YOU WILL NEED

YARN AND NEEDLES Sirdar, Click Chunky (70% acrylic, 30% wool, 50g/75m ball) One ball of each: Red (163), Cream (169), Plume (177) A set of 6mm DPNs A 2.5mm crochet hook Stitch markers For yarn stockists contact Sirdar 01924 231682

TENSION 15 sts and 15 rows to measure 10x10cm (4x4in) over st st using 6mm needles

ABBREVIATIONS For a full list, see www. gathered.how Mary Henderson's vintage stocking has a reassuringly familiar Christmassy pattern that will complement a traditional festive theme, year after year. The yarn used is great value too, so it won't break the bank.



Start knitting here...

Cast on 48 sts using 6mm
DPNs and Red. Join to knit in
the round, taking care not to
twist sts. Place marker (SM)
for start of round. Divide sts on
to 4 needles; 12 sts on each
needle.

Round 1 *K1, P1*, repeat across round. Round 2 Knit. Rep rounds 1 and 2 once more.

 $Begin\,working\,from\,Chart,$

joining and breaking off colours as required. Work Rounds 1 – 36.

HEEL FLAP (WORKED OVER 13 STS IN ROWS)

Keeping sts 1 – 5 of chart correct in centre of heel flap, knit 7 and turn.
Row 1 S1, P1.
Row 2 S1, K12.
Rep Rows 1 and 2 five more times for a total of 12 rows.
Cut Cream yarn. Work heel sts in red.

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Row 1 S1, K6, ssk, K1, turn. Row 2 S1, P2, p2tog, P1, turn. Row 3 S1, K3, ssk, K1 turn. Row 4 S1, P4, p2tog, P1, turn. Row 5 S1, K5, ssk. Row 6 S1, P7.

With needle 1: Knit across 8 sts of heel flap. Pick up and knit 6 sts along heel flap. Knit across rem 38 sts over 2 needles. With 4th needle pick up and knit 6 sts along other side of heel flap. (Total stitch count 58.)

GUSSET

Decrease round Needle 1: knit to 3 sts before end of needle, ssk, K1. Needles 2 and 3:Knit. Needle 4: K1, k2tog, knit to end of needle. Work decrease round until stitch count is back to 48 sts. Divide sts evenly across 4 needles (12 sts on each needle).

Work rounds 1 – 17 of chart in Green and Cream.



To keep track of your pattern, mark off the chart rows with a pencil as you complete them, then rub them out to use again.

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TOE DECREASE (WORKED IN GREEN)

Decrease round Needle 1: K1, ssk, knit to end of needle. Needle 2: Knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, K1. Needle 3: K1, ssk, knit to end of needle. Needle 4: Knit to last 3 sts, k2tog.

Rep until 16 sts rem (4 sts on each needle).

Knit across needles 1 and 2, then 3 and 4 so that sts are evenly arranged on 2 needles. Graft together using Kitchener stitch. (Alternatively, turn stocking inside out and cast off using three-needle cast off.)

Loop for hanging stocking: With crochet hook and Red, chain 25 sts. Fasten off and sew onto stocking.

Sew in ends and remember to block as this will even out the Fair Isle pattern.

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HOW TO USE OUR CHARTS

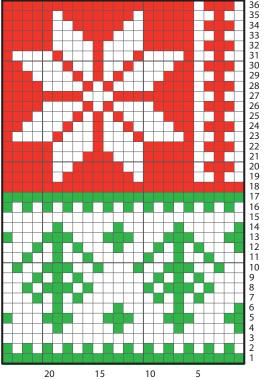
Start at the bottom right-hand corner. Read right side rows from right to left and wrong side rows from left to right. A row of squares represents a row of knitting.

Chart

Red 163

Cream 169

Green 177





When changing colours, twist the yarns to avoid holes.



Follow our easy instructions to get this well-defined heel.