



Atilia Co.



The Knit Poppy Brooch

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Introduction

This poppy pattern is a blend of a few different patterns used for the Great Lakes 5000 Poppies. While knitting your own re-usable poppy can be both meaningful and sustainable, it is important to remember that the poppy drive is a **fundraiser for the Legion** and **a donation should still be made**.

Finished Size

My poppy measures about 6cm but this may vary depending on your gauge or if you use a different yarn.

Materials

- 1 ball of red worsted weight yarn
- 3.75mm knitting needles
- Black buttons (I used 18mm buttons, but slightly larger ones would also work)
- Brooch backs
- A darning needle

Abbreviations:

CO: Cast on (longtail method)

K: Knit

P: Purl

K2tog: Knit 2 together

(Sl1, K2tog, Pss): Slip 1 purl-wise, Knit 2 together, pass slipped stitch over

Tutorials

Long Tail Cast On Tutorial: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SXA3gBNiSiM>

Mattress Stitch Tutorial: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FkNP0gH2WAU>

K2tog Tutorial: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cQBICJxAZUU>

(Sl1, K2tog, Pss) Tutorial: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J0zfvbYjUM0>

Pattern Notes

The number of stitches you should have at the end of each row are listed inside parentheses () to guide you.

I have also tested out this pattern with bulky weight yarn and the same size needles and it came out just a bit larger at 6.5cm.

For more information on the meaning of the poppy, please visit:

<https://www.legion.ca/remembrance/the-poppy/history-of-the-poppy>

The Pattern

CO 56 stitches

Row 1-4: *K4 P4* repeat across the row (56)

Row 5: *K2tog* repeat across the row (28)

Row 6: *Sl1, K2tog, Psso* repeat across the row until 1 stitch remains, then K1 (10)

Break off yarn with a long tail (at least 30cm if you want to attach the button and brooch back with the same tail) and thread back through the remaining stitches (starting with the stitch opposite to the tail) pulling tightly.

Join the edges with mattress stitch, stitch the button to the front, and stitch the brooch back to the back (For this step, you can either attach the button and brooch back using the tail, or you can stitch it in with a separate piece of yarn).

Weave in ends.

References

<http://greatlakespoppies.blogspot.com/p/patterns.html>

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