

Fairy Door by Lulubelle Knits

Two sizes available. A 10 inch Large size is perfect for outdoor Yarn Bombs & Elf Doors. The 6 inch Small size is great for a Fairy Door to hide indoors, on a small tree, in a garden, or sew it onto a blanket or pillow.

Who knows where these will end up & you can have fun embellishing in any way to customise your door for your Fairy or Elves taste!

Materials used in photos:

Double Knit Yarn (Less than 50gr Ball in 2 colours)

4mm (US 6) Needles

Cable needle

Darning Needle

Buttons for Decoration

*You can use whatever scrap yarn you have just use needles to gauge (Door size will vary)

Two Sizes written as SMALL (LARGE):

SMALL: 6 inch door for garden/indoors

LARGE: 10 inch door Perfect for Yarn Bombs & outdoor spaces

*Note you could use whatever scrap yarn/needle size you have to spare so this pattern can make doors in a wide variety of sizes.

Abbreviations:

S1 - Slip on (on right side slip as if to knit on wrong slip slip as if to purl)

K1 - Knit 1

P1 - Purl 1

K2Tog - Knit 2 Together (decreases 1 stitch)

P2Tog - Purl 2 Together (decreases 1 stitch)

SSK - Slip next two stitches as if to knit onto right needle, then knit through them together (decreases 1 stitch)

Cable Forward Row: Slip 3 stitches onto cable needle & hold in FRONT of your work, Knit next 3 stitches from your work, then knit 3 stitches from the cable needle.

Cable Backward Row: Slip 3 stitches onto cable need & hold in BACK of your work, Knit 3 stitches from your work, then knit the 3 stitches on the cable needle.

Make Door - For BOTH sizes SMALL & (LARGE) start as follows:

Cast on 27 (37) Stitches

Remember for next rows slip knit wise on Right Side (RS,) purl wise on Wrong Side (WS) Wrong Side: S1, K1, *P3(5) K2* repeat from *to* to last 5(7) stitches, P3(5), K1, P1

Right Side: S1, P1, *K3(5), P2* repeat from *to* to last 5(7) stitches, K3(5), P1, K1

Repeat these two rows until work measures 3.5 inches for Small, 6 inches for Large.

Complete 1 more WS row so you start the decreases on the Right Side of your work.

*Note if using a different gauge of yarn start the decreases when the door is 3/5 of the desired

finished height.

Start Decreasing for the top of door. Follow directions for either the SMALL or LARGE size continued on next page.

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SMALL Size Decrease (15 Rows Decrease) (RS slip knitwise, WS slip purl wise)
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1RS: S1, P1, SSK, K1, P2, *K3, P2* repeat from *to* until last 5 stitches, K1, K2Tog, P1, K1

2WS: S1, K1, P2, K2, *P3, K2* repeat from *to* until last 4 stitches, P2, K1, P1

3RS: S1, P1, SSK, P2, *K3, P2*, repeat from *to* until last 4 stitches, K2Tog, P1, K1

4WS: S1, K1, P1, K2, *P3, K2*, repeat from *to* until last 3 stitches, P1, K1, P1

5RS: S1, P1, SSK, P1 *K3, P2*, repeat from *to* until last 8 stitches, K3, P1, K2Tog, P1, K1

6WS: S1, K1, P1, K1, *P3, K2*, repeat from *to* until last 7 stitches, P3, K1, P1, K1, P1

7RS: S1, P1, SSK, SSK, K1, P2, K3, P2, K1, K2Tog, K2Tog, P1, K

8WS: S1, K1, (P3, K2) twice, P3, K1, P1

9RS: S1, P1, SSK, SSK, P1, K3, P1, K2Tog, K2Tog, P1, K1

10WS: S1, K1, P2, K1, P3, K1, P2, K1, P1

11RS: S1, P1, SSK, SKK, K1, K2Tog, K2Tog, P1, K1

12WS: S1, K1, P5, K1, P1

13RS: SSK, SSK, K1, K2Tog, K2Tog

14WS: P2Tog, K1, P2Tog

15RS: K2Tog, K1, Slip 1st stitch over the 2nd leaving 1 stitch on needle. Break yarn and pull through the remaining stitch to cast off - the door should come to the point in the middle for the top of the door.

