

Snowball Wreath



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Simple, shimmery and pretty, this wreath will be sure to brighten your holiday home. The Snowball Wreath is knit in a tube then slipped over a wreath form and adorned by super fun pom-pom 'snowballs'.

Suggested Yarn

- Red Heart Shimmer (97% acrylic, 3% metallic polyester) 280yards (256m/100g) per skein
- For project: approximately 1.5 skeins

Needle

- 1 pair US 7 circular 23cm long
- 1 set US 7 double pointed needles or needles to obtain gauge.

Notions

- 12" diameter foam wreath form
- Stitch marker
- 2 small wooden dowels (the small sort that come with Ikea furniture)
- masking tape
- pom-pom maker in two sizes
- Darning needle for finishing

Gauge

- 4 stitches & 6 rows per 1 inch in stockinette stitch.

Abbreviations:

- k - knit
- p - purl
- w&t - wrap and twist

Techniques:

Wrap & Twist

Wrap and twist is a short row technique that adds gentle shaping, allowing the knitted fabric to follow the curve of the wreath form without bunching and wrinkling.

1. Bring the yarn to the front, slip the next stitch. Put the yarn to the back again, wrapping the slipped stitch.
2. Slip the slipped stitch back onto the left needle. Turn the work, the yarn will be in the front now.
3. Bring the yarn to the back completing the wrapping of the slipped stitch. Continue to knit as directed.

iCord

Using two double pointed needles cast on three stitches. Knit all three stitches, slide the stitches to the opposite end of the needle and knit the stitches again. Repeat until the icord is the desired length. To finish, pass the tail of the knitting through all three stitches and pull tight.

Knitting Directions:

Holding yarn double, cast on 25 stitches.

Making sure the stitches are not twisted, place marker and join round.

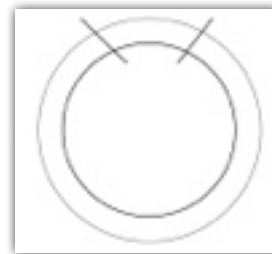
1. - 7. Knit
8. Purl
9. K20, w&t, k15, w&t, knit to end of round.
10. Purl

Repeat rounds 1-10 16 more times ending with a round 10. Cast off with loose tension. Leave a 12" tail for finishing.

Make two lengths of icord. One measuring 36" and the other measuring 44". Make four pompoms, two 2" diameter and two 4" diameter. Tie the pompoms onto the ends of the icord.

Assembling the wreath:

1. Using a sharp serrated knife, carefully cut the foam form at the 11 o'clock and 1 o'clock positions.



2. Push the wooden dowels into the middle of the cut sides on the bigger piece. Use the knife point to



carefully start a hole in the middle of the cut sides on the smaller piece.

3. Slide the knitting over the big piece of the wreath form. Connect the two foam pieces using the dowels and secure the join with some tape.
4. Use the darning needle to join the ends of the knitting. Don't worry about being neat as the icord bows will cover the seam.
5. Slide the fabric of the wreath over the form so that the knitting where the stitch marker was is on the back side. (see picture below)
6. Tie the icord pompoms over the seam. Tie the cord so that the snowball pompoms hang at varying intervals. Hang wreath so that bows are at the 1 o'clock position.

Back side of wreath



Front side of wreath



Making iCord

