

THE TIKKUNTREE PROJECT:

growing peace stitch by stitch

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TikkunTree “Double” Leaves

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These patterns are for two double-thick knitted leaves:

- a smooth-edged leaf (medium green, right), and
- a “scalloped edge” leaf (dark green, left)

Like toe-up socks, they are knitted from the leaf tip to the stem on double-point needles, making a 3-dimensional, double-thick leaf that is approximately 3 1/2” x 5” in size.

These leaves are ideal for the TikkunTree, since their extra thickness makes them “sculptural” in effect, and provides a stiff stem for attaching to the trunk. Feel free to share these patterns with others who participate in this project. Please do not stuff these leaves if you are contributing them to the TikkunTree!



Level of Difficulty: experienced knitters, and adventurous or courageous peacemakers, anyone wants to learn to knit in the round with use double-point needles (dpns). These will challenge the novice knitter, but a communal peace project is worth the effort. And, you’ll be an ace with dpns, able to move on to mittens, gloves and socks!

Materials:

- worsted weight yarn (I used Peace Fleece, Shaba and Hemlock greens)
- Size 5 or 6 (3.5-4 mm) double-point needles (yes, this is smaller than usual for worsted weight, but the smaller needle makes a tighter fabric and stiffer leaf)



Abbreviations

CO = cast on

st = stitch

kfb = knit in the front & back of the same st

k = knit

p = purl

ssk = to decrease 1 st: slip 2 sts knit-wise, then knit these sts together

k2tog = to decrease 1 st: knit 2 sts together

Smooth TikkunTree leaf (knit in the round on double-point needles)

- Row 1: CO 3 sts on one needle, kfb all sts (6 sts total).
Divide these 6 sts between 3 dpns (2 sts on each needle). Mark the first st with a stitch marker (a piece of contrasting yarn, a paper clip, or a commercial stitch marker).
- Row 2: Knit
- Row 3: *k1, kfb* 3x around (9 sts)
- Row 4: *k2, kfb* 3x around (12 sts); redistribute these sts onto 4 dpns (3 sts on each needle)
- Row 5: knit

Row 6: *kfb, k4, kfb*, repeat ** (16 sts)
 Row 7: knit
 Row 8: *kfb, k6, kfb*, repeat ** (20 sts)
 Row 9: knit
 Row 10: *kfb, k8, kfb*, repeat ** (24 sts)
 Row 11: knit
 Row 12: *kfb, k10, kfb*, repeat ** (28 sts)
 Row 13: knit
 Row 14: *kfb, k12, kfb*, repeat ** (32 sts)
 Row 15-16: knit
 Row 17: *kfb, k14, kfb*, repeat ** (36 sts)
 Rows 18-25: knit
 Row 26: *ssk, k14, k2tog*, repeat ** (32)
 Row 27: knit
 Row 28: *ssk, k12, k2tog*, repeat ** (28)
 Row 29: knit
 Row 30: *ssk, k10, k2tog*, repeat ** (24)
 Row 31: *ssk, k8, k2tog*, repeat ** (20)
 Row 32: knit
 Row 33: *ssk, k6, k2tog*, repeat ** (16)
 Row 34: *ssk, k4, k2tog*, repeat ** (12)
 Row 35: knit
 Row 36: *ssk, k2, k2tog*, repeat ** (8)
 Row 37: ssk, k2, ssk, k2 (6)

Redistribute remaining 6 sts onto 3 dpns. Knit around 3 rows, bind off, leaving a long 10-12" tail.

“Scalloped” TikkunTree Leaf (knit in the round on double-point needles)

Row 1: CO 3 sts on one needle, kfb all sts (6 sts total).
 Divide these 6 sts between 3 dpns (2 sts on each needle). Mark the first st with a stitch marker (a piece of contrasting yarn, a paper clip, or a commercial stitch marker).
 Row 2: knit
 Row 3: *k1, kfb* 3x around (9 sts)
 Row 4: *k2, kfb* 3x around (12 sts); redistribute these sts onto 4 dpns (3 sts on each needle)
 Row 5: knit
 Row 6: *kfb, k4, kfb*, repeat ** (16 sts)
 Row 7: knit
 Row 8: *kfb, k6, kfb*, repeat ** (20 sts)
 Rows 9-10: knit 2 rows
 Row 11: *kfb, k8, kfb*, repeat ** (24 sts)
 Row 12: *kfb, k10, kfb*, repeat ** (28 sts)
 Row 13-16: knit 4 rows
 Row 17: *kfb, k12, kfb*, repeat ** (32 sts)
 Row 18: *kfb, k14, kfb*, repeat ** (36 sts)
 Rows 19-26: knit 4 rows
 Row 27: *ssk, k14, k2tog*, repeat ** (32)
 Row 28: knit
 Row 29: *ssk, k12, k2tog*, repeat ** (28)
 Row 30: knit
 Row 31: *ssk, k10, k2tog*, repeat ** (24)
 Row 32: *ssk, k8, k2tog*, repeat ** (20)
 Row 33: knit
 Row 34: *ssk, k6, k2tog*, repeat ** (16)
 Row 35: *ssk, k4, k2tog*, repeat ** (12)
 Row 36: *ssk, k2, k2tog*, repeat ** (8)
 Row 37: ssk, k2, ssk, k2 (6)

Redistribute remaining 6 sts onto 3 dpns. Knit around 3 rows, bind off, leaving a long 10-12" tail.