



# PRETTY LITTLE THINGS



 **TROPICAL**   
QUILT, CROCHET AND KNIT

# PALM BEACH MINI QUILT

BY LIZ BARRACLOUGH



## TROPICAL

What do you think of when you hear the word ‘tropical’? Warm weather, fresh fruits, rainforests and flamingo-print tees of course! And that’s exactly where we took inspiration from for this summery issue of Pretty Little Things. Add sunshine to a living space with a quirky crocheted pineapple that looks good enough to eat, or expand your warm-weather wardrobe with an airy knitted top in pretty pink. Lastly, we feature a palm-tree mini quilt perfect for beginners!

Scheepjes Creative Director

*Sunny*  
♡

### PALM BEACH MINI QUILT

#### Measurements

12 ½ x 16 ½ in.

#### Abbreviations

**FQ** fat quarter

**hst(s)** half square triangle(s)

**pc(s)** piece(s)

**RS** right side(s)

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

**tog** together

**WS** wrong side(s)

#### Pattern Notes

Seam allowances are ¼ in throughout.

Please see p.4 to learn more about standard measurements used for quilting.

This design is made from patchwork squares and hsts with straight line quilting.



Patchwork foot is not essential but may help accurate piecing. Use walking foot (optional) to help create straight quilting lines and feed fabric through machine more evenly. Use chain piecing method (see p.5) for Piecing Blocks and Constructing Quilt Top.

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### 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!

### PALM BEACH MINI QUILT

#### Tissu de Marie fabric

(100% Cotton Batik)

#### Fabric A: Light Blue x 1 FQ

(item no. 706020-17)

#### Fabric B: Blue x 1 FQ

(item no. 706020-04)

#### Fabric C: Brown x 1 FQ

(item no. 706020-23)

#### Fabric D: Yellow x 1 FQ

(item no. 706020-14)

#### Fabric E: Green 1.5m x 50cm

(item no. 706020-19)

1 spool green universal sewing thread

(item no. A1678-1099)

1 spool grey cotton quilting thread

(item no. A9105-1081)

40 x 50cm low loft 80:20 batting

(item no. 240078)

27mm curved safety pins

(item no. 071.390)

Masking/painter's tape

Long quilting pins

(item no. 028.520)

and/or Clover Wonder Clips (optional)

(item no. CL3183) >>



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- >> 1 x 80/12 universal sewing machine needle (item no. 130-705-05-080)
- 1 x 90/14 quilting sewing machine needle (item no. 130-705Q-90)
- 4-6mm wooden dowel
- Sewing machine + supplies

### QUILTING FACT:

#### Imperial vs. Metric

Did you know that quilting patterns are typically written using the imperial measurement standard? Even in countries where metric measurements are used to buy fabric and haberdashery, such as the UK and Australia!

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## Instructions

### PREPARE FABRIC

**Step 1** Press fabric and trim edges following straight grain of fabric.

**Step 2** With Fabric E, cut 2 x 2in-wide strips along fabric width (strips will measure 1.5m long) and an additional pc to measure 16 x 20in. These will be used later for Quilt Binding and Backing.

**Step 3** Cut remaining fabric into number of squares as per Table 1: Cutting Squares below.

Table 1: Cutting Squares

Fabric	3½ in	2½ in
A (sky)	12	6
B (sea)	1	5
C (trunk)	3	2
D (sand)	2	7
E (leaf)	14	-

### PIECING BLOCKS

Use universal thread and needle.

Make hsts from 3½in squares as follows:

**Step 4** Take 11 squares of Fabric E, place RS down and draw diagonal line (corner to corner) on each pc. Place pcs on top of 11 matching squares of Fabric A, RS tog. Pin 1in either side of (and parallel to) drawn line.

**Step 5** Using st length 2, st ¼in either side of line using chain piecing method (see p.5). Trim threads between pcs then cut along drawn lines to make hsts. Open out and press seams open.

Trim to 2½in square blocks.

**Step 6** Combine 3½in squares as per combinations below and make remaining hsts in same way to create 8 more 2½in square blocks:

- 1 x Fabric A + Fabric C
- 1 x Fabric E + Fabric C
- 1 x Fabric B + Fabric D
- 1 x Fabric C + Fabric D

### CONSTRUCTING QUILT TOP

See Schematic 1: Quilt.

