



# PINK ICED CUPCAKE

This pastel cupcake is the perfect gift for a special friend, or a cute decoration for your own dresser

## Materials:

4 ply merino – pink and blue  
 4 ply 100% cotton – white  
 Pink beads  
 Rick-rack braid – pink  
 Flower shaped flat bead  
 Toy stuffing  
 Needle and sewing thread  
 Circle of card to fit the base of the cup cake case  
 Stiff, white paper

## Needles:

1 pair 3.25mm (UK 10; US 3)  
 1 pair 2.25mm (UK 13; US 1)

## Instructions:

### Side of case

Cast on 55 sts using 4 ply white cotton and 2.25mm needles.  
 Row 1-11: K1, P1 across the row for 11 rows.  
 Row 12: inc every second P st across the row.  
 Cast off.

### Base of case

Cast on 8 sts using 4 ply white cotton and 2.25mm needles. Work in st st.  
 Row 1: \* purl.  
 Row 2: knit, increasing 1 st at beg and end of row. \*  
 Rows 3-6: repeat rows 1 and 2 from \* to \* [14 sts].

Rows 7-9: continue in st st.  
 Rows 10-14: dec 1 st at beg and end of every K row [8 sts].  
 Row 15: purl.  
 Cast off.

### Top of cake

Cast on 42 sts in blue 4 ply wool using 3.25mm needles.  
 Row 1-7: work in st st.  
 Row 8: knit in blue, randomly knitting 10 pink stitches across the row.  
 Row 9: following the stitch colours in row 8, purl in blue and pink.  
 Row 10: change to pink and knit row.  
 Row 11: purl.  
 Row 12: knit.  
 Row 13: purl.  
 Row 14: (K4, K2tog) across row [35 sts].  
 Row 15: purl.  
 Row 16: knit, decreasing 6 sts randomly across row [29 sts].  
 Row 17: purl.  
 Row 18: knit, decreasing 6 sts randomly across row [23 sts]  
 Row 19: purl  
 Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through stitches on the needle and draw up tightly.

### Blue cherry

Cast on 5 sts in blue 4 ply wool

using 3.25mm needles.

Row 1-4: st st.  
 Cast off.

### Making up

Join the side seam of the cup cake case, and then carefully stitch the bottom in place. Join the side seam of the cup cake top. Pull up the thread at the top of the cake and take it through to the wrong side of the knitting and darn in place. Cut a circle of card slightly smaller than the cup cake case. From stiff paper, cut a strip large enough to wrap around the inside of the case – this will stop the case losing its shape. Tape the base to the paper liner and place in the case. Fill the case and the cake top with toy stuffing. Put the cake top in the case and sew in place. Make a row of gathering stitches around the edge of the blue cherry. Add a small amount of toy stuffing, pull up the thread and secure. Sew the cherry to the centre top of the cake. Sew seed beads and the flower shaped button to the cake top and rick-rack around the top edge of the case.

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