

Reindeer Games

Designed by Brenda York / Skill level: Intermediate



FINISHED MEASUREMENTS
Approximately 54" / 137 cm across
(27" from cast-on to bind-off)

YARN

BERROCO COMFORT CHUNKY (100 grs): 4 balls #5700 Chalk (MC), 3 balls each #5750 Primary Red (CC1) and #5752 Adirondack (CC2), and 1 ball each #5726 Cornflower (CC3), #5743 Goldenrod (CC4), #5740 Seedling (CC5), and #5771 Driftwood Heather (CC6)
1 yd black yarn for eyes and noses of deer

NEEDLES and NOTIONS
40" / 100 cm or longer circular needle, size 10½ / 6.5 mm or size to obtain gauge
7 stitch markers
Yarn bobbins
Six 10 mm jingle bells

GAUGE
14 sts and 20 rows = 4" / 10 cm in charted pattern
14 sts and 24 rows = 4" / 10 cm in Garter St
Gauges shown are after blocking. To save time and ensure accurate measurements, take time to check gauge.



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NOTE

When changing colors, hold yarn to the left and pick up new color from underneath. This prevents holes. When working Deer Charts, work Intarsia style using yarn wound on bobbins for separate color sections of charts. MC is carried along as you work. Do not carry yarn across more than 3 sts without twisting on the WS to prevent long floats. Eyes and noses of deer are worked in duplicate stitch during finishing.



REINDEER GAMES TREE SKIRT

With CC1, cast on 42 sts.

Row 1 (WS): K3, pm, * k6, pm; rep from * 5 times more, k3.

Inc Row (RS): K3, sm, * k1, M1, knit to next marker, M1, k1, sm; rep from * 5 times more, k3—12 sts inc'd (2 in each of 6 panels).

Rep Inc Row every RS row 17 times more, then every 4th

row 28 times. AT THE SAME TIME, work as follows:
With CC1, knit 1 more row, end on WS. With MC, knit 4 rows. With CC1, knit 4 rows—102 sts (16 sts in each panel).
With CC2, keeping 3 sts at each edge in Garter St and remaining stitches in St st, work 4 rows, increasing as before, end on WS—126 sts (20 sts in each panel).



Establish Bell Chart: Row 1 (RS): With CC2, k3, sm, * work Row 1 of Bell Chart, centering chart between markers, sm; rep from * across, k3.

Work in pattern as established, working incs in St st with CC2, until 8 rows of Bell Chart have been completed, end on WS—174 sts (28 sts in each panel).

With CC2, keeping 3 sts at each edge in Garter St and remaining stitches in St st, work 4 rows, working incs as before—198 sts (32 sts in each panel).

With CC1, knit 4 rows. With CC2, knit 4 rows. With CC1, knit 4 rows—258 sts (42 sts in each panel).

Note: At this point, you should have just started increasing every 4th row instead of every RS row.



Establish Snowflake Chart: Row 1 (RS): With CC3, k3, sm, * centering chart between markers, work Row 1 of Snowflake Chart to next marker, sm; rep from * across, k3. Work in pattern as established until 18 rows of Snowflake Chart have been completed, working incs in St st with CC3—318 sts (52 sts in each panel)

With CC1, knit 4 rows. With MC, knit 4 rows. With CC1, knit 4 rows—354 sts (58 sts in each panel).



Establish Deer Charts: Row 1 (RS): With MC, k3, sm, * centering charts between markers, work Row 1 of Deer Chart 1 to next marker, sm, work Row 1 of Deer Chart 2 to next marker; sm; rep from * 3 times more, k3—3 repeats each of Deer Charts 1 and 2. Keeping 3 sts at each edge in Garter St and remaining sts in St st following charts, work until 38 rows of charts have been completed. Work incs in St st with MC—462 sts (76 sts in each panel).

With CC1, knit 4 rows. With CC3, knit 4 rows. With CC1, knit 4 rows—498 sts (82 sts in each panel).



