

Knitting chart symbols

Each symbol shows one stitch as it looks from the right side (RS) of the fabric. Knitting flat, work the WS column on wrong-side rows. Symbols follow the usual Craft Yarn Council conventions; your pattern key always comes first.

Symbol	Name	RS row	WS row	What it does
	Knit	k	p	Knit on RS, purl on WS. Shown as an empty square.
	Purl	p	k	Purl on RS, knit on WS.
	Yarn over	yo	yo	Wrap the yarn over the needle to make a new stitch and an eyelet.
	Knit 2 together	k2tog	p2tog	Right-leaning decrease: knit 2 together on RS, purl 2 together on WS.
	Slip, slip, knit	ssk	ssp	Left-leaning decrease: ssk on RS, ssp on WS.
	Slip 1	sl1	sl1	Slip 1 stitch purlwise without working it.
	Knit through back loop	k1tbl	p1tbl	Twisted stitch: k1tbl on RS, p1tbl on WS.
	No stitch	-	-	Placeholder where a stitch does not exist yet (or any more). Skip it.

Reading a chart

1. Start at the bottom right: row 1 is the bottom row, stitch 1 the rightmost square.
2. Knitting flat: read right-side (odd) rows from right to left, wrong-side (even) rows from left to right.
3. In the round: every round is a right-side round, read from right to left.
4. Skip gray "no stitch" squares; they only keep the grid lined up.
5. Bold lines every 10 squares help you count and keep your place.