

Crystalized Tree Skirt

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Width: 44" Height: 44"

MATERIALS

Premier® Yarns Premier® Basix™ (97% Acrylic, 3% Metallic Polyester; 4.23 oz/120g, 216yds/198m)

- MC: 2094-06 Snowfall Shimmer 4 balls
- CC: 2094-01 White Shimmer 3 balls **Needle:** US Size 8 (5 mm) set of dpns and 60" circular *or size needed to obtain gauge* **Notions:** Tapestry needle, 3 1" buttons

GAUGE

18 sts x 24 rnds = 4" in St st Hexagon = 6" across, measured from flat end to flat end, 6½" from point to point Save time, check your gauge.

Skills/techniques used in this pattern:

- Knit stitches.
- Yarnovers.
- Changing colors.
- Picking up and knitting stitches.
- Dropping extra wraps.
- K2tog and ssk decreases.
- Working in the round on doublepointed needles.
- Slipped Stitches.
- Seaming with mattress stitch.

PATTERN NOTES

This tree skirt is made of hexagons that are individually knit from the center outward and then seamed together. An edging is added after the seaming process.

The blue snowflake "lines" seen in the outer edges of each hexagon are made by slipping stitches.

Slip all stitches purlwise with the yarn held to the wrong side of the work.

TREE SKIRT

Hexagon (make 33)

With MC and dpns, cast on 6 sts. Divide evenly between dpns and join to work in the rnd, being careful not to twist.

Rnd 1: *[K1, yo, k1] into next st rep from * around – 12 sts inc'd, 18 sts.

Note: Knit all yarnovers through the back loop to close up the hole.

Rnds 2-3: Knit.

Rnd 4: *K1, yo, k3, yo, k1; rep from * around – 12 sts inc'd, 30 sts.

Rnds 5-6: Knit.

Rnd 7: *K1, yo, k5, yo, k1; rep from * around – 12 sts inc'd, 42 sts.

Rnds 8-9: Knit.

Rnd 10: *K1, yo, k7, yo, k1; rep from * to end – 12 sts inc'd, 54 sts.

Rnd 11: *K1, k1 wrapping yarn twice around needle, k2, k1 wrapping yarn three times around needle, k2, k1 wrapping yarn twice around needle, k1; rep from * to end. Break MC, switch to CC.

Rnd 12: *K1, sl 1 dropping extra wrap, k2, sl 1 dropping extra wraps, k2, sl 1 dropping extra wrap, k1; rep from * to end.

Rnd 13: *K1, yo, sl 1, k2, sl 1, k2, sl 1, yo, k1; rep from * to end – 12 sts inc'd, 66 sts.

Rnds 14-15: *K5, sl 1, k5; rep from * to end.

Rnd 16: * K1, yo, k9, yo, k1; rep from * to end – 12 sts inc'd, 78 sts.

Bind off all sts, continuing to knit the yarnovers

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through the back loop.

Using diagram as a guide, seam Hexagons together using CC and mattress st.

Edging

Rnd 1: With CC and circular needle, beginning at the place indicated by the dot in the diagram, with RS facing, pick up and knit approximately 694 sts evenly around entire Tree Skirt, 1 st for each st along Hexagons, place marker and join to work in the rnd.

Rnd 2: Purl.

Rnd 3: * [Knit to 2 sts before next interior corner, ssk, k2tog] 2 times, knit to 1 st before next exterior corner/point, yo, k2, yo; continue as established, decreasing at interior points and increasing at exterior points all the way around.

Rnd 4: Purl, knitting yarnovers through the back loop.

Rows 5-6: Rep Rows 3-4.

Switch to MC.

Rows 7-8: Rep Rows 3-4.

Row 9: Rep Row 3.

Bind off all sts purlwise.

FINISHING

Sew sides of Edging together.

Button Loops (make 3)

With MC, cast on 30 sts. Knit 2 rows. Bind off all sts. Bring ends of Button Loops together. Sew each Loop to the opening in the Tree Skirt, one on each point. Sew buttons opposite Button Loops. Weave in ends.

Abbreviations

CC contrast color
dec'd decreased

k knit

k2tog knit 2 sts together (1 st dec'd)

MC main color rep repeat(ing) RS right side

sl slip

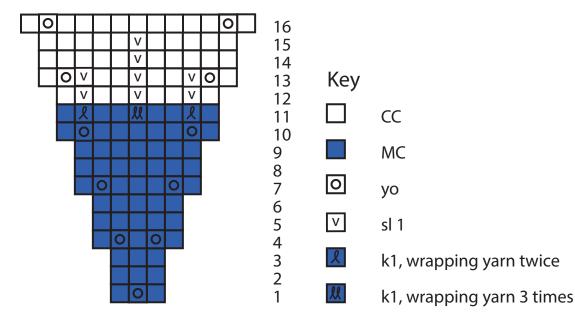
ssk slip slip knit (1 st dec'd)

st(s) stitch(es)

St st Stockinette stitch: knit every rnd

yo yarnover

Hexagon (repeat 6 times across each round)



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