Establish Candy Cane Chart: Row 1 (RS): With CC3, k3, sm, * centering chart between markers, work Row 1 of Candy Cane Chart to next marker, sm; rep from * across, k3.

Keeping 3 sts at each edge in Garter St and remaining sts in St st following chart, work until 16 rows of chart have been completed. Work incs in St st with CC3—546 sts (90 sts in each panel).

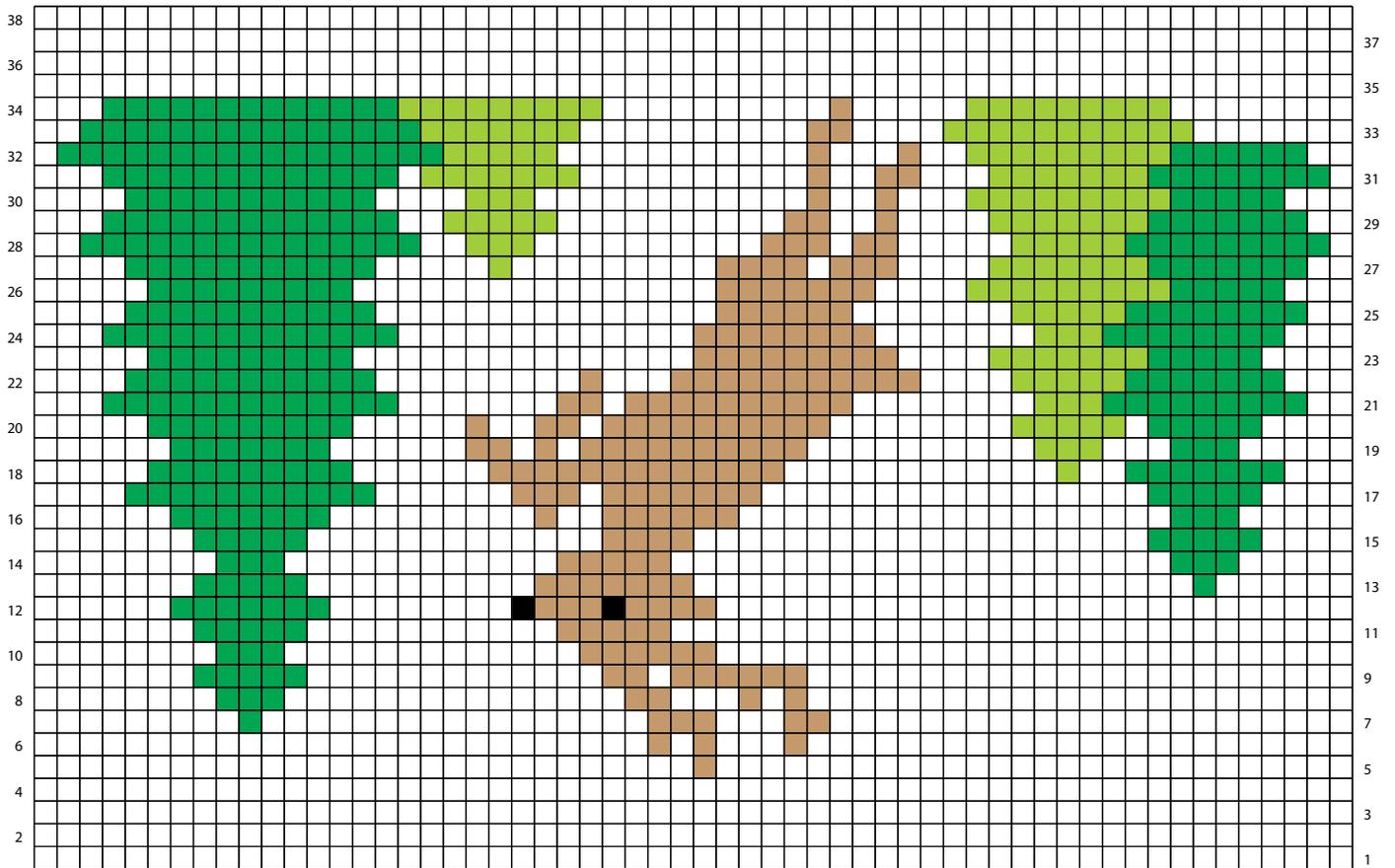
With CC1, knit 4 rows. With MC, knit 4 rows. With CC1, knit 4 rows—582 sts (96 sts in each panel). Bind off loosely.

