



This cute festive snowman is knit top-down in the round using double pointed needles and small quantities of [Hayfield Bonus DK yarn](#). The head and body are knit in a tight gauge so that the stuffing doesn't show through and the pattern includes directions for a plain hat and scarf, but feel free to improvise!

**You will need:**

- [Hayfield Bonus DK](#) in white plus additional colours for the accessories.
- Tiny scrap of felt for the nose, and suitable thread to sew it on.
- A set of 3.25mm [double pointed needles](#)
- Small quantity of [toy filling](#).
- Selection of needles for sewing up.

**Skills required:**

- Knitting in the round on DPNs.
- Kfb = increase by knitting into the front and back of the same stitch.
- K2tog = decrease by knitting two stitches together.
- Knit and purl.
- Knitting an icord.

**Instructions:**

1. Leaving a long tail (this will become the hanging loop of the decoration) cast on 6 sts.
2. Split the sts evenly onto 3 DPNs and join to knit in the round.

Head:

3. Kfb all sts = 12 sts.
4. (K1, kfb) repeat to end = 18 sts.
5. Knit 5 rounds.
6. (K1, k2tog) repeat to end = 12 sts.
7. Fill the head with stuffing until it is round and full.
8. K2tog all sts = 6 sts.
9. Knit one round to form the neck.

Body:

10. (K1, kfb) to end = 9 sts.
11. (K2, kfb) to end = 12 sts.
12. (K3, kfb) to end = 15 sts.
13. (K4, kfb) to end = 18 sts.
14. (K5, kfb) to end = 21 sts.
15. (K6, kfb) to end = 24 sts.
16. Knit all rounds until the work measures approx 5cm from the neck.
17. K2tog all sts = 12 sts.
18. Fill body with stuffing, padding it out to a suitable shape.
19. K2tog all sts = 6 sts.
20. K2tog all sts = 3 sts.
21. Ensuring enough yarn is left for the sewing, break off yarn and thread it onto a darning needle. Draw the needle through the last three stitches and pull tight before sewing closed.
22. Sew the yarn at the top of the head into a loop, which can be used to hang the snowman up.

Arms: These are made from a single icord, which is pulled through the body. To make the 'twig' hands, a tiny icord is made first and then added to the main one, as follows:

- Cast on 2 sts.
- Knit icord for 1 row.
- Break the yarn leaving a long tail (which will be sewn-in later) and put aside.
- On a new DPN, cast on 2 sts.
- Knit icord for 1 row.
- Transfer the 2 sts of the first icord onto the right side of needle with the second icord, so that you have 4 sts on the needle.
- Knit a 4 stitch icord for approx 7 cm.
- K2, then leave the other 2 sts for later.
- With the 2 live sts, knit 1 more row of icord, then bind off, leaving a long thread.
- Go back to the 2 sts on the other needle and knit 1 more row before binding off, leaving a long thread.
- Thread the loose ends on one side of the icord onto a blunt-ended needle and use this to insert the arms into the body, pulling through to the other side. When the arms are in the desired position, sew in all loose ends of thread, using a couple of stitches to secure the arms to the body.

Scarf:

- Using red yarn, cast on 26 sts.
- Knit in stocking st for 2 rows.
- Bind off.
- Tie the scarf around the snowman's neck and use the ends of yarn to stitch the scarf ends into place.

Hat:

- Using red yarn, cast on 6 sts.
- Split the sts evenly onto 3 DPNs and join to knit in the round.

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- Kfb all sts = 12 sts.
- (K1, kfb) repeat to end = 18 sts.
- Knit 3 rounds.
- Purl 3 rounds.
- Bind off, leaving enough yarn to sew the hat in place.
- Thread the hanging loop through the top of the hat and then secure the hat in place using the ends of yarn.

Face & body:

- Using some darker yarn scraps, sew on eyes, mouth and buttons.
- Cut a small triangle of felt – approx 1cm on each side - and sew it into a cone (carrot!) shape using thread and a fine needle, then stitch into place to complete your snowman.

