



Wish someone a merry Christmas with one of these knitted cards by **Helen Ardley**



Materials

◆ Yarn
1 x 50g balls of Rowan Cotton Glace in Bleached (shade 726), A, Persimmon (shade 832), B, Poppy (shade 741), C, Ochre (shade 833),

D and Ivy (shade 812), E
Oddments of yarn for the snowman's nose, hat and scarf
◆ Needles
3mm (UK size 11) knitting needles

◆ Accessories
Small black beads
Small gold beads
Small gold and multicoloured sequins
Small silver stars
Gold and red bugle beads
Fine red, brown and green felt tip pens
Glue
Blank card 15x15cm or 6x6in

Yarn detail

◆ Rowan Cotton Glace
www.knitrowan.com
01484 681881

◆ 100% cotton
◆ 50g/115m
◆ Machine wash 40°C
◆ £4.95

Finished sizes

Suggested card size:
15x15cm or 6x6in

Tension

Tension is not important for these projects

Next row: (K2tog) twice.
Next row: P2tog.
Fasten off.

SCARF (MAKE TWO)

With D, cast on 3sts.
Work in garter stitch for 3cm or 1¼in. Cast off.

MAKING UP

Sew in all the loose ends. Cut the six strands of white yarn approximately 14cm or 5½in long and stick them to the bottom of the card, one next to the other. Stick the body and the head onto the card. Stick the hat on top of the head. Stick the nose in the middle of the head and the scarf down the body from the neck seam. Stick two small black beads for the eyes, three beads for the mouth and three beads down the middle of the body. Cut two small strands of A approximately 3cm or 1¼in and stick them on for the arms and six strands of A for the fingers 1cm or ½in long and stick them to the ends of the arms. With a fine red felt tip pen, write in small letters around three edges of the card, 'Let it Snow.' Stick small silver stars around the snowman.

CHRISTMAS TREE

With E, cast on 5sts.
Row 1: K1, *P1, K1; rep from * to the end.
Row 2: P1, *K1, P1; rep from * to the end.
These two rows form the rib.
Work in rib for 2cm or 1in.
Cast on 7sts, then turn. 12sts.
Next row: K12, cast on 7sts. 19sts.
Next row: Knit.
Next row: Sl1, K1, pssso, K15, k2tog. 17sts.
Next row: Knit.
Next row: Sl1, K1, pssso, K13, k2tog. 15sts.
Next row: Knit.
Continue decreasing as set until 7sts.
Cast on 5sts, turn. 12sts.
Next row: K12, cast on 5sts. 17sts.
Next row: Knit.
Next row: Sl1, K1, pssso, K13, k2tog. 15sts.
Continue decreasing as set to 7sts.
Cast on 3sts, turn. 10sts.
Next row: K10, cast on 3sts. 13sts.
Next row: Knit.
Next row: Sl1, K1, pssso, K9, k2tog. 11sts.
Next row: Knit.
Next row: Sl1, K1, pssso, K7, k2tog. 9sts.
Continue decreasing as set to 3sts.
Next row: Sl1, k2tog, pssso.
Fasten off.

BUCKET

SNOWMAN BODY

With A, cast on 5sts.
Row 1 (WS): Purl.
Row 2: K1, M1, K3, M1, K1.
Row 3: P1, M1, P5, M1, K1.
Row 4: K1, M1, K7, M1, K1.
Row 5: P1, M1, P9, M1, P1.
Row 6: K1, M1, K11, M1, K1.
Row 7: Purl.
Row 8: K1, M1, K13, M1, K1.
Work five rows in st st, starting with a purl row.
Next row: K1, sl1, K1, pssso, K11, k2tog, K1.
Next row: Purl.
Next row: K1, sl1, K1, pssso, K9, k2tog, K1.
Next row: P1, p2tog, P7, p2togtbl, P1.
Next row: K1, sl1, K1, pssso, K5, k2tog, K1.
Next row: P1, p2tog, P3, p2togtbl, P1.
Next row: K1, sl1, K1, pssso, K1, k2tog, K1.
Cast off the remaining 5sts.

HEAD

With A, cast on 3sts.
Row 1 (WS): Purl.
Row 2: K1, M1, K1, M1, K1.

Row 3: P1, M1, P3, M1, K1.
Row 4: K1, M1, K5, M1, K1.
Row 5: P1, M1, P7, M1, K1.
Row 6: K1, M1, K9, M1, K1.
Work five rows in stocking stitch, beginning with a purl row.
Next row: K1, sl1, K1, pssso, K7, k2tog, K1.
Next row: Purl.
Next row: K1, sl1, K1, pssso, K5, k2tog, K1.
Next row: P1, p2tog, P3, p2togtbl, P1.
Cast off the remaining 7sts.

NOSE

With B, cast on 6sts.
Cast off 6sts.

HAT

With C, cast on 10sts.
Row 1: *K1, P1; rep from * to the end.
Repeat the last row three times more.
Next row: Knit.
Next row: Purl.
Next row: Sl1, K1, pssso, knit to the last 2sts, k2tog.
Next row: Purl.
Repeat the last two rows until 4sts.



Add some festive sparkle with beads and sequins

With C, cast on 9sts.
Knit three rows.
Next row: S11, K1, psso, K5, k2tog. 7sts.
Next row: Knit to the end of the row.
Next row: S11, K1, psso, K3, k2tog.
Knit two rows. Cast off.

MAKING UP

Sew in all the loose ends. Stick the tree and bucket onto the front of the card. Stick the multi-coloured sequins over the tree and the large gold sequin to the top of the tree. Stick small gold beads onto the card around the tree. With a green pen, write across the bottom and halfway up the sides, 'Merry Christmas'.

BAUBLES

With C, cast on 3sts.
Purl one row.
Next row: K1, M1, K1, M1, K1. 5sts.
Next row: P1, M1, P3, M1, K1. 7sts.
Next row: K1, M1, K5, M1, K1. 9sts.
Next row: P1, M1, P7, M1, P1. 11sts.
Change to B.
Work four rows in st st.
Change to C.
Next row: S11, K1, psso, K7, k2tog.
Next row: P2tog, P5, p2togtbl.
Next row: S11, K1, psso, K3, k2tog. 5sts.
Next row: P2tog, P1, p2togtbl. 3sts.
Next row: S11, k2tog, psso.
Fasten off leaving an end approximately

3cm or 1¼in long.
Make another round bauble in B.

OVAL BAUBLE

With D, cast on 2sts.
Purl one row.
Next row: K1, M1, K1. 3sts.
Next row: Purl.
Next row: K1, M1, K1, M1, K1. 5sts.
Next row: Purl.
Next row: K1, M1, K3, M1, K1. 7sts.
Next row: Purl.
Change to C and knit one row.
Change to D and work three rows in st st.
Change to C and knit one row.
Change to D and purl one row.
Next row: S11, K1, psso, K3, k2tog. 5sts.
Next row: Purl.
Next row: S11, K1, psso, K1, k2tog. 3sts.
Next row: Purl.
Next row: S11, k2tog, psso.
Fasten off, leaving an end approximately 3cm or 1¼in long.

MAKING UP

Sew in all of the loose yarn ends. On the two-round bauble, sew rows of small beads across the front. Stick the three baubles to the front of the card. Stick seven gold bugle beads into a star shape on the front of the card three times. Now stick gold sequins to the front of the card around the baubles. Then, using a brown pen, write 'Merry Christmas' around the edge of the card on all four sides. 