

FELTING WOOL

Instruction: Felted ballerinas



Size: 37/38 (39/40, 41/42)

Material: Felting wool (Gründl), 100% new wool,
50g approximately 50m

Required quantity: approx. 150g

Needle thickness: Circular knitting needle and
double-pointed needles 8 – 9

Pattern: stocking stitch: right-side row: knit stitches
wrong-side row: purl stitches
in rounds: knit stitches only

Tension sample (stocking stitch, non-felted):

11 stitches x 16 rows = 10cm x 10cm



Knitting pattern:

Deviating instructions for sizes 39/40 and 41/42 are given in brackets.

Cast on 30 (32, 32) stitches with the circular knitting needle, and knit 37 (39, 39) rows in stocking stitch, while decreasing by 3 x 1 (3 x 1, 2 x 1) stitches in every 6th row on both sides (= 24 (26, 28) stitches). Continue knitting in rounds, additionally cast on 10 stitches in the first round in the front middle (= 34 (36, 38) stitches). The front middle is the beginning of the round: 1st needle: 9 (9, 10) stitches (5 of the newly cast on stitches + 4 (4, 5) stitches), 2nd and 3rd needle: 8 (9, 9) stitches, 4th needle: 9 (9, 10) stitches (4 (4, 5) stitches + 5 of the newly cast on stitches). After 18 (21, 22) rounds: knit the toe. For that, decrease every round as follows: 1st and 3rd needle: knit until 3 stitches before the end of the needle, knit together 2 stitches, knit 1; 2nd and 4th needle: knit 1, slip 1 knit-wise, knit 1, pass slipped stitch over.

Decrease that way until only 10 (10, 12) stitches are left. Pull them together with the working yarn.

Finishing:

Close the back with as flat a seam as possible and felt the ballerina.

Felting:

Put the ballerinas into the washing machine (on their own) with 3 tennis balls and felt them at 40°C, coloured washing. Please do not use fabric softener. After the washing: pull the ballerinas into shape and let them dry.