

# CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS

KNITTING PATTERNS BY AMANDA BERRY

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## YARN + NOTIONS

### Needles:




- A pair of 3.75mm straight knitting needles (US 5)
- A 3.75mm crochet hook to make the hanging loop (US F)

### Notions:

- A darning or tapestry needle to sew the knitted pieces together

### Yarn:

All DK weight yarns, and less than 20g in each colour:

-  **Purple**  
Stylecraft Special DK in "Grape"
-  **Green**  
Stylecraft Special DK in "Cypress"
-  **Blue**  
Stylecraft Special DK in "Storm Blue"

The yarn used was sold in skeins weighing 100g, and one skein in each colour will be more than sufficient to knit a bundle of stockings.

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## NOTES

**Finished size:** Approximately 8cm tall (excluding the loop).

**Work flat:** All pieces are knitted flat (back and forth) on a pair of straight knitting needles, apart from the hanging loop which is a single crochet chain.

**Tension:** The tension is approximately 22 sts x 28 rows for a 10cm x 10cm square in stockinette stitch on 3.75mm needles.

**Casting on:** Unless otherwise specified, use the long tail cast on for all pieces.

**Sewing seams:** Use mattress stitch to sew the seams.

*I have no objection if you wish to sell the finished stockings made from this knitting pattern, however, you are not allowed to sell the pattern itself.*

## ABBREVIATIONS

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**DK** Double knitting or light worsted weight yarn

**k** Knit

**k2tog** *Decrease:* knit two stitches together.

**kfb** *Increase:* knit into the front and back of the next stitch.

**p** Purl

**rep** Repeat

**st(s)** Stitch(es)

**WS** Wrong side

**[...]** Repeat the sequence between the square brackets by the number indicated.

**(.. sts)** The number in round brackets at the end of the instruction indicates the number of stitches after working the row.

## KNITTING PATTERNS

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### Pattern A

*This pattern is to make the purple stocking with the blue seed stitch (or British "moss stitch") at the top.*

*Make 1.* Cast on 18 sts in purple on straight 3.75mm needles.

*Work rows 1 to 23 in purple.*

**Row 1:** p (18 sts, WS)

**Row 2:** [kfb] x 18 (36 sts)

**Row 3:** p (36 sts)

**Row 4:** k (36 sts)

**Rows 5 to 8:** rep rows 3 and 4 twice (36 sts)

**Row 9:** p (36 sts)

**Row 10:** k10, [k2tog] x 8, k10 (28 sts)

**Row 11:** p (28 sts)

**Row 12:** k10, [k2tog] x 4, k10 (24 sts)

**Row 13:** p (24 sts)

**Row 14:** k10, [k2tog] x 2, k10 (22 sts)

**Row 15:** p (22 sts)

**Row 16:** k (22 sts)

**Rows 17 to 22:** rep rows 15 and 16 three times (22 sts)

**Row 23:** p (22 sts)

*Work rows 24 to 34 in blue.*

**Rows 24 to 25:** k (22 sts)

**Rows 26 to 28:** p (22 sts)

**Row 29:** [k1, p1] x 11 (22 sts)

**Row 30:** [p1, k1] x 11 (22 sts)

**Rows 31 to 34:** rep rows 29 and 30 twice (22 sts)

Cast off all sts.

**Making up:** To make the stocking, fold the knitted piece in half lengthwise and sew the side edges together. Sew the cast on edge together along the bottom. Fold over the top edge to finish the stocking.

### Stocking Loop

*Make 1 per stocking.* Using a 3.75mm crochet hook, crochet a single chain 9cm long, then bind off.

**Making up:** Sew the ends of the chain to the top of the stocking to make a loop.

## Pattern B

This pattern is to make the blue stocking with green ribbed stitch at the top.

Make 1. Cast on 18 sts in blue on straight 3.75mm needles.

Work rows 1 to 23 in blue.

**Rows 1 to 23:** in blue follow pattern A rows 1 to 23 (22 sts)

Work rows 24 to 34 in green.

**Row 24:** p (22 sts)

**Row 25:** k (22 sts)

**Rows 26 to 28:** p (22 sts)

**Rows 29 to 34:** [k1, p1] x 11 (22 sts)

Cast off all sts.

**Making up:** Follow pattern A making up instructions.

## Pattern C

This pattern is to make the striped stocking with purple seed stitch (or British "moss stitch") at the top.

Make 1. Cast on 18 sts in green on straight 3.75mm needles.

Work rows 1 to 23 in green and blue stripes.

**Row 1:** in green p (18 sts, WS)

**Row 2:** in green [kfb] x 18 (36 sts)

**Row 3:** in blue p (36 sts)

**Row 4:** in blue k (36 sts)

**Row 5:** in green p (36 sts)

**Row 6:** in green k (36 sts)

**Rows 7 to 8:** in blue rep rows 3 and 4 (36 sts)

**Row 9:** in green p (36 sts)

**Row 10:** in green k10, [k2tog] x 8, k10 (28 sts)

**Row 11:** in blue p (28 sts)

**Row 12:** in blue k10, [k2tog] x 4, k10 (24 sts)

**Row 13:** in green p (24 sts)

**Row 14:** in green k10, [k2tog] x 2, k10 (22 sts)

**Row 15:** in blue p (22 sts)

**Row 16:** in blue k (22 sts)

**Row 17:** in green p (22 sts)

**Row 18:** in green k (22 sts)

**Rows 19 to 22:** rep rows 15 to 18 (22 sts)

**Row 23:** in green p (22 sts)

Work rows 24 to 34 in purple.

**Rows 24 to 34:** in purple follow pattern A rows 24 to 34 (22 sts)

Cast off all sts.

**Making up:** Follow pattern A making up instructions.

