

# Oh, Christmas Tree



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Pattern Notes: You could use any left over yarn that you have, in any gauge. I used a worsted weight. Use a needle that is a few sizes smaller than the usual recommended size. (Example: I used a size 3 (US) for worsted weight.) Using bigger yarn will result in bigger ornaments while smaller yarn will make for smaller ornaments. Using dpns will make it easier to do the i-cord later on and you won't need anything bigger than the avg sized dpn needle.

Materials: Left over yarn. (Very little. My finished tree with stuffing in it weighs 7 grams, which would be about 15 yards).

2 dpn needles in appropriate size for your yarn (see pattern notes).

Stuffing, sewing needle and any decorative yarns/buttons/etc you might want.

Place slip knot on needle. Leave a long tail (for sewing up later on).

Row 1: Kf&b.

Row 2: Kf&b, knit to end.

Repeat row 2 until there are 10 stitches on the needle.

Bind off 3, knit to end. Repeat. (4 sts remain).

Work as row 2 again until there are 14 sts on the needle.

Repeat bind off rows. (8 sts)

Work as row 2 until there are 20 sts.

Knit 2 rows (no increase, no bind off).

Begin decreasing:

Decrease 1 st at the beginning of every row (I prefer a ssk so that it leans left, but you could k2tog or bo 1, whichever you prefer). Continue this way until 8 sts remain.

Using a cable or knitted cast on, cast on 3 sts. Knit to end of row. Repeat (14 sts).

Return to decreasing every row until 4 sts remain.

Repeat cast on rows. (10 sts)

Return to decrease rows until 2 sts remain.

Work 2 st i-cord for approx. 4", if desired (for loop to hang on tree or garland). If no loop is desired, work one more decrease and then fasten off final stitch.

For i-cord loop: Bind-off, leaving a decent sized tail (in case extra is needed for sewing) and attach to beginning of cord.

Finishing:

Fold tree in half along bottom edge. Sew sides together, leaving enough space open for stuffing, if desired. Stuff lightly. Finish sewing seams and decorate as desired with buttons, yarn, etc. Hang on your tree/garland/whatever and enjoy!