Bramble

Materials:

Three 100g hanks of Super Chunky (Super Bulky) yarn – purple

1 stitch marker

Needles:

2 sets of 7mm (UK 2; US 10½) double-pointed knitting needles, 19cm (7.5in)

1 10mm (UK 000; US 15) circular needle, 60cm (23½in)

Large-eyed tapestry needle

Instructions:

Cuffs

Make two.

Using 7mm DPN and purple yarn, cast on 29 sts, distributing the stitches evenly across four of the needles.

Do not turn work. Join this first round by slipping the first cast-on stitch on to the left-hand needle. PM on right-hand needle (this is to mark the beginning of the round), and knit this slipped stitch together with the last cast-on stitch. You will now have 28sts (7 on each of the DPNs).

Rows 1–16: *k1, p 1* rep to the end of the row. These 16 rows form the cuff of the piece. Be careful to move your stitch marker at the end of each row.

Legs

Continuing from the cuffs, change to the 10mm (UK 000; US 15) circular needle and begin bramble stitch as follows. The pattern repeat is over four rounds. Remember to PM after each completed round.

Round 1: p.

Round 2: *p1, k1, p1* all into next st, k3 together, rep set pattern to the end of the round.

Round 3: p.

Round 4: k3tog, *p1, k1, p1*, rep set pattern to the end of the round.

These four rounds create the bramble stitch. Rep the four rounds one more time and then rep row 1 once more. Cast off sts purlwise.

Making up

Using a large-eyed tapestry needle, sew in all of the ends.

Hemingway

Materials:

2 x 100g hanks of textured aran yarn –
cream (women's) or variegated (men's)

Needles:

1 pair of 5mm (UK 6; US 8) single-pointed knitting needles

1 pair of 6mm (UK 4; US 10) single-pointed knitting needles

Large-eyed tapestry needle

Cable needle

Instructions:

Women's

Make two.

Using 5mm (UK 6; US 8) needles, cast on 52sts in cream yarn.

Rows 1–21: work rows in k2/p2 rib.

Row 22: Using set rib pattern, increase on second and every following twelfth st. [56sts]

Men's

Make two.

Using 5mm (UK 6; US 8) needles, cast on 60sts in variegated yarn.

Rows 1–25: work rows in k2/p2 rib.

Row 26: Inc 1 on every fifth st. [72sts]

Change to 6mm (UK 4; US 10) needles and insert knotted cable as follows:

Knotted cable section

This is worked over 6 sts on a background of reverse st st.

Cable block: (RS) k2, p2, k2

Rows 1, 5, 7 and 9 (women's): p3, *insert cable block, p3* rep from * to * until last 8sts, insert cable block, p2.

Rows 1, 5, 7 and 9 (men's): p2, *insert cable block, p3* rep from * to * until last 7sts, insert cable block, p1.

Row 2 and all even rows to row 10 (women's): k2, *p2, k2, p2, k3*. Rep from * to * to the end of the row.

Row 2 and all even rows to row 10: (men's): k1, *insert cable block, k3* rep from * to * to last 8 st, insert cable block, k2.

Row 3: p3, *cable 6 – slip next 4 sts on to cable needle and hold at front of work, knit next 2 sts from left-hand needle, then slip the 2 purl sts from the cable needle back to the left-hand needle. Pass the cable needle with 2 rem knit sts to the back of work, purl sts from left-hand needle, then knit the sts from the cable needle; p3* rep until last 8sts, repeat cable block once more, p2.

Rows 11–14: As rows 1–4 of set pattern.

Bobble row

Row 15 (women's): p3 *k2, MB, p1, k2, p3*, rep from * to * until last 8 sts, insert cable block, p2.

Row 15 (men's): p2 *insert cable block, p1, MB, p1*, rep from * to * until last 7sts, insert cable block, p1.

Remember to knit into the bobble stitch again before continuing with the pattern

Row 16: As row 2.

Row 17: *k2, p2* rep from * to * until the end of row.

Row 18: Cast off sts.

Making up

Using a large-eyed tapestry needle, sew in all of the ends.

With right side facing, use a mattress stitch to join the side seams of the pattern component of the boot cuff.

Sew up the rib on the rear side of the boot cuff.

Making a bobble

MB: To make bobble, (k1, yo, k1, yo, k1) into next stitch, turn and p5, turn and k1, sl1, k2tog, psso, k1, turn and p3tog.

With right side facing, knit into the bobble stitch again.

Love My Boot Cuff

Materials:

Child's size:

2 x 50g hanks of DK pure alpaca yarn – Chile red (A)

100g hanks of textured aran yarn – White (B)

Woman's size:

50g hank of DK pure alpaca yarn – Chile red (C)

100g hank of textured aran yarn – dark green (D)

Needles:

1 pair of 5mm (UK 6; US 8) single-pointed knitting needles

Large-eyed tapestry needle

Instructions:

Make two.

Child's

Using 5mm (UK 6; US 8) needles, cast on 48sts in A.

Rows 1–18: *k2, p2*, rep to the end of row.

Work the patterned section.

Woman's

Using 5mm (UK 6; US 8) needles, cast on 60sts in C.

Rows 1–22: *k2, p2*, rep to the end of row.

Work the patterned section.

Child's

Continue knitting in colour A.

Rows 1–4: stocking stitch starting with a knit row.

Woman's

Continue knitting in colour A.

Rows 1–6: stocking stitch starting with a knit row.

Woman's and child's

Using the chart, insert the heart motif. Note that you will be working from the top down so the heart is in the correct position once the boot cuff is on the leg.

Row 1: k3A *k2B, k2A, k2B, k6A*; rep to last 9sts, k2B, k2A, k2B, k3A.

Rows 2–8: Follow the chart for these rows, ending with a purl row.

Rows 9–10: Work st st.

Row 11: k1A, k1B, k10A, *k1B, k11A* rep to end.

Row 12: p10A, *p3B, p9A*, rep to last 14sts, p3B, p8A, p3B.

Row 13: As row 11, cut off yarn B.

Rows 14–16: Work st st in colour A, starting with a purl row.

Row 17: Cast off.

Making up

Sew in loose ends by weaving them into stitches at the back of your work.

With right side facing, use a mattress stitch to join side seams of the pattern component of the boot cuff.

Sew up rib on the rear side of the boot cuff.

Puss-in-Boots

Materials:

100g hank of textured aran
   yarn – mid-blue light

4 x large wooden buttons

Needles:

1 pair of 5.5mm (UK 5; US 9) single-
   pointed knitting needles

Large-eyed tapestry needle

Instructions:

Make two.

Using 5.5mm (UK 5; US 9) needles cast on
54 sts in mid-blue light yarn.

Row 1: Knit into the back of sts to form a
neat edge.

Row 2: *k2, p2* rep to last 2 sts, k2.

Row 3: *p2, k2* rep to last 2 sts, p2.

Row 4: As row 2.

Row 5: As row 3.

Rows 6–23: Repeat rows 3–6 four more times
and then rows 3 and 4 once more.

Row 24: Cast off 6sts then *k1, p1* to end of
the row.

Rows 25–39: *p1, k1* rep.

Row 40: Cast off sts leaving a long piece of yarn
to sew up seams.

Making up

With right side facing, use a mattress stitch to
join the side seams of the rib component of the
boot cuff. Turn the boot cuff inside out and sew
the cast-off flap on to the main body of the cuff
with a neat hemming stitch. Sew up the flap on
the reverse side. Sew in loose strands of yarn.

Using your yarn, sew one button at the top
edge of the flap and one at the bottom edge
of the flap.