

Pretty Christmas Baubles **deramores** by Val Pierce

"These easy to make baubles can be adapted in endless different ways to suit your own tastes! You can use any bits and pieces from your stash to make them. Why not try stripes or add sequins or beads. The fabric is stretched over a plastic bauble so you get a lovely round finish and a loop to thread your ribbon through for hanging."

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Materials

Wine and Gold Bauble

- DMC Petra 3 in shade 5321 (wine) 1 ball will make many baubles
- Small amount of Bergere de France Lurex in shade Etoile (gold)
- Plastic bauble approx. 20cm in circumference
- Ribbon to hang

Turquoise and Silver Bauble

- Patons Fairytale Dreamtime 4 Ply in shade 02935 (turquoise) 1 ball will make many baubles
- Small amount Bergere de France Lurex in shade Galaxie (silver)
- Plastic bauble approx. 20cm in circumference
- 8 star buttons
- Ribbon to hang

You will also need

- 1 Pair of 3.25mm (UK10 - USA3) Knitting Needles

Abbreviations

inc - knit into the back and front of the next stitch

K2tog - knit two stitches together



Wine and Gold Bauble

Instructions

Using 3.25mm needles and wine cast on 8 sts

Purl 1 row

Next row: Knit twice into each stitch on needle. 16 sts

Next row: Purl

Next row: Knit twice into each stitch on needle. 32 sts

Next row: Purl

Next row: *K1, inc in next st* rep from * to * to end. 48 sts

Next row: Purl

Work 2 rows st st

Next row: *K2, inc in next st* rep from * to * to end. 64 sts

Next row: Purl

Work 2 rows st st

Join in Lurex yarn. *Note *yarn is carried up side of work when not in use.

Row 1: *K2 wine, 2 gold, * repeat from * to * to end

Beg. Purl work 2 rows st st

Row 4: * P2 wine, 2 gold * repeat from * to * to end

Beg. Purl, work 2 rows st st

Row 7: Work as Row 1

Beg. Purl, work 3 rows in st st

Now shape base of bauble:

Next row: *K2, K2tog*, rep from * to * to end.

Work 3 rows in st st beg Purl

Next row: * K1, K2tog * rep from * to * to end.

Next row: purl

Next row: K2tog across row

Next row: Purl

Next row: K2tog across row

Next row: Purl. Don't cast off, break yarn and thread through stitches on needle, draw up and fasten off.

Turquoise and Silver Bauble Instructions

Using 3.25mm needles and turquoise yarn cast on 8 sts

Purl 1 row

Next row: Knit twice into each stitch on needle. 16 sts

Next row: Purl

Next row: Knit twice into each stitch on needle. 32 sts

Next row: Purl

Next row: *K1, inc in next st* rep from * to * to end. 48 sts

Next row: Purl

Work 2 rows st st

Next row: *K2, inc in next st* rep from * to * to end. 64 sts

Next row: Purl

Work 2 rows st st

Join in silver lurex yarn. *Note *, yarn is carried up side of work when not in use.

Row 1-2: work 2 rows st st in silver

Row 3-4: work 2 rows st st in turquoise

Row 5-6: work 2 rows st st in silver

Rows 7-8: work 2 rows st st in turquoise

Break silver and continue in turquoise only

Now shape base of bauble:

Next row: *K2, K2tog*, rep from * to * to end

Beg. Purl, work 3 rows in st st

Next row: * K1, K2tog * rep from * to * to end

Next row: Purl

Next row: K2tog across row

Next row: Purl

Next row: K2tog across row

Next row: Purl. Don't cast off, break yarn and thread through stitches on needle, draw up and fasten.

To Make Baubles

Work in ends of yarn. Sew 2cm of side seam of bauble matching patterns. Slip the cover on to the bauble, finish stitching the seams. The top of the cover will have a small hole in it to allow you to push the hanging loops through. Add star buttons to the turquoise bauble. Cut lengths of ribbon and thread through the loop at the top, tie in a neat knot to hang.

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