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Juggling Hearts



Why not juggle with some hearts this Valentine's Day? Or, if you're not in the mood, just throw them at people.

You will need:

pink/red double knit yarn • toy stuffing or popping corn
5 x double ended knitting needles (2.75mm) • tapestry needle • scissors

Pattern:

Cast on 6 sts and join into the round.

Rounds 1-2: k –

Round 3: kfb x 6 (12)

Round 4: k –

Round 5: {[k1, kfb] x 2, kfb, k1} x 2 (18)

Round 6: k –

Round 7: {k2, kfb, [kfb, k2] x 2} x 2 (24)

Round 8: k –

Round 9: {[k3, kfb] x 2, kfb, k3} x 2 (30)

Round 10: k –

Round 11: {k4, kfb, [kfb, k4] x 2} x 2 (36)

Round 12: k –

Round 13: {[k5, kfb] x 2, kfb, k5} x 2 (42)

Round 14: k –

Round 15: {k6, kfb, [kfb, k6] x 2} x 2 (48)

Round 16: k –

Round 17: {[k7, kfb] x 2, kfb, k7} x 2 (54)

Rounds 18-20: k –

K27, cast on 9. Join these 36 stitches into the round to form the first lobe. (36)

Rounds 22-23: k –

Round 24: [k2tog, k7] x 4 (32)

Round 25: k –

Round 26: [k4, k2tog, k2] x 4 (28)

Round 27: k –

Round 28: [k2tog, k5] x 4 (24)

Round 29: [k3, k2tog, k1] x 4 (20)

Round 30: k –

Round 31: [k2tog, k3] x 4 (16)

Round 32: [k2, k2tog] x 4 (12)

Round 33: [k2tog, k1] x 4 (8)

Thread yarn through remaining sts. Do not pull tight until stuffing is complete.

Reattach yarn. K27, pick up 9 sts along cast on edge.

Continue from Round 22 until no sts remain.

Making Up:

Stuff your heart shape through the small holes remaining in the lobes. Using popping corn, or similar sized beans gives the heart enough weight to be thrown accurately. Toy stuffing works too but the hearts are much less satisfying to catch.

Close up the holes and sew in any loose ends securely.

Notes:

Abbreviations

[] x number	Repeat the section in square brackets the required number of times.
{ } x number	Repeat the section in curly brackets the required number of times.
(number)	Gives the total number of stitches you should have on needle by the end of the row.
k number	Knit this number of stitches.
k –	Knit every stitch to the end of the row / round.
kfb	Knit into the front and then the back of a single stitch (+1 stitch).
k2tog	Knit the next two stitches together (-1 stitch).
sts	Stitches.

Needle/Yarn Size

As with most ODDknit patterns the yarn and needle sizes in the "you will need" section are just a guide. Feel free to improvise with whatever needles and yarn you have lying around - that's half the fun!