**Step 7** Arrange blocks to create palm tree design (there will be two spare). Sew tog systematically using chain piecing method, working bottom up, or join squares to make rows then sew together rows.

### QUILTING

See Schematic 1: Quilt and use masking tape to mark lines on Quilt Top.

Use quilting thread and needle.

**Step 8** Press Quilt Top and Backing fabric. Place Backing RS down on working surface and use masking tape to keep it in place. Create quilt sandwich by placing batting on top followed by Quilt Top with RS facing up.

**Step 9** Working out from centre, pin all layers tog using curved safety pins, positioning them at centre of alternate blocks.

**Step 10** Change to walking foot if using and change st length to 3. Quilt straight lines as per Schematic 1 through quilt sandwich. Remove pins as you go.

## BINDING AND CORNERS

Create Corners on back of quilt for hanging as follows:

**Step 11** Square up and trim layers in line with Quilt Top to neaten.

**Step 12** Take final two 3 1/2in squares of Fabric E, fold in half to make two triangles, WS tog, press. Position one at each top corner of Backing so cut edges align. Tack in place.

Continue to attach Binding:

**Step 13** Using the two 2in strips of Fabric E, place RS tog and sew along one short edge, using a 1/4in seam, to make one long strip. Press seam open. Fold strip lengthways, WS tog, and press to create 1in Binding.

**Step 14** Starting part way down long side at a matching coloured block, pin Binding around Quilt Top, aligning raw edges. At each corner, fold Binding up at 45 degrees and finger press, fold back towards quilt so fold is level with edge, continue pinning all around. Turn back ends so folds butt together, finger press, trim excess and sew ends tog along fold. Trim seam to 1/4in.

**Step 15** Sew down one side from corner, stopping at point of mitre crease. Reverse a few sts and cut thread. Fold mitre back and sew from quilt edge down to next mitre and repeat. Continue back to start point.

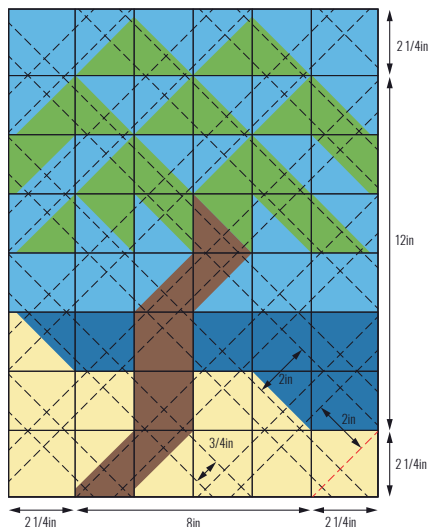
**Step 16** Fold Binding to back, clip in place and hand stitch to Backing with matching thread.

## TO FINISH

Remove any tacking sts and trim any visible threads.

Trim dowel to fit under corner triangles for hanging.

## Schematic 1: Quilt



### Key

- Quilt sts
- First line of quilt sts to start measuring from
- Blocks

## HOW TO: CHAIN PIECE

*Easy speedy patchwork piecing!*

Speed up the process of piecing together your squares for a quilting project with this easy method. Also known as continuous stitching, this technique saves time for all levels of quilter!

**Step 1** - Prepare your blocks according to your chosen pattern by cutting them out and pairing them with right sides facing.

**Step 2** - Take your pile of pairs to your sewing machine and begin by seaming the first pair together.

**Step 3** - Without trimming thread, continue to sew stitches for a few cm off the edge. Then slide next pair under machine foot and continue to sew next seam without trimming thread in-between.

**Step 4** - Continue as for first two pairs, sewing continuously along all seams until pairs are joined.

Trim stitches between each pair to separate pieces from one another, and continue with this method to sew remaining seams!



# DANCING PINEAPPLE

BY NIENKE JONGSTRA

## Gauge/Tension

Tension is not critical for this project, but different measurements may result in different yarn amounts needed.

