Snowballs<br>By Stana D. Sortor



## Finished Toy Size:

Approximately 2.5 " ( 6.5 cm ) small or 2.75 " $(7 \mathrm{~cm})$ large snowball in worsted weight. Approximately 3 " $(8 \mathrm{~cm})$ small or $3.5 "(9 \mathrm{~cm})$ large snowball in bulky weight.

## Yarn:

Option 1:
Cascade 220 Superwash (100\% Superwash Wool; 220 yards / 200 meters per 100g / 3.5oz) \# 871 White (1 skein)

## Option 2:

Cascade 128 Superwash ( $100 \%$ Superwash Wool; 128 yards / 117 meters per 100 g / 3.5oz) \# 871 White (1 skein)

## Yardage:

Snowball: 15-20 yards / 14-18 meters

## Recommended Needle Size:

Double Pointed Needles (DPN) US \#5/3.75mm (set of 5) for Option 1 yarn, and Double Pointed Needles (DPN) US \#7/4.5mm (set of 5) for Option 2 yarn, or your preferred needles for knitting in the round.

Notions: Yarn needle, scissors, stitch marker, polyester fiberfill (1 small bag)

## Abbreviations:

SSK - slip stitch, slip stitch and knit the two stitches together, this decreases two stitches to one stitch.
KFB - Knit in front and back of the same stitch, this creates two stitches from one stitch.
R - Rounds
DPN - Double Pointed Needles

## Gauge:

20 sts \& 27 rows = 4" in stockinette stitch in Cascade Superwash 220
14 sts \& 22 rows $=4$ " in stockinette stitch in Cascade Superwash 128

## INSTRUCTIONS:

## Large Snowballs:

With white yarn and three double pointed needles cast on 6 sts (2 sts per needle)
Place a stitch marker on the first st, and begin working in the round.
R 1: Knit around (6 sts total)
R 2: KFB all around, 4 sts per needle ( 12 sts total)
R 3: Knit around (12 sts total)
R 4: KFB all around, 8 sts per needle (24 sts total)
R 5: Knit around (24 sts total)
R 6: *KFB, Knit 1; repeat from * around, 12 sts per needle (36 sts total)
R7-9: Knit around (36 sts total)
R 10: *KFB, Knit 3; repeat from * around, 15 sts per needle (45 sts total)
R 11-15: Knit around (45 sts total)
R 16: *SSK, Knit 3; repeat from * around, 12 sts per needle (36 sts total)
R 17-19: Knit around (36 sts total)
R 20: *SSK, Knit 1; repeat from * around, 8 sts per needle (24 sts total)
R 21: Knit around (24 sts total)
Thread the tail of yarn from the cast on stitches on a yarn needle. Stitch through all of the cast on stitches, pull up tight to close the hole, and stitch to secure. Begin to stuff the ball with fiberfill.
R 22: SSK all around (12 sts total)
R 23: Knit around (12 sts total)
R 24: SSK all around (6 sts total)
Finish stuffing. Cut the yarn, leaving long enough tail, and thread the end on a yarn needle. Pull the end through the remaining stitches on needles, gather up and close the hole, stitch to secure.

## Small Snowballs:

With white yarn and three double pointed needles cast on 6 sts (2 sts per needle)
Place a stitch marker on the first st, and begin working in the round.
R 1: Knit around (6 sts total)
R 2: KFB all around, 4 sts per needle (12 sts total)
R 3: Knit around (12 sts total)
R 4: *KFB, Knit 1; repeat from * around, 6 sts per needle (18 sts total)
R 5: Knit around (18 sts total)
R 6: *KFB, Knit 1; repeat from * around, 9 sts per needle (27 sts total)
R 7-9: Knit around (27 sts total)
R 10: *KFB, Knit 2; repeat from * around, 12 sts per needle (36 sts total)

R 11-13: Knit around (36 sts total)
R 14: *SSK, Knit 2; repeat from * around, 9 sts per needle (27 sts total)
R 15-17: Knit around (27 sts total)
R 18: *SSK, Knit 1; repeat from * around, 6 sts per needle (18 sts total)
R 19: Knit around (18 sts total)
Thread the tail of yarn from the cast on stitches on a yarn needle. Stitch through all of the cast on stitches, pull up tight to close the hole, and stitch to secure. Begin to stuff the ball with fiberfill.
R 20: *SSK, Knit 1; repeat from * around (12 sts total)
R 21: Knit around (12 sts total)
R 22: SSK all around (6 sts total)
Finish stuffing. Cut the yarn, leaving long enough tail, and thread the end on a yarn needle. Pull the end through the remaining stitches on needles, gather up and close the hole, stitch to secure.

First snowball is finished. Repeat to have enough balls for the perfect snowball fight.


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