

Sea Star

I live on the west coast of Canada and sea stars are a favourite of mine. I see them on beach walks, hanging on the sides of rocks or at the bottom of tidal pools. They can come in many colours but the ones here are usually some shade of purple.

So I am adding them here and there on my blanket.

The pattern includes charts or written instructions for flat or circular knitting.

You can either make them flat and sew them together at the end. Or make them in the round on dpn's.

Pattern

Working with a 4.5mm US #7 needle of your choice cast-on 70 sts. If knitting in the round, connect the dpn's without twisting the cast-on and start knitting.

Written Sea Star - circular

Round 1: (K6, sl2, k1, p2sso, k5) 5 times. (60 sts)

Round 2: (P6, sl, p5) 5 times.

Round 3: (K5, sl2, k1, p2sso, k4) 5 times. (50 sts)

Round 4: (P5, sl, p4) 5 times.

Round 5: (K4, sl2, k1, p2sso, k3) 5 times. (40 sts)

Round 6: (P4, sl, p3) 5 times.

Round 7: (K3, sl2, k1, p2sso, k2) 5 times. (30 sts)

Round 8: (P3, sl, p2) 5 times.

Round 9: (K2, sl2, k1, p2sso, k1) 5 times. (20 sts)

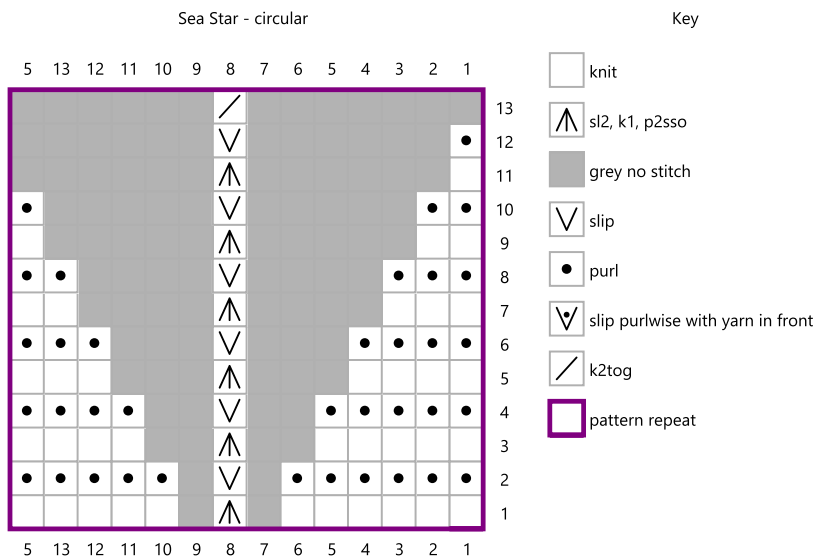
Round 10: (P2, sl, p1) 5 times.

Round 11: (K1, sl2, k1, p2sso) 5 times. (10 sts)

Round 12: (P1, sl) 5 times.

Round 13: K2tog x 5. (5 sts)

Move to finishing.



Written Sea Star - flat

Row 1 (RS): (K6, sl2, k1, p2sso, k5) 5 times. (60 sts)

Row 2 (WS): (K5, sl wyif, k6) 5 times.

Row 3: (K5, sl2, k1, p2sso, k4) 5 times. (50 sts)

Row 4: (K4, sl wyif, k5) 5 times.

Row 5: (K4, sl2, k1, p2sso, k3) 5 times. (40 sts)

Row 6: (K3, sl wyif, k4) 5 times.

Row 7: (K3, sl2, k1, p2sso, k2) 5 times. (30 sts)

Row 8: (K2, sl wyif, k3) 5 times.

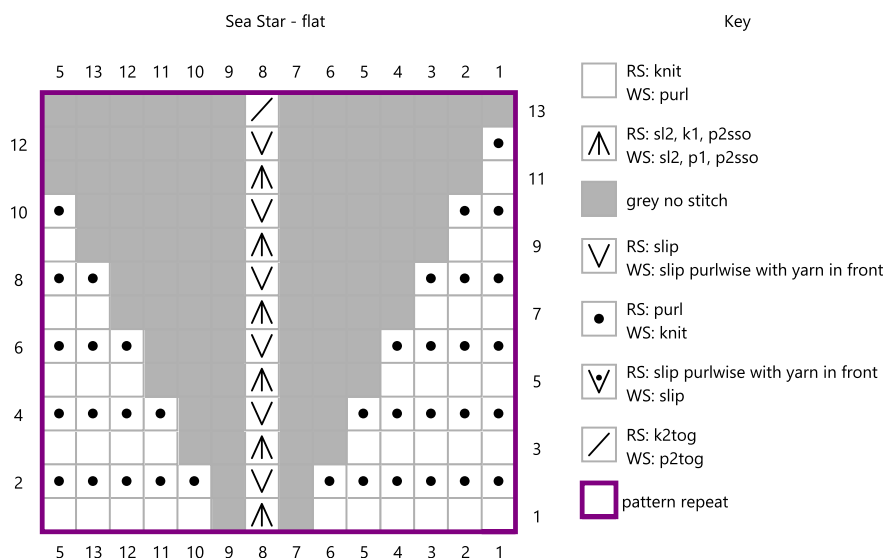
Row 9: (K2, sl2, k1, p2sso, k1) 5 times. (20 sts)

Row 10: (K1, sl wyif, k2) 5 times.

Row 11: (K1, sl2, k1, p2sso) 5 times. (10 sts)

Row 12: (Sl wyif, k1) 5 times.

Row 13: K2tog x 5. (5 sts)



Move to finishing

Finishing

Cut yarn leaving a 24-inch tail.

Finish by threading tail back through the 5 stitches. If knitted flat sew the small seam.

With the tail still attached proceed to thread the yarn down the middle of each side on both the front and back to gather the stitches to form the arm. Repeat the gathering line 5 times.