## Measurements

12cm wide x 20cm high

## Abbreviations (UK terms)

[ ] number of sts on a given row/round

**bet** between

**blo** back loop(s) only: insert hook under back loop(s) only

**ch-1 sp(s)** chain 1 space(s); number denotes number of chains in chain space

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

**dc** double crochet

**dtr** double treble crochet

**flo** front loop(s) only: insert hook under front loop(s) only

**htr** half treble crochet

**mr** magic ring

**prev** previous

**rep** repeat

**RS** right side

**sp** space

**ss** slip stitch

**sk** skip

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

**tr** treble crochet

**\*.....; rep from \* x times/to end** work

instructions after \* and then repeat that section as stated

(.....) x times work instructions in brackets the total number of times stated

### Special Abbreviation

**10tr-scale** (crocodile st) 5tr around first tr, rotate work 180 degrees, 5tr around second tr

### Pattern Notes

This pattern is worked using amigurumi method unless otherwise specified: work sts continuously in a spiral without closing each round with ss. Mark first st of each round with st marker, moving it up as you go.

Base section is worked in rows of crocodile st: 13 10tr-scales per row. Turn work after each row.

Scales are embroidered with back st (for embroidery st instructions visit [bit.ly/simys-embroidery-tutorial](http://bit.ly/simys-embroidery-tutorial)).

### Instructions

#### TOP

With Yarn A, make mr.

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

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

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

**Round 4** (1dc, 2dc in next st, 1dc) 6 times. [24 dc]

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

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

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

**Round 8** (3dc, 2dc in next st, 3dc) 6 times. [48 dc]

**Round 9** 48dc around.

**Round 10** (7dc, 2dc in next st) 6 times. [54 dc]

**Round 11** (4dc, 2dc in next st, 4dc) 6 times. [60 dc]

**Round 12** (9dc, 2dc in next st) 6 times. [66 dc]

**Round 13** (5dc, 2dc in next st, 5dc) 6 times. [72 dc]

**Round 14** 72dc.

**Round 15** (11dc, 2dc in next st) 6 times. [78 dc]

**Round 16** 78dc.

Fasten off.

### BASE

This section is worked in crocodile st.

With Yarn C, ch79.

**Row 1 (WS)** 1tr in fourth ch from hook (skipped 3-ch counts as 1 tr), (ch2, sk 2 ch, 2tr in next ch) 25 times, turn. [52 tr, 25 ch-2 sps]

**Row 2 (RS)** Sk 2 tr and 2 ch, (10tr-scale around next pair of tr sts, ss bet next 2 tr) 12 times, sk 1 tr and 2 ch, 5tr around next tr, 4tr around final tr, ch3, ss bet the 2 tr you just worked 5 tr and 4 tr around, turn. [13 10tr-scales, 13 ss]

**Row 3** Ch3 (counts as 1 tr throughout), 1tr in same sp as last ss of prev row, \*ch2, 2tr bet next 2 tr, ch2, 2tr in centre sp of 10tr-scale; rep from \* to end, ending with 2tr bet final 2 tr. [52 tr, 25 ch-2 sps]

**Row 4** Ch3, 4tr around first tr, 5tr around second tr, ss bet next 2 tr, (10tr-scale around next pair of tr sts, ss bet next 2 tr) 12 times, ss bet final 2 tr. [13 10tr-scales, 14 ss]

**Row 5** Ch3, 1tr in same sp as last ss of prev row, \*ch2, 2tr in centre sp of 10tr-scale, ch2, 2tr bet

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### SHOPPING LIST

#### DANCING PINEAPPLE

##### Scheepjes Catona

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

**Yarn A:** 522 Primrose x 1 ball

##### Scheepjes Catona

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

**Yarn A:** 522 Primrose x 1 ball

**Yarn B:** 528 Silver Blue x 1 ball

**Yarn C:** 392 Lime Juice x 1 ball

**Yarn D:** 383 Ginger Gold x 1 ball

2.5mm crochet hook

Polyester stuffing  
(item no. 240130-10)

110mm wobble ball  
(item no. 6556)

12cm length thin elastic cord  
(item no. 50011)

1 x stitch marker





NOTES

Use this space to write your pattern notes!

next 2 tr; rep from \* to end, ending with 2tr in centre sp of final 10tr-scale. [52 tr, 25 ch-2 sps]

**Rows 6-13** Rep Rows 2-5 twice.

**Rows 14-16** Rep Rows 2-4.

**Row 17** Ch2 (counts as 1 dc), 1dc in same sp as last ss of prev row, 2dc into side of tr, \*1dc bet next 2 tr, 2dc into side of tr, 1dc in centre sp of 10tr-scale, 2dc into side of tr; rep from \* to end, ending with 1dc bet final 2 tr, fasten off leaving a long yarn tail. [78 dc]

Join back seam so scales align neatly.

