A POP OF COLOUR

Knit a poppy brooch to add a dash of scarlet to your smart winter coat, or perk up a plain denim jacket. By Monica Fuertes
POPPY BROOCH

You will need
- Hayfield Bonus DK
  (100% acrylic 100g/280m)
- Little Poppy Apple
- Yarn A Ladybird (0698)
- Yarn B Sunflower (0978)
- Yarn C Lemongrass (0699)
- Large Poppy
- Yarn A Ladybird (0698)
- Yarn B Black (0965)
- Yarn C Lemongrass (0699)

**FLOWER BROOCHES**

**LITTLE POPPY APPLE**

**FLOWERS (MAKE 3)**

Cast on 20 sts, using 3mm needles and Yarn A.

Row 1 (RS) Knit.
Row 2 Purl.
Row 3 Knit.
Row 4 Purl.
Row 5 (K5, twist the right needle back to front) to end.
Row 6 Purl.
Change to Yarn B.
Row 7 (K2tog) to end. [10 sts]
Row 8 (P2tog) to end. [5 sts]
Row 9 (K2tog) to last st, K1. [3 sts].
Cast off.

Cut yarn and thread through remaining sts.

Sew sides together to form flower. Attach the beads using the photograph as a guide.

**LEAVES (MAKE 3)**

Cast on 3 sts using 3mm needles and Yarn C.

Row 1 (WS) Purl.
Row 2 K1, yo, K1, yo, K1. [5 sts]
Row 3 Purl.

Tension
13 sts and 18 rows to measure 6x6cm (2½x2½in) over st st using 3mm needles

**ABBREVIATIONS**

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**WHERE TO BUY**

For yarn stockists contact Sirdar on 01924 231682
https://sirdar.com/

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- Wool Warehouse
  0800 505 3300 or www.woolwarehouse.co.uk
- The Wool Factory
  www.thewoolfactory-online.com

“I wanted to commission Monica to design a cover gift that would stand the test of time, and look just as stylish on a black overcoat as it would on a modern denim jacket.”

KIRSTIE MCLEOD, EDITOR

**FINISHING**

Sew the three Poppy Apples together and position the leaves around them, using the photograph for guidance. Attach the brooch pin securely to the back of the flowers.

**LARGE POPPY (MAKE 3 PER BROOCH)**

**PETALS (MAKE 4 FOR EACH POPPY)**

Working in garter st:

Cast on 5 sts, using 3mm needles and Yarn A.

Row 1 (RS) Knit.
Row 2 Kfb, K2, kfb, K1. [7 sts]
Row 3 Knit.
Row 4 K3, kfb, K3. [8 sts]
Work 3 rows in garter st.
Row 8 K3, k2tog, K3. [7 sts]
Row 9 K2, sk2po, K2. [5 sts]
Row 10 K1, sk2po, K1. [3 sts]
Row 11 Knit.
Row 12 (Kfb) twice, K1. [5 sts]
Row 13 Kfb, K2, kfb, K1. [7 sts]
Row 14 K7.
Row 15 K3, kfb, K3. [8 sts]
Rows 16 to 17 Knit.
Row 18 K3, sk2po, K2. [6 sts]
Row 19 K2, sk2po, K1. [4 sts]
Row 20 Knit.
Cast off.

**IMPROVE YOUR SKILLS**

- A pair of 3mm knitting needles
- 21 black glass seed beads
- 2 brooch pins

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STEMS
Make 1 x 9cm and 2 x 7cm plaited cords with Yarn C.

FLOWER CENTRES (MAKE 3)
Cast on 15 sts, using 3mm needles and Yarn B.
Cast off.
Roll up each centre and attach to the middle of each flower. Add embroidery: a long stitch with a French knot with Yarn B. Refer to photograph for guidance.

CALYX (MAKE 3)
Cast on 8 sts, using 3mm needles and Yarn C.
Row 1 (RS) Knit.
Continue working the first 2 sts only:
* Row 2 (Kfb) twice. [4 sts]
Work 2 rows in st st, beg with a K row.
Row 5 (K2tog) twice. [2 sts]
Row 6 P2tog. [1 st]
Cast off.*
Working on the next 2 sts only, rep from * to * 3 more times.

Sew each Calyx to the back of each Poppy Apple. Attach plaited stems in Yarn C. one 9cm stem to the Calyx at the back of the central flower and a 7cm stem to each flower at the sides.

LEAVES (MAKE 2)
Cast on 3 sts, using 3mm needles and Yarn C.
Row 1 (WS) Purl.
Row 2 K1, yo, K1, yo, K1. [5 sts]
Row 3 Purl.
Row 4 K2, yo, K1, yo, K2. [7 sts]
Row 5 Purl.
Row 6 K3, yo, K1, yo, K3. [9 sts]
Row 7 Purl.
Row 8 Sk2po, K3, sk2po. [5 sts]
Row 9 Purl.
Row 10 K2tog, K1, k2tog. [3 sts]
Row 11 Sk2po. [1 st]
Fasten off.

FINISHING
Sew the Poppies together and the Leaves around them. Refer to photograph for guidance. Attach brooch pin securely to the back of the Poppies.

This vibrant poppy brooch adds a gorgeous pop of colour to a simple outfit.