

Mushroom, chilli & Pine cone Lights



YARN Less than one 25g ball of the following yarn, the shade I suggest is written in *italic* but you can substitute with a similar weight yarn if you wish, yarnsub.com is a good site for help with that

Yarn A (**Mushroom Stem**) tiny amount 4-ply or light DK weight in beige or off-white *I used Cardiff Cashmere Classic shade 670 Pois which is a DK weight yarn*

Yarn B (**Mushroom Cap Underside**) tiny amount 2-ply, 3-ply or 4-ply weight in brown or off-white or the colour of your choice *I used Cashmere Classic shade 670 Pois which is a super-fine yarn*

Yarn C (**Mushroom Cap Top**) tiny amount 2-ply, 3-ply or 4-ply weight in brown or beige or the colour of your choice *I used Isagar Alpaca 1 shade E8S which is a 2-ply weight yarn*

Yarn D (**Pine Cone**) tiny amount DK weight in grey-green/ sage colour, *I used Lana Grossa Landlust Sommerseide shade 05 Grey-Green*

Yarn E (**Pine Cone**) tiny amount silver thread yarn *I used Drops Glitter*

Yarn F (**Pine Cone Stalk**) tiny amount DK weight in brown *I used Drops Merino shade 06 Taupe*

Yarn G (**Chilli**) tiny amount 4-ply weight in red, *I used Cardiff Cashmere Classic shade 514 Hermes*

Yarn H (**Chilli Stem**) tiny amount 4-ply/ DK weight in green, *I used Drops Alpaca shade 7238 Green Grass (Mix)*

KNITTING NEEDLES Mushroom and Chilli pair size 2.25mm; Pine Cone pair size 3.00mm

TENSION 13 rows x 10 stitches over 2.5cm/ 1in with 2.25mm/ US size 1 knitting needles and yarn A

EXTRAS *LED Round Ball Balloon Lights (*either warm or white light*); glue to stick plastic to yarn; pin or sewing needle (**to make the initial hole in the balloon light's stopper*); yarn sewing needle

