

Autumn & Winter Craft Pack 2026



Welcome and Thank You

Thank you so much for picking up our Autumn & Winter Craft Pack 2026.

We're delighted to bring you a new collection of seasonal patterns to enjoy as the days grow cooler and the festive season approaches. We hope these projects bring plenty of joy, inspiration and cosy moments, alongside the knowledge that your crafting is helping working horses, donkeys and mules around the world.

This year, we're especially in need of handmade stock for fundraising stalls and events. If you're able to donate any of your creations, we'd be absolutely delighted to receive them. They don't need to be made from the patterns in this pack, all handmade donations are hugely appreciated and help make our stalls a success.

Please send your crafts, along with a quick note including your contact details, to:

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If you'd like to take your crafting a step further, you'll find guidance at the end of this pack on running your own craft stall, along with a selection of festive gift labels that you can print at home and use with your handmade creations.

If you need support, inspiration or a place to share your latest makes, we'd love to welcome you to our friendly [Brooke Knitters and Crafters Facebook Group](#). And if you need help with anything else, we're always here for you. You can reach us at community@thebrooke.org or call **020 7653 5820**.

Thank you for crafting with purpose and for helping us create a better future for working animals. Together, every stitch, loop and handmade gift helps end the suffering of hardworking horses, donkeys and mules around the world and gives them healthier, happier lives.

We're so grateful to every one of you for being part of our Brooke crafting community.

For all our knitting and crochet patterns, please feel free to use any colours you have available, and please ensure you only use Polyester toy filling that complies with safety standards: BS5852, BS1425, and EN71-3.

Please note that our knitted and crocheted donkeys are handmade decorations/collectables and are not children's toys.

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KNITTING ABBREVIATIONS

Alt Alternate

Beg Beginning

DPNs Double Pointed
Needles

Foll Following

k Knit

k2tog Knit two stitches
together

kfb Knit into front and back

LH Left-hand

p Purl

p2tog Purl two stitches
together

Patt Pattern

Rep Repeat

RH Right-hand

RS Right Side

SKPO Slip, Knit, Pass Over

SSK Slip, Slip, Knit

st(s) Stitch(es)

St st Stockinette Stitch

tog Together

WS Wrong Side

Bramble the horse knitting pattern



YOU WILL NEED:

We have used DK 100% acrylic yarn for this pattern. Please feel free to use the yarn and colours that work best for you.

100 grams of each

- Mist Yarn A
- Smoke Yarn B
- Pearl Yarn C
- Oatmeal Yarn D
- Chocolate Yarn E
- A pair of 3.5mm (US 4) single pointed needles
- Two 3.5mm double pointed needles (DPNs).
- A darning or tapestry needle to sew the knitted pieces together
- 1 x 250g bag of toy filling
- 2x 9mm toy safety eyes

NOTES:

Work flat: All pieces are knitted flat (back and forth) on a pair of straight knitting needles, apart from the reins which are i-cord tubes worked on two double pointed needles.

Casting on: Unless otherwise specified, use the long tail cast on for all pieces. Sewing seams: Use mattress stitch to sew the seams.

Size: approximately 26cm long and 27cm tall.

Tension: approximately 22 sts x 28 rows for a 10cm x 10cm square in stockinette stitch on 3.5mm needles.

PATTERN

Horse Body

Make 1.

Start at the front of the body.

Cast on 9 sts in Yarn D on straight 3.5mm needles.

Row 1 and every foll alt row (WS): Purl.

Row 2 (RS): [Kfb] 8 times, k1. 17 sts.

Row 4: [K1, kfb] 8 times, k1. 25 sts.

Row 6: [K2, kfb] 8 times, k1. 33 sts.

Row 8: [K3, kfb] 8 times, k1. 41 sts.

Row 10: [K4, kfb] 8 times, k1. 49 sts.

Row 12: Knit.

Row 14: [K5, kfb] 8 times, k1. 57 sts.

Rows 15 to 49: Beg on a purl row, work in st st.

Row 50: [K5, k2tog] 8 times, k1. 49 sts.

Row 52: Knit.

Row 54: [K4, k2tog] 8 times, k1. 41 sts.

Row 56: [K3, k2tog] 8 times, k1. 33 sts.

Row 58: [K2, k2tog] 8 times, k1. 25 sts.

Row 60: [K1, k2tog] 8 times, k1. 17 sts.

Row 62: [K2tog] 8 times, k1. 9 sts

Break yarn and thread through rem sts. Pull tight to fasten.

Horse Legs

Make 4.

Start at the top edge.

Cast on 19 sts in Yarn D on straight 3.5mm needles.

Rows 1 to 20: Beg on a WS purl row, work in st st.

Break Yarn D and join Yarn C.

Rows 21 to 32: Beg on a purl row, work in st st.

Break Yarn C and join Yarn E.

Rows 33 to 36: Beg on a purl row, work in st st.

Rows 37 to 38: Knit.

Row 39: Purl.

Row 40: [K2tog] 9 times, k1. 10 sts.

Break yarn and thread through rem sts. Pull tight to fasten.

Horse Neck

Make 1.

Start at the bottom edge.

Cast on 4 sts in Yarn D on straight 3.5mm needles.

Row 1 (WS): Purl.
Row 2 (RS): K1, [kfb] 2 times, k1. 6 sts.
Row 3: Purl.
Row 4: K1, kfb, knit to the last 2 sts, kfb, k1. 8 sts.
Rows 5 to 16: Rep rows 3 and 4 six more times. 20 sts.
Rows 17 to 23: Beg on a purl row, work in st st.
 Cast off .

Horse Ears

Make 2.

Start at the base of the ear.

