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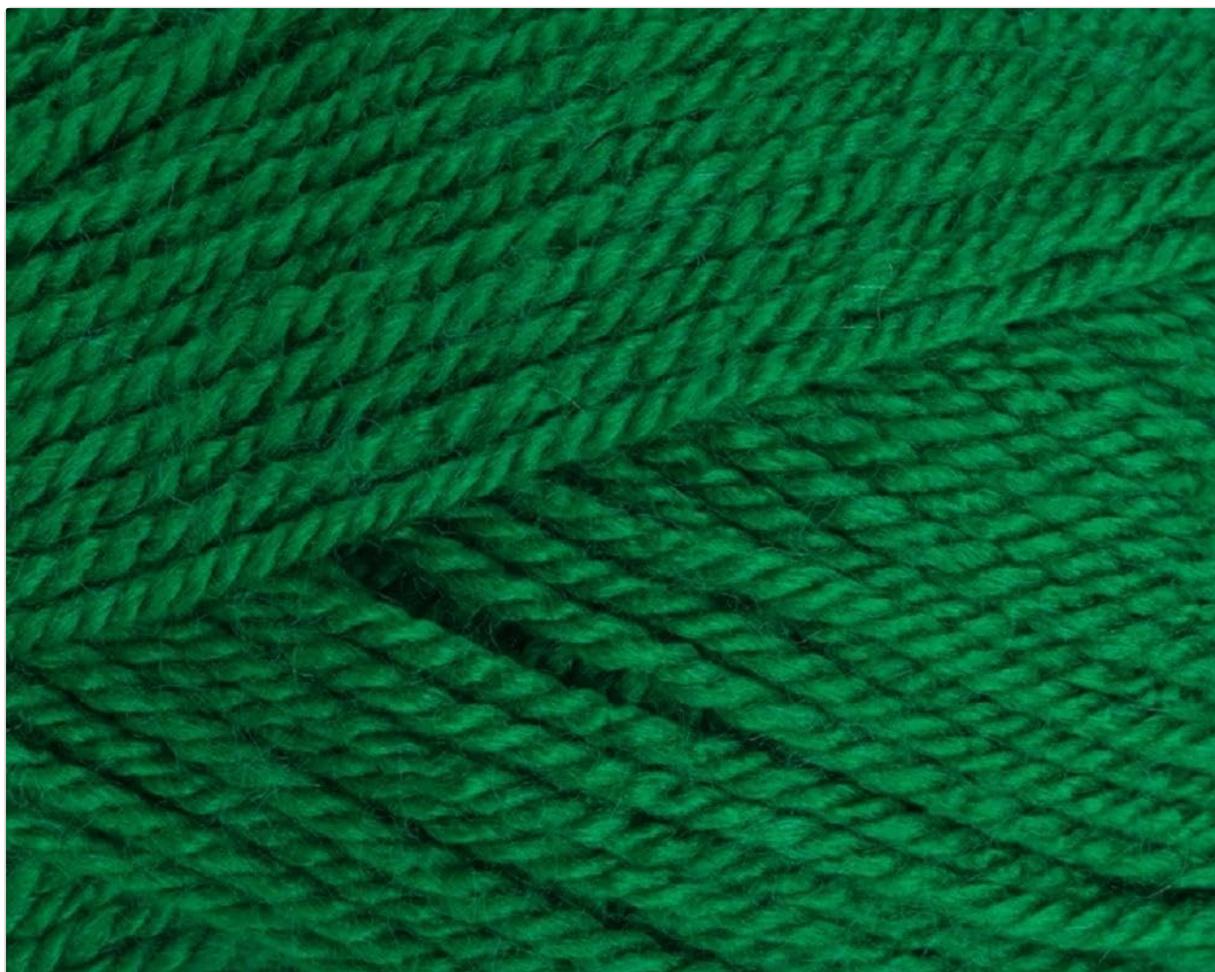
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Model: 904-1116

1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides comprehensive instructions for the use and care of Stylecraft Special DK yarn in Green (shade 1116). Stylecraft Special DK is a high-quality 100% acrylic yarn known for its improved softness, clean appearance, and versatility in various crafting projects, including knitting and crochet.



