

Outcasts!

Jacksons Birthday Cake Candle



Materials:

- white or cream DK yarn (for candle)
- orange or yellow DK yarn for flame
- 3.75mm needles
- blunt tapestry needle
- marker (pm)

Abbreviations:

k – knit
p – purl
sts – stitches
stocking stitch – (1 row knit, 1 row purl)
k2tog – knit 2 together
k3tog – knit 3 together
KFB – knit into front and back of stitch

Flame:

Cast on 2 stitches, leaving a long tail for attaching flame to candle.

Row 1 (KFB) twice (4 sts)
Row 2 p
Row 3 KFB, (K1) twice, KFB (6 sts)
Row 4 p
Row 5 K2 tog, k to end of row (5 sts)
Row 6 p
Row 7 K2tog, K1, K2tog (3 sts)
Row 8 p
Row 9 K3tog
Cut yarn and securely fix off.

To celebrate the 135th anniversary of Jacksons, Reading's oldest family run department store, local community arts organisation jelly, along with the Outcast knitters, will host **knitting workshops** with a difference in the store's haberdashery department **Thursday 9th September – Saturday 11 September 2010.**

The Outcasts are creating a giant knitted birthday cake which will then feature as part of the store's celebratory window display, the following week. **The Outcasts need your help creating the 135 candles needed.**

The project is suitable for beginner knitters and can either be knit in the round or flat.

Instructions:

Candle:

Cast on 18 stitches using your preferred technique. Knit in stocking stitch for 36 rows, starting with a knit row

Row 37 (K2tog, K1) 6 times

Row 38 p row

Row 39 (K2tog) 6 times

Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread yarn through tapestry needle and pull through live stitches on needle tightly. Sew the candle up with the remainder of the yarn and stuff.

