for line 9.

#### Loop

With yarn A, ch20. Fasten off and trim ends to 2cm. Place ends between felt layers at top of Pompom. Whip stitch around Pompom through all felt layers making sure Loop is securely attached.

#### To Finish

Arrange Motifs in an alternating sequence on working surface, beginning and ending with a Hat.

## Attach to Crocheted Ch Hanger

Using Yarn A and 2.5mm hook, ch20, ss join to first ch to make loop for hanging, ch30, (insert hook through Loop of Motif from front to back, ss. ch20) 9 times, ch30, ss into 20th ch from hook to make alternate loop for hanging. Fasten off and sew in all ends.

#### Ribbons and Bells

Cut 9 x 9cm pieces of ribbon and apply Fray Check if using. Insert ribbon through Loop and around Hanger at each Motif and tie a bow. Sew a jingle bell securely onto the knot of each bow using tiny sts. Fasten off and sew in all ends.

## SHOPPING LIST

WARM WINTER GARLAND **Scheepies Cotton 8** 

> (100% Cotton; 50g/170m) Yarn A: 642 x 1 ball

2.5mm crochet hook

3 x A4 sheets beige felt (item no. 10100-047)

1x A4 sheet white felt (item no. 10100-001)

White DMC Stranded Cotton embroidery thread

(item no. 117MC-BLANC) Beige DMC Stranded

Cotton embroidery thread (item no. 117MC-0422)

Green DMC Stranded Cotton embroidery thread (item no. 117MC-0369)

9 x 10mm jingle bells (item no. 96582)

1m green 6mm satin ribbon (item no. 22355-0006-50)

Green sewing thread to match ribbon (item no. G303-200-224)

Air erasable marking pen (item no. M9470)

Prym Fray Check (optional) (item no. 968.020)

Polyester stuffing

Sewing machine + supplies



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## WOBBLY SNOWMAN BY MATT FARCE



## **Gauge/Tension**

Tension is not critical for this project.

#### Measurements

24cm tall

#### **Abbreviations**

ch(s) chain(s) or chain stitch(es)

**blo** back loop only: insert hook under back loop only

dc double crochet

**dc2tog** double crochet 2 together: (insert hook in st, yoh, pull up loop) twice, yoh, draw through all loops on hook

**mr** magic ring

ss slip stitch(es)

**st(s)** stitch(es)

**yoh** yarn over hook

(.....) once/twice/3 times work the instructions between brackets the total number of times stated

#### **Pattern Notes**

Snowman is worked using amigurumi method (working in a spiral without fastening off each round with ss) <u>unless otherwise indicated</u>. Mark first st of each round with a stitch marker, moving it up as you go. Scarf is worked in rows. Colour changes take place on last st of round in previous colour: work last yoh of last dc in new colour and pull through. Download Bunting Template pdf via Simy's Studio blog:

bit.ly/merry-christmas-template

#### Instructions

#### SNOWMAN

#### Head

With Yarn A. make mr.

Round 1 (RS) 6dc into ring. [6 dc]

**Round 2** 2dc in each st around. [12 dc]

**Round 3** (2dc in next st, 1dc) 6 times. [18 dc]

**Round 4** (2dc in next st, 2dc) 6 times. [24 dc]

**Round 5** (2dc in next st, 3dc) 6 times. [30 dc]

Round 5 (200 in next St, 300) 6 times. [30 do

**Round 6** (2dc in next st, 4dc) 6 times. [36 dc]

**Round 7** (2dc in next st, 5dc) 6 times. [42 dc]

**Round 8** (2dc in next st, 6dc) 6 times. [48 dc]

**Round 9** (2dc in next st, 7dc) 6 times. [54 dc]

**Round 10** (2dc in next st, 8dc) 6 times. [60 dc]

**Rounds 11-22** 1dc in each st around. [60 dc] Insert two safety eyes between Rounds 16 and 17, with 10 sts between.

Start to stuff firmly and continue to stuff as you go.

**Round 23** (Dc2tog, 8dc) 6 times. [54 dc]

**Round 24** (Dc2tog, 7dc) 6 times. [48 dc]

**Round 25** (Dc2tog, 6dc) 6 times. [42 dc]

**Round 26** (Dc2tog, 5dc) 6 times. [36 dc]

**Round 27** (Dc2tog, 4dc) 6 times. [30 dc]

**Round 28** (Dc2tog, 3dc) 6 times. [24 dc]

Stop stuffing.

