



KNIT FOR
NATURE



PENGUIN BAG

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In 1989, renowned knitwear designer Ruth Herring co-released the book **Knitting Wildlife**. Complete with original knitting patterns and celebrity photoshoots, it helped raise vital funds for WWF at the time.

This year, the patterns have been lovingly re-imagined by Ruth in this limited-edition collection. Offering us a modern take on vintage knitwear, Ruth blends retro charm with contemporary fashion.

Whether your knit is a personal project or a gift that's made to last, craft for a cause and help us raise awareness of endangered wildlife.



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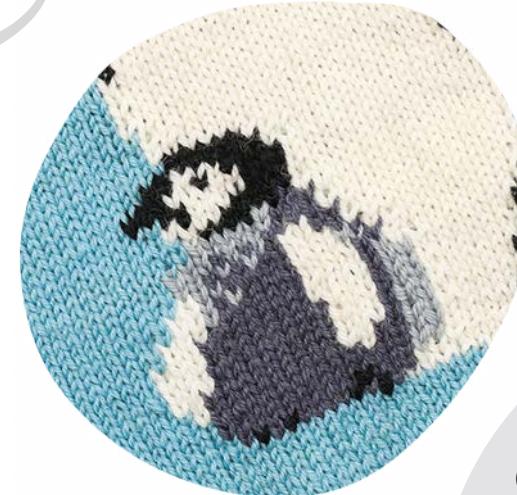
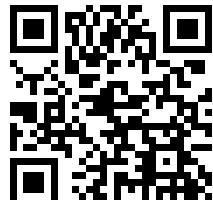
ABOUT WWF

At WWF, we're bringing our world back to life. Nature is in freefall, and we're urgently tackling the underlying causes that are driving the decline. We're finding solutions so future generations inherit a world with thriving habitats and wildlife.

It's a huge challenge, but if we all act together, there is hope.

We hope you enjoy this free pattern inspired by the penguins we're working to protect from the devastating impacts of a changing climate in Antarctica. If you can, please consider making a donation so we can continue this vital work and protect the places they call home.

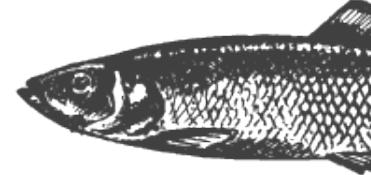
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Top tip

Opt for 100% British wool for the most sustainable option, and avoid synthetic fibres like acrylic and nylon, as well as cashmere, mulberry silk and mohair

Emperor Penguin Bag



| | Bag | Strap | |
|--------|-------------|-------------|-----------|
| Width | 31 12.25 | 4 1.5 | cm ins |
| Length | 36 14 | 100 39.5 | cm ins |

Materials

West Yorkshire Spinners

ColourLab 100% British Wool DK

Main Colour: Sky Blue (1136) x 1 100g ball

Phantom Black (099) x 1 100g ball

Natural Cream (010) x 1 100g ball

Stormy Grey (373) x 1 100g ball

Silver Grey (137) x 1 100g ball

Citrus Yellow (229) x 1 100g ball

3.00mm and 4.00mm knitting needles

Tension

22sts and 28 rows to 10cm over pattern on 4.00mm needles.

Abbreviations

K – Knit

P – Purl

Stst – Stocking Stitch (1 row k; 1 row p)

Garter stitch – Knit every row

St(s) – Stitch(es)

WS – Wrong side

RS – Right side

Sl 1 – Slip the stitch onto RH needle without knitting

Sl 1 purlwise – Slip the stitch onto RH needle without purling

Notes

Intarsia Technique

When working Intarsia, use separate, small balls of yarn. When joining in a new colour, leave an end of about 5cm for darning in later. When changing colour, twist yarns together to avoid making a hole.

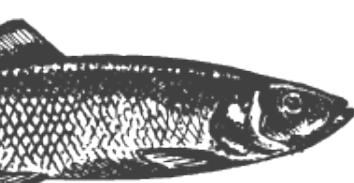
YouTube demos by Ruth Herring k1p1 TV

How to Knit Intarsia knitting Part 1 – k1p1 TV

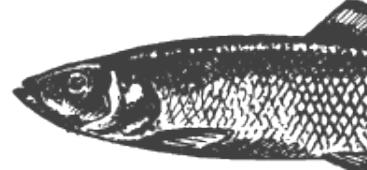
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How to Knit Intarsia knitting Part 2 Darning Ends – k1p1 TV

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Penguin Bag



Back

Using 4.00mm needles and **MAIN**, cast on 68 sts.

Work 92 rows stst, then 8 rows knit (Garter stitch).

Cast off.

Front

Using 4.00mm needles and **MAIN**, cast on 68 sts.

Starting with a knit row, work from chart in stst, working the last 8 rows in Garter stitch.

Cast off.

Strap

Using 3.00mm needles and Stormy Grey, cast on 15sts.

Rib row 1: Sl1, (k1, p1) 6 times, k2.

Rib row 2: Sl1pwise, (p1, k1) 6 times, p2.

Rep 2 rib rows until strap measures 100cm.

To make up

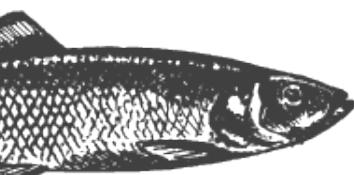
Darn in ends and block according to yarn instructions.