*OR a string of LED fairy lights

SUPPLIERS

Balloon Lights similar from here - Amazon

Drops Yarn and Cardiff yarn from knittedhome.com

GENERAL ABBREVIATIONS

k = knit

p = purl

inc = increase

dec = decrease

k2tog/ k3tog = knit two together/ knit three together

p2tog/ p3tog = purl two together/ purl three together

RH/LH = right hand/ left hand RS/WS = right side/ wrong side

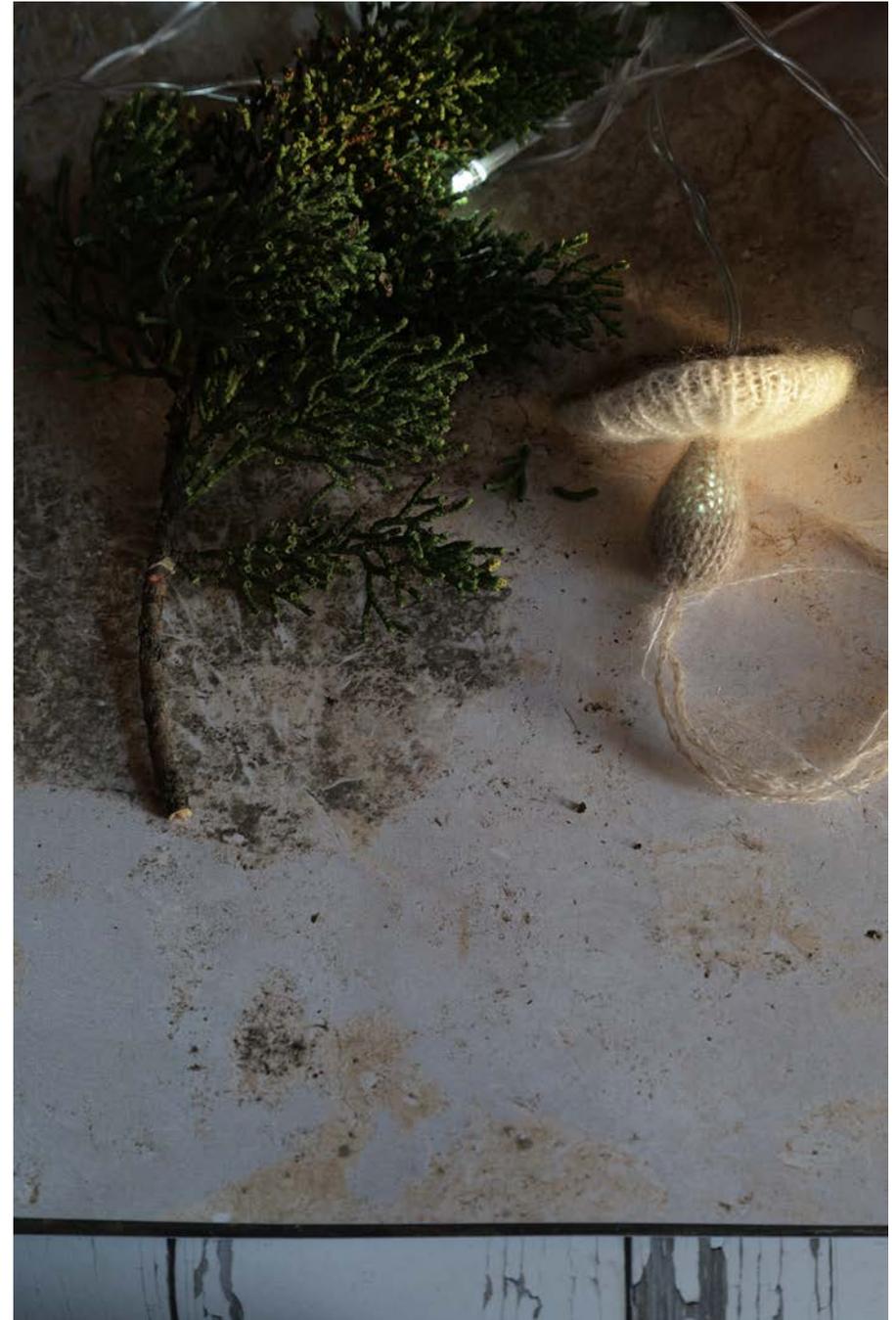
st/ sts =stitch/ stitches

skpo = slip one stitch, knit next stitch, pass slipped stitch over knit stitch to decrease by one stitch

kfb = knit into front then into back of stitch to increase by one stitch

pfb = purl into front then knit into back of stitch to increase by one stitch

rev. yo = reversed yarn over, bring working yarn from back of work and over the knitting needle in your right hand to the front before working the next stitch on the left-hand needle



MUSHROOM

Beginning at the Top of the Stem, with yarn A cast on 3 sts leaving a *long tail end* (this is important as it's what you'll join the stopper to later)

Rows 1, 3, 5, 7 & 9. Purl

Row 2. [Kfb] three times - 6sts

Row 4. [K1, kfb] three times - 9sts

Row 6. [K2, kfb] three times - 12sts

Row 8. [K3, kfb] three times - 15sts

Row 10. [K4, kfb] three times - 18sts

Rows 11-17. Beginning with a purl row work seven rows stocking stitch (**NOTE: add more rows for a longer stem**)

Row 18. [K2tog, k1] six times - 12sts

Cut yarn, leaving a tail end to sew the seam with, thread end through all 12 sts, pull up to gather tightly and secure the end for the Stem Base.

Sew the seam, lightly stuffing as you go, joining the stem row ends with mattress stitch from the fastened-off Stem Base to just before the top of the stem. - *See Fig. 1*

ATTEND TO THE LIGHT

The very first thing to do is to take out the white stopper (that which switches the light off/ on) from the balloon light and very carefully make a hole in the centre of the widest round bit - The narrower part of the stopper is the part that you'll insert into the light. - *See Fig. 2*

When you've done that, take a sewing needle with a large eye for threading up yarn (and one that will pass easily through the hole you've just made in the stopper), thread the yarn tail end from the Stem Cast-On Edge into the sewing needle and pass the threaded-up needle into the hole in the stopper. - *See Fig. 3*

Now work stitches in and around the stopper hole at the same time completing the seam from the stem. - *See Fig. 4*

As soon as you've joined the bottom half of the stopper to the mushroom stem insert the other half of the stopper back into the balloon light to save the energy (they do last a very long time, so don't worry, no need to rush the above!).