FINISHING

Sew jingle bell to lower edge of each bell as shown on bell chart. Using tapestry needle and black yarn, work duplicate stitch for eye and nose of each deer as shown on deer charts. Weave in all ends and block as desired.

REINDEER GAMES CHARTS

DEER CHART 1



KEY TO CHARTS

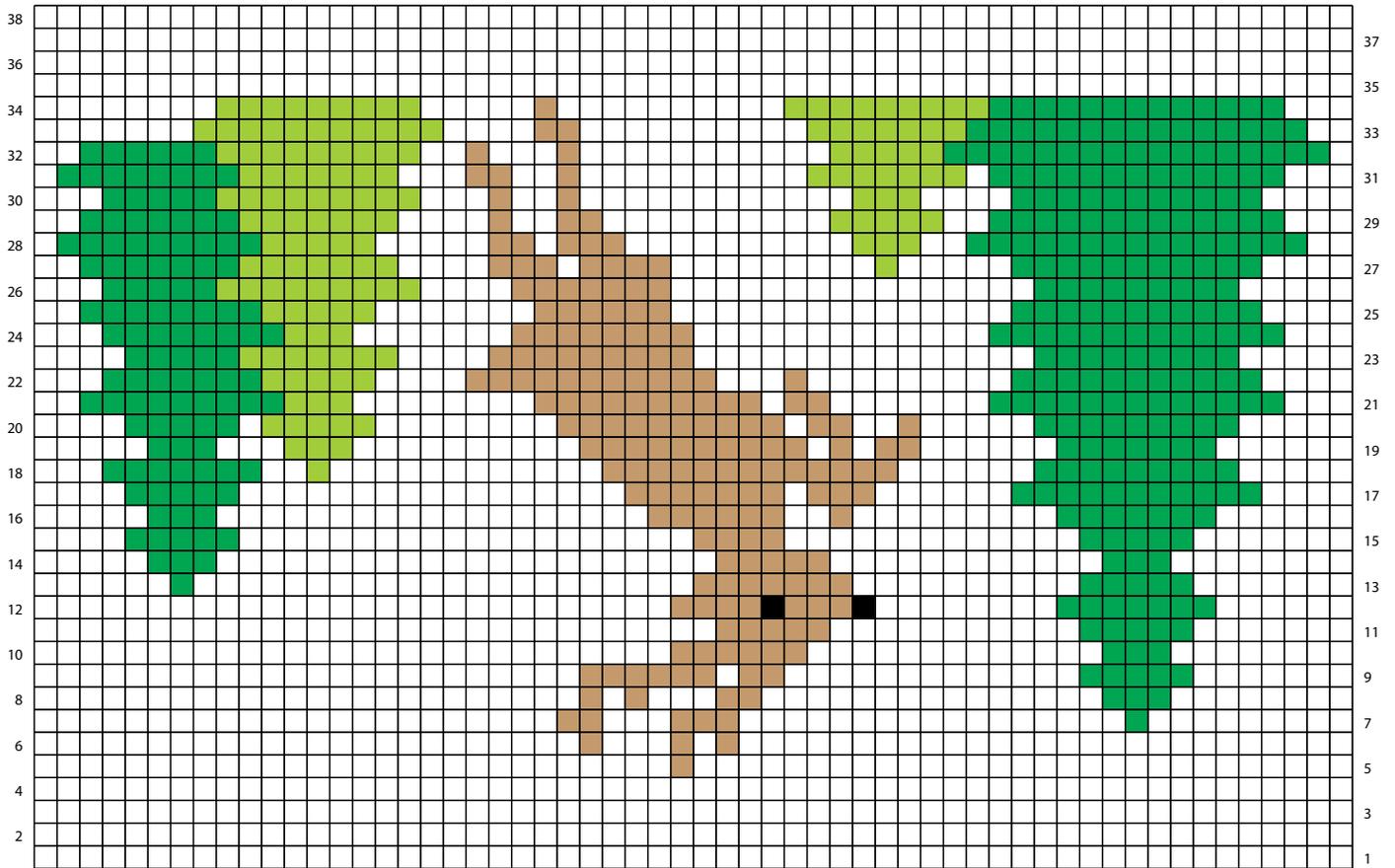
- MC
- CC1
- CC2
- CC3
- CC4
- CC5
- CC6
- black duplicate st
- X jingle bell placement
- pattern repeat

