

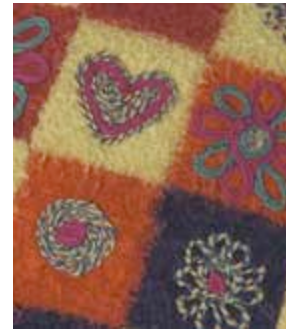
Sampler Pillow

knit in [Ultra™ Alpaca](#)
Skill level: Intermediate

FELTED



KNIT



Sampler is a felted patchwork pillow with optional easy needle felted decoration.



[PDF Pattern Instructions](#)

(If you can't open this PDF file you need Adobe Acrobat Reader. Get it [here](#).)

One size

SIZE

Approximately 23" square after felting (Not including ball fringe)

MATERIALS

3 Hanks [BERROCO ULTRA ALPACA](#), (100 grs), #6242 Cobalt Violet (P) and 1 hank each #6225 Masa (Y), #6249 Fennel (G), #6227 Henna (O) and #6234 Cardinal (R)

Straight knitting needles, size 10

1 Bag fiberfill for stuffing

Tapestry needle

1 Yd dark green velour fabric for backing

3 Yds gold ball fringe

Optional (For needle felting): 1 Hank each [BERROCO ULTRA ALPACA](#) (100 grs), #6235

Fuschia and #6286 Verdigris Mix and 1 ball [BERROCO KELTIC](#) (50 grs), #5866 Argyll

1 Needle felting tool

NOTE 1

There are no gauge requirements for this project. 2 Strands of yarn are worked tog throughout. 1 Mitered Square should measure approximately 4 1/2" square after felting.

NOTE 2

Sl the first [st](#) and [p](#) the last st of every row. Pillow is worked in 5 strips of 5 mitered squares each. When finishing, sew strips [tog](#) in alternate directions as shown on [diagram](#). This is so that the diagonal [dec](#) lines of each strip go in the opposite directions keeping the pillow top from biasing when it is felted.

SQUARE 1

With straight needles, using 2 strands of G held tog, cast on 39 sts.

Row 1 (RS): Sl 1, k17, k2 tog, [pssso](#), k17, p1 – 37 sts.

Row 2 and all WS rows: Sl 1, k to last st, p1.

Row 3: Sl 1, k16, sl 1, k2 tog, [pssso](#), k16, p1 – 35 sts. Continue in this manner to dec 2 sts at center of every RS row until 3 sts remain, end on RS.

Next Row (WS): Sl 1, k1, p1.

Following Row: Sl 1, k2 tog, [pssso](#) – 1 st. Fasten off. Mark this square for beg of strip.

SQUARE 2

Hold Square 1 with RS facing, so that the dec line goes from the lower left corner to the upper right corner. With straight needles, using 2 strands of O held tog, pick up and k20 sts along top edge of square 1, then cast on 19 sts – 39 sts. Knit 1 row. Beg with Row 1, complete same as Square 1. In this manner, make 3 more squares using colors on [diagram](#) to complete strip 1. Make 4 more strips using colors shown on diagram.

FINISHING

Sew strips tog matching marked squares with arrows shown on [diagram](#). Felt pillow top by washing in washing machine using hot water and soap until individual squares measure 4". Remove from washer and allow to air dry. When dry, make a design on each square as shown in photo, using needle felting tool and yarns detailed under materials. Use your imagination and have fun with it. Sew ball fringe around 4 sides of pillow top. Cut fabric backing to same size as pillow top. Sew 3 sides of pillow top to backing. Stuff pillow, then sew side seam.



1 Squares 1 and 2 are marked. Work following squares using colors shown. Each strip should begin at arrow. When finished, diagonals of strips will run in alternate directions as explained in Note 2 of directions.

2