3 CARROT

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Yarn: DK wool or stranded tapestry wool in orange (A) and green (B)
Needles: 2 double-pointed knitting needles
Extras: Wadding

METHOD

Carrot (worked from the top downwards) Using A, cast on 4 sts.
1st row (RS) Kfbf 4 times. 12 sts.
2nd and WS rows P.
3rd row [Kfb, k1] 6 times. 18 sts. Beginning with a p row, work 3 rows st-st.
7th row [K1, k2tog] 6 times. 12 sts. Work 3 rows st-st.
11th row [K2tog, k1] 4 times. 8 sts. Work 5 rows st-st.
17th row K2tog 4 times. 4 sts. Work 5 rows st-st.
23rd row K2tog twice. 2 sts. With RS facing, slip sts on to double-pointed needle. Make 2-st cord (see page 17) for 4 rows. Take yarn across back, k2tog. Fasten off, leaving an end for the root.
Tops (make 5 for each carrot) Using B, make a 10-st knitted chain (see page 17). Fasten off.
Making up Divide end of DK or tapestry wool A to leave one strand for root. Seam carrot, inserting wadding before completing. Knot ends of tops and insert before closing seam.

Specific abbreviation
kfbf – k in front, back and front of st to make 3 sts from 1.

4 RUDBECKIA

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Yarn: DK wool in orange (A) and yellow (B)
Extras: Domed button, 2.5cm (1in) in diameter

METHOD

Centre Using A, cast on 7 sts.
1st row (RS) Kfb, k4, kfb, k1. 9 sts.
2nd and WS rows P.
3rd row Kfb, k6, kfb, k1. 11 sts.
Work 7 rows st-st.
11th row K1, k2tog, k5, ssk, k1. 9 sts.
13th row K1, k2tog, k3, ssk, k1. 7 sts.
Cast off purlwise.
Petals Using B, make a slipknot on left-hand needle. *Cast on 3 sts by cable method (see page 16), cast off 3 sts knitwise, slip remaining st on to left-hand needle; repeat from * 10 times (or number of times for required length). Fasten off.
Making up Stretch cover over button and join opposite corners underneath. Take in fullness for a smooth finish. Pin petals around covered button and backstitch in place.

5 CHRYSANTHEMUM

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Yarn: 4-ply wool

METHOD

Cast on 20 sts leaving an extra-long end for sewing up.
1st row (RS) Cast off 16 sts, k to end. 4 sts.
2nd row K4, turn, cast on 16 sts by cable method (see page 16). 20 sts.
Repeat first and 2nd rows 29 times, then work first row again. Cast off.
Making up Beginning at the cast-on edge and with the RS to the outside, coil the strip of petals tightly. Use the first end of yarn to secure the base of the spiral as you go.

6 PRIMROSE

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Yarn: DK wool in pale yellow (A) and bright yellow (B)

METHOD

Petals Using A, cast on 8 sts.
1st row (WS) P.
2nd row K.
3rd row Cast off 4 sts knitwise, k to end. 4 sts.
4th row K4, turn, cast on 4 sts. 8 sts.
Repeat 1st–4th rows 4 times, ending with a 3rd row. 4 sts. Cast off, leaving an extra-long yarn end.
Centre Using B, cast on 9 sts.
1st row (WS) P.
2nd row K1, [yo, k1] 8 times. 17 sts.
Cast off knitwise.
Making up Reverse st-st to the outside, join petals into a ring, and sew cast-off sts to first 4 cast-on sts. St-st to the outside, coil centre into a tight ring and secure cast-on base. Insert centre in flower and stitch in place.

7 LARGE LEAF

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Yarn: DK wool
Needles: 2 double-pointed knitting needles

METHOD

Using 2 double-pointed needles, cast on 3 sts and make a 4.5cm (1¾in) long cord (see page 17). Continue on these sts in rows in the usual way:
1st row (RS) K1, yo, k1, yo, k1. 5 sts.
2nd row K2, p1, k2.
3rd row K2, yo, k1, yo, k2. 7 sts.
4th, 6th, 8th, 10th, 12th and 14th rows K, working centre st p1.
5th row K3, yo, k1, yo, k3. 9 sts.
7th row K4, yo, k1, yo, k4. 11 sts.
9th row K5, yo, k1, yo, k5. 13 sts.
11th row K6, yo, k1, yo, k6. 15 sts.
13th row K7, yo, k1, yo, k7. 17 sts.
15th row K17.
16th and WS rows K.
17th row Ssk, k13, k2tog. 15 sts.
19th row Ssk, k11, k2tog. 13 sts.
21st row Ssk, k9, k2tog. 11 sts.
23rd row Ssk, k7, k2tog. 9 sts.
25th row Ssk, k5, k2tog. 7 sts.
27th row Ssk, k3, k2tog. 5 sts.
29th row Ssk, k1, k2tog. 3 sts.
31st row Sk2po. Fasten off remaining st.

Specific abbreviation
sk2po – slip one knitwise, k2tog, pass slipped st over.

8 DOUBLE DAISY

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Yarn: DK cotton in white (A), 4-ply cotton in white (B) and yellow (C)

METHOD

Lower petals Using A, cast on 9 sts by the cable method (see page 16).
1st row (RS) P.
2nd row K.
3rd row Cast off 5 sts purlwise, p2, turn, with yarn at back slip 1 st purlwise, bring yarn to front, p2. 4 sts.
4th row K.
5th row P.
6th row Kfb, slip these 2 sts on to left-hand needle, cast on 4 sts by cable method, p all 9 sts. Repeat 2nd–6th rows 8 times and then work 2nd and 3rd rows again. 10 petals. Cast off.
Upper petals Using B, work as lower petals.
Centre Using C, cast on 5 sts by thumb method (see page 16).
1st row (RS) Kfb, k2, kfb, k1. 7 sts.
2nd and WS rows K.
3rd row Kfb, k4, kfb, k1. 9 sts.
4th–10th rows K.
11th row K1, k2tog, k3, k2tog, k1. 7 sts.
12th row [K1, k2tog] twice, k1. 5 sts. Cast off.
Making up Join ends of each strip of petals and lightly gather inner edges of rings, leaving a space in the centre. Place upper ring of petals on lower one and stitch together leaving petals free. Padding it slightly with spare yarn, set the centre in place and sew on the right side with small running stitches, 1 st in from the edge. Work a few stitches across the space at the back.