

# Christmas Gift Knitting Pattern



I have taken all care to type these correctly but if you spot a mistake or problem, please let me know. I am here to help.

## What you will need

3.00mm (US size 2.5) knitting needles or size to give correct tension – using smaller or larger needles will just make the set slightly smaller or larger.

8 ply yarn (worsted) in desired colours

Wool needle for sewing in ends

Cardboard or plastic canvas

Toy filling

Ribbon for tie if you prefer

## Gauge

Does not matter as this is a toy and a small change in size does not matter.



## Gift Sides – make 6

Using gift colour cast on 14 st

Knit 24 rows

Cast off.

Sew sides together in the form of a box. It is a bit awkward but place the pieces before sewing so you are sure they are on the right way. Leave one edge open to stuff.

Cut 6 pieces of cardboard (or plastic canvas if you want it to be washable) into a square that will fit into the sewn together box. I can not tell you the measurement as different knitters have different tensions and may turn out different sizes. Place a piece of cardboard inside the box against each piece leaving one of the side near the open seam out. Stuff with toy filling and slide the last remaining piece of cardboard inside the box. Close seam.

## Tie

Cut a piece of yarn more than 180cm (70") long. Tie the ends together so you have a big loop.

Place the loop onto a knitting needle. If you have a helper, have them hold the needle for you. Holding the knot end of the loop and pull tightly. If you do not have a helper place the needle on the floor and stand on it so it will not move and raise your arms holding as close to the knot as possible so the loop is tight. Keep twisting until the yarn is very twisted and will fold onto itself when you move the ends together. Grab the middle of the twisted yarn and fold the 2 ends together, letting the cord twist. Now you should have a piece of twisted cord. Tie a knot at the knot end to the length you want the cord to be and cut (behind the knot so the knot stays on the tail and does not untwist).

Tie around the box as you would a normal gift and tie a bow. Tie a knot in each end at the desired position and cut off the excess. Make sure you leave the knot on the tie and do not cut it off or it will all unravel.

You may use normal ribbon or even just plain yarn if you prefer.