Cast on 17 sts in Yarn D using straight 3.5mm needles.

Row 1 and every foll alt row (WS): Purl.

Row 2 (RS): [K1, kfb, k5, kfb] 2 times, k1. 21 sts.

Row 4: [K1, kfb, k7, kfb] 2 times, k1. 25 sts.

Rows 5 to 9: Beg on a purl row, work in st st.

Row 10: [K1, ssk, k7, k2tog] 2 times, k1. 21 sts.

Row 12: Knit.

Row 14: [K1, ssk, k5, k2tog] 2 times, k1. 17 sts.

Row 16: Knit.

Row 18: [K1, ssk, k3, k2tog] 2 times, k1. 13 sts.

Row 20: [K1, ssk, k1, k2tog] 2 times, k1. 9 sts.

Row 22: [K2tog] 4 times, k1. 5 sts.

Break yarn and thread through rem sts. Pull tight to fasten.

Horse Head

Make 1.

Start at the top of the head.

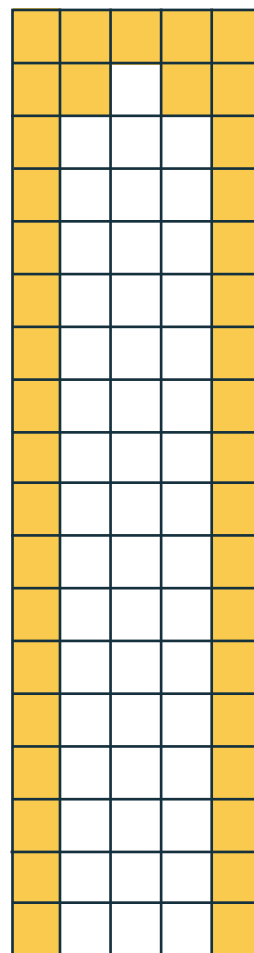
Cast on 9 sts in Yarn D on straight 3.5mm needles.

Row 1 and every foll alt row (WS): Purl.

Row 2 (RS): [Kfb] 8 times, k1. 17 sts.

Row 4: [K1, kfb] 8 times, k1. 25 sts.

Row 6: [K2, kfb] 8 times, k1. 33 sts.



Row 8: [K3, kfb] 8 times, k1. 41 sts.

Row 10: [K9, kfb] 4 times, k1. 45 sts.

Rows 11 to 33: Beg on a purl row, work in st st. Break Yarn D and join Yarn A.

Rows 34 to 39: Beg on a knit row, work in st st.

Row 40: [K9, k2tog] 4 times, k1. 41 sts.

Row 42: [K3, k2tog] 8 times, k1. 33 sts.

Row 44: [K2, k2tog] 8 times, k1. 25 sts.

Row 46: [K1, k2tog] 8 times, k1. 17 sts.

Row 48: [K2tog] 8 times, k1. 9 sts.

Break yarn and thread through rem sts. Pull tight to fasten.

Use Yarn C and Swiss darning to embroider the blaze on the centre front of the Yarn D head (see chart above).

Horse Saddle

Make 2.

Cast on 15 sts in Yarn B using straight 3.5mm needles.

Row 1 (WS): Knit.

Row 2 (RS): K1, kfb, knit to the last 2 sts, kfb, k1. 17 sts.

Rows 3 to 4: Rep rows 1 and 2. 19 sts.

Row 5: K2, p15, k2.

Row 6: Knit.

Rows 7 to 32: Rep rows 5 and 6, thirteen more times.

Row 33: Rep row 5.

Row 34: K1, k2tog, knit to the last 3 sts, ssk, k1. 17 sts.

Row 35: Knit.

Rows 36 to 37: Rep rows 34 and 35. 15 sts. Cast off all sts.

Horse Saddle Strap

Make 1.

Cast on 3 sts in Yarn B using 3.5mm DPNs.

Using two DPNs, work i-cord for 20cm.

Cast off all sts.

Horse Noseband

Make 1.

Cast on 3 sts in Yarn B using 3.5mm DPNs.

Using two DPNs, work i-cord for 24cm (or long enough to wrap around your horse's head).

Cast off all sts.

Horse Reins

Make 1.

Cast on 3 sts in Yarn B using 3.5mm DPNs.

Using two DPNs, work i-cord for 30cm.

Cast off all sts.

MAKING UP

Body: Sew side edges tog, stuffing as you sew. The seam runs down centre underside of the body. Gather cast on sts tog at the front to finish.

Legs: Sew side edges tog, stuffing as you sew. Sew the cast on edge of each leg to the

underside of the body

Neck: Sew the straight side edges tog (rows 17 to 23). This seam runs down the back of the neck. Add some stuffing to the neck. Sew the open side edges (rows 1 to 16) and cast on edge over the front of the body. Leave the cast off edge open at the top of the neck.

Head: Sew side edges tog, stuffing as you sew (the seam runs down centre underside of the head), but stop seaming half way to insert the toy safety eyes on the front of the head. Then finish the seam and gather cast on sts tog to finish. Sew the underside of the head onto the cast off edge of the neck.

Ears: Sew side edges tog. Fold the ear in half and sew the cast on edge onto the top of the head.

Mane: Cut several 22cm lengths in Yarn E. Knot the yarn down the back of the neck and head. Trim the yarn ends to neaten.

Tail: Make a 10cm tassel in Yarn E. Sew onto the back of the body.

Rein: Sew the ends of the noseband piece tog to make a circular piece. Sew each end of the bridle on either side of the noseband piece.

Saddle: Place the 2 saddle pieces tog, WS facing each other, and oversew around all edges. Sew each end of the saddle strap to the first stockinette row on either end of the saddle.

