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Janie Crow designed this beautiful knitted cushion cover using the Special DK Limited Edition colour pack of I0x50g balls in these gorgeous new shades:

Kelly Green, Fuchsia Purple, Cypress, Boysenberry, Empire, Duck Egg, Grass Green, Pistachio, Lobelia, Mustard.

YOU WILL NEED

3.25mm & 4mm knitting needles Sewing needle 5 x jingle bells (available from Hobbycraft & Ebay)

MEASUREMENTS

To fit 50 x 30cm cushion pad

TENSION

25/26sts & 30 rows to 10cm on 4mm needles measured over Fair Isle

ABBREVIATIONS

cm centimetres
k knit
mm millimetres
p purl
st(s) stitch(es)
RS right side
WS wrong side



Notes:

Tension:

To keep tension even when combining rows of plain knitting with rows of Fair Isle, we advise using 4mm knitting needles for Fair Isle rows and 3.25mm knitting needles for plain rows (knit or purl with no colour change).

Take time to check your tension and adjust your needle size accordingly.

Fair Isle Method:

If you have 3 sts or fewer between a colour change use the stranding method.

If you have more than 3 sts between a colour change you will need to weave in the carried yarn at the reverse of the work.

Dealing with yarn ends:

I tend to sew yarn ends in as I go along – doing this makes the finishing process much easier as you will have less to do. Sewing yarn ends in as you go along also means that you are less likely to loose stitches or make errors with your tension.

Blocking:

The size and shape of the knitted pieces will change once they are blocked - it is a good idea to block your pieces before embarking on the making up process.

Method

Front Panel

Using 3.25mm knitting needles and Boysenberry cast on 69 sts.

Row 1 (RS): K1, * P1, K1; repeat from * to end.

Row 2 (WS): Work as Row 1.

The last 2 rows set moss st, work a further 16 rows.

Row 19 (RS): K3, * P1, K1, P1, K3; repeat from * to end.

Row 20: P4, * K1, P5; repeat from * to last 5sts, K1, P4.

Commence Chart A.

Working from chart A, reading odd numbered (RS) rows from right to left, and even numbered (WS) rows from left to right, continue as follows:

Change to 4mm knitting needles.

Row 21 - 35: Reading chart, work the Fair Isle method, working on 3.25mm needles when there is a plain row within the pattern.

Change to 3.25mm knitting needles.

Row 36: Using Duck Egg, purl.

Row 37 & 38: Using Mustard, knit.

Row 39 & 40: Using Pistachio, knit.

Row 41 & 42: Using Grass Green, knit.

Row 43 & 44: Using Cypress, knit.

Row 45: Using Lobelia, knit.

Row 46: Purl.

Row 47: Using Empire, knit.

Row 48: Purl.

Commence Chart B.

Working from chart B, reading odd numbered (RS) rows from right to left, and even numbered (WS) rows from left to right, continue as follows:

Change to 4mm knitting needles.

Row 49 - 77: Reading chart, work the Fair Isle method.

Change to 3.25mm knitting needles.

Row 78: Using Empire, purl.

Row 79: Knit.

Row 80: Using Lobelia, purl.

Row 81: Knit.

Row 82: Using Boysenberry, purl.

Row 83: P5, * K3, P5; repeat from * to end,

Row 84: Using Fuchsia Purple, k5, * P3, K5; repeat from * to end,

Row 85: Work as Row 83.

Row 86: Using Boysenberry, pur.l

Row 87: K4, * P5, K3; repeat from * to last st, K1.

Row 88: P4, * K5, P3; repeat from * to last st, P1.

Row 89: Work as Row 87.

Row 90: Using Lobelia, purl.

Commence Chart C.

Working from chart C, reading odd numbered (RS) rows from right to left, and even numbered (WS) rows from left to right, continue as follows:

Change to 4mm knitting needles

Row 91 - 105: Reading chart, work the Fair Isle method.

Change to 3.25mm knitting needles.

Row 106: Using Lobelia, purl.

Row 107: Using Mustard, knit.

Row 108: K1, * P1, K1; repeat from * to end.

Row 109: Work as Row 108.

The last 2 rows set moss st, work a further 2 rows

Row 112: Using Duck Egg, purl

Commence Chart D

Working from chart D, reading odd numbered (RS) rows from right to left, and even numbered (WS) rows from left to right, continue as follows:

Change to 4mm knitting needles

Row 113 – 127: Reading chart, work the Fair Isle method, working on 3.25mm needles when there is a plain row within the pattern.

Change to 3.25mm knitting needles

Row 128: Using Grass Green, purl.

Row 129 & 130: Using Empire, knit.

Row 131: Using Pistachio, K4, slip 1 purl wise, * K5, slip 1 purl wise; repeat from * to last 4sts, K4.

Row 132: P4, slip 1 purl wise, * P5, slip 1 purl wise; repeat from * to last 4sts, P4.

