

KNITTING ABBREVIATIONS

alt = alternate

approx = approximately

beg = begin/ning

cm = centimetres

cont = continue

dec = decrease, decreasing

foundation chain = the length of chain made at the beginning of a piece of crochet as a basis for constructing the fabric

fol = follows, following

garter st = every row knit

inc = increase, increasing

incl = inclusive, including

K = knit

M1 = make 1 – pick up loop which lies before next st, place on left-hand needle and knit (or purl) into back of loop

0 = (zero) – no sts, times or rows

P = purl

patt = pattern

pssso = pass slipped st over

p2sso = pass 2 slipped sts over

p3sso = pass 3 slipped sts over

purl fabric (wrong side of stocking st) = purl right side rows and knit wrong side rows

rem = remain/ing

rep = repeat

sl = slip

st/s = stitch/es

stocking st = knit right side rows, purl wrong side rows

tbl = through back of loop

tog = together

ybk = yarn back – take yarn under needle from purling position into knitting position, without making a st

yft = yarn front – take yarn under needle from knitting position into purling position, without making a st

yfwd = yarn forward – bring yarn under needle then over into knitting position again, making a st

yon = yarn over needle – take yarn over top of needle into knitting position, making a st

yrn = yarn round needle – take yarn right around needle into purling position, making a st

When instructions read ‘Cast off 5 sts, K5’ (or other numbers), the st rem on right-hand needle after casting off is counted as the first stitch of the next section.