## Upper Body

**Round 29** (2dc in next st, 3dc) 6 times. [30 dc]

**Round 30** (2dc in next st, 4dc) 6 times. [36 dc]

**Round 31** (2dc in next st, 5dc) 6 times. [42 dc]

**Round 32** (2dc in next st, 6dc) 6 times. [48 dc]

**Round 33** (2dc in next st, 7dc) 6 times. [54 dc]

**Round 34** (2dc in next st, 8dc) 6 times. [60 dc]

# PRETTY LITTLE THINGS

## SHOPPING LIST

## WOBBLY SNOWMAN

#### Scheepjes Catona

(100% Mercerised Cotton; 50g/125m)

Yarn A: 106 Snow White x 1 ball

## **Scheepjes Catona**

(100% Mercerised Cotton: 25g/62.5m)

Yarn E: 390 Poppy Rose x 1 ball

#### **Scheepjes Catona**

(100% Mercerised Cotton; 10g/25m)

**Yarn B:** 157 Root Beer x 1 ball

Yarn C: 222 Tulip x 1 ball

Yarn D: 281 Tangerine x 1 ball

Yarn F: 249 Saffron x 1 ball Yarn G: 515 Emerald x 1 ball

Yarn H: 521 Deep Violet x 1 ball

2 10mm safety eyes (item no. 5633-10)

Wobble ball 110mm (item no. 6556-009)

Polyester stuffing (item no. 240130-10)

2.5mm crochet hook

Stitch marker

Small pompom maker
Leftover yarn to hang paper bunting



#### **NOTES**

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**Round 35** (2dc in next st, 9dc) 6 times. [66 dc]

**Round 36** (2dc in next st, 10dc) 6 times. [72 dc] **Round 37** (2dc in next st, 11dc) 6 times. [78 dc]

**Round 38** (2dc in next st, 12dc) 6 times. [84 dc]

**Rounds 39-52** 1dc in each st around. [84 dc] Fasten off.

#### Lower Body

Note: This section is worked separately to Upper Bodv.

With Yarn A, make mr.

Repeat Rounds 1-20.

Fasten off.

### **ARMS**

#### Socket (make 2)

With Yarn B, make mr.

Round 1 (RS) 6dc into ring. [6 dc]

**Rounds 2-16** 1dc in each st around. [6 dc]

Change to Yarn A.

**Round 17** 2dc in each st around. [12 dc]

**Round 18** (2dc in next st, 1dc) 6 times. [18 dc]

**Round 19** (2dc in next st, 2dc) 6 times. [24 dc]

**Rounds 20-21** 1dc in each st around. [24 dc]

**Round 22** 1dc in each st around. [24 dc]

Fasten off leaving 20cm tail for sewing.

## Branch (make 2)

With Yarn B, make mr.

Round 1 (RS) 6dc into ring. [6 dc]

Stuff Branch as you go.

**Rounds 2-4** 1dc in each st around. [6 dc]

Fasten off and sew Branch 1cm down from top of Socket.

#### **CHEEK (MAKE 2)**

Note: This section is worked in the round. With Yarn C. make mr.

**Round 1 (RS)** Ch1 (does not count as st throughout), 6dc into ring, ss to first dc to join. [6 dc]

**Round 2** Ch1, 2dc in each st around, ss to first dc. [12 dc]

Fasten off leaving 20cm tail for sewing.



#### NOSE

Note: Return to using amigurumi method. With Yarn D. make mr.

Round 1 (RS) 6dc into ring. [6 dc]

**Round 2** 1dc in each st around. [6 dc]

**Round 3** (2dc in next st,1dc) 3 times. [9 dc]

**Round 4** 1dc in each st around. [9 dc]

**Round 5** (2dc in next st, 2dc) 3 times. [12 dc]

Rounds 6-7 1dc in each st around. [12 dc]

**Round 8** 1dc in each st around, passing hook through dc of previous round, stuffing before fastening off. [12 dc]

#### **BUTTON (MAKE 4)**

Make one Button in each colour: Yarn E, Yarn F, Yarn G, Yarn H.

Make mr.

**Round 1 (RS)** Ch1 (does not count as st throughout), 6dc into ring, ss to first dc to join. [6 dc]

#### HAT

With Yarn E, make mr. Repeat Rounds 1-20 of Snowman. Change to Yarn F.

**Round 21** 1dc blo in each st around. [60 dc]

**Round 22-24** 1dc in each st around. [60 dc]

**Round 25** 1dc in each st around, passing hook through dc of previous round as well as front loops from Round 21. [60 dc]

Fasten off and weave in ends.

## **Pompom**

With Yarn H, make a pompom.

Trim to size and sew to the centre of Hat.

#### **SCARF**

With Yarn H. ch9.

**Row 1** 1dc in second ch from hook, 1dc into each remaining ch to end, turn. [8 dc]

Rows 2-8 Ch1 (does not count as st throughout), 1dc into each st to end, turn. [8 dc] Change to Yarn F.

**Rows 9-16** Ch1, 1dc into each st to end, turn. [8 dc] Repeat Rows 9-16 eight more times, changing yarn after every eight rows in the following sequence: Yarn E, G, H, F, E, G, H, F.

Fasten off and weave in ends.

Use small scraps of yarn to add fringe at both ends of Scarf, trim to an equal length.

#### To Finish

Using image as guide, sew Nose and Cheeks to Head.

Place Upper Body and Lower Body of Snowman onto wobble ball, sew together to join and secure wobble ball.

Stuff Arm Sockets and sew Arms onto body followed by Buttons.

Wrap Scarf around Snowman's neck and sew a stitch or two to keep it in place.

Pop Snowman's Hat on, so he doesn't get cold!

## **BUNTING**

Cut 40cm of leftover yarn in any colour and tie ends around Branches (allowing 5cm to hang on both sides).

Cut letters using Template, fold in half and hang over yarn to make Bunting.







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