



# Pansies



We were asked to do a knitted flower that wasn't made in the round and this pansy pattern was as good as we could manage. It does call for i-cord, but don't worry, it's easy once you get the hang of it!

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### You will need:

scraps of double knit • covered wire • gummed tape

3 x double ended knitting needles (2.75mm) • tapestry needle • scissors • wire cutters

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### Pattern (Top Petal x 2):

The petals are all knitted from the centre out. If all the increases make the knitting tight you may want to split the stitches onto more than one double pointed needle at a time.

Cast on 13 sts in blue.

Row 1: k10, turn/  
k2, kfb, kfb, k3, turn/  
k12 (15)

Row 2: k5, kfb x 4, k2, turn/  
k11, turn/  
{[k1, kfb] x 2, k1} x 2, k3, turn/  
k19, turn/  
k4, [kfb, k2] x 4, k5 (27)

Row 3: k –

Cast off loosely.

### Pattern (Side Petal x 2):

Cast on 9 sts in black.

Row 1: k7, turn/  
k1, kfb, kfb, k2, turn/  
k9 (11)

Change to blue, leaving enough yarn to sew in later.

Row 2: k3, kfb x 4, k3 turn/  
k13, turn/  
k1, {[k1, kfb] x 2, k1} x 2, turn/  
k13, turn/  
k1, [kfb, k2] x 4, k3 (23)

Row 3: k –

Cast off loosely.

### Pattern (Bottom Petal x 1):

Cast on 17 sts in black.

Row 1: k7, sl1, k2tog, pssso, k5, turn/  
k1, kfb, kfb, k4, kfb, kfb, k2, turn/  
k6, sl1, k2tog, pssso, k8 (17)

Change to blue, leaving enough yarn to sew in later.

Row 2: k3, kfb x 4, k2, kfb x 4, k3, turn/  
k23, turn/  
k1, {[k1, kfb] x 2, k1} x 4, turn/  
k12, sl1, k2tog, pssso, k12, turn/  
k1, [kfb, k2] x 8, k3, (39)

Row 3: k18, sl1, k2tog, pssso, k18 (37)

Cast off loosely.



### Pattern (Sepals x 1):

Cast on 5 sts in green.

kfb x 5 (10)

Repeat the following bullet points until no stitches remain.

- Cast on 3 sts
- Cast off 5 sts
- If your cast off method leaves a stitch on the RH-needle, transfer it back to the LH-needle.



### Pattern (Stem):

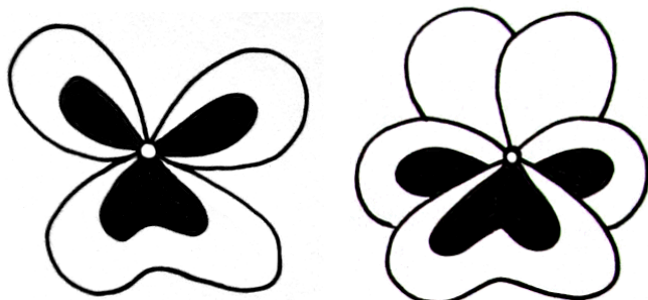
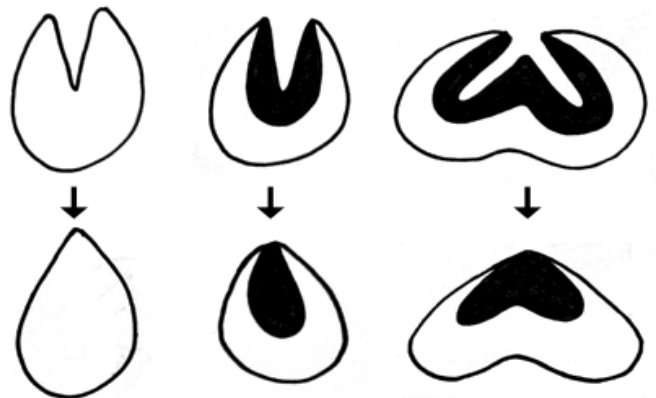
- Cast on 5 sts
- I-cord 12 cm

### Making Up:

When the petals are laid flat the cast on edge is bent into a v- or w-shape. Sew the cast on edges together with matching yarn.

Using yellow yarn sew the tips of the bottom and side petals together.

Pull the side petals apart slightly and fix them in position behind the bottom petal using blue yarn.



Overlap the top petals and attach them at the back of the flower using blue yarn.

Sew in any remaining loose ends.

Cut a piece of wire the same length as your i-cord. Wrap the ends of the wire in gummed tape to protect them and insert the wire into the i-cord. Bend the top of the wire over at a right-angle.

Sew the sepals to the centre of the pansy back and attach the top of the wire to the centre of the sepals.

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### Variations:

Now have some fun. Vary the colours you use, try them in different combinations or change colours in different places. Use embroidery or different cast-off stitches to make your pansy unique.

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### Notes:

#### Abbreviations

<b>[ ] x number</b>	Repeat the section in square brackets the required number of times.
<b>{ } x number</b>	Repeat the section in curly brackets the required number of times.
<b>(number)</b>	Gives the total number of stitches you should have on needle by the end of the row.
<b>k number</b>	Knit this number of stitches
<b>k –</b>	Knit every stitch to the end of the row.
<b>kfb</b>	Knit into the front and then the back of a single stitch (+1 stitch).
<b>k2tog</b>	Knit the next two stitches together (-1 stitch).
<b>LH-needle</b>	Left hand needle.
<b>p –</b>	Purl every stitch to the end of the row.
<b>p number</b>	Purl this number of stitches.
<b>pssso</b>	Pass the slipped stitch over any intervening stitches and off the needle.
<b>RH-needle</b>	Right hand needle.
<b>sl1</b>	Slip the next stitch purl wise.
<b>sts</b>	Stitches.

#### Needle/Yarn Size

As with most ODDknit patterns the yarn and needle sizes in the "you will need" section are just a guide. Feel free to improvise with whatever needles and yarn you have lying around - that's half the fun!