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Pumpkin knitting pattern



YOU WILL NEED:

The pumpkin uses DK weight yarn (double knitting or light worsted weight), less than 25g in Orange and a few grams in Brown.

- A pair of 3.75mm (US 5) single pointed needles, minimum length 20cm
- Two 3.75mm (US 5) DPNs
- A darning or tapestry needle for seaming
- A few handfuls of toy filling
- Two 6mm diameter black buttons, scrap of white felt fabric, sewing needle and thread
- A metre of black DK yarn to embroider the mouth

NOTES:

Work flat: The pumpkin is knitted flat (back and forth) on a pair of single pointed knitting needles, not in the round. Use the two DPNs to knit an icord tube for the stalk.

Casting on: Use the long tail cast on.

Pull through to cast off: Cut the yarn leaving at least a 30cm tail. Thread the tail onto a darning needle and sew through the remaining sts on the knitting needle. Pull the sts off the knitting needle on to the yarn, gather together tightly and secure.

Seaming: Use mattress stitch for seaming toys.

One size: The pumpkin is 9cm wide x 7cm tall (including the stalk).

Tension: 23 sts x 29 rows for a 10cm x 10cm square in stockinette stitch on 3.75mm needles. Don't worry about tension for this pattern, it is not critical.

PATTERN

Make 1. Cast on 10 sts in Orange on 3.75mm single pointed needles.

Row 1 (WS): knit

Row 2 (RS): [kfb] 10 times (20 sts)

Row 3: knit

Row 4: [kfb] 20 times (40 sts)

Row 5: knit

Row 6: [kfb, k3] 10 times (50 sts)

Rows 7 to 31: knit

Row 32: [k2tog, k3] 10 times (40 sts)

Row 33: knit

Row 34: [k2tog] 20 times (20 sts)

Row 35: knit

Row 36: [k2tog] 10 times (10 sts)

Pull through to cast off.

Pumpkin stalk

Make 1. Cast on 4 sts in Brown on a 3.75mm DPN. Using two DPNS knit i-cord for a length of 3cm. Pull through to cast off.

Christmas pudding knitting pattern

MAKING UP PUMPKIN

Sew the side edges tog, stuffing as you sew to make a ball shape. Gather the cast on sts tog at the base.

To finish the pumpkin

Step 1: Cut a long length of Orange yarn (about 150cm long), thread onto a darning needle, and secure one end onto the base of the Pumpkin.

Step 2: Then pass the darning needle through the centre of the pumpkin, and out at the top through the middle.

Step 3: Then take the yarn around the outside of the pumpkin down to the base.

Step 4: Repeat step 2, pulling the yarn to make an indentation on the side of the pumpkin.

Step 5: Repeat steps 3 and 4 to make an indentation directly opposite the one you just made.

Step 6: Make two further indentations to divide the pumpkin into quarters.

Step 7: Make four further indentations to divide the pumpkin into Eighths.

Step 8: Secure the yarn, and bury the end inside the stuffing. Sew the finished stalk onto the top of the pumpkin. To decorate the pumpkin, embroider the mouth in a wiggly line in black yarn. Sew two eyes onto the front above the mouth.



YOU WILL NEED:

Each bauble uses 100% acrylic DK weight yarn (double knitting or light worsted weight), a few grams in each of Brown and Cream for the pudding, plus Green and Red for the holly leaves and berries.

- A pair of 3.5mm (US 4) single pointed needles, minimum length 20cm
- A darning or tapestry needle for seaming
- A large handful of toy filling

NOTES:

Work flat: The bauble is knitted flat (back and forth) on a pair of single pointed knitting needles, not in the round.

One size: The pudding is 6cm tall.

Tension: 24 sts x 30 rows for a 10cm x 10cm square in stockinette stitch on 3.5mm needles. Don't worry about tension for this pattern, it is not critical.

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PATTERN

Pudding

Make 1. Cast on 9 sts in brown on 3.5mm needles using the long tail cast on. Start at the bottom.

Row 1 (WS): purl

Row 2 (RS): [kfb] 8 times, k1 (17 sts)

Row 3: purl

Row 4: [k1, kfb] 8 times, k1 (25 sts)

Row 5: purl

Row 6: [k2, kfb] 8 times, k1 (33 sts)

Rows 7 to 9: starting on a WS purl row work 3 rows in St st

Row 10: [k3, kfb] 8 times, k1 (41 sts)

Rows 11 to 12: starting on a WS purl row work 2 rows in St st

Join Cream yarn for Fair-Isle colour-work.

Row 13: [in cream p1, in brown p1] to the last stitch, in cream p1 (41 sts)

Break the Brown yarn and continue in Cream.

Rows 14 to 15: starting on a RS knit row work 2 rows in St st

Row 16: [k3, k2tog] 8 times, k1 (33 sts)

Rows 17 to 19: starting on a WS purl row work 3 rows in St st

Row 20: [k2, k2tog] 8 times, k1 (25 sts)

Row 21: purl

Row 22: [k1, k2tog] 8 times, k1 (17 sts)

Row 23: purl

Row 24: [k2tog] 8 times, k1 (9 sts)

Row 25: purl

Pull through to cast off.

Holly leaf

Make 3 as follows:

Step 1: Cast on 5 sts in green on 3.5mm needles using the cable cast on.