FIG. 1



FIG. 2



FIG. 3

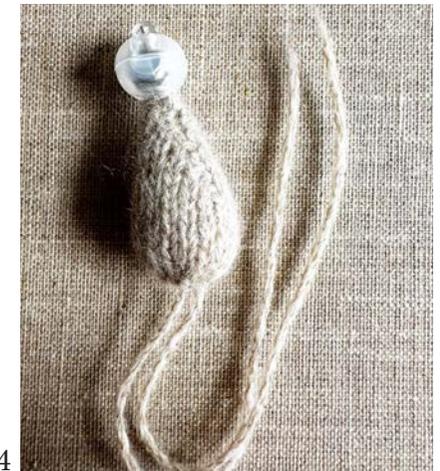


FIG. 4



FIG. 5



FIG. 6

CAP UNDERSIDE

Beginning at the Edge of the Cap, with yarn **B** cast on 54 sts

Row 1. *P1, k2** repeat from * to ** across to the end of the row

Row 2. *P2, k1** repeat from * to ** across to the end of the row

Rows 3-12. Repeat last 2 rows five times or until the knitting measures about 2.5cm/ 1in from the cast-on edge

Row 13. *P1, skpo** repeat from * to ** across to the end of the row - 36sts

Row 14. *P1, k1** repeat from * to ** across to the end of the row

Row 15. [P2tog, skpo] 18 times - 18sts

Cut yarn, thread end through all 18 sts, continue as follows:



FIG. 7



FIG. 8



FIG. 9

Join the Cap Underside to the Stem

Place the 18 sts, through which you've passed a sewing needle, against the top of the Stem. Gather up the 18 sts around the top of the stem and carefully sew the gathered-up edge to the stem with neat whip stitches.

Sew the Cap Underside rows ends seam with mattress stitch then weave in the tail ends as neatly as possible. - See Figs. 5, 6, 7, 8 & 9

CAP TOP

Beginning at the Edge of the Cap, with yarn **C** cast on *54 sts

Rows 1-15. Beginning with a purl row work 15 rows stocking stitch

Row 16. *K1, k2tog** repeat from * to ** across to the end of the row - 36sts

Row 17. Purl

Row 18. [K2tog] repeat across to the end of the row - 18sts

Row 19. Purl

Row 20. [K2tog] repeat across to the end of the row - 9sts

Cut yarn, thread end through all 9 sts, pull up to a tight gather and secure the end. Use the tail end to sew the seam along the row ends.

RETURN TO THE LIGHT

Add a blob of glue to the top of the balloon light then place the WS of the Cap Top over the balloon light adhering the gathered-up centre of the cap top onto the top of the light. For neatness sake align the Seam of the Cap with the seam of the Cap Underside.- See Fig. 10



FIG. 10



FIG. 11

**If you wanted a more hooded mushroom cast on 45 sts and work the pattern similarly. You'll not on Row 20 you'll need to knit the last stitch = 8sts.*

- See Fig. 11

Check the glue is dry before continuing as follows:

Join the Cap to the Cap Underside

Pin the Cap to the Cap Underside and sewing one to the other as neatly as possible with whip stitch

The final thing to do is this:

- The light switches on and off by gently pulling up the bulb, so pulling it *almost* free of the stopper - you don't want to pull it completely free as it's tricky, once the cap is sewn to its underside, to wiggle it back on, so, make a few discrete stitches to join the underside, at the top, near the stem, to the cap top. - See. Figs. 12, 13, 14 & 15



FIG. 12



FIG. 13



FIG. 14



FIG. 15





CHILLI

Beginning at the Top of the Chilli, with yarn A cast on 9 sts leaving a *long tail end* (this is important as it's what you'll join the stopper to later)

Rows 1, 3 & 5. Purl

Row 2. [K2, kfb] three times - 12sts

Row 4. [K3, kfb] three times - 15sts

Row 6. [K4, kfb] three times - 18sts

Rows 7-17. Beginning with a purl row work 11 rows stocking stitch (*NOTE: for a medium chilli just work three rows stocking stitch here; for a short just purl one row*)

Row 18. K8, skpo, k8 to end of row - 17sts

Rows 19-21. Beginning with a purl row work three rows stocking stitch

Row 22. K7, skpo, k8 to end of row - 16sts

Rows 23-25. Beginning with a purl row work three rows stocking stitch

Row 26. K6, skpo, k8 to end of row - 15sts

Rows 27-29. Beginning with a purl row work three rows stocking stitch

Row 30. K5, skpo, k8 to end of row - 14sts

Rows 31-33. Beginning with a purl row work three rows stocking stitch

Row 34. K4, skpo, k8 to end of row - 13sts

Rows 35-37. Beginning with a purl row work three rows stocking stitch

Row 38. K3, skpo, k8 to end of row - 12sts

Rows 39-41. Beginning with a purl row work three rows stocking stitch

Row 42. K2, skpo, k8 to end of row - 11sts

Rows 43-45. Beginning with a purl row work three rows stocking stitch

Row 46. K1, skpo, k8 to end of row - 10sts

Rows 47-49. Beginning with a purl row work three rows stocking stitch

Row 50. Skpo, k8 to end of row - 9sts

Rows 51-53. Beginning with a purl row work three rows stocking stitch

Row 54. K7, k2tog - 8sts

Rows 55-57. Beginning with a purl row work three rows stocking stitch

Row 58. K5, k2tog, k1 to end of row - 7sts

Rows 59-61. Beginning with a purl row work three rows stocking stitch

Row 62. K3, k2tog, k2 to end of row - 6sts

Rows 63-65. Beginning with a purl row work three rows stocking stitch

Row 66. K1, k2tog, k3 to end of row - 5sts

Cut yarn, leaving a tail end to sew the seam with, thread end through all 5 sts, pull up to gather and secure the end for the Chilli Point.