Join bottom edge and side seams.

Turn bag to **WS**. Pin one end of strap to inside of front, matching to side seam and first row of garter stitch. Sew strap to inside seam, along the garter stitch row and up the side edge of strap. Turn to **RS** and stitch cast off edge of bag to strap.

Rep to join the other end of the strap.

See ball band for further care instructions.



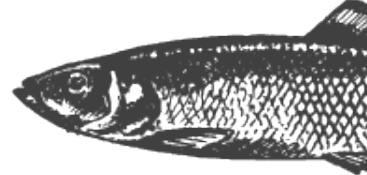


Chart Printing instructions

The chart is scalable on your **Computer, Tablet**, or preferred digital device using the zoom function.

To Print

To scale up and tile a print on A4 paper (i.e., print a large image across multiple smaller sheets that can be assembled into a poster), the most common and effective method is using the **“Poster”** or **“Tiling”** feature in a PDF viewer like Adobe Acrobat Reader. Printer instructions may vary for scaling up and tiling. Please refer to your manual.

Key



Sky Blue 1136



Silver Grey 137



Natural Cream 010



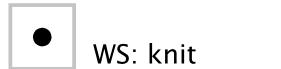
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WS: knit

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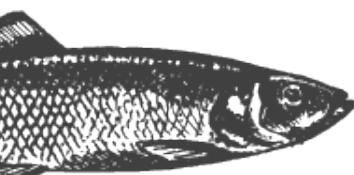
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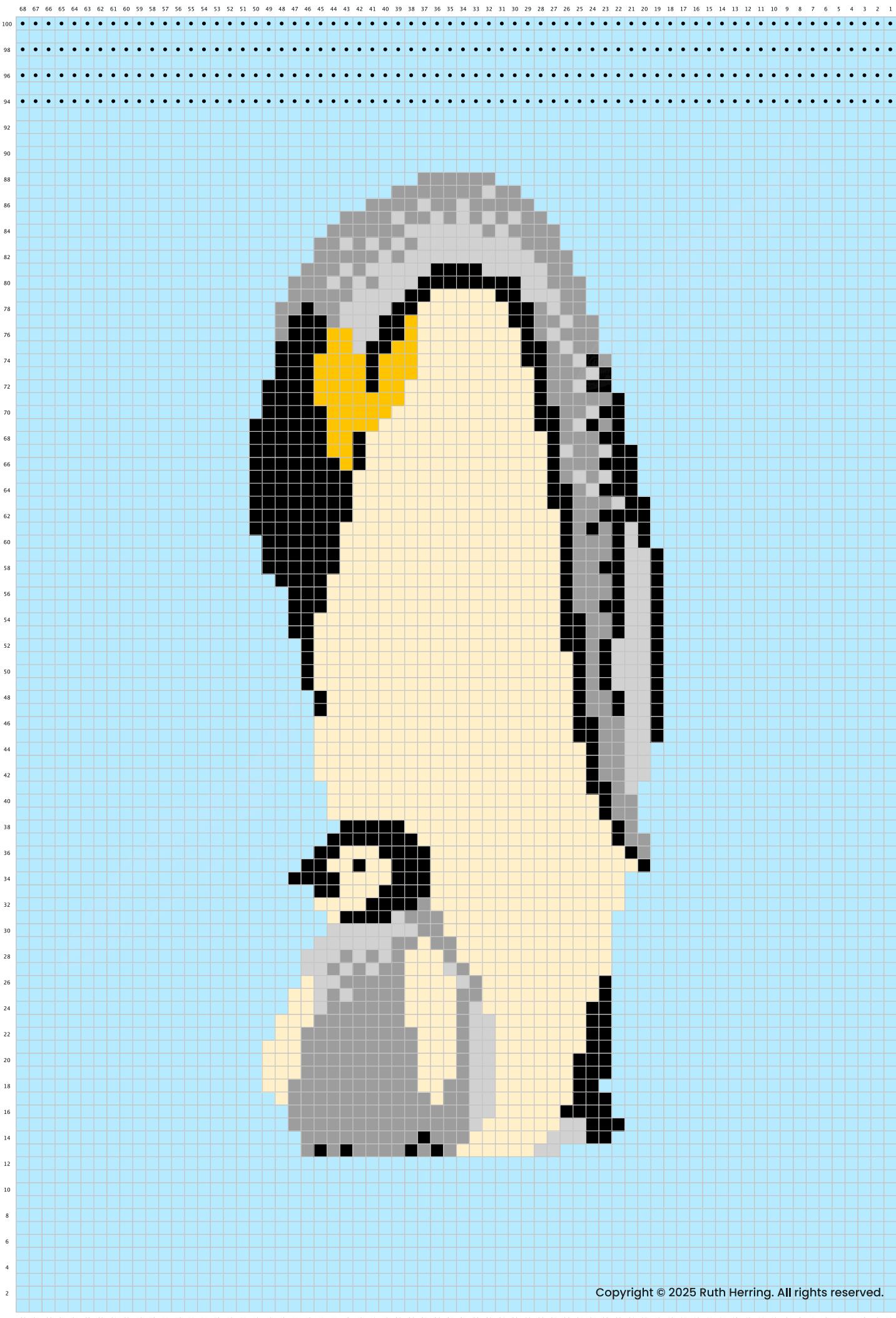
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