# Zinnia

# Materials:

Mohair yarn, yellow-green Eyelash yarn, rainbow Round button, 23mm (<sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub>in) Small, sharp scissors

# Needles:

1 pair 2.75mm (UK 12; US 2) knitting needles Tapestry needle

# Instructions:

#### Petals (in one piece)

With two strands of main yarn and 2.75mm (UK 12; US 2) needles, cast on 12 sts. Row 1: k all sts tbl.

Row 2: k.

Row 3: inc 1, k to end (13 sts).

Row 4: k.

Row 5: inc 1, k to end (14 sts).

Row 6: k.

#### Row 7: k2tog, k to end (13 sts).

Row 8: k.

Row 9: k2tog, k to end (12 sts).

Row 10: k.

Row 11: k2tog, k to end 11 sts).

Row 12: k.

Row 13: cast off 10, turn.

Row 14: cast on 11 (12 sts).

Rep rows 1–14 four times more and rows 1–14 once, then cast off all sts; break yarn and fasten off.

#### Centre

With eyelash yarn and 2.75mm needles, cast on 12 sts and work 20 rows in garter stitch (k every row), then cast off; break yarn and fasten off.



# Measurements:

Finished flower measures 14.5cm (5¾in) across

# Note:

For knitting petals, use yarn double.

#### Making up

Bring the two edges of the knitting together to make a circle of petals and stitch the lower corners of the two end petals together. Run a gathering stitch around the centre, along the base of each petal and pull up tightly to gather.

Run a gathering stitch all round the edge of the centre, place the button inside and pull up tightly to gather up and enclose the button.

Stitch the flower centre firmly in place.

With small, sharp scissors, trim away strands of yarn from the top surface of the flower centre, close to the knitted stitches (be careful not to cut the stitches), leaving strands radiating out from the sides only.



# Grape Hyacinth

# Materials:

Chinese silk yarn, bright purple Pure wool double knitting yarn, green

#### Measurements:

Finished flower is 14.5cm (5¾in) long, including stem

#### Needles:

1 pair 3.25mm (UK 10; US 3) knitting needles, 2 double-pointed 3.00mm (UK 11; US 2) knitting needles Tapestry needle

# Instructions:

#### To make a bobble (mb)

Knit into front, back and front of stitch, turn; k3, turn; k3, turn; pass 2nd and 3rd stitches over 1st stitch, then slip this stitch back on to right-hand needle; turn.

#### Flower

With silk yarn and 3.25mm (UK 10; US 3) needles, cast on 15 sts.

Row 1: \*mb, k3, rep from \* to end.

Row 2: p.

Row 3: k2, (mb, k3) 4 times, k1.

Row 4: p .

Rep rows 1–4 once, then rep rows 1 and 2 once; cast off all sts knitwise; break yarn and fasten off.

#### Stem

With green yarn and two double-pointed needles, cast on 2 sts.

Row 1: k2; do not turn but slide sts to other end of needle.

Rep this row until work measures 6.5cm (2½in); fasten off.

#### Making up

Place the cast-off edge of the flower over the cast-on edge, overlapping slightly, and slip stitch it in place. Stitch the three bobbles at the top of the flower together in a cluster. Insert the end of the stem into the base of the flower and stitch it in place.



# Cosmos

# Materials:

Lightweight pure wool double knitting yarn, deep pink and yellow Tapestry wool, red Round button, 12mm (½in)

# Measurements:

Finished flower measures 9cm (31/2in) across

# Instructions:

#### Petal (make 8)

With deep pink yarn and size 2.75mm (UK 12; US 2) needles, cast on 2 sts.

Knit 2 rows.

Row 3: (inc 1) twice (4 sts).

Knit 5 rows.

Next row: k1, (inc 1) twice, k1 (6 sts).

Knit 5 rows.

#### Next row: k1, (k2tog) twice, k1 (4 sts).

Knit 2 rows. Cast off, break yarn and fasten off.

#### Centre

With yellow yarn and 2.75mm needles, cast on 2 sts. Row 1: inc 1, k to end. Rep last row until there are 8 sts. Knit 3 rows. Next row: cast off 1, k to end. Rep last row until there are 2 sts. Cast off; break yarn and fasten off.



# Needles:

1 pair 2.75mm (UK 12; US 2) knitting needles Tapestry needle

#### Making up

Placing the cast-off ends in the centre, stitch the petals edge to edge.

With red tapestry yarn, stitch a long, straight stitch in the centre of each flower petal, radiating out from the middle of the flower.

Run a gathering stitch all round the edge of the centre piece, place the button inside and pull up tightly to gather up and enclose the button. Stitch the flower centre firmly in place.

# Clematis

# Materials:

Felting yarn, pure wool, deep violet Eyelash yarn, 100% polyester, white Scissors

# Needles:

1 pair 3.00mm (UK 11; US 2) knitting needles Tapestry needle

#### Measurements:

Finished flower measures 14cm (51/2in) across

# Instructions:

# Petal (make 8) With deep violet yarn and size 3.00mm (UK 11; US 2) needles, cast on 7 sts. Row 1 (WS): p3, inc 2, p3 (9 sts). Row 2: k3, p3, k3. Row 3: p3, inc 1, k1, inc 1, p3 (11 sts). Row 4: k3, p5, k3. Row 5: p3, k5, p3. Rep rows 4 and 5 once more. Row 8: as row 4. Row 9: p3, k1, sl1, k2tog, psso, k1, p3 (9 sts). Row 10: k3, p3, k3. Row 11: p3, sl1, k2tog, psso, p3 (7 sts). Row 12: k3, p1, k3. Row 13: p2, p3tog, p2 (5 sts). Row 14: k. Row 15: p1, p3tog, p1 (3 sts). Row 16: k.

Row 17: p3tog; break yarn and fasten off.



#### Making up

Join four petals together at the corners, using tails of yarn. Thread a long tail of yarn in a running stitch through the base of each petal, then pull up the thread to gather tightly. Fasten off. Repeat with the other four petals. Place one group of four on top of the other and stitch them together.

To make the centre, wind eyelash yarn around two fingers about twelve times. Tie yarn around the centre to form a small bundle, then pull the ends through the flower centre and secure. Trim with scissors.



# Chrysanthemum

# Materials:

Wool and cotton double knitting yarn, mustard yellow

# Needles:

1 pair 3.25mm (UK 10; US 3) knitting needles Tapestry needle

#### Measurements:

Finished flower measures approximately 12cm (4¾in) across

# Instructions:

With mustard yellow yarn and size 3.25mm (UK 10; US 3) needles, cast on 22 sts.

Row 1: k all sts tbl.

Row 2: k all sts tbl.

Row 3: cast off, leaving 1 st on needle.

Row 4: cast on 21 sts.

Row 5: k all sts tbl.

#### Rep rows 2–5 13 times more, then row 2 once.

Next row: cast on 19 sts.

Next row: k all sts tbl.

Next row: k all sts tbl.

Next row: cast off, leaving 1 st on needle.

#### Rep last four rows 5 times.

Next row: cast on 15 sts.

Next row: k all sts tbl.

Next row: cast off, leaving 1 st on needle.

Rep last three rows 5 times.

Next row: cast on 12 sts.

Next row: k all sts tbl.

Next row: cast off, leaving 1 st on needle.

Rep last three rows 5 times then cast off rem st, break yarn and fasten off.



#### Making up

Stitch a gathering thread along the base of all the petals and pull up tightly to gather. Form some of the longer petals into loops, stitching the end of each one securely to the centre of the flower.

