



Any weight yarn can be used for this pattern. Suggested yardage is approximate as needle size is determined by yarn weight and yardage is determined by yarn weight & needle size.

Sample deep red lips were knit using 60cm(24")/3.25mm(US3) circular needle and Cascade 220 yarn in Ruby, yarn weight 4, Gauge = 28sts&36rows/4inches. Sample sparkly lips were knit using 60cm(24")/3.25mm(US3) circular needle and Lion Brand's Vanna's Glamour yarn in Ruby Red, yarn weight 2, Gauge = 28sts&40rows/4inches.

Materials

Small amount of scrap yarn

≥60cm (≥24") needle one-two sizes smaller than recommended for yarn weight if working Magic Loop Method (or, DPN one-two sizes smaller than recommended for yarn weight if working in the round on DPN)

stitch marker

tapestry needle

stuffing



Valentine Kiss is largely knit in the round. The pattern can be knit using the Magic Loop Method or DPNs if you prefer



Pattern abbreviations

BO – bind off

CO – cast on

DPNs – double-pointed needles

K - knit

Kfb – knit into the front and back of st

K2tog – knit two sts together

PM – place marker

R – row/round

sts – stitches

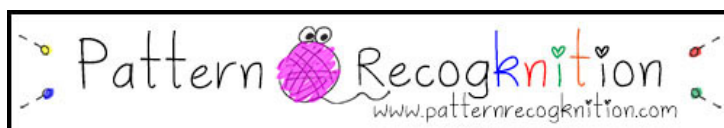
Pattern Techniques (check out the suggested links for help)

Magic Loop Method - <http://www.craftsy.com/blog/2014/10/demystifying-the-magic-loop/>

Whip Stitch or Mattress Stitch -

<http://www.knitty.com/ISSUESpring04/mattress.html>

<http://mochimochiland.com/2010/05/how-to-mattress-stitch/#more-597>



Top Lip

CO 4 sts, PM and join to begin working in the round using the Magic Loop Method.

R1: [Kfb] around (8 sts)

R2: [Kfb, K1] around (12 sts)

R3-11 (odd rounds): Knit

R4: [Kfb, K10, Kfb] (14 sts)

R6: [Kfb, K12, Kfb] (16 sts)

R8: [Kfb, K14, Kfb] (18 sts)

R10: [Kfb, K16, Kfb] (20 sts)

R12: [K2tog, K6, K2tog] twice (16 sts)

R13: [K2tog, K4, K2tog] twice (12 sts)

R14: [Kfb, K4, Kfb] twice (16 sts)

R15: [Kfb, K6, Kfb] twice (20 sts)

R16-24 (even rounds): Knit

R17: [K2tog, K16, K2tog] (18 sts)

R19: [K2tog, K14, K2tog] (16 sts)

R21: [K2tog, K12, K2tog] (14 sts)

R23: [K2tog, K10, K2tog] (12 sts). Stop and lightly stuff lip.

R25: [K2tog, K1] around (8 sts)

R26: [K2tog] around (4 sts)

Cut yarn and, using tapestry needle, thread tail through remaining sts, pulling tightly to close.



Bottom Lip

CO 4 sts and PM.

R1-11: work as for top lip R1-11

R12-14: Knit

R15: [K2tog, K16, K2tog] (18 sts)

R16-22 (odd rounds): Knit

R17: [K2tog, K14, K2tog] (16 sts)

R19: [K2tog, K12, K2tog] (14 sts)

R21: [K2tog, K10, K2tog] (12 sts). Stop and lightly stuff lip.

R23: [K2tog, K1] around (8 sts)

R24: [K2tog] around (4 sts)

Cut yarn and, using tapestry needle, thread tail through remaining sts, pulling tightly to close.

Assembly

Using mattress or whip st, sew top lip to bottom lip leaving a small gap in the centre.

Suggestions

- Add a pin to one side to make lips into a brooch
- Add a stick to one edge for a photo prop
- Add a bobby pin or clip to make a hair accessory





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