

## SEWING MACHINE NEEDLES

**"Enormous eye" sewing machine needles size 80, 90, 100 £4.00 per pkt. of 5**

Excellent if your eyesight is failing! and good to use for ordinary sewing.

Originally developed for machine embroiderers, to enable them to use unusual and interesting threads including Lurex. I have had great success in sewing up machine knitted garments using fine yarns e.g. brights, fine cottons and wools, O.E.S. acrylic and smooth 2/30's. Use your sewing machine to wind yarn on to the machine bobbin as well. Can also use in most overlockers with brights—2 ply through the needle.

**Twin machine needles 2.5mm & 4mm. (size 75 stretch) £4.00 each ( with free factsheet, if required)**

Twin needles can be used on nearly all modern sewing machines. Using straight stitch and a 2.5mm. needle, the seam produced will stretch making it ideal for sewing up knitting or stretch fabric. I use the 4mm. needle to topstitch necklines, hems and cuffs on knitted materials. The needles sew two parallel lines of straight stitching on the upper side and the bobbin thread locks these together on the underside producing a stretchy finish.

**NEW —"Enormous eye" twin needle 3mm size 90 £4.00 each—very easy to thread.**

**Universal sewing machine needles assorted sizes £2.00 per pkt. of 5**

These needles can be used for sewing a majority of fabrics including knits and synthetics

**Wing needles £2.25, Double Wing needles £3.25 and Triple Needles £3.25**

Used for decorative and Heirloom sewing—LIMITED STOCK

**SEWING MACHINE FEET (all come with free A5 factsheet) £5.50 - £13.99**

All available as clip-on, short or long shank types with adaptor (£2.50) if required and for 7mm stitch width machines. Branded and generic feet available.

Branded feet include— Bernina, Brother, Elna, Frister & Rossmann, Janome, Husqvarna, Pfaff, Riccar, Singer, Toyota.

**Open-toed foot for Sewing Machine (also 3 page A4 illustrated factsheet £1.00)**

This foot gives you a very clear view of exactly where the needle is entering the fabric or knitting and is explained in **Sewing Sampler**. It has several uses. I use it for -

- a) Topstitching with a double needle. b) Stitching "in the ditch". c) Satin stitch appliqué.
- d) Couching with knitted rouleau cord. e) Machine quilting. f) Sewing on rouleau cords.

**Single or triple holed cording foot for Sewing Machine**

This foot is explained in **Sewing Sampler** and has several uses - some uses include -

- a) Machine couching - thread one or more strands of yarn through the hole/s and zig-zag over to hold down. b) To make a "lettuce" edge, thread with fishing line and zig-zag over, sewing right on the very edge of the knitting. c) Zig-zag over strong thread to stabilise.

**Adaptor for Bernina machine £7.75**

This adaptor enables Bernina machines to take standard short reach or clip-on feet from other makes of machines. Two different types—Artista and non-Artista.

**Bernina open-toed foot (number 20) £13.50 Husqvarna open-toed foot**

**Janome 7mm triple cording foot £9**

**Send to:-**

**Erica Thomson, 11 George Road, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7PT  
or telephone (0115) 981 2750 for further details.**

**E-mail: erica@erica.co.uk Web: www.erica.co.uk**

**Pictures of most items appear on the Website.**

**There is a small charge for postage and packing—by weight of the parcel.**



## Mail Order Pricelist 2009

### KNITTED WIRE JEWELLERY PATTERN

**Lots of designs for knitted wire bracelets, necklaces and earrings £5.00**

Easy to knit on any standard gauge knitting machine.

### KNITTED WIRE EARRINGS PATTERN

**5 designs for Knitted Wire Earrings £4.00 (includes 2 pairs of wire ear hooks)**

Easy to knit on any standard gauge knitting machine.

**WIRE - please email/ring for further details if required.**

**10m - use single strand Silver, matt black, shiny black. £2.00**

**Fine enamelled copper wire 30 colours—see colours on website— use 4 strands together 175m reels £3 each or Special offer, 4 for £10 or try 10m for 50p**

**10m ready twisted 4 strand fine enamelled copper wire £3.00**

**Choose from large selection of colours or combinations— made to order.**

**Various findings, ear hooks, clasps, fastenings, see website. Some unusual.**

**All packets £1 each—silver and gold plated**

**Sterling silver and pewter—priced individually—see website**

**Selection packs £3 or £5 —good value—contents worth over £5 - over £9**

**Note—10m will make 2-3 pairs of earrings, but you will need 2 x 10m or ideally 4 x 175m reels to make bracelets and necklaces.**

### KNITTED GARMENT PATTERNS

**Thick & Thin Pleated Skirt £2.00 (or with Cut & Sew Waistcoat £4.00)**

Both the thick and thin sections of each pleat are shaped from waist to hip level to reduce bulk over the tummy and at the waist edge of the skirt. 4 pages, inc. 7" x 5" colour photo.

**Tuck Lace Suit - £4.00 (10 pages of detailed instructions)**

An easy to wear, easy to knit suit. Knitted on any punchcard or electronic machine.

Yarns suitable include 4 ply crepe, fine crepe, Artistic, Hobby and Aurora.

Full pressing and making up instructions and 7" x 5" colour photograph included.

