



# Knitted Wreath

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This is a fun project for a gray, cold day. It's also a great beginner project so everyone can join in the fun! I have tweaked the original pattern so that you knit the leaves in one long chain; it's faster and also eliminates much sewing-in of tails! All you need to get started is small amount of stash yarn, wire clothes hangers and a little wire. Finish the wreath off with some fresh cut greens, berries, or an air plant.

## Skills Needed

General knitting skills.

## Materials

### Yarn Options

Small amount of any yarn; the thicker the yarn, the bigger the leaves, the fewer you will need to complete a circle.

- Sample: A Verb for Keeping Warm "Big Sky" (100% Montana Targhee wool, 100g / 160 yards), approximately 3 yards per leaf; 36 yds total for wreath.

## Needles

- Size required for yarn, straight or round; sample used US 10.

## Gauge

Not important

## Abbreviations

**MD** (mitered decrease): slip 2 sts together (as if to k2tog but slip them), k1, pass the 2 slipped sts over.

See [cocoknits.com](http://cocoknits.com) for complete glossary of terms.

## Directions

CO 3 sts.

Row 1 and all WS rows: purl.

Row 2 (RS): k1, yo, k1, yo, k1; 5 sts.

Row 4: k2, yo, k1, yo, k2; 7 sts.

Row 6: k3, yo, k1, yo, k3; 9 sts

Row 8: k9.

Row 10: ssk, k until 2 sts rem, k2tog; 7 sts.

Row 12: repeat row 10; 5 sts.

Row 14: repeat row 10; 3 sts.

Row 16: MD

Row 17: p remaining st then using backwards loop method, CO 2 sts, turn.

Row 18: k3.

Repeat rows 1-18 for each leaf. Knit enough to fit around your wire frame. Work in ends and steam block on WS to flatten leaves.

### Assembling Wreath

Bend a clothes hanger to create a round wreath form.

#### Attach Leaves

Cut a piece of wire about 24" long and wrap one end several times around the wreath form at the center top to secure. Each leaf is secured twice, once near the tip and once at the base. The rest of the time you are wrapping the wire around the form without securing the leaf.

Thread wire through the base of the first leaf, secure to form then continue wrapping only the wire around form until you get to the tip of leaf. Thread wire through tip of this leaf or base of next leaf OR simply wrap wire around both the form and the st in between the two leaves (last option leaves wire more exposed).

Repeat for each leaf around the form. You may need a second length of wire. If so, wrap around form to secure and continue as established.

Embellish with a sprig of leaves or herbs or cluster of berries or pompoms. Hang it up and enjoy!



## Enjoy!