



Free Knitting Pattern
Lion Brand® Hometown USA®
Candy Cane Tree Skirt
Pattern Number: L40334



Give your Christmas tree a handmade hug with this knit tree skirt made with Hometown USA®. *Designed by Nicky Epstein.*

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SKILL LEVEL: Easy (Level 2)

SIZE: One Size

About 36 in. (91.5 cm) in diameter

CORRECTIONS: None as of Jul 21, 2015. To check for later updates, click [here](#).

MATERIALS

- 135-172 Lion Brand Hometown USA Yarn: Oklahoma City Green
6 Balls (A)
- 135-170 Lion Brand Hometown USA Yarn: Las Vegas Gold
1 Ball (B)
- 135-098 Lion Brand Hometown USA Yarn: Houston Cream
1 Ball (C)
- 135-114 Lion Brand Hometown USA Yarn: Tampa Spice
1 Ball (D)
- Lion Brand Knitting Needles- Size 13 [9 mm]
- Lion Brand Split Ring Stitch Markers
- Lion Brand Large-Eye Blunt Needles (Set of 6)
- Additional Materials
Double pointed knitting needles size 11 (8 mm), 2 (for knitted cord)
5 x 7 in. (12.5 x 18 cm) piece of cardboard

**Hometown USA (Article #135).*

Solids, Multis, Neons and Team:
100% Acrylic

Tweeds: 94% Acrylic, 6% Rayon;
package size: **Solids:** 5 oz. (142 g),
81 yd. (74 m)

Multis, Tweeds, Neons, and Team:
4 oz. (113 g), 64 yd. (59 m)



GAUGE:

9 sts + 12 rows = 4 in. (10 cm) over repeats of Rows 1 and 2 with larger needles.

When you match the gauge in a pattern, your project will be the size specified in the pattern and the materials specified in the pattern will be sufficient. The needle or hook size called for in the pattern is based on what the designer used, but it is not unusual for gauge to vary from person to person. If it takes you fewer stitches and rows to make your swatch, try using a smaller size hook or needles; if more stitches and rows, try a larger size hook or needles.

Making a Gauge Swatch

STITCH EXPLANATION:

ssk (slip, slip, knit) Slip next 2 sts as if to knit, one at a time, to right needle; insert left needle into fronts of these 2 sts and knit them tog – 1 st decreased.

sk2p Slip 1 as if to knit, knit 2 together, pass slipped stitch over – 2 sts decreased.

SPECIAL TECHNIQUE

Knitted Cord (on double pointed needles) Work with 2 double pointed needles, cast on 3 sts. Knit the 3 sts. Do not turn work. *Slide sts to other end of needle and knit them, pulling yarn tightly across the back of the work, (do not turn work); rep from * until cord measures about specified length.

NOTES:

1. Five Panels are worked, then sewn together to make Skirt.
2. Trees, Candy Canes, Tassels and other embellishments are worked separately then sewn to the completed Skirt.
3. When you see "- 12 sts" in the instructions, this lets you know how many sts you will have at the end of that specific row.



TREE SKIRT PANELS (make 5)

With larger needles and A, cast on 47 sts.

Knit 3 rows.

Purl 1 row.

Row 1 (RS) Decrease: K1, ssk, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 – you will have 45 sts at the end of this row.

Row 2: Purl.

Rep last 2 rows 12 more times – 21 sts rem on last row worked.

Change to B.

With B, rep Rows 1 and 2 twice – 17 sts rem.

Change to C.

With C, rep Rows 1 and 2 five times – 7 sts rem.

Bind off.

FINISHING

Sew 5 Panels tog along sides, matching color sections and leaving one seam unsewn.

Top Border

From WS with C, pick up and k 30 sts across top edge of Skirt.

Knit 3 rows.

Bind off.

Candy Canes(make 3)

With 2 double pointed needles and C, cast on 3 sts. Work a knitted cord about 11 in. (28 cm) long.

Last Row: Sk2p.

Fasten off last st and cut yarn, leaving a long yarn tail.

Rep to make a second knitted cord with D.

Twist C and D cords around each other to make Candy Cane.

With yarn tail, sew cords together. Sew a Candy Cane to centers of first, third and fifth Panels.

Trees (make 2)Stand

With larger needles and D, cast on 7 sts.

Row 1 (RS): K1, *p1, k1; rep from * across.

Row 2: K the knit sts and p the purl sts.

Rep Row 2 until piece measures about 1 1/4 in. (3 cm) from beg, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

Change to C.

Tree

Row 1 (RS): With C, cast on 8 sts at beg of row, knit to end of row – you will have 15 sts at the end of this row.

Row 2: Cast on 8 sts at beg of row, purl to end of row – 23 sts.

Row 3: K9, ssk, yo, place marker, k1, place marker, yo, k2tog, k9 – 23 sts.

Row 4: Purl, slipping markers as you come to them.

Row 5: K1, ssk, k to 2 sts before marker, ssk, yo, sl marker, k1, sl marker, yo, k2tog, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 – 21 sts.

Row 6: Purl, slipping markers as you come to them.

Rows 7-16: Rep Rows 5 and 6 – 11 sts.

Remove markers as you work Row 16.

Row 17: K1, (ssk) twice, yo, k1, yo, (k2tog) twice, k1 – 9 sts rem.

Rows 18, 20, 22 and 24: Purl.

Row 19: K1, ssk, k3, k2tog, k1 – 7 sts.

Row 21: K1, ssk, k1, k2tog, k1 – 5 sts.

Row 23: K1, sk2p, k1 – 3 sts.

Row 25: Sk2p.

Fasten off last st.

Sew a Tree to centers of second and fourth Panels. With B threaded into blunt needle, embroider a straight st star at top of each Tree.

Ties (make 6: 4 with B and 2 with A)

With double pointed needles, cast on 3 sts.

Work a knitted cord about 11 in. (28 cm) long.

Last Row: Sk2p.

Fasten off last st and cut yarn, leaving a long yarn tail.

Using yarn tails, sew Ties to open edge of Skirt, sewing first set of B Ties to each side at top edge of Skirt, second set of B Ties to B section of Skirt and A Ties centered on A section of Skirt.

Tassels (make 4: 2 each with B and D)

Wrap yarn 40 times around a 5 in. (12.5 cm) side of cardboard. Cut a 12 in. (30.5 cm) length of matching yarn, and thread into blunt needle. Insert needle under all strands at upper edge of cardboard. Pull tightly and knot securely near strands. Cut yarn loops at lower edge of cardboard to make Tassel.

Tassel Wrap

With larger needles, cast on 8 sts. Without working any rows, bind off. Wrap around Tassel 1 in. (2.5 cm) below top edge and knot.

Trim Tassel ends evenly.

Alternating colors of Tassels, sew a Tassel to each Panel seam along lower edge of Skirt.

Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS / REFERENCES	
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<u>beg = begin(s)(ning)</u>	<u>dec = decreas(e)(s)(ing)</u>
<u>k = knit</u>	<u>k2tog = knit 2 together</u>
<u>p = purl</u>	<u>rem = remain(s)(ing)</u>
<u>rep = repeat(s)(ing)</u>	<u>RS = right side</u>
<u>st(s) = stitch(es)</u>	<u>tog = together</u>
<u>WS = wrong side</u>	<u>yo = yarn over</u>

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