**Skirt Pattern - "8 panel Skirt" £2.00**

A skirt with classic style, simple to knit, entirely in stocking stitch on any standard gauge knitting machine. Full pressing and making up instructions included. 4 pages

**Skirt Pattern - "Aurora Knife Pleated Skirt" £2.00**

This skirt is shaped from the hip so that it is very flattering for most figure types. It is knitted entirely in stocking stitch and can be made on any standard gauge machine.

Full pressing and making up instructions included.

**Easy Socks on the single bed £1.00**

Instructions for socks with ribbed tops but main part knitted "flat" on the single bed, with 2 clever flat joining techniques described and useful tips. 4 sizes- childrens to mens.

## **GARMENT PATTERNS (Sewing and Knitting Machines required)**

### **Cut & Sew Waistcoat £3.00 (or with Thick & Thin skirt £4.00)**

Learn how to use iron-on nylon to hide floats and raw edges in one operation. Included are instructions for various ribs and the rolled edge band. 7 pages, inc. 7" x 5" colour photo.

### **T-shirt instructions £1.00**

Instructions on how to make a T-shirt from fabric with a machine knitted neckband.

## **STITCH PATTERNS**

### **Disc for DesignaKnit -2 colour tuck or slip stitch Cat Pattern £3.00**

Includes knitting instructions and variations. 60st x 150R pattern

### **Cat Pattern to copy for mylar sheet and instructions £1.00**

### **Paisley & Sherwood 24 stitch punchcard patterns for any machine**

**LIMITED SPECIAL OFFER**—buy both punchcard patterns for **30p**

## **INSTRUCTION SHEETS**

### **Open toe illustrated factsheet (for sewing machine) £1.00**

This is a collection of 14 suggested uses for the open toed foot giving explanations and illustrations of how to use the foot. This foot stays on my machine nearly all the time - it makes the machine so much easier to use, because you can see so much better.

### **Rolled edge band instructions £1.00**

Instructions on how to knit a "rolled edge" band, as an alternative to the usual rib. Clear diagrams included. 3 pages Ribber or Garter Carriage required.

### **Interlock stitch information sheet (Brother only) 50p**

### **Cut and sew necklines and stabilising shoulders £1.00**

Instructions and diagrams for easy cut and sew necklines, stabilising shoulders and other seams with iron-on nylon.

### **Making Fimo Buttons for Machine Knitters £1.50**

3 pages of comprehensive instructions and lots of hints and tips to get you started working in Fimo, with many hints and tips particularly on making buttons.

## **BOOKS**

### **"Sewing Sampler" £5.00**

Learn various techniques enabling you to embellish your knitwear using your sewing machine. 16 illustrated pages show how to create something different.

### **"Pressing Matters" SOLD OUT, but available elsewhere—ask for details.**

A Machine knitters guide to Pressing and Finishing. A 45 page illustrated book.

### **Further pressing instructions for ribs 50p**

## **HABERDASHERY**

### **"Romeo" water soluble film/stabiliser— LIMITED SPECIAL OFFER**

**2.5metres x 76cm £5 as this batch requires hot water to dissolve it.**

Very useful for the machine knitter as a stabiliser when doing embroidery or making buttonholes on the sewing machine. Washes out completely with hot water. Free instruction sheet.

### **Fusible stretch nylon 1m x 150cm wide £5—free factsheet included**

White only. This is very useful for ironing on the back of knitting to cover floats and create "fabric" for cut and sew techniques. Can also be used as a template for cut and sew necklines. Further illustrated factsheet available £1.

### **Adhesive Spray—500ml £8.00—free factsheet included**

A temporary adhesive spray for holding knitting or fabric or paper layers to each other. Will not gum up sewing machine needles. Useful for hoop embroidery on the sewing machine. Free factsheet with hints and tips on how to use.

### **Very fine invisible thread—clear or dark £1.65**

Excellent quality made by Sulky 200 metre reel. Mentioned in my book "Sewing Sampler"

### **TASSELS - Kit - £7 Instruction leaflet only £4**

The kit contains everything you need to make a tassel on your knitting machine. Included are a 7 page instruction leaflet with lots of ideas, a wooden tassel form in one of many different shapes, 4yds of fine wire, a length of viscose ribbon to make a ruff and a swivel to make a wrapped cord. Value of shape included is £3.50, but you can "upgrade" to a larger or fancier shape or choose a matching pair. See my Website for illustrations.

### **Wooden tassel forms (small, medium and large) £3.50 each**

### **Enamelled Copper Wire for making Tassels £1.00**

0.25mm diameter. Sufficient for making approx. 10 tassels.

## **KITS**

### **"NEW" Scribble Earrings— create your own unique pair of**

**earrings £8.00.** The kit includes ready knitted strips which you manipulate to create the earrings. No knitting machine required, however, instructions are included if you want to knit on your own knitting machine. Includes findings.

### **Necklaces made from flat tubular lengths of pre-knitted very fine**

**wire £6.00** No knitting machine required. A choice of 5 styles and 20 colours. Kit includes, photograph, instructions, strips of wire and ready assembled clasp in silver or gold plate.

### **Pre knitted wire —15mm wide 20 colours**

**50cm £1.00, 1m £1.75, 3m full reel £4.50**

This is great fun to use—you can plait it to make jewellery as in my kits or you can stretch and manipulate it to create a freeform shape. You can insert beads or even thread it through large holed beads—knitting beads are ideal.