



KNITTED CHRISTMAS BALL

Materials:

Worsted weight yarn; about 50 yards red, 15 yards green, 5 yards white
 Size 5 double-pointed needles
 2 ½" Styrofoam ball
 Model is made in Cascade 220 wool.

Cast on 12 stitches, divide onto 3 needles, join, being careful not to twist, and knit one round.

Round 2: K1, *m1, K2, repeat from *, end K1

Round 3, 5, 7 & 9: Knit

Round 4: K1, *m1, K3, repeat from *, end K2

Round 6: K1, *m1, K4, repeat from *, end K3

Round 8: K1, *m1, K5, repeat from *, end K4

Round 10: K1, *m1, K6, repeat from *, end K5 (42 stitches)

Round 11: K1, (m1, K14)twice, m1, K13 (45 stitches)



Follow chart for 7 rows, starting at bottom right and going from left to right, repeating chart a total of 9 times in each row. (G=green, R=red, W=white)

Now begin decreasing as follows:

Round 1: SSK, K13, repeat to end

Round 2: SSK, K5, repeat to end

Round 3, 7, 9: Knit

Round 4: SSK, K4, repeat to end

Round 5: start knitting row so that all 4 needles have some stitches on them.

Now turn knitting inside out so that you can take care of the loose ends. Then, turn right side out and stretch out the stitches a bit so that you can shove the styrofoam ball into the knitted piece. Finish knitting the round. You may want to mark the beginning of the round from the outside of the ball now so that it is easy to see.

Round 6: SSK, K3, repeat to end

Round 8: SSK, K2, repeat to end

Round 10: SSK, K1, repeat to end

G	R	G	R	R	R
R	W	G	G	G	R
W	R	R	R	R	R
R	R	G	G	G	R
G	R	G	G	R	R

Cut yarn and thread through remaining stitches, secure end and weave in between knitting and styrofoam ball.

Using white yarn, make a 2-stitch I-cord about 6" long, secure to top of ball and weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS:

K=Knit **P**=Purl **K2tog**= Knit 2 together **PM**= Place marker **Kf&b**= Increase by knitting into the front & back of stitch.
M1= Make 1 stitch by inserting left needle under the bar in between stitches from front to back and then knit the lifted strand through the back to twist it as you make a stitch. (You can also insert needle from back to front and knit into the front)
SSK= Slip 2 sts, one at a time as if to knit. Insert left needle into fronts of these 2 sts from left to right and K2tog in this position.
Y/O= yarn over (bring yarn in between and then over right hand needle)

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