**LONG LEAF (MAKE 3)**

With Yarn B, make mr.

**Round 1 (RS)** 4dc into ring. [4 dc]

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

**Round 3** (2dc, 2dc in next st) twice. [8 dc]

**Round 4** (1dc, 2dc in next st) 4 times. [12 dc]

**Rounds 5-19** 12dc.

Fasten off.

**SHORT LEAF (MAKE 5)**

With Yarn C, make mr.

**Round 1 (RS)** 4dc into ring. [4 dc]

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

**Round 3** (2dc, 2dc in next st) twice. [8 dc]

**Round 4** (1dc, 2dc in next st) 4 times. [12 dc]

**Rounds 5-15** 12dc.

Fasten off.

**ASSEMBLY**

Use photo as guide.

Sew Long Leaves around Round 2 of Top then Short Leaves around Round 4 of Top.

With Yarn B, work 1dc flo in each st of Round 6 of Top around, do not join. [36 dc]

**Next round** 36dc.

**Next round** (1htr, 3dtr in next st, 1htr, ss in next st) 9 times, fasten off.

Sew Base to Round 15 of Top.

With Yarn C, work 1dc in each st of Round 15 of Top around, do not join. [78 dc]

**Next round** (2dc, 3ch, 1dc) 26 times, fasten off.

With Yarn D, embroider stripes onto scales using back st.

Thread length of elastic through sps at back of Row 4 of Base, so Pineapple stays in place on wobble ball.

**TO FINISH**

Weave in all ends and place Pineapple over wobble ball.





# FLAMINGO TOP

BY CHER MARCUS



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## FLAMINGO TOP

**Scheepjes Sunkissed**

(100% Cotton: 50g/170m)

**019 Candy Floss** x 4 (5: 5: 5: 6) balls

2.5mm and 3mm knitting needles

1 x stitch holder

*Note: Scheepjes Sunkissed can be substituted by Scheepjes Cotton 8 or Scheepjes Organicon using the same number of balls*



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**Gauge/Tension**

28 sts and 40 rows to measure 10 x 10cm over st st using 3mm needles.

**Measurements (in cm)**

Size	To Fit Bust	Actual Bust	Actual Length
XS	71-76	80	48
S	81-86	86	49
M	91.5-96.5	100	51.5
L	101.5-106.5	110	55
XL	111.5-117	120	57.5
XXL	122-127	130	60

**Abbreviations**

[ ] number of sts on a given row

**beg** beginning

**cont** continue

**k** knit

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

**kwise** knitwise

**p** purl

**rem** remaining

**rep** repeat

**RS** right side

**skpo** slip 1, knit 1, pass slipped st over

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

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

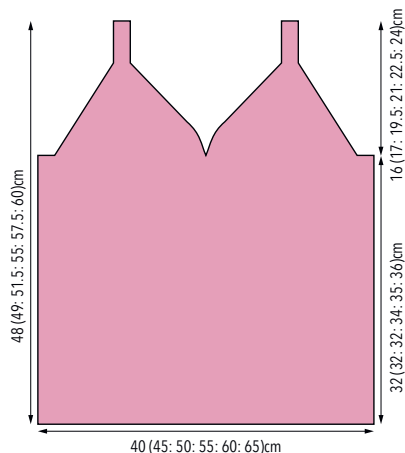
**WS** wrong side

\*.....; **rep from \* x times/to end** work instructions after \* and then repeat that section as stated



**Pattern Notes**

Top is worked in rows of st st and features rolled hem created by first 6 rows of st st. When measuring length to armholes, do not include beg 6 rows as they naturally roll due to nature of fabric.



**Instructions**

**FRONT**

With 2.5mm needles, cast on 112 (120: 140: 154: 168: 182) sts.

Beg with a k row, work 6 rows in st st.

Change to 3mm needles.

