FELTED BIRD MOBILE

A delightful and simple felting project with basic embroidery skills.



Photo is to scale, use as a template for bird shape and as a guide for embroidery.

YARN Ella Rae Classic

Colour	No.	Quantity x 100g balls
col A	27	1
col B	11	1
col C	23	1
Small le	ngth of	red varn.

MEASUREMENTS Each bird 12 cm x 7 cm

NEEDLES 1 pair 4.50mm needles (USA 7)(UK 7)

EXTRAS Embroidery needle Embroidery thread 10 small beads 30 large glass beads Bell Filling

TENSION 20 sts and 24 rows measured over 10cm (approx 4") of st st using 4.50mm needles.

Piece 1

Using 4.50mm needles and col A, cast on 45 sts.
Work in st st until length measures approx 30 cm. Cast off.

Piece 2

Make another piece the same size as piece 1, using col B.

Piece 3

Using 4.50mm needles and col C, cast on 45 sts.
Work in st st until length measures approx 15 cm. Cast off.

MAKING UP

Double felt all pieces separately (see method pg 50).

Using photo as a template, cut out 4 from piece 1, 4 from piece 2 and 2 from piece 3.

Sew 2 pieces tog along edge from head to tail

Make a cord using the 3 colours plus a strand of red thread, plaited tog until approx 90 cm in length.

Thread cord onto embroidery needle, tie a knot in cord approx 10 cm from end. Thread 5 large glass beads onto cord. Insert cord through centre of base of first bird, sliding bird down cord to sit on top of beads.

Insert filling between the 2 pieces of bird and sew along top edge.

Note: It is easier to thread cord through birds before they are filled. Rep this process for each bird. Tie a loop at top of cord for hanging. Tie bell to bottom of cord. Sew on small beads for eyes. Embroider birds, see photo for embroidery design.

Sew small tufts of red yarn onto tail.

Please note: Some Ella Rae Classic Wool colors listed may be discontinued and/or renumbered. Please feel free to substitute the colors of your own choosing.