Yellow Dink and Sparkly

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A slim fit Fair Isle tee. The colour scheme gives this a young, fresh style. Knitted in double knitting weight yarn, the Fair Isle pattern is not too demanding and would be ideal for someone wanting to develop their skills at this technique.



To fit sizes 32 (34, 36, 38, 40) inches

Finished sizes

Bust 81 (86, 91, 96, 101) cm / 32, (34, 36, 38, 40) inches Length 50 (51, 52.5, 54, 55) cm / 19 $\frac{3}{4}$ (20, 20 $\frac{1}{2}$, 21 $\frac{1}{2}$, 21 3/4) inches Sleeve seam 10 (10, 11, 11.5, 11.5) cm / 4 (4, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$) inches

Materials

 $2 \times 100 g$ balls of Sirdar Country Style DK (main colour) 318 metres / 348 yards per ball

I used shade 593 cowslip

1 x 100g ball of Sirdar Country Style DK in three contrasting colours I used shades 423 light pink, 418 burgundy, 589 mountain ash 3.75mm and 3.25mm straight needles

Tension

22 sts and 26 rows to 10 cm measured over pattern.

Abbreviations

k = knit

p = purl

sts = stitches

MC = main colour

CC = contrast colour

k2tog = knit 2 together

k2togtbl = knit 2 together through back of loops

dec = decrease

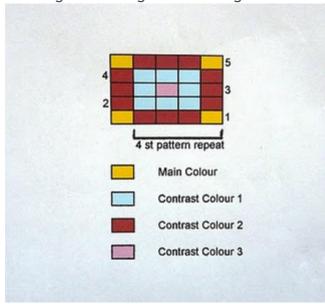
alt = alternate

RS = right side

WS = wrong side

Fair Isle pattern

Working in stocking stitch throughout



Work 5 rows from chart.

Using MC and beginning with a purl row, stocking stitch 5 rows.

(K1 in MC, k1 in CC1) to last st, k1 in MC.

Using MC only and beginning with a purl row, stocking stitch 5 rows.

These 16 rows form the Fair Isle pattern and are repeated throughout.



BACK

With 3.75mm needles cast on 97 (101, 107, 113, 119) sts with CC1. Break off CC1, join in MC.

Row 1: p1(1, 3, 1, 3), *(k2, p2) repeat from * to end

Row 2: (k2, p2) to last 1 (1, 3, 1, 3) sts, k1 (1, 3, 1, 3).

Repeat these 2 rows 11 more times.

K2tog, k11(12, 13, 14, 14) k2tog, k12 (12, 13, 14, 15) k2tog, k12 (12, 13, 14, 15) k2tog, k11 (13, 13, 13, 15) k2togtbl, k12 (12, 13, 14, 15) k2togtbl, k12 (12, 13, 14, 15) k2togtbl, k11 (13, 13, 14, 14) k2togtbl. 89 (93, 99, 105, 111) sts

Purl 1 row.

Commence Fair Isle pattern, keeping pattern correct, dec 1 st at each end of 5th and 3 following 4th rows. 81 (85, 91, 97, 103)sts Pattern 9 rows.

Increase 1 st at each end of next and 3 following 8th rows. 89 (93, 99, 105, 111)sts

Pattern 13 (13, 15, 17, 17) rows. Work should measure 32 (32, 33, 34, 34)cm.

Armhole shaping.

Cast off 5 sts at beg of next 2 rows. 79 (81, 87, 93, 99) sts

Decrease 1 st at each end of the next 3 rows.

Decrease 1 st at each end of next 3 alt. rows.

Decrease 1 st at each end of following 4th row. 65 (69, 75, 81, 87) sts ** Continue straight until armhole measures 18 (19, 19.5, 20, 21) cm.

Shape shoulders

Cast off 7 (7, 8, 9, 10) sts at beginning of next 2 rows. Cast off 6 (7, 8, 9, 10) sts at beginning of next 2 rows. Leave remaining 39 (41, 43, 45, 47) sts on a holder.

FRONT

Work as given for back to **

Work a further 1 row in pattern.

Pattern 25 (26, 28, 30, 32) sts turn leaving remaining stitches on a holder. Continue on these 25 (26, 28, 30, 32) sts for left neck as follows:

Decrease 1 st at neck edge on next 5 rows.

Decrease 1 st at neck edge on next 5 alternate rows.

Decrease 1 st at neck edge on next 2 following 4th rows. 13 (14, 16, 18, 20) sts

Continue straight until armhole measures the same as back to start of shoulder shaping, ending with a WS row.

Cast off 7 (7, 8, 9, 10) sts at beg of next row.

Work 1 row.

Cast off remaining 6 (7, 8, 9, 10) sts.

With RS facing, slip centre 15 (17, 19, 21, 21) sts onto a stitch holder and rejoin yarn to remaining 25 (26, 28, 30, 32) sts, pattern to end of the row. Decrease 1 st at neck edge on next 5 rows.

Decrease 1 st at neck edge on next 5 alternate rows.

Decrease 1 st at neck edge on next 2 following 4th rows. 13 (14, 16, 18, 20) sts

Continue straight until armhole measures the same as back to start of shoulder shaping, ending with a RS row.

Cast off 7 (7, 8, 9, 10) sts at beg of next row.

Work 1 row.

Cast off remaining 6 (7, 8, 9, 10) sts.

SLEEVES

With 3.75mm needles cast on 61 (65, 65, 69,73) sts with CC1.

Break off CC1, join in MC.

Row 1: p1, *(k2, p2) repeat from * to end

Row 2: (k2, p2) to last st, k1.

Repeat these 2 rows 3 more times.

Working in st st, beginning with a k row, work 2 rows. Commence Fair Isle pattern, working 16 (16, 18, 20, 20) rows in total and increasing 1 st at each end of 7th and 13th rows. 65 (69, 69, 73, 77)sts

Armhole shaping

Cast off 3 sts at beg of next 2 rows.

Decrease 1 st at each end of the next 1 row.

Decrease 1 st at each end of next 1 (3, 2, 3, 3) alt. rows.

Decrease 1 st at each end of 4 (4, 5, 4, 5) following 4th rows.

Decrease 1 st at each end of next 5 (5, 5, 7, 6) alt. rows.

Decrease 1 st at each end of the next 5 (5, 5, 5, 7) rows.

Cast off 5 sts at beg of next 2 rows.

Cast off remaining 17 sts.



MAKING UP Darn in all loose ends. Join right shoulder seams.

NECKBAND

Join right shoulder seam. Using 3.25mm needles and using MC, pick up and knit 33 (36, 38, 40, 43) stitches down right side of neck, knit across 15 (17, 19, 21, 21) sts on holder from front, pick up and knit 33 (36, 38, 40, 43) stitches up left side of neck, knit across 39 (41, 43, 45, 47) sts on holder from back. 120 (130, 138, 146, 154) sts

Row 1: (k2, p2) to end.

Repeat this row 6 times more.

Break off MC and join in CC1, cast off in rib.

Join remaining shoulder seam. Set sleeve into armhole. Join side and sleeve seams.

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