**Large Sunflower Knitting Pattern**

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**Safety guidelines**

The items in these patterns are not suitable for babies and very young children due to possible choking hazards.

**Knitting yarns**

Double knitting in various colours, as stated in the instructions.

**Abbreviations**

**P** - Purl. **P1** - Purl one. **Pwise** - Purl Wise.

**K** - Knit. **K1** - Knit one. **Kwise** - Knit Wise

**Sts** - stitches

**K2 tog** - Knit 2 Together. **P2 tog** - Purl 2 Together.

**Inc 1** - Increase 1 stitch by knitting into front and back of the stitch.

**Y.Fwd** - Yarn forward around needle.

**St-st** - Stocking Stitch (start with K row unless otherwise stated).

**G-st** - Garter stitch

**Slp1** - Slip one stitch to other needle without working it

**B+T tightly** - Break off yarn leaving a long end and thread it through stitches left on knitting needle, pull together tightly then fasten off.

**Additional instructions**

For some of the detailing you will maybe need to be able to make a chain stitch.

**For This Project - You need.**

**Knitting yarns:** Yellow**,** Brown

**Additional materials:** Scrap Card**,** Brown felt**,** Toy stuffing

**Tools:** No.10 Needles (UK size) or 3.25mm USA size**,** Wool needle, Scissors.

**Petals**

**With sunflower yellow yarn (make 17)- if you make your petals too close together you may need more petals.**

* Cast on 4sts
* P 1 row
* Kw inc1 into every st - 8sts
* St st 4 rows
* P1, P2tog, P2, P2tog, P1 - 6 sts
* St st 3 rows
* P1, P2tog, P2tog, P1 - 4sts
* St st 2 rows
* K1, K2tog, K1
* P3tog
* Cut off yarn leaving a long tail to sew with, thread through remaining stitch and pull tight to fasten off.
* To prepare petals for sewing to the centre, over stitch neatly down one side so the thread ends at the base of the petal.
* Sew in and out along cast on edge and pull tight to gather base.
* Secure thread leaving enough to sew to flower centre.

**Flower Centre**

**With brown yarn (make 2)**

* Cast on 30 Sts
* K1 row.
* (K2, K2tog) to last 2 Sts - K2. 23 sts
* K1 row.
* (K1, K2 tog) to last 2 Sts - K2. 16 sts
* K1 row.
* (K2 tog) to end. 7 sts
* B+T tightly.
* Take one of your brown centres and find a circular object just smaller than the circle it creates when laid flat and draw around. Cut out. Use this circle to cut out a brown piece of felt too, which will stop the card shining through.
* Sew the side seams together on your knitted piece to make the circle shape complete.
* You are going to sandwich one brown, then the card, then the felt and then another brown together and sew all around the outer edge to create your flower centre.

**To make the sunflower head**

* With your centre brown piece, you are going to sew your first row of petals around the outer edge so that they sit side by side with a tiny gap.
* Then sew the second row just behind so they peek between the front row petals as shown.
* Make sure your stitches are all on the back of the centre brown piece.

