



Knit Enchanted Owl Pillow

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Skill Level



Finished pillow cover fits a 16" x 20" pillow form

Materials



Yarn: Deborah Norville *Everyday Soft Worsted Prints* (100% acrylic/3.5 ounces/180 yards)

- #ED200-20 Northern Lights – 1 ball (MC)

Deborah Norville *Everyday Soft Worsted Solids* (100% acrylic/4 ounces/203 yards)

- #ED100-09 Royal Blue – 1 ball (A)
- #ED100-01 Snow White – 1 ball (B)
- #ED100-03 Baby Yellow – 1 ball (C)
- #ED100-10 Aubergine – 1 ball (D)

Needles: US 8 (5mm) *or size to obtain gauge*

Extras: Yarn needle, small amount of polyester fiberfill to stuff beak, two 1" black buttons for eyes, 12" by 16" pillow form

Gauge

16 sts and 20 rows = 4" in St st. *Use any size needles necessary to obtain the specified gauge.*

Abbreviations

beg – beginning; *k* – knit; *k1f&b* – knit one front and back; *k2tog* – knit 2 stitches together; *MC* – main color; *mm* – millimeter; *p* – purl; *rem* – remain(ing); *rep* – repeat; *RS* – right side; *SKP* – slip next stitch knitwise, knit 1, pass slipped stitch over; *st(s)* – stitch(es); *St st* – Stockinette stitch; *tog* – together; *WS* – wrong side; * – repeat instructions after asterisk as specified.



PILLOW FRONT/BACK (make 2)

Beg at bottom edge of pillow, with MC, cast on 50 sts and work in St st for 7", ending with a WS row. Change to A and knit 1 row.

Next Row (WS): P2, * k2, p2; rep from * across.

Work in k2, p2 rib as set until piece measures 12½" from beg, ending with a WS row. Knit 1 RS row.

Change to MC and work in St st until piece measures 16" from beg. Bind off all sts.

EYE (make 2)

With MC, cast on 6 sts.

Row 1 (RS): K1f&b in each st across – 12 sts.

Row 2: Purl.

Row 3: * K1, k1f&b; rep from * across – 18 sts.

Row 4: Purl.

Row 5: * K2, k1f&b; rep from * across – 24 sts.

Row 6: Purl.

Row 7: Change to B, * k3, k1f&b; rep from * across – 30 sts.

Row 8: Knit.

Row 9: * K4, k1f&b; rep from * across – 36 sts.

Row 10: * K5, k1f&b; rep from * across – 42 sts.
Bind off all sts knitwise. Sew into circle. Sew a button to center of eye and sew eye to front of pillow.



BEAK

Beg at top edge, with C, cast on 15 sts.

Row 1 (RS): Knit.

Row 2 and all WS rows: Purl.

Row 3: K5, k2tog, k1, SKP, k5 – 13 sts rem.

Row 5: K4, k2tog, k1, SKP, k4 – 11 sts rem.

Row 7: K3, k2tog, k1, SKP, k3 – 9 sts rem.

Row 9: K2, k2tog, k1, SKP, k2 – 7 sts rem.

Row 11: K1, k2tog, k1, SKP, k1 – 5 sts rem.

Row 13: K2tog, k1, SKP – 3 sts rem.

Row 14: Purl.

Break yarn and draw through rem sts. Stuff lightly and sew in place.

Weave in ends. With right sides tog, sew front and back tog around three sides. Turn RS out and insert pillow form. Sew rem side closed.

HEAD FEATHERS (make 6; 2 each in MC, A and D)

Cast on 12 sts and knit 6 rows. Bind off all sts. Sew short sides of each piece tog and sew one of each color to top corners of pillow.

LARGE WING (make 2)

With A, cast on 35 sts and knit 6 rows. Bind off all sts.

MEDIUM WING (make 2)

With D, cast on 25 sts and knit 6 rows. Bind off all sts.

SMALL WING (make 2)

With MC, cast on 15 sts and knit 6 rows. Bind off all sts.

Sew short sides of each wing tog and sew one of each color to each side of pillow.

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