CHART NOTES

Work from right to left on RS rows
and from left to right on WS rows.

REINDEER GAMES CHARTS

DEER CHART 2



KEY TO CHARTS

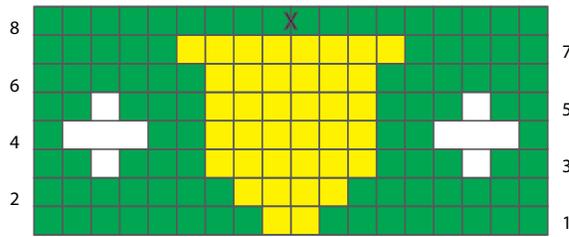
- MC
- CC1
- CC2
- CC3
- CC4
- CC5
- CC6
- black duplicate st
- X jingle bell placement
- pattern repeat

CHART NOTES

Work from right to left on RS rows
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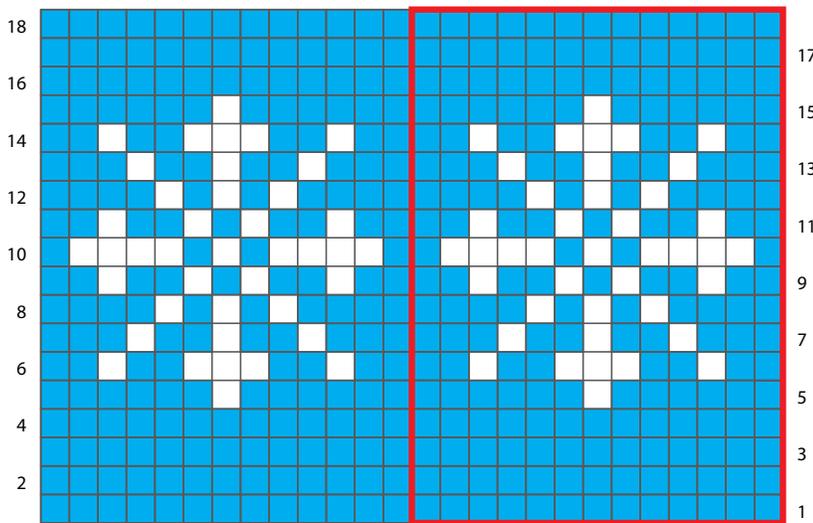
BELL CHART



KEY TO CHARTS

-  MC
-  CC1
-  CC2
-  CC3
-  CC4
-  CC5
-  CC6
-  black duplicate st
-  jingle bell placement
-  pattern repeat

SNOWFLAKE CHART

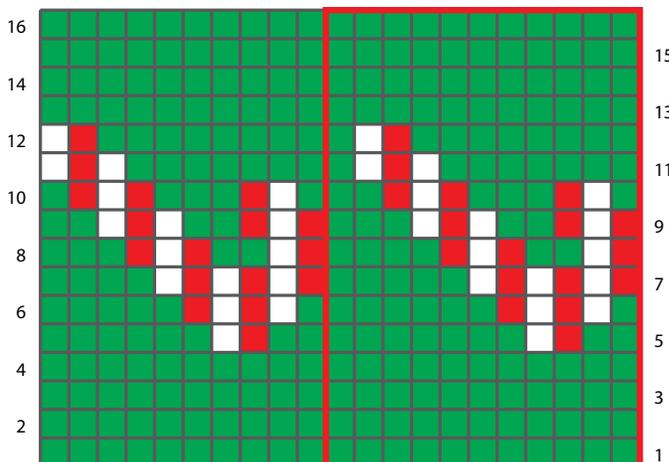


13-st pattern repeat

CHART NOTES

Work from right to left on RS rows and from left to right on WS rows.

