

# â – â ¿ Neat Knit Christmas Tree â ¿ â – DIY, Recycle... you knowâ »

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<http://www.burdastyle.com/techniques/%E2%9D%80-%E2%9C%BF>

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Yep, Christmas is close and that changes everything! Even the theme of my posts – today we get our knitting needles moving! Last year I made this heart warming tree and I promise you can make it quickly if you are a little familiar with knitting – I am more than familiar but looking at my pattern descriptions feels like trying to read hieroglyphs or a letter from the future rather than a letter from the past – did I really get hold of this nerdy knitting language last year?â ° Darn right! (Those of you who are familiar with knitting abbrev. and diagrams will pfff! into laughter considering the amount of info I needed to explain my tree!) Quick view on [magdamagdadesignstudio.blogspot.com](http://magdamagdadesignstudio.blogspot.com) Have a fun merry pre-Christmas! â —â â —â â —â â —  
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## Step 1 — Let's get knitting!



Check here what is what [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Knitting\\_abbreviations](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Knitting_abbreviations) and if anything is not clear pls ask - I will try and remember what I meant by attempting a lil Christmas tree this year too! A necessary selection: \* type of stitch (st= stitch) k means a knit stitch and p means a purl stitch. Thus, "k2, p2", means "knit two stitches, purl two stitches". \* scope of stitch The modifier tog indicates that the stitches should be knitted together, e.g., "k2tog" indicates that two stitches should be knitted together as though they were one stitch. \* increases kfb or pfb means "knit or purl into the front and back of a stitch". \* repetition of stitches Patterns of stitches that should be repeated for as many stitches as possible are enclosed in asterisks \*...\*. For example, "\*k2,p2\*" means "repeatedly knit two stitches, purl two stitches as long as possible, i.e., until there are fewer than four stitches left in the row". Starting at top of tree, with color desired for tree, cast on 3 sts. Knit across. Row 2 (3 sts): K1, K across row. Row 3 (4 sts): K1, KFB, K1 Row 4 (4 sts): K1, K across row Row 5 (6 sts): K1, KFB, KFB, K1 Row 6 (6 sts): K Row 7 (8 sts): K1, KFB, K1, KFB, K1, K1 Row 8 (8 sts): K Row 9 (11 sts): K1, \*KFB, K1\*3, K1 Row 10 (11 sts): K Row 11 (16 sts): K1, \*KFB, K1\*5 Row 12 (16 sts): K Row 13 (23 sts): K1, \*KFB, K1\*7, K1 Row 14 (23 sts): K Row 15 (33 sts): K1, K1,\*KFB, K1\*10, K1 Row 16 (33 sts): K Row 17 (48 sts): K1, K1, \*KFB, K1\*15, K1 Row 18 (48 sts): K Row 19 (71 sts): K1, \*KFB, K1\*23, K1 Row 20 (36 sts): K1, \*K2 tog\*35 Row 21 (19 sts): K1, \*K2 tog\*17, K1 Row 22 (11 sts): K1, \*K2 tog\*8, K1, K1 Change colour if desired Row 23 -32: repeat rows 10-19 (11-71 sts) Row 33 (71 sts): K Row 34 (105 sts): K1, K1, \*KFB, K1\*34, K1 Row 35 (105 sts): K Row 36 (71 sts): K1, \*K2 tog, K1\*34 Row 37 (71 sts): K Rows 38-40: repeat rows 20-22 (36-11 sts) Change colour if desired Rows 41-58: repeat rows 23-40 (11-11 sts) Change colour for the trunk Rows 59, 61, 63, 65, 67, 69, 71, 73 (11 sts): K Rows 60, 62, 64, 66, 68, 70,72, 74 (11 sts): P Row 75 (6 sts): K1, \*K2 tog\*5 Row 76 (3 sts): \*K2 tog\*3 Row 77(1 sts): K3 tog Fasten off. The end! Of course, stitch the two sides together on the wrong side, except for the trunk, reverse, fill if desired and stitch the trunk too!

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## Step 2 — Giving... is receiving!



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**Step 3 — Decorate your decoration!**



If you choose to fill it you can use little bits of recycled paper or fabric scraps - it really looks nice! If you want to make it even nicer decorate it with beads and crocheted strands- it's a small tree that will fill your night stand or dinner table with Christmas joy - and your heart too! Ah! The tree stand is maybe the best part! I cut open an aluminium beer can and then made a strand with a pair of zig-zag scissors! I curled it and then it was perfect for holding the trunk!

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