# **DECEMBER**Knitting Pattern: Festive Garland



# FESTIVE GARLAND

By Scheepjes Design

#### **Materials**

 $\textbf{Scheepjes Colour Crafter} \ (100\% \ Premium \ Acrylic \ (Anti-Pilling);$ 

100 g/300 m)

Yarn A 1420 Ommen

Yarn B 1709 Burum

**Yarn C** 1824 Enschede

Yarn D 1062 Dordrecht

Yarn E 1246 Maastricht

Addi Express knitting mill 15cm

Tapestry needle

Scissors

#### **Measurements**

Garland: 100cm (40in) using 10 loops Small loop: approx. 50 rounds Large loop: approx. 60 rounds

#### **Pattern Notes**

This pattern uses the Addi Express knitting mill in circular mode. Alternate between small and large loops for a playful effect. The cast-on colour will be removed later so the stitches are visible for closing with mattress stitch.

## Instructions

# MAKING A LOOP

**Step 1.** Cast on using Yarn B and knit 5–7 rounds to form an edge. These rounds will be removed later. Make sure to start at the beginning point of the machine (marked with dark hooks).

**Step 2.** Switch to Yarn A (or B/C/D/E as desired). When switching colours, let approx. 20 cm of yarn fall inside the machine — this will be used for finishing. Knit 60 rounds for a large loop (or 50 rounds for a small loop). Then knit 6 more rounds using Yarn B.

**Step 3.** Cut the working yarn and continue cranking until the work naturally falls off the machine. If it gets caught on a few hooks, carefully lift it off.

#### **CLOSING THE LOOP**

**Step 4.** Fold the knitted piece in half so that the open edges meet. The cast-on colour (Yarn B) ensures the stitches are visible. Use a darning needle to close the loop with the mattress stitch.

Find the horizontal bars between the first and second stitches from the edge on each side. Weave the needle under two bars on one side, then two bars on the other side. Repeat this, always through the innermost two loops/bars on both sides. Pull the yarn tight every few stitches — not too tight, just enough to bring the edges together neatly.

### **NEXT LOOPS**

Step 5. Repeat the steps above.

Before joining the seams of the next loops, slip it through the previous loop. Continue until you have the desired number of loops/Garland length.

#### To Finish

Optionally secure the loops to each other with a small stitch to keep the seams hidden on the inside. Weave in all ends neatly. Tip: For the best result, alternate colours and loop lengths. For example, create a rhythm: large – small – large.