Step 2: k2; you should have 2 sts on the RH needle

Step 3: lift the 2nd stitch on the RH needle over the 1st stitch on the RH needle to cast off 1 stitch; you should have 1 stitch on the



RH needle (4 sts)

Step 4: k1; you should have 2 sts on the RH needle

Step 5: rep step 3 (3 sts)

Step 6: slip the 1 stitch on the RH needle back onto the LH needle; the RH needle should be empty

Step 7: cast on 4 sts using the cable cast on (7 sts)

Step 8: repeat steps 2 to 7 (9 sts)

Step 9: repeat steps 2 to 6 (7 sts)

Step 10: k2; you should have 2 sts on the RH needle

Step 11: lift the 2nd stitch on the RH needle over the 1st stitch on the RH needle to cast

off 1 stitch; you should have 1 stitch on the RH needle (6 sts)

Step 12: slip the 1 stitch on the RH needle back onto the LH needle; the RH needle should be empty

Step 13: cast on 2 sts using the cable cast on (8 sts)

Step 14: cast off the first 4 sts; you should have 1 stitch on the RH needle (4 sts)

Step 15: rep steps 12 to 14 (2 sts)

Step 16: rep step 12

Step 17: k2tog (1 st)

Bind off.

Holly berries

Make 2. Cast on 4 sts in red on 3.5mm needles using the cable cast on.

Row 1 (RS): [kfb] 3 times, turn (7 sts)

Row 2 (WS): p6

Row 3: [k2tog] 3 times, k1 (4 sts)

Pull through to cast off, pushing the RS of the bobble to face outwards.

MAKING UP

Pudding: Sew the side edges together, stuffing as you sew. Finish by gathering the cast on sts together at the base.

Holly Leaf: Sew the cast off end of each leaf the centre top of the pudding.

Holly Berries: Sew the finished berry on top of the holly leaves.

Finishing: Thread a length of yarn or ribbon through the top of the pudding to make a loop to hang the bauble on your Christmas tree.

Round robin knitting pattern



YOU WILL NEED:

This robin is knitted in DK weight yarns (double knitting, 8 ply, or light worsted weight), in a few grams each of Red, Brown and Yellow.

The original Robin pattern was knitted in DK, 100% acrylic, in shades Signal Red, Chocolate and Sunflower, but we have used what we had available for this photograph. Any similar DK acrylic yarn is recommended.

- A pair of 4mm (US 6) single pointed knitting needles, minimum length 20cm
- A darning or tapestry needle for seaming
- A handful of toy filling or cotton wool balls to stuff the robin
- Two 4mm black beads for eyes
- Scraps of white and yellow felt fabric for the eyes and beak, plus sewing needle and thread.

NOTES:

Work flat: Knit flat (back and forth) on a pair of single pointed needles, not in the round.
Casting on: Use the long tail cast on for this

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pattern unless otherwise instructed.
Pull through to cast off: Cut the yarn leaving a 30cm tail, thread the tail onto a darning needle and sew through the sts on the knitting needle, pull the sts off the knitting needle onto the yarn, gather together tightly, and secure.
Seaming: Use mattress stitch for seams.
One size: The robin's body is 8cm across (not including the legs).
Tension: 22 sts x 28 rows for a 10cm x 10cm square in stockinette stitch on 4mm needles. Don't worry about tension for this pattern, it is not critical.

PATTERN

Body

Make 1. Cast on 8 sts in Brown on 4mm needles.

Row 1 and all following WS rows: purl

Row 2: [kfb] 8 times. (16 sts)

Row 4: [kfb, k1] 8 times. (24 sts)

Row 6: [kfb, k2] 8 times. (32 sts)

Row 8: [kfb, k3] 8 times. (40 sts)

Row 10: [kfb, k4] 8 times.
(48 sts)

Row 12: [kfb, k5] 8 times.
(56 sts)

Row 14 (RS): purl.

Row 16: [k2tog, k5] 8 times.
(48 sts)

Row 18: [k2tog, k4] 8 times.
(40 sts)

Row 20: [k2tog, k3] 8 times.
(32 sts)

Row 22: [k2tog, k2] 8 times.
(24 sts)

Row 24: [k2tog, k1] 8 times.
(16 sts)

Row 26: [k2tog] 8 times. (8 sts)

Row 27: purl.

Pull through to cast off.

Breast

Make 1. Cast on 40 sts in Red on 4mm needles.

Row 1 and all following WS rows: purl.

Row 2 (RS): [k2tog, k3] 8 times.
(32 sts)

Row 4: [k2tog, k2] 8 times.
(24 sts)

Row 6: [k2tog, k1] 8 times.
(16 sts)

Row 8: [k2tog] 8 times. (8 sts)

Row 9: purl.

Pull through to cast off.

Legs

Make 2. Cast on 14 sts in Yellow on 4mm needles. Make each leg as follows:

Step 1: cast off the first 5 sts, turn leaving 8 sts unworked at the end of the row. (9 sts)

Step 2: cast on 5 sts at the start of the row using the cable cast on, cast off these 5 sts. (9 sts)

Cast off all sts.

MAKING UP

Body: Sew the side edges tog, adding stuffing as you sew, and gather the cast on sts tog.

Knot a length of yarn onto the top of the body to make a hanging loop.

Breast: Sew the side edges tog. Sew onto the front of the body. Sew on felt eyes and beak and black beads for the pupils.



Legs: Weave in yarn tails and sew onto the bottom back of the body.