Row 133 & 134: Using Empire, knit.

Row 135: Using Grass Green, K1, slip 1 purl wise, * K5, slip 1 purl wise; repeat from * to last st, K1.

Row 136: P1, slip 1 purl wise, * P5, slip 1 purl wise; repeat from * to last st, P1.

Row 137 & 138: Using Empire, knit.

Row 139 & 140: Using Duck Egg, repeat Row 131 & 132.

Row 141 & 142: Using Empire, knit.

Row 143: Using Fuchsia Purple, knit.

Row 144: K1, * P1, K1; repeat from * to end.

Row 145 & 146: Work as Row 144.

Row 147: K3, *P1, K1, P1, K3; repeat from * to end.

Row 148: P4, * K1, P5; repeat from * to last 5sts, K1, P4.

Row 149: Knit.

Row 150: Work as Row 148.

Row 151: Work as Row 147

Row 152 - 154: Work as Row 144.

RS facing - cast off knitwise.

Back Top Panel

With RS facing, using 3.25mm knitting needles and Fuchsia Purple, pick up and knit 69 sts along cast off edge of Front Panel (this counts as Row 1.)

Row 2 - 12: Work as for Row 144 - 154 of Front Panel.

Row 13 & 14: Using Empire, knit.

Row 15: Using Duck Egg, K4, slip 1 purl wise, * K5, slip 1 purl wise; repeat from * to last 4sts, K4.

Row 16: P4, slip 1 purl wise, * P5, slip 1 purl wise; repeat from * to last 4sts, P4.

Row 17 & 18: Using Empire, knit.

Row 19: Using Grass Green, K1, slip 1 purl wise, * K5, slip 1 purl wise; repeat from * to last st, K1.

Row 20: P1, slip 1 purl wise, * P5, slip 1 purl wise; repeat from * to last st, P1.

Row 21 & 22: Using Empire, knit.

Row 23 & 24: Using Mustard, repeat Row 15 & 16.

Row 25 & 26: Using Empire, knit.

Row 27: Using Grass Green, knit.

Commence Chart E

Working from chart E, reading odd numbered (RS) rows from right to left, and even numbered (WS) rows from left to right, continue as follows:

Change to 4mm knitting needles

Row 28 – 42: Reading chart, work the Fair Isle method, working on 3.25mm needles when there is a plain row within the pattern

Change to 3.25mm knitting needles

Row 43: Using Duck Egg, knit.

Row 44: Using Mustard, purl.

Row 45 (RS): K1, * P1, K1; repeat from * to end.

Row 46 & 47: Work as Row 45.

Row 48: Using Lobelia, purl.

Row 49: Using Empire, knit.

Row 50 (Button Hole Row): K11, * cast off 3, K8; repeat from * to last 3sts, K3.

Row 51: Using Lobelia, knit, casting on 3sts where button holes made on previous row.

Row 52: Knit.

Row 53 & 54: Using Duck Egg, knit.

Cast off knitwise

Back Lower Panel

With RS facing, using 3.25mm knitting needles and Cypress, pick up and knit 69 sts along cast on edge of Front panel (this counts as Row 1).

Row 2: Purl Row 3: Knit

Work in stocking stitch as set for a further 17 rows.

Commence Chart F.

Working from chart F, reading odd numbered (RS) rows from right to left, and even numbered (WS) rows from left to right, continue as follows:

Change to 4mm knitting needles

Row 21 - 25: Reading chart F, work the Fair Isle method.

Change to 3.25mm knitting needles

Row 26 - 42: Using Kelly Green, work in stocking stitch.

Work Chart F again using colourway 2 as follows:

Change to 4mm knitting Needles

Row 43 – 47: Reading chart, work the Fair Isle method.

Change to 3.25mm knitting needles

Row 48 - 63: Using Grass Green, work in stocking stitch.

Work Chart F again using colourway 3 as follows:

Change to 4mm knitting needles

Row 64 - 68: Reading chart, work the Fair Isle method.

Change to 3.25mm knitting needles

Row 69 - 84: Using Mustard, work in stocking stitch.

Work Chart F again using colourway 4 as follows:

Change to 4mm knitting needles

Row 85 - 89: Reading chart, work the Fair Isle method.

Change to 3.25mm knitting needles

Row 90 -108: Using Pistachio, work in stocking stitch, dec 1 st at end of last row. 68 sts

Row 109: K3, * P2, K2; repeat from * to last st, K1

Row 110: P3, * K2, P2; repeat from * to last st, P1

The last 2 rows form a rib. Repeat the last 2 rows 4 times more.

RS facing - cast off in rib.

Making Up

Sew in all yarn ends neatly. Fold Back Lower Panel up and join side seams using mattress stitch. Fold Back Top Panel down and join side seams. Sew bells in place to match button holes.

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