Leaf Top

With yarn **B** cast on 18 sts

Rows 1-3. Beginning with a purl row work three rows stocking stitch

Row 4. [K4, k2tog] three times - 15sts

Rows 5 & 7. Purl

Row 6. [K3, k2tog] three times - 12sts

Row 8. [K2tog] six times - 6sts

Rows 9-12. *Work stocking stitch i-cord (*all knit*) for four rows then cast off all 6 Stalk Top sts.

**NOTE: Instead of i-cord you can work four rows stocking stitch (beginning with a purl row) and sew the seam afterwards*

Before you sew the seam at the back of the chilli you need to fix the balloon light into the stalk and top of the chilli as follows:

ATTEND TO THE LIGHT

The very first thing to do is to apply a little bit of glue to the top of the white stopper (*that which switches the light off/ on*) from the balloon light and then push the glued stopper into the Leaf Top Stalk i-cord. - *See Fig. 1* When you've done that, apply a little bit of glue to the actual light itself then wrap the top of the chilli around the glue to adhere it to the light, what you are wanting is for the stopper to be pulled out sufficiently to switch the light on without the stopper actually leaving the light entirely. - *See Figs. 2 & 3*



FIG. 1



FIG. 2



FIG. 3



FIG. 4

Now join the seam at the back of the chilli - I used whip stitch for this, joining the chilli row ends with mattress stitch from the fastened-off Chilli Point to the cast-on edge, at the same time wrapping around the light. - See Fig. 3 & 4

NOTE: As an added/ optional extra and you could give the chilli an authentic shape by gluing a length of wire against the back seam. - See Fig. 4

Lastly, place the Chilli Leaf Top over the chilli's cast-on edge, join the seam at the back of the leaf top with mattress stitch then whip stitch to join the edge of the leaf tip to the cast-on edge so fixing the light stopper into the light. - See Fig. 5

Sew a few stitches to create a triangle as a leaf detail around the edge of the leaf top and onto the top of the chilli to complete. - See Fig. 6