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Dala horse knitting pattern

YOU WILL NEED:

- Small amount DK or Aran Cotton yarn in white and red, or any colours of your choosing
- 2 x 3.75mm/ size 5 needles
- Yarn sewing needle
- Toy stuffing or scraps spare yarn

PATTERN

Beginning at the back legs

Cast on 35sts

Row 1 inc) K16, kfb, k1, kfb, k to end – 37sts

Row 2 K12, p13, K to end

Row 3 inc) K17, kfb, k1, kfb, k to end – 39sts

Row 4 K12, p15, K to end

Row 5 inc) K18, kfb, k1, kfb, k to end – 41sts

Row 6 K12, p17, K to end

Row 7 K

Rows 8 – 11 Rep last 2 rows twice

Legs

Row 12 dec) Cast off 7 sts, k4, p17, k5 to last 7 sts, cast off last 7 sts – 27sts

Row 13 RS) dec) Rejoin yarn, skpo, k to last 2 sts, k2 tog – 25sts

Row 14 dec) K1, skpo, k1, p17, k1, k2 tog, k1 – 23sts



Row 15 inc) Kfb, k to last st, kfb - 25sts
Row 16 K4, p17, k to end
Row 17 inc) K12, kfb, k to end - 26sts

Neck

Row 18 K4, p9, turn to work back along these last 13 sts ... neck side A
Row 19 RS) inc) K1, kfb, k11 to end - 27sts (14sts for neck side A)
Row 20 K4, p9, k1, turn
Row 21 inc) K1, kfb, k to end - 15sts
Row 22 dec) Skpo, k2, p9, k2, turn - 14sts
Row 23 inc) K1, kfb, k to end - 15sts

Front legs side A

Row 24 inc) Cast on 7 sts, k10, p9, k3 - 22sts
Row 25 inc) K1, kfb, k to end - 23sts
Row 26 K10, p9, k4
Row 27 inc) K1, kfb, k to end - 24sts
Row 28 K10, p9, k5
Row 29 inc) K1, kfb, k to end - 25sts
Row 30 K10, p9, k6
Row 31 inc) K1, kfb, k to end - 26sts
Row 32 K10, p9, k7
Row 33 inc) K1, kfb, k to end - 27sts
Row 34 dec) Cast off 12 sts, p6, k8 - 15sts
Row 35 K
Row 36 dec) Skpo, p5, k8 - 14sts
Row 37 K
Row 38 P6, k8
Row 39 dec) K to last 2 sts k2 tog - 13sts
Row 40 P5, k8

Ear

Row 41 inc) Cast on 4 sts, k2 tog, k to end - 16sts
Row 42 P5, k11
Row 43 dec) Skpo, cast off 4 sts, k to end - 11sts
Row 44 dec) P5, k4, k2 tog - 10sts
Row 45 dec) Skpo, k to last 2 sts, k2 tog - 8sts
Row 46 dec) P4, k2, k2 tog - 7sts
Row 47 dec) K to last 2 sts, k2 tog - 6sts
Row 48 dec) P3, k1, k2 tog - 5sts
Cast off.

Neck side B

WS facing rejoin yarn to remaining 13 sts
Row 18 P9, k4
Row 19 inc) K to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 - 14sts
Row 20 K1, p9, k4
Row 21 inc) K to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 - 15sts
Row 22 dec) K2, p9, k1, k2 tog, k1 - 14sts
Row 23 inc) K to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 - 15sts
Row 24 K3, p9, k3

Front leg side B

Row 25 inc) Cast on 7 sts, k to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 - 23sts
Row 26 K4, p9, k to end
Row 27 inc) K to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 - 24sts
Row 28 K5, p9, k to end
Row 29 inc) K to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 - 25sts
Row 30 K6, p9, k to end
Row 31 inc) K to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 - 26sts
Row 32 K7, p9, k to end
Row 33 inc) K to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 - 27sts
Row 34 dec) K8, p7, cast off last 12 sts - 15sts
Row 35 Rejoin yarn to RS, k across to neck edge
Row 36 dec) K8, p5, p2 tog - 14sts
Row 37 K
Row 38 K8, p6
Row 39 dec) Skpo, k to end - 13sts



Ear

Row 40 inc) cast on 4 sts, K2tog, k to last 5sts, p5 – 16sts

Row 41 K

Row 42 dec) Skpo, cast off 4 sts, k5, p5 – 11sts

Row 43 dec) K to last 2 sts, k2 tog – 10sts

Row 44 dec) Skpo, k3, p5 – 9sts

Row 45 dec) K to last 2 sts, k2 tog – 8sts

Row 46 dec) K3, p3, p2 tog – 7sts

Row 47 dec) K to last 2 sts, k2 tog – 6sts

Row 46 dec) K2, p2, p2 tog – 5sts

Cast off.

MAKING UP

Spread the horse out flat, right way up, ready to embellish with either cross stitch or simple embroidery motifs.

Use the stocking stitch panel as your canvas and feel free to free-style embroider or use each knitted stitch to work duplicate stitch over any design that takes your fancy – try searching Nordic designs/ cross stitch in

books or on Pinterest as inspiration!

When embellishments are complete fold the horse in half with WS facing across the back so that the row ends that become the horse's neck meet and match. It helps to pin to hold the sides together as you oversew along the neck then join in-between the ears – not around the ears, so that they are free of each other.

Oversew around the muzzle then along the neck under the muzzle to the front legs then around the front legs and along the belly to the back legs, oversew around the back legs. Stuff your horse before finishing your seaming along the back – NOTE the legs are together not separate, you can, if you wish, sew each leg individually by folding in half and joining row ends.

Embroider an eye either side of the head – pulling the thread taut-ish to create a slight indent in the head.



Every Horse Remembered coaster knitting pattern

YOU WILL NEED:

- 1 pair of 4 mm double-pointed needles (DPNs)
- Cotton yarn in dark grey, light grey and orange
- Orange felt
- Green felt
- Fabric glue (if gluing the coaster together)
- Sewing needle (if stitching the coaster together)

NOTES:

This pattern was kindly designed by Louise Brown, joint-leader of the Brooke London & West Kent Community Group and an enthusiastic crafter, to commemorate this year's Every Horse Remembered campaign.

