

## CHRISTMAS ANGEL Knitting Pattern

What you will need:

Some wool (in any yarn or colour)

Knitting needles (between size 10-8 (that's 3.25mm and 4mm))

If you're unsure, try size 9 needles with double yarn.

Darning needle (like a big sewing needle)

Small amount of stuffing



The angels have been designed to be as simple and as flexible as possible so everyone from a beginner to a more advanced knitter can have a go. Feel free to adapt the pattern if you want by adding in different colours or making a larger angel. You will need a basic knowledge of knit and purl to make these angels but don't let that stop you if you haven't done it before. Find someone who can teach you and ask them to help you learn a new skill.

### The Pattern:

#### Angel Body

##### Cast on 48 sts

1. Knit row
2. Purlrow
3. K2TOG, K10\*, repeat until end
4. Purlrow
5. Knit row
6. P2TOG, P9\*, repeat until end
7. Knit row
8. Purlrow
9. K2TOG, KS\*, repeat until end
10. Purlrow
11. Knit row
12. P2TOG, P7\*, repeat until end
13. KnitRow
14. Purl Row
15. K2TOG, K6\*, repeat until end
16. Purlrow
17. Knit row
18. P2TOG, P5\*, repeat until end
19. Knit row
20. Purlrow
21. K2TOG, K4\*, repeat until end • 20 sts
22. Purlrow
23. Knit row
24. Purlrow
25. Knit row
26. Purlrow
27. Knit row



At this point, you can change your colour to create the face if you want.

28. Purlrow
29. Knit row
30. Purlrow
31. Knit row
32. Purlrow
33. Knit row
34. Purlrow
35. K2TOG • repeat until end
36. Purlrow
37. Knit row
38. P2TOG • repeat until end

Using a darning needle, thread the end of the yarn through the stitches and tighten to create the top of the head. Turn the angel inside out and sew up the head and the body. Around the neck, take a small amount of stuffing and place at the top of the head, then thread some yarn between stitches and pull loosely together.

#### Angel Wings

##### Option 1

##### Cast on 27 sts

1. Knit row
2. Knit row
3. Decrease at each end (Knit)
4. Knit
5. Knit 12 rows, decrease at each end cast off.

**Option 2 (more advanced)** These wings are knitted in short rows, with the yarn wrapped around the last stitch in the middle of each ridge. To complete this you need to bring your yarn forward, slip the stitch over purl wise, take the yarn back again, replace the slipped stitch, bring the yarn forward again and turn the work.

##### w&t = wrap & turn

##### Cast on 9 sts

1. KS, w&t, KS
2. K6, w&t, K6
3. K4, w&t, K4
4. K2, w&t, K2
5. K4, w&t, K4
6. K6, w&t, K6

Repeat these 6 rows, 4-5 times as necessary. Sew wings to the body.

*For face features – see note on the reverse .....*

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### Crochet Pattern

The angel body is crocheted in one piece so no seam to sew up!

You will need:

Size 5mm crochet hook [approx.]  
Double knit wool.  
A little bit of filling for the head.

We start at the head and work down over. It's best to start with a magic ring. There is a great clip on youtube that explains how to do one - google "June Gilbank magic ring" or type this address into your search bar <https://youtu.be/sLUaywX0-WE>. If you find it tricky just start with a chain of about 4 and create a circle that way (you can always tighten it with a stitch if necessary).

Abbreviations:

DC – double crochet (in American patterns this is called a single crochet)  
DC2TOG – double crochet 2 together

#### Starting at the HEAD

Make a magic circle with 8 DCs and join with a slip stitch to create a circle [you might find it useful to pop a stitch marker in at this point]

Row 1. 2DC in each stitch (16 stitches)  
Row 2. 1 DC in each stitch  
Row 3. 1 DC in each stitch  
Row 4. 1 DC in each stitch  
Row 5. 1 DC in each stitch  
Row 6. 1 DC in each stitch  
Row 7. DC2TOG \*repeat to the end (8 stitches)  
Row 8. 1 DC in each stitch (8 stitches)

**BODY** - continues from the head, with no break

Row 9. 2DC in first stitch, 1DC in the next stitch – repeat all the way round [12 stitches]  
Row 10. 2DC in first stitch, 1DC in each of next 2 stitches, repeat all the way around (16 stitches)  
Row 11. 2DC in first stitch, 1DC in each of next 3 stitches, repeat all the way around (20 stitches)  
Row 12. 2DC in first stitch, 1DC in each of next 4 stitches, repeat all the way around (24 stitches)  
Row 13. 2DC in first stitch, 1DC in each of next 5 stitches, repeat all the way around (28 stitches)  
Row 14. 2 DC in first stitch, 1DC in each of next 6 stitches, repeat all the way around (32 stitches)  
Rows 15- 20. Work straight 1DC in each stitch  
After row 20 finish off.  
(The 2DC increases should all be in 4 lovely neat lines going down the angel's skirt.)



Put a small amount of stuffing in the head and sew a drawstring if necessary, although it can work without. *For face features – see note at the bottom of the page.....*

#### WINGS

Start with a chain of 3 and work 2 DC into the loop furthest away from the hook, the other 2 chain become your 3<sup>rd</sup> DC. Turn

Work about 8 rows doing 2DC in the first and last stitch of each row, to increase the width of the wings, and 1DC in each of the middle stitches.

By row 8 you have 19 stitches.

Fasten off and stitch to the back of the skirt part of the angel.

### CHRISTMAS ANGEL Pom-Pom Pattern

You will need:

Wool  
Cardboard Pom-pom template or pom-pom maker  
Felt for the wings  
Glue

Create two pom-poms 1 slightly smaller than the other.

Size - approximately 4cms and 6cms in diameter (the pom-poms could be trimmed to size when done)

Stitch the two balls together with a piece of wool – creating a head and body

Cut out the wings from your piece of felt (use the heart shape as a guide, but the size depends on your pom-poms.)

Glue the wings to the body of your angel (the larger pom-pom)



### A few extra bits of information.....

- Faces – we suggest that you leave your angels without any facial features. This enables the recipient to imagine the angel to be male or female / young or old / person known or welcome stranger/passed on, simply missed or a regular good Samaritan.
- Halo or Hair [or none] – Your choice entirely. We've had anything from gold halos to rainbow hair in the past. All are amazing, and as with most things – we believe that God makes sure that the most appropriate angel will land in the hands of the most appreciative recipient.
- Each angel will have a blessing attached, in the hope that it helps lift someone's spirit.
- All angels are needed by the 7th December latest [sooner would be very much appreciated]. Please return your angel[s] to your group organiser or contact: [jane.stthomasbrampton@gmail.com](mailto:jane.stthomasbrampton@gmail.com) to find out where you can take them.

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