



Knitted Teddy Bear II

You will need: Oddments (approx 45g) of double knitting wool (8ply), clean, new polyester toy filling (NOT FOAM PIECES) and 1 pair 3.25mm (UK 10, US 3) needles.

Note – head, body and legs are worked in one piece and bear is worked in stocking stitch (1 row knit, 1 row purl) throughout

Bear Body (make 1)

Begin first leg: Cast on 8 stitches

Row 1: increase 1 st in every stitch = 16sts

Work 17 rows stocking stitch, begin with a purl row. Break yarn and leave stitches on needle

Begin second leg: Work as for first leg, noting to cast onto the same needle, but do not break yarn.

Join legs for body: with right side facing, knit across 16 stitches on needle, then knit across 16 stitches from first leg = 32stitches

Work 15 rows stocking stitch, begin with a purl row.

Begin shoulders: K6, (k2together) twice, K12, (K2together) twice, K6 = 28 stitches

Work 3 rows stocking stitch, begin with a purl row.

Next row: K5, (k2together) twice, K10, (K2together) twice, K5 = 24 stitches

Next row: purl

Begin head: *K1, increase 1 stitch in next stitch, repeat from * to end = 36 stitches

Work 19 rows stocking stitch, begin with a purl row.

Next row: K7, (K2together) twice, K14, (K2together) twice, K7 = 32 stitches

Next row: purl

Next row: K6, (K2together) twice, K12, (K2together) twice, K6 = 28 stitches

Next row: *p2together, repeat from * to end = 14 stitches

Next row: *K2together, repeat from * to end = 7 stitches. Cut yarn, leaving a long tail. Thread tail through remaining stitches and draw up tightly.

Arms (make 2): Cast on 7 stitches

Row 1: increase 1 st in every stitch = 14sts

Work 11 rows stocking stitch, begin with a purl row. Continue in stocking stitch, decrease 1 stitch at each end of next and foll alternate rows until 6 stitches remain. Cast off

Ears (make 2): Cast on 6 stitches

Row 1: increase 1 st in every stitch = 12sts

Work 3 rows stocking stitch, begin with a purl row.

Next row: *K2together, repeat from * to end = 6 stitches

Next row – purl

Next row: increase 1 st in every stitch = 12sts

Work 3 rows stocking stitch, begin with a purl row.

Next row: *K2together, repeat from * to end = 6 stitches. Cast off

FINISHING

Fold body in half and sew side edges of legs together to where they join body, forming inside leg seams. Sew body sides together from head down back seam, leaving a 3cm opening for stuffing. Stuff legs and body and close opening.

Run a gathering thread through body at neck and pull to form neck. Fold arms in half and sew side edges together to beginning of decreases. Stuff arms and sew in place securely at sides of body.

Fold ears in half and sew side edges together. Sew ears in place to side of head. Embroider eyes, nose and mouth on face.



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