

Union Jack Cushion

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FINISH SIZE

Finished Cushion measures approx 60 cm x 60 cm

YARN

British Sheep Breeds DK

A = Mid Brown Bluefaced Leicester 782	6	x50gm
B = Bluefaced Leicester Marl 783	1	x50gm
C = Brown Bluefaced Leicester 781	2	x50gm
D = Bluefaced Leicester 780	2	x50gm

MATERIALS

Buttons

6 x medium size buttons

Cushion Pad

1 x 60 cm [23"] square cushion pad

NEEDLES

1 pair 4 mm needles

TENSION

22 sts x 30 rows = 10 cm measured over stocking st using 4 mm needles

Special Abbreviations

work 2tog = work 2 sts together

yrn = yarn round needle

NOTES

* 1] **Note for Knitters** – Please check your tension before commencing pattern. Use larger or smaller needles in order to achieve correct tension.

* 2] **Note for Knitters** – Cast on using the thumb method throughout pattern.

FRONT

Using 4 mm needles cast on 133 sts with A

Cont to work from chart, beg at bottom right hand corner with a K row [1st row is RS of work], working chart entirely in stocking stitch and using the Intarsia technique for working the areas of

colour [ie. please use separate balls of yarn for each area of colour].

Cont until all 180 rows of chart have been worked.

Cast-off

BACK

Lower Back

Using 4 mm needles cast on 133 sts with A

Beg with a K row, cont to work in stocking stitch for 84 rows

Row 85 [RS] – k5 * p3, k3; rep from * to last 2 sts, k2

Row 86 – p5 * k3, p3; rep from * to last 2 sts, p2

These 2 rows form rib

Cont in rib for a further 10 rows, RS facing for next row – 96 rows

Cast off in rib

Upper Back

Using 4 mm needles cast on 133 sts with A

Work in rib as given for lower back for 6 rows, RS facing for next row:-

Row 7 [RS] – rib 8, [work 2tog, yrn, rib 21] 5 times, work 2tog, yrn, rib 8 – 6 buttonholes

Work in rib for a further 5 rows, RS facing for next row – 12 rows.

Beg with a K row, cont in stocking stitch as given for lower back for 84 rows, RS facing for next row – 96 rows:-

Cast off

MAKE UP

Pin and lay upper back over lower back so that rib sections overlap.

Join back sections to the cushion front along entire outer edges.

Sew buttons to lower back rib section to correspond with buttonholes on upper back rib section.

KEY

- A
- ⊗ B
- C
- ⊗ D