LARGE Size Top Door Decrease (21 Rows, remember to slip RS knit wise, WS purl wise):

1RS: S1, P1, SSK, K3, P2, *K5, P2* repeat from** until last 4 stitches K2Tog, P1, K1

2WS: S1, K1, P4, K2, *P5, K2* repeat from ** until last 6 stitches, P4, K1, P1

3RS: S1, P1, SSK, K2, P2, *K5, P2* repeat from ** until last 6 stitches, K2, K2Tog, P1, K1

4WS: S1, K1, P3, K2, *P5, K2* repeat from *to* until last 5 stitches P3, K1, P1

5RS: S1, P1, SSK, K1, P2, *K5, P2* repeat from * to* until last 5 stitches K1, K2Tog, P1, K1

6WS: S1, K1, P2, K2, *P5, K2* repeat from * to * until last 4 stitches P2, K1, P1

7RS: S1, P1, SSK, P2 *K5, P2* repeat from * to * until last 4 stitches K2Tog, P1, K1

8WS: S1, K1, P1, K2, *P5, K2* repeat from * to * until last 3 stitches, P1, K1, P1

9RS: S1, P1, SSK, SSK, K4, P2, K5, P2, K4, K2Tog, K2Tog, P1, K1

10WS: S1, K1, P6, K2, P5, K2, P6, K1, P1

11RS: S1, P1, SSK, SSK, K2, P2, K5, P2, K2Tog, K2Tog, P1, K1

12WS: S1, K1, P4, K2, P5, K2, P4, K1, P1

13RS: S1, P1, SSK, SSK, P2, K5, P2, K2Tog, K2Tog, P1, K1

14WS: S1, K1, P2, K2, P5, K2, P2, K1, P1

15RS: S1, P1, SSK, SSK, K5, K2Tog, K2Tog, P1, K1

16WS: P1, K1, P9, K1, P1

17RS: S1, P1, SSK, SSK, K1, K2Tog, K2Tog, P1, K1

18WS: S1, K1, P2Tog, P1, P2Tog, K1, P1

19RS: S1, SSK, K1, K2tog, P1

20WS: P2Tog, P1, P2Tog

21RS: SSK, K1, Slip 1st stitch over the knit stitch. Break Yarn and pull through the last remaining stick to cast off in centre of the door.

When door is finished, block it so that it lies flat & you can better measure length of cable needed depending on your gauge.

Cable Edging Both Small & Large size made the same, however you can use a smaller needle to knit tighter on the smaller size if you wish - I knit in the photo on a 3.5mm) For my edging the Large Size was 10.5 inches, the small 6.5 before I sewed them on. Depending on how tight you knit just measure your work along the edge of your blocked door - there is leeway so doesn't need to be perfect.

Left Side of Door:

Cast on 8 Stitches

All Wrong Sides: P6, K1, P1 *Do all Wrong Sides the same (every other row is a WS)

RS Normal Row: S1, P1, K6

RS Cable Backwards Row: S1, P1, Cable Backwards

Then on next 2 right side rows do a normal row - so every 3rd RS row you do the cable. When you reach desired length cast off.

Right Side of Door:

Cast on 8 stitches

All Wrong Side: S1, K1, P6 *Do all Wrong Sides the same (ever other row is a WS)

RS Normal Row: K6, P1, K1

RS Cable Forward Row: Cable Forward, P1, K1

Then on next 2 right side rows do a normal row - so every 3rd RS row is a cable. When you reach desired length cast off.

Finishing:

Using the slip stitches on the door & cables - sew the seems together to make the door & frame by sewing each edging onto the sides & sewing the two of the edging casts off together at the top of the door. Weave in ends, Sew on buttons for hinges & door handle. Embellish as you wish.

For the heart shape on the blue door I used another Ravelry Pattern (The Sitting Tree Valentine Hearts) but I modified it so that on the wrong sides (make rows) instead of knitting I purled them and made the stitch purl wise.

Enjoy the pattern & please post photos & locations of your Yarn Bomb Fairy Doors!

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