This image displays a close-up view of the Stylecraft Special DK yarn, showcasing its texture and rich green hue. The yarn appears soft and evenly spun, suitable for various crafting projects.

2. SETUP AND PREPARATION

Before beginning your project, proper preparation of the yarn can enhance your crafting experience.

- **Inspection:** Carefully inspect the yarn for any knots or breaks. While rare, addressing these before starting can prevent interruptions.
- **Winding:** If the yarn is not in a center-pull cake, consider winding it into a ball. This can help prevent tangling during use.
- **Tools:** Ensure you have the appropriate knitting needles or crochet hooks for your project. Refer to the 'Operating' section for recommended sizes.

3. OPERATING (USING THE YARN)

Stylecraft Special DK yarn is suitable for a wide range of knitting and crochet patterns.

3.1. Knitting

- **Needle Size:** For most DK weight patterns, knitting needles between 3.75mm and 4.5mm (US sizes 5-7) are commonly recommended. Always check your pattern for specific recommendations.
- **Gauge Swatch:** It is highly recommended to create a gauge swatch before starting your project to ensure your tension matches the pattern's requirements. This helps achieve the correct finished size.
- **Working with Acrylic:** Acrylic yarn provides excellent stitch definition and is generally easy to work with. Be mindful of tension to avoid overly stiff or loose fabric.

3.2. Crochet

- **Hook Size:** Compatible crochet hook US sizes are G-6 (4.0mm) and H-8 (5.0mm). Adjust hook size based on your desired fabric density and pattern requirements.
- **Gauge Swatch:** As with knitting, a gauge swatch is crucial for crochet projects to ensure accurate sizing and fabric drape.
- **Stitch Definition:** This yarn offers good stitch definition, making it suitable for textured stitches and intricate patterns.

4. MAINTENANCE AND CARE

Proper care will help maintain the quality and longevity of your finished projects made with Stylecraft Special DK yarn.

- **Machine Wash:** Machine wash your finished items on a gentle cycle using cold water. Use a mild detergent.
- **Tumble Dry:** Tumble dry on a low heat setting. Over-drying or high heat can damage acrylic fibers.
- **Cool Iron:** If ironing is necessary, use a cool iron setting and place a pressing cloth between the iron and the fabric to prevent direct contact and melting of fibers.
- **Do Not Bleach:** Avoid using bleach or harsh chemicals, as these can degrade the yarn's color and texture.
- **Storage:** Store unused yarn and finished items in a cool, dry place away from direct sunlight to prevent fading and damage.

5. TROUBLESHOOTING

Encountering issues during your crafting project is common. Here are some tips for common problems:

- **Yarn Splitting:** If the yarn strands are splitting while you work, try using a hook or needle with a blunter tip,

or adjust your tension.

- **Tangling:** To prevent tangling, ensure your yarn ball is unwinding smoothly. If using multiple colors, consider using separate yarn bowls or bags.
- **Inconsistent Tension:** Practice is key to consistent tension. Ensure you are relaxed and holding your yarn and tools comfortably. Take breaks if your hands feel tired.
- **Squeaky Yarn:** Some acrylic yarns can feel 'squeaky' on certain needles or hooks. Switching to a different material (e.g., wood, bamboo, or metal) for your tools might help.

6. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Brand	Stylecraft
Model Number	904-1116
ASIN	B004XULP1G
Color	Green (1116)
Material Composition	100% Acrylic
Item Weight	100 Grams (3.53 ounces)
Item Length	200 Yards
Compatible Crochet Hook US Size	G-6, H-8
Product Care Instructions	Machine Wash, Tumble Dry, Cool Iron

7. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For specific warranty information regarding Stylecraft Special DK yarn, please refer to the retailer where the product was purchased or contact Stylecraft directly. General product support and additional resources can often be found on the official Stylecraft website.

For further assistance, please reach out to Stylecraft customer service.