

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS ——— INTERMEDIATE skill level, although these tiny hearts DO make perfect little practice projects.

k2tog (right-slant knit decrease)

• knit two sts together as one

ssk (left-slant knit decrease)

- slip 2 sts kwise, separately
- k2tog through back loops

s2kp2 (vertical double knit decrease)

- slip 2 sts kwise, together
- knit next st
- pass the 2 slipped sts over the knit st and discard them from right hand ndl

s2pp2 (vertical double purl decrease)

- slip 2 sts kwise, separately
- insert left ndl into both sl sts (from right to left) and return sts in turned/exchanged position
- insert right hand ndl into all 3 sts (from right to left) and p3tog

ABBREVIATIONS: CO = cast on; k = knit; kwise = knitwise; ndl = needle; p = purl; pwise = purlwise; RS = right side; sl = slip; st(s) = stitch(es); tog = together; (...)?x = repeat the instructions between the (parentheses) as many times as is indicated by the 'x'; B&T = cut yarn, insert tail through live sts, pull tight to close gap