We encourage you to get as creative as you like with this design, and we've included some inspiration below to help you decorate your coaster. We'd love to see your finished

creations, so please share your photos in our [Brooke Knitters and Crafters Facebook Group](#) or send them directly to community@thebrooke.org.

PATTERN

To make the coaster, you will need to knit an i-cord, which is a tubular knitted rope created using two double-pointed needles by knitting stitches repeatedly without turning the work.

Cast on 3 stitches in dark or light grey, whichever colour you choose. Slide the stitches to the opposite end of the DPNs without turning the work.

Row 1: Knit 3, slide the stitches to the other end of the DPNs

Row 2: Knit 3, slide the stitches to the other end of the DPNs



Continue doing this until the i-cord measures 25 inches.

Break off the grey yarn and attach the orange yarn. Continue knitting the i-cord in orange until the orange section is 12 inches long. Break the yarn, thread it through the 3 stitches on the needle and pull tight.

Starting with the grey end of the i-cord, begin to coil it round and round until you have a circle. You can either stitch the circle together as you go along, or you can glue it as you go along, using fabric glue. Your coaster will be grey with an orange edge.

Decorations

Once the coaster is either stitched or glued into a circle, you can begin to decorate it. You can decorate your coaster in any way you like using felt, embroidery stitches, or a combination of both. We have included some inspiration photographs to give you ideas.

For our sample coasters, we have chosen a calendula flower. The calendula is associated with healing and is the symbol of our Every

Horse Remembered campaign, which honours the horses, donkeys and mules lost in war. The flower represents the work Brooke continues today, showing kindness to working animals and helping them live healthier, happier lives.

If you would like to make a calendula decoration, use the photographs as a guide. Draw a petal shape onto a piece of card and cut it out to create a template. Place the template onto orange felt and draw around it with a pencil. Cut out six large petals and six small petals. Draw a simple leaf shape onto card, cut it out, and use it as a template to cut leaves from green felt. Cut a large circle from orange felt for the centre of the flower.

Arrange the petals, leaves and centre on the coaster until you are happy with the design. You can then either glue the pieces in place using fabric glue or stitch them on by hand. Feel free to adapt the design, add extra details, or create your own flower and leaf arrangement to make each coaster unique.

Bell ornament crochet pattern



YOU WILL NEED:

- 9g / 25m of Gold or Silver Coloured 4ply Cotton
- 0.85g / 2.5m of Gold or Silver Metallic Thread Small amounts of Red and Green 4ply Cotton
- Hook: 2.75mm
- 1 x 10mm gold or silver jingle bell
- Stitch Marker
- Scissors
- Yarn needle

Please note that the pattern will work in other hooks and yarns though finished size will be different.

NOTES:

Gauge: 6dc = 2.5cm / 1 inch

Obtaining the correct gauge is not critical to this project but if your gauge does not match then your finished item will be a different size.

Finished Size: 8cm / 3.14inches

Using a stitch marker: The bell is worked in the usual amigurumi style worked without joining in continuous rnds – place the stitch marker in the top of the first st to mark start of rnd.

Reverse Single Crochet (rev.dc/sc): A reverse single crochet stitch is worked the same as a regular single crochet – except in reverse. Instead of working from right to left, you work from left to right. Insert hook, from front to back, in the next st to the right and pull up a loop (two loops on hook), yarn over, pull through both loops on hook.

PATTERN

Bell

Rnd 1: Make a magic ring, work 6dc/sc into ring. 6sts

Rnd 2: [2dc/sc] to end. 12 sts

Rnd 3: [1dc/sc, 2dc/sc] to end. 18 sts

Rnd 4: [1dc/sc in the next 2sts, 2dc/sc] to end. 24sts

Rnd 5: [1dc/sc in the next 3sts, 2dc/sc] to end. 30sts

Rnds 6-13: 1dc/sc in each st around

Rnd 14: [1dc/sc in the next 4sts, 2dc/sc] to end. 36sts

Rnd 15: 1dc/sc in each st around

Rnd 16: [1dc/sc in the next 5sts, 2dc/sc] to end. 42sts

Rnd 17: 1dc/sc in each st around. Fasten off and weave in ends.

Rnd 18: Attach Metallic Gold, rev.dc/sc in each st around. Fasten off and weave in ends.

Bell handle

Ch8, sl st to form a ring; sl st in each ch round until fasten off but leave a yarn tail for attaching to the centre top of the bell.

Wreath crochet pattern



YOU WILL NEED:

- Small amounts of worsted weight yarn in colours of your choosing
- Hook: 4.0 or 5.0 mm
- 7 mm Tinsel Pom Poms
- School glue or glue gun

PATTERN

Ch 18, make a ss in the furthest ch from hook to form a ring.

Round 1: Ch 1 (does not count as a st), beginning in the same st as join, *work 2 dc, work 1 dc in each of the next 2 sts, rep from * around, join. 24 sts.

Round 2: *Skip 1 st, work 4 htr in next st, skip 1 st, ss in next st, rep from * around. 6 shells. Fasten off, leaving a long enough tail to create a loop to hang your ornament; weave in ends.

Finishing

Now is the fun part! Decorate your little wreaths with some festive Christmas trimmings. We used small tinsel pom poms but there is no limit to how you can decorate them. Think buttons, beads, embroidery ...

Bell clanger

Ch17, sl st in 2nd ch from hook, sl st in each st along until end. Use one yarn tail to attach the bell to the end of the strip just made, thread the other yarn tail through the centre of the strip and use it to attach to the inner bell centre.

