## **Yarnspirations**



KNIT SKILL LEVEL EASY

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What you will need:

**RED HEART**<sup>®</sup> With Love<sup>™</sup> **Metallic:** 4 balls 8918 Red **A** 

RED HEART\* With Love\*: 1 skein each 1012 Black **B** and 1207 Cornsilk **D** 

**RED HEART**<sup>®</sup> **Fur™:** 4 balls 9100 Polar **C** 



# **RED HEART**<sup>®</sup> With Love<sup>™</sup> Metallic, Art. E400BM

available in solid 4.5 oz (127 g) 200 yds (183 m), prints 4 oz (113 g) 152 yd (139 m) balls



RED HEART<sup>®</sup> Fur<sup>™</sup>, Art. E831 available in 3.5 oz (100 g) 11 yd (10 m) balls



RED HEART\* With Love\*, Art. E400 available in solid

color 7oz (198 g), 370 yd (338 m), multicolor 5oz (141 g), 230 yd (211 m) and stripes 5 oz (141 g) 223 yds (204 m) skeins

#### SHOP KIT



# Santa's Coat Tree Skirt

The best-dressed tree deserves a tree skirt just as handsome as Santa's own coat! We've trimmed our knit tree skirt with fur and given it a belt complete with a golden buckle.

## What you will need (continued):

Susan Bates\* Circular knitting needles: 5.5mm [US 9] 29" (73.5 cm) or longer.

Susan Bates<sup>®</sup> Luxite Single Point knitting needles: 12.75mm [US 17]

24 stitch markers Yarn needle

GAUGE: 16 sts = 4" (10 cm); 22 rows = 4" (10 cm) in Stockinette St. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needle to obtain the gauge given.

Tree skirt measures 52" (132 cm) in diameter.

#### NOTES

This project is knitted flat. Circular needles are used to accommodate the large number of sts, do not join.

### **TREE SKIRT**

With **A** and smaller needles, cast on 48 sts; do not join. **Row 1 (Right Side):** Knit. **Row 2 (Wrong Side):** Purl. **Row 3:** Knit. **Row 4:** P1, place marker, \*p2, place marker; repeat from \* 22 times, purl last st. **Dev 5:** 1/5h before and after each stick.

Row 5: Kfb before and after each stitch marker across row - 48 sts increased.
Row 6: K4, purl to last 4 sts, knit to end.
Row 7: Knit.

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Row 8: K4, purl to last 4 sts, knit to end. Row 9-12: Repeat Rows 7-8, twice. Row 13: Repeat Row 5 - 48 sts increased.

Repeat Rows 6-13, 7 times - 480 sts. Cut **A** and join **B**. Repeat Rows 6-13, 3 times - 624 sts. Cut **B** and join **A**. Repeat Rows 6-13, 2 times - 720 sts. Repeat Rows 6-12, once. Bind off.

### TRIM

With **C** and larger needles, cast on 3 sts. Knit every row until Trim measures 180" (457 cm) or length to fit around outer edge of Tree Skirt.

### BUCKLE

With **D** and smaller needles, cast on 104 sts; do not join. Row 1 (Right Side): K13, place marker, k26, place marker, k26, place marker, k26, place marker, k13. Row 2 (Wrong Side): K2tog before and after each stitch marker across row - 8 sts decreased. Row 3: Knit. Row 4: Repeat Row 2 - 8 sts decreased. Rows 5-10: Repeat Rows 3-4, 3 times -24 sts decreased. Cut **D** and join **B**. Starting with a knit row, continue in Stockinette St, until 8 sts remain. Cut yarn leaving a tail 18" (45.5 cm) long. Use yarn needle to thread tail through remaining stitches. Pull tail tight to close center of Buckle and secure. Sew side edges of Buckle together to

form a flat square.

#### ASSEMBLY

With **D**, and using picture as placement, sew Buckle to Skirt. With **A**, sew Trim to edge of Skirt. Weave in all ends.

#### ABBREVIATIONS

cm = centimeters; k = knit; kfb = knit into the front and back of same stitch (1 st increased); k2tog = knit 2 sts together (1 st decreased); mm = millimeters; p = purl; st(s) = stitch(es); \* = repeat whatever follows the \* as indicated.



