FREE PATTERN

Mini Stocking Garland

A complete free knitting pattern from AlandTina



From Chunky Christmas Decor Knits Vol 1

One of 12 chunky Christmas garland and bunting knitting patterns

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Materials

Super bulky (category 6) yarn in the colours given per pattern — a full set of all twelve garlands takes roughly 2.5 kg in total, and each single garland takes 250–400 g; 9 mm (US 13) needles throughout: a pair of straights for the flat pieces and a set of 9 mm double-pointed needles for the balls, berries and i-cord; polyester fiberfill stuffing; a large-eye tapestry needle; sharp scissors; a 15 cm piece of stiff card (for the tassels); and 2.5 m (8 ft) lengths of sturdy cotton cord for stringing — or knit your own cord with Pattern 11. Chunky yarn on big needles is kind to hands and quick to grow: most of these garlands are one evening’s work.

Gauge

8 sts × 10 rows = 10 cm (4 in) in stockinette stitch with super bulky (category 6) yarn on 9 mm needles. Chunky pieces are wonderfully forgiving — knit to the finished size given in each pattern and you cannot go wrong. Every size in this book was worked out from this gauge, so your garlands will come out as plump as the pictures.

Twelve garlands, twelve makes

No two garlands in this book are built the same way twice. The flags alone come three ways: the classic edge-decrease flag (Pattern 1), a striped flag worked from the point up (Pattern 6), and a mitred flag whose point grows down a centre spine (Pattern 10). The round balls have two tempers of their own — the Bobble Garland's even six-way ladder (Pattern 2) and the Snowball's quicker four-way climb (Pattern 8) — and the Medley sews its balls from flat garter panels instead (Pattern 12). Around them sit the holly leaf and its berry, the long gum leaf and its short Medley cousin, two kinds of star point, the two-lobe heart, the simplified-heel mini stocking and the 4-stitch i-cord. Sizes are honest: they are all worked out from the gauge above (8 sts × 10 rows = 10 cm), so a 24-stitch ball really is about 10 cm across and a 15-stitch flag really is about 19 cm wide. String everything on 2.5 m of cord with a hand’s width between pieces, hang with two hooks, and stand back.



Pattern 7

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Chunky mini stockings on a line

Type	Chunky garland / bunting
Size	Each stocking about 12.5 cm (5 in) wide × 21 cm (8.3 in) from cuff to toe; 5 stockings on a 2.5 m cord
You will make	5 mini stockings on a cord.
Colours	Super bulky (category 6): red with cream cuffs, about 50 g per stocking.
Level	Confident beginner

Five plump mini stockings with a simplified wedge heel — the heel steps 10 sts down to 6 and back to 10, every stitch counted, no gusset gymnastics. Fill each one with a chocolate or a clue for the Christmas morning treasure hunt.

CUFF (cream)

CO 20 sts with cream, join in the round, pm (20 sts)

Rnds 1-3: *K1, p1* rib 3 rnds **(20 sts)**

Change to festive red (20 sts)

LEG (festive red)

Rnds 1-6: K 6 rnds **(20 sts)**

SIMPLIFIED HEEL (festive red, worked flat on 10 sts)

Work on the first 10 sts only; leave the other 10 sts on hold for the instep (10 sts)

Row 1 (RS): K2tog, k to last 2 sts, k2tog **(8 sts)**

Row 2 (WS): P **(8 sts)**

Row 3: K2tog, k to last 2 sts, k2tog **(6 sts)**

Row 4: P **(6 sts)**

Row 5: K1, m1, k to last st, m1, k1 **(8 sts)**

Row 6: P **(8 sts)**

Row 7: K1, m1, k to last st, m1, k1 **(10 sts)**

Row 8: P — heel complete, a simple wedge that turns the corner **(10 sts)**

FOOT (festive red)

Rejoin in the round: knit across the 10 heel sts, then across the 10 held instep sts **(20 sts)**

Rnds 1-4: K 4 rnds (foot) **(20 sts)**

TOE (festive red)

Rnd 1: *K3, k2tog* rep 4 times **(16 sts)**

Rnd 2: K **(16 sts)**

Rnd 3: *K2, k2tog* rep 4 times **(12 sts)**

Rnd 4: *K1, k2tog* rep 4 times **(8 sts)**

Rnd 5: *K2tog* rep 4 times **(4 sts)**

Cut yarn, thread tail through rem 4 sts, pull tight and secure inside (4 sts)

HANGING LOOP (cream)

With cream, CO 3 sts (3 sts)

Rows 1-8: K 8 rows (garter cord) **(3 sts)**

BO; fold into a loop and sew both ends firmly inside the cuff (3 sts)

Finishing

1. Thread the finished pieces onto the cord in the order given, spacing them evenly (about a hand's width apart) and knotting or stitching each piece so it stays put.
2. Tie a hanging loop at each end of the cord and hang with a gentle swag — chunky knits are proudly heavy, so use two hooks or nails, not one.
3. Give balls, stars and hearts a final squeeze into shape once they are hung.

Garland logic

A stocking garland doubles as an advent line: tuck a tiny treat or note into one stocking per December day you hang it early.

One down, 11 to go!

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