Holly (make 2)

Ch7, sl st in 2nd ch from hook, * 1dc/sc in next st, 1tr/dc in the next, ch2, sl st to post of tr/dc * sl st in the next st, repeat from * to * once, sl st into first ch, ch2, sl st to first ch again, then working on other side of beginning ch; ch3, sl st to 2nd ch from hook, sl st to next st, 1dc/sc in next st, 1tr/dc in the next, fasten off but leave long yarn tail.

Berries (make 2)

Ch6, 1dc/sc in 2nd ch from hook, htr/hdc in the next st, 1tr/dc in next, 1htr/hdc in the next, 1dc/sc in the next st, sl st to the first st to join, leave long yarn tail to attach.

To finish

Make a short hanging loop with metallic yarn around the bell handle.

CROCHET ABBREVIATIONS

Abbreviation	Meaning
ch	Chain
dc	Double Crochet
htr	Half Treble Crochet
rev dc	Reverse Double Crochet
(Crab Stitch)	
sl st / ss	Slip Stitch
st(s)	Stitch(es)
tr	Treble Crochet



Bonus star crochet pattern

You may have noticed the beautiful crochet Christmas star decorations featured on the front of this pack! While we do not have permission to distribute the pattern directly, we are delighted to share a link to the designer's website, where the pattern is available free of charge: <https://persialou.com/crochet-star-ornaments-free-pattern/>

Clay horseshoe decoration



Follow along with our step-by-step tutorial (video available via the link or QR code below) and create your very own horseshoe decoration. Once you've mastered the horseshoe shape, the creative possibilities are endless!

YOU WILL NEED:

- Air-dry clay
- A flat object for pressing the clay (such as a phone, coaster, rolling pin, or small board)
- A modelling tool, cocktail stick, or similar item for scoring details
- A clean, flat work surface

Instructions

We have created a handy video tutorial to available to view at the following link: https://youtu.be/b_Gu74BvdRY or by scanning the below QR code.



1. Roll the clay

Take a small lump of air-dry clay and roll it onto your work surface to create a long, thin sausage shape.

2. Shape the horseshoe

Gently curve the clay into a horseshoe or crescent shape. Taper the ends slightly to give it a more realistic look.

3. Flatten the design

Carefully press the horseshoe flat using a smooth, flat object. We used a mobile phone, but it's best to use something you don't mind getting a little messy!

4. Add the details

Using a modelling tool or cocktail stick, score two short lines at each end of the horseshoe and poke small holes along the bottom curve of the horseshoe to represent the nail holes.

5. Leave to dry

Allow your horseshoe to dry completely according to the instructions on your clay packaging.

6. Decorate and personalise

Once dry, paint, decorate or embellish your horseshoe however you like.

NOTES:

Once you've mastered the horseshoe shape, you can use the same technique to create all sorts of clay decorations. Why not paint your finished horseshoe and glue a magnet to the back to make a fridge magnet, or attach a brooch pin or earring hook to turn it into a unique piece of wearable art?

If you'd prefer an edible version, try using cake fondant instead of air-dry clay to create horseshoe decorations for cupcakes or muffins. However you choose to use your design, the most important thing is to have fun, get creative, and make it your own.

Christmas colouring sheet

Meet the herd

This Christmas, we are delighted to introduce our Brooke mascots Dinky Donkey, Molly Mule and Harry Horse. These lovely characters are available to buy now on Brooke shop, and we have included a colouring sheet overleaf.



Dinky Donkey

Born in Kenya, Dinky Donkey is dependable, gentle and full of quiet determination. Whether carrying water across long distances or helping families in rural communities, Dinky plays a vital role in everyday life. He is described as a "Punda Poa" – meaning a good donkey in Kiswahili, his native tongue – and loves snuggles, neck rubs and plenty of tasty hay.

Dinky's bold scarf design celebrates the rich patterns of his home, and the close bond donkeys share with families who depend on them.



Molly Mule

From Pakistan, Molly Mule is kind, curious but full of character and strength. She plays an important role in everyday life, navigating busy village roads with daily essentials like food and trade goods.

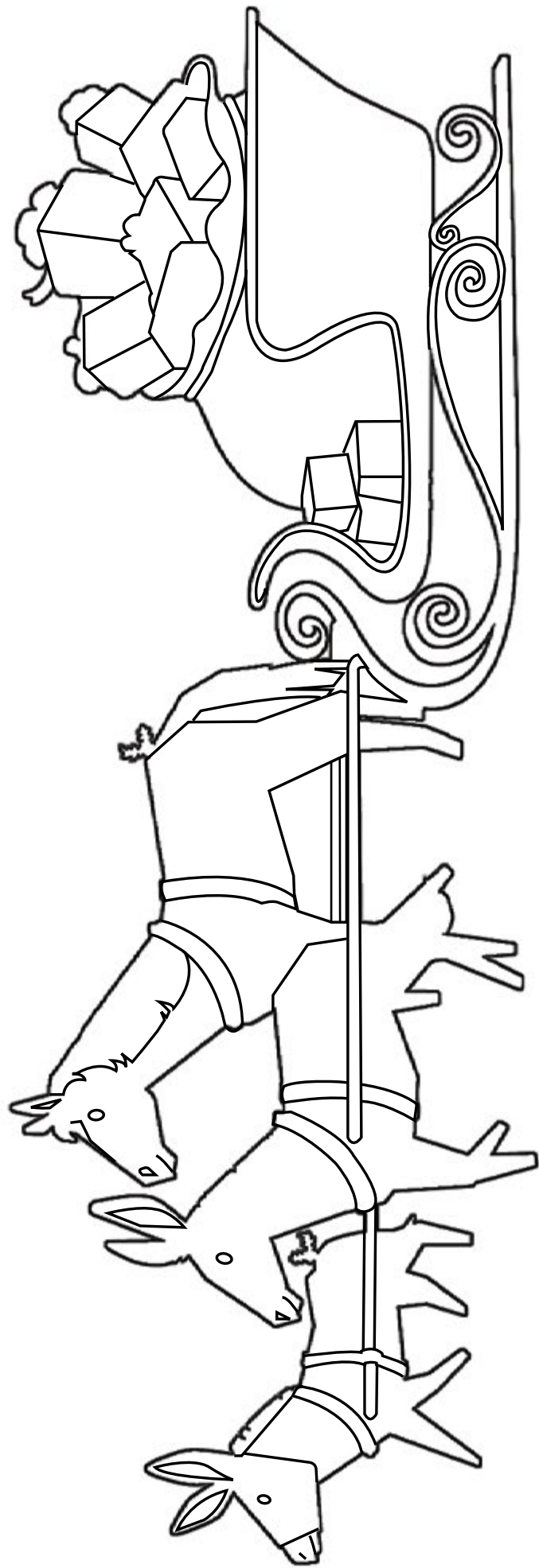
Her beautiful South Asian inspired scarf design reflects the colours and traditions of her home, celebrating the special connection between working mules and the communities they support.