CANDYCANE CHART



11-st pattern repeat



STANDARD ABBREVIATIONS & TERMS

beg: beginning
CC: contrasting color
CDD: Centered Double Decrease—Slip 2 together (as if to k2tog), knit 1, pass the 2 slipped stitches over
cn: cable needle
dec: decrease
dpn(s): double pointed needle(s)
end on WS: end having just completed a Wrong Side row.
end on RS: end having just completed a Right Side row
Garter St: Knit EVERY row when working back and forth in rows. Knit 1 round, purl 1 round when working in the round.
inc: increase
k: knit
k tbl: knit through the back loop(s)
k2tog: knit 2 stitches together
k3tog: knit 3 stitches together
kfb: knit in the front and back of the next st
LH: left hand
LLI: Left Lifted Increase—Insert LH needle into the purl bump one row below the st just worked on the RH needle and knit into this st (1 st inc'd)
M1: Make 1—Pick up horizontal strand between stitch just worked and next stitch from front to back, place on left hand needle, knit this stitch through the back (1 stitch increased).
M1L: Make 1 Left—Work as for M1.
M1p: Make 1 purl—Pick up horizontal strand between stitch just worked and next stitch from front to back, place on left hand needle, purl this stitch through the back (1 stitch increased).
M1pL: Make 1 purl Left—Work as for M1p.
M1pR: Make 1 purl Right—Pick up horizontal strand between stitch just worked and next stitch from back to front, place on left hand needle, purl this stitch through the front (1 stitch increased).
M1R: Make 1 Right—Pick up horizontal strand between stitch just worked and next stitch from back to front, place on left hand needle, knit this stitch through the front (1 stitch increased).
MC: main color
p: purl
p tbl: purl through the back loop(s)
p2tog: purl 2 stitches together
p3tog: purl 3 stitches together
pat(s): pattern(s)

pm: place marker
pssso: pass slipped stitch over knit stitch
rep: repeat
Rev St st: Reverse Stockinette Stitch—Purl 1 row, knit 1 row alternately when working back and forth in rows. The purl side is the right side of the work. Purl EVERY round when working in the round.
RH: right hand
RLI: Right Lifted Increase—Insert RH needle into the purl bump of the next st on the LH needle and knit into this st (1 st inc'd)
rnd(s): round(s)
RS: right side
sl: slip
sm: slip marker
SSK: Slip 2 stitches knitwise, insert point of left hand needle through fronts of these 2 stitches and knit 2 together.
SSP: Slip 2 stitches knitwise, transfer these 2 stitches back to left hand needle, purl 2 together through the back loops.
SSSK: Slip 3 stitches knitwise, insert point of left hand needle through fronts of these 3 stitches and knit 3 together.
st(s): stitch(es)
St st: Stockinette Stitch—Knit 1 row, purl 1 row alternately when working back and forth in rows. The knit side is the right side of work. Knit EVERY round when working in the round.
tbl: through back loop(s)
w&t: wrap and turn, a method of concealing a hole created in short row shaping. On RS rows: With yarn held in front, slip next stitch purlwise, then bring yarn between needles to the back. Slip that same stitch back to the left needle. Turn your work. On WS Rows: With yarn held in back, slip next stitch purlwise, then bring yarn between needles to the front. Slip that same stitch back to the left needle. Turn your work. Unless otherwise indicated, each time you come to a wrapped stitch when working subsequent rows, slip the wrap back over stitch and onto needle, then work the wrap together with its accompanying stitch.
WS: wrong side
wyib: with yarn in back
wyif: with yarn in front
yo: yarn over

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