Cont in st st for a further 32 (32: 32: 34: 35: 36) cm, ending with WS row. \*\*

**Shape Armholes and Divide for Front Neck**

**Next row (RS)** Cast off 6 (6: 6: 7: 8: 9) sts and k until 50 (54: 64: 70: 76: 82) sts on right needle, turn and work on these sts for left side of neck shaping, leaving rem sts on st holder. [50 (54: 64:

70: 76: 82) sts]

### Shape Left Front Neck

**Next row (WS)** Purl.

**Row 1 (RS)** K2, skpo, k to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2.

**Row 2 (WS)** Purl.

**Row 3** K2, skpo, k to end.

**Row 4** Purl.

Rep Rows 1-4 a further 3 (3: 3: 4: 5: 6) times. [38 (42: 52: 55: 58: 61) sts]

Rep Rows 1-2 a further 14 (16: 21: 22: 23: 24) times. [10 (10: 10: 11: 12: 13) sts]

### Left Front Strap

Work 20 rows in st st.

Cast off.

### Shape Right Front Neck

With RS facing, rejoin yarn to rem 56 (60: 70: 77: 84: 91) sts, k to end.

**Next row (WS)** Cast off 6 (6: 6: 7: 8: 9) sts, p to end. [50 (54: 64: 70: 76: 82) sts]

**Row 1 (RS)** K2, skpo, k to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2.

**Row 2 (WS)** Purl.

**Row 3** K to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2.

**Row 4** Purl.

Rep Rows 1-4 a further 3 (3: 3: 4: 5: 6) times. [38 (42: 52: 55: 58: 61) sts]

Rep Rows 1-2 a further 14 (16: 21: 22: 23: 24) times. [10 (10: 10: 11: 12: 13) sts]

### Right Front Strap

Work 20 rows in st st.

Cast off.

## BACK

Work as given for Front to \*\*. [112 (120: 140: 154: 168: 182) sts]

### Shape Armholes

Cast off 6 (6: 6: 7: 8: 9) sts at beg of next 2 rows. [100 (108: 128: 140: 152: 164) sts]

**Next row (RS)** K2, skpo, k to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2.

**Next row (WS)** Purl.

Rep last 2 rows 6 (6: 6: 7: 8: 9) more times. [86 (94: 114: 124: 134: 144) sts]

### Divide for Back Neck

**Next row (RS)** K2, skpo, k30 (34: 44: 49: 54: 59), k2tog, k2, turn and leave rem sts on holder. [36 (40: 50: 55: 60: 65) sts]

### Shape Right Back Neck

\*\*\* **Next row (WS)** Purl.

**Next row (RS)** K2, skpo, k to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2. Rep last 2 rows 12 (14: 19: 21: 23: 25) more times. [10 (10: 10: 11: 12: 13) sts]

### Right Back Strap

Work 23 rows in st st.

Cast off. \*\*\*

### Shape Left Back Neck

With RS facing, rejoin yarn to rem 48 (52: 62: 67: 72: 77) sts, cast off centre 10 sts, k until 2 sts on right needle, skpo, k to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2. [36 (40: 50: 55: 60: 65) sts]

Complete as for Right Back Neck from \*\*\* to \*\*\*.

## TO FINISH

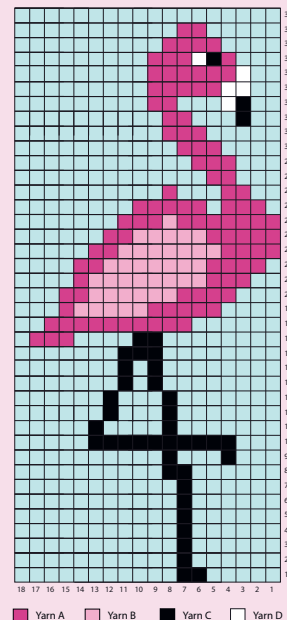
Join Strap seams and side seams using mattress st, reversing hem seam for 6 rows of rolled hem at cast-on edge as you go to allow edge to curl. Weave in all ends and block to measurements, making sure not to pin down rolled hem so curl is not flattened by blocking.

## FLAMINGO MOTIF

Embellish your knitted Flamingo

Top with a duplicate stitch

**Flamingo Motif!** Visit Simy's Studio blog for stitch instructions: [bit.ly/simys-embroidery-tutorial](http://bit.ly/simys-embroidery-tutorial)



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