



Rustic Little Christmas Trees

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Quick and easy garter stitch Christmas tree

MATERIALS

For each tree

Yarn: Sport Weight 13 metres/15 yards

Shown In: *Blacker Yarns Limited Edition Brushwork* Colour: Craquelure 50g = 152 metres/165 yards (Scottish Bowmont/Castlemilk Moorit/Alpaca).

Needles: 2.5mm

Notions: Tapestry needle

TENSION/GAUGE

38 sts x 32 rows = 10 x 10 cm with 2.5 mm in garter stitch

SIZE

Each tree measures 10cm/4" from base to top by 7.5cm/3" at its widest point

You can make the trees using any weight of yarn, but be sure to use a needle one size smaller than what is recommended. For example, if the recommended needle is a 4mm, you should use a 3mm. You want the trees to be firm, which helps them to resist curling.



STANDARD KNITTING ABBREVIATIONS

CO – Cast on

K – Knit

St(s) Stitch

PSSO – Pass slipped stitch over

K2tog – Knit two stitches together

PATTERN

The trees are knitted from the bottom up

Cast on 5 sts and knit 6 rows of garter stitch.

At end of last row, cast on 8sts, you will now have 13sts in total.

Knit across all stitches and end of row cast on another 8sts. (21sts)

Continue as follows

Rows 1 - 5: Knit

Row 6: K1, sl. K1, pssso, knit to last 3 sts k2tog

Repeat the last six rows until 5sts remain.

Work 5 more rows of knit

Row 60: K1, K2tog twice (3sts)

Knit 3 more rows

Row 64: K1, k2tog (2sts)

K2tog, cut yarn and pull tail through last stitch.

Sew in ends.

If you're making individual trees, you could crochet a chain from the top of the tree. Alternatively, you could attach a little piece of ribbon and maybe even a button.

The trees can be left plain or decorated with embroidery, buttons, sequins or beads.

To make a garland, you'll need to attach your trees to a length of string, ribbon or crochet chain.





Rustic Little Christmas Tree Garland

Instructions



Using your cocktail stick to apply a small amount of glue to the front of your peg, attach the button. Hold in place for a few seconds and then clip onto a piece of paper and leave to dry.

Cut a length of garden string and peg your trees on the line.

Gather your supplies

You will need

Knitted Christmas trees, Mini wooden pegs, garden twine, wooden star buttons, strong glue and a bamboo skewer or cocktail stick.

