FIELD POPPY

Scarlet (A) Green (B) Black (C)

Method

Petal (make four) using A, cast on 7 sts.

1st Row (RS) K.
2nd Row kfb, K to last 2 sts, kfb, k1. 9 sts.
3rd Row As 2nd row, 11 sts.
4th Row As 2nd row, 13 sts.
5th-6th Rows K.
9th Row skpo twice, k to last 4 sts, k2tog twice, 9 sts.
10th-12th Rows K.
13th Rows As 9th row, 5 sts.
14th-16th Rows K.
17th Row K1, sk2po, k1, 3 sts.
18th Row K. Cast off.

Centre

Using B cast on 16 sts. Cast off.

Making Up

Joining cast-off edges, sew petals together in pairs, then place one pair over the other in a cross formation and secure. Coil centre into a spiral and sew the base into of the petals. Using C, work a ring of straight stitches around the centre, then work French knots around them. Maintain the petals in a cup shape with a small stitch behind each pair of petals.

Abbreviations

Kfb - knit in front and back of stitch to make two stitches from one.

Skpo - slip one stitch knitwise, knit one, pass slipped stitch over.

Sk2po - slip one knitwise, k2tog, pass slipped stitch over.