

# Knitting Abbreviations

Don't let knitting patterns confuse you! Here is a list of basic knitting terms and abbreviations.

beg	beginning	sl	slip, usually slip one stitch
CC	Contrasting Color		
dec	decrease	sl st	slip stitch
dp	double pointed needles	sl-K sl-P	slip stitch knitwise slip 1 stitch purlwise
ea	each	sp	space
" or in	inch	SKP	slip 1 stitch, knit 1 stitch, pass the slipped stitch over the knit st
inc	increase		
incl	inclusive		
K	knit		
K1b or K1-b	knit one through back loop	st St st	stitch Stockinette st (knit 1 row, purl 1 row)
Kwise or K-wise	knitwise, as though to		
knit		tbl	through back loop
LH	left hand	tog	together
lp	loop	wyib	with yarn in back
M1	make one stitch: work into back of horizontal st lying before next st to create an extra st in row	wyif yo x *	with yarn in front yarn over times - 3x would mean three times (asterisk) Repeat the instructions following the asterisk as many times as specified. parentheses. As in a math problem the instructions within the parentheses become one unit. (k,p)3x would mean to work a knit st, work a purl st, and then repeat that 3 times.
MC	main color		
O	yarn over (see also YO)	( )	
oz	ounce		
P	purl		
P1b or P1-b	Purl one through back loop		
pat	pattern		
pssso	pass slipped stitch over		
p2sso	pas 2 slipped sts over		
Pwise or P-wise	Purlwise, or as though to purl		
rem	remaining		
rep	repeat		
RH	right hand		
rib	ribbing stitch, work in ribbing as established		
rnd	round		