FIG. 5



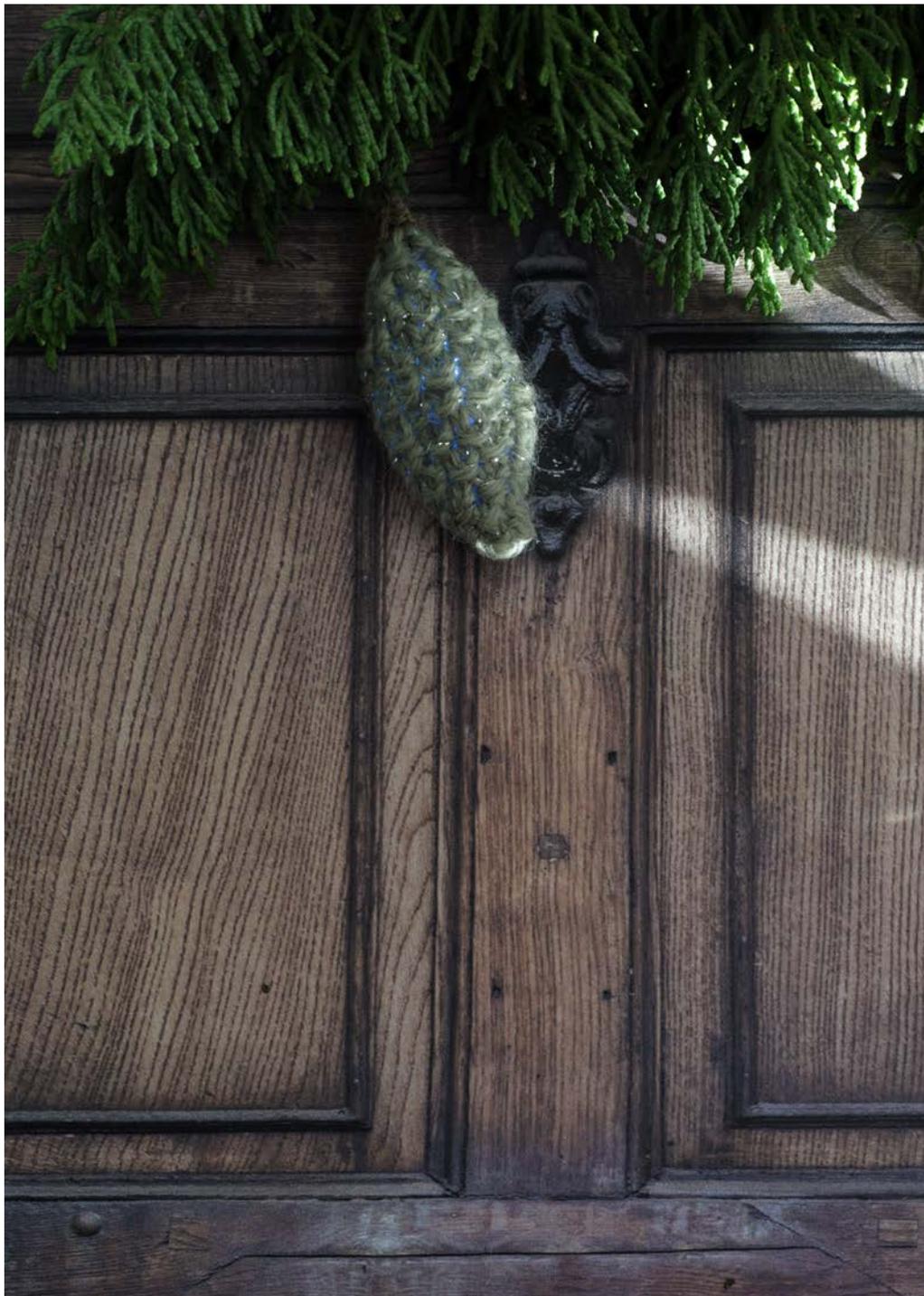
FIG. 6

If you'd want to add the chilli to the string of fairy lights instead, continue as follows:

Join the seam that runs along the back of the chilli - I used whip stitch for this. Pass the fairy light bulb into the stalk i-cord then close/ secure the top of the stalk around the wires near the top of the fairy light bulb with some careful stitching. - See Fig. 7



FIG. 7



PINE CONE

Starting at the Bottom of the Cone, with yarn **DE** cast on 4sts leaving a long-ish tail end for joining the back seam

Row 1. [Pfb] four times - 8sts

Row 2. K2, *rev. yo, k2, pass yo over 2 sts and off needle* repeat from * to *

Row 3. [P1, pfb] four times - 12sts

Row 4. K1, *rev. yo, k2, pass yo over 2 sts and off needle* repeat from * to * to last st, k1

Row 5. [P2, pfb] four times - 16sts

Row 6. K2, *rev. yo, k2, pass yo over 2 sts and off needle* repeat from * to *

Row 7. [P3, pfb] four times - 20sts

Row 8. K1, *rev. yo, k2, pass yo over 2 sts and off needle* repeat from * to * to last st, k1

Row 9. [P4, pfb] four times - 24sts

Row 10. K2, *rev. yo, k2, pass yo over 2 sts and off needle* repeat from * to *

Row 11. Purl

Row 12. K2, *rev. yo, k2, pass yo over 2 sts and off needle* repeat from * to *

Row 13. Purl

Row 14. K2, *rev. yo, k2, pass yo over 2 sts and off needle* rep from * to *

Row 15. [P3, pfb] six times - 30sts

Row 16. K1, *rev. yo, k2, pass yo over 2 sts and off needle* rep from * to * to last st, k1

Row 17. [P1, p2tog] ten times - 20sts

Row 18. K2, *rev. yo, k2, pass yo over 2 sts and off needle* rep from * to *

Row 19. P2tog across - 10sts

Row 20. K2, *rev. yo, k2, pass yo over 2 sts and off needle* rep from * to *

Row 21. P2tog across - 5sts

Switch to yarn **F** for the **Stalk** (or use the same yarn, yarn **CD**)

Rows 22-24. *Work garter stitch i-cord (purl a row, knit a row, purl a row) for three rows then cast off all 5 Stalk Top sts.

**NOTE: Instead of i-cord you can work three rows garter stitch (all knit rows) and sew the seam afterwards*

Before you sew the seam at the back of the pine cone you need to fix the balloon light into the stalk and top of the pine cone as follows:

ATTEND TO THE LIGHT SIMILAR TO CHILLI LIGHT FROM PAGE 13

[THERE IS ALSO A PINE CONE VIDEO HERE :](#)

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