Harry Horse

Born in Nicaragua, Harry Horse is strong, joyful and ready to work for his family. Whether he's carrying supplies through the mountains or along the coast, he represents the spirit of the "land of lakes and volcanoes" – a place known for its beauty and resilience.

His vibrant scarf design reflects the colours and creativity of his home, featuring a subtle nod to Nicaragua's national flower, the sacuanjoche.





Run your own craft stall

Running a craft stall is a wonderful way to share your creations and raise vital funds. Whether it's your first time or you're a seasoned stall-holder, this guide will help you get started with confidence.

1 Request your free stall pack
We can send you a Brooke Stall Pack with everything you need for a welcoming, eye-catching display. This includes, bunting templates, orange tablecloth, collection tin, posters and leaflets to help bring Brooke's work to life.

2 Finding events for your stall
There are plenty of great places to run a stall, you just need to know where to look! Here are some simple ways to find events:

- **Online event listings:** Explore local council websites, community noticeboards, and neighbourhood apps. A useful tool to find events near you is stallfinder.com
- **Local community events:** Check community centres, libraries and parish halls.
- **School and family events:** School fairs and fêtes often welcome charity stalls.
- **Markets and craft fairs:** Many local markets

offer charity or community spaces.

- **Workplace or social groups:** Ask your workplace or local clubs about setting up a stall.

3 Setting up your stall

A well-presented stall can make all the difference. Your display doesn't have to be complicated, just thoughtful, welcoming and filled with personality.

- **Make it inviting:** Arrange your crafts at different heights and mix colours to create interest.

- **Tell the story:** Use posters and leaflets so visitors can learn how their support helps working horses, donkeys and mules.

- **Show variety:** Include additional items such as cards, small felt pieces, knitted items or anything else you enjoy making.

If you'd like to expand your stall, you could also invite friends, family or members of your crafting group to contribute. Items like homemade jams, chutneys, plants, or good-quality unwanted gifts add extra interest.

Create a friendly atmosphere: A warm greeting, clear pricing, and even a bowl of wrapped sweets can encourage people to stop and browse.

4 Extra inspiration for your stall

Little extras can help your stall stand out and spark conversations.

- A small "make your own" craft activity
- A "Guess the name of the horse" game and

charge £1 for entry. Create a list of possible names for a toy horse or one of your crafted designs. Visitors pay £1 per guess, write their name on the sheet, and you reveal the winning name at the end of your event. The winner can receive a small prize (a craft item or a chocolate treat)

- A mini display showing your crafting process. Photos or materials laid out on a board help draw people in and start conversations.

5 What to do with the money you raise

You can return your fundraising total via:

Bank transfer to:

Account Name: The Brooke Hospital for Animals

Sort Code: 20-65-82

Account No: 70884308

Please include 'craft stall' in the reference

Online donation via:

<https://www.thebrooke.org/get-involved/fundraise/how-send-us-money-youve-raised>

If you have collected funds in your collection tin, please pay this into your account and transfer the funds to Brooke via either of the above methods.

If you would like a QR code for your stall, which allows visitors to make a donation via their phone, please get in touch and we can organise this for you.

Good luck, and thank you!



Send your crafts to Brooke

If running a stall isn't possible, you can still make a big difference by sending your creations directly to us. We'll pass them on to our wonderful network of Brooke fundraising groups and volunteers across the country, who are always glad to feature handmade items on their stalls.

These groups raise incredible amounts of money each year, with many events made more successful thanks to the items donated by supporters. Louise Brown, joint leader of our London & West Kent group, has helped her group raise over £100,000 for Brooke, much of it through selling knitted goods. Donations like yours really do play a vital role in this success!

If you'd like to send us your crafts, please post them to the address here. It helps us if you

include a short covering letter with your name and contact details, so we can keep track of items and thank you properly. And if you're planning to make multiple items, please try to send them in one parcel where possible, as this helps us manage donations more easily.

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Gifting your crafts

There's something truly special about giving a handmade gift. We've included a gift label for you to print and/or cut out and attach, so your loved ones will know that their present is not only made with love, but also helping to transform the lives of hardworking animals across the world.

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Thank you for being part of our wonderful Brooke crafting community. However you decide to use your crafts, you'll be helping to raise awareness and funds for working animals who need our support most. We hope you have enjoyed the patterns in this pack and we are so grateful for your support.



If you have any questions about crafting, fundraising or sending items, we'd love to hear from you.

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