

SiMBA teddy



Size 4mm needles - Baby DK. Garter stitch throughout (knit every row). Can also be done in stocking stitch (knit 1 row, purl 1 row) which we think looks nicer.

To knit teddy (whole teddy knitted in one piece)

Beginning with the first leg, cast on 8 stitches and work 16 rows. Break off yarn and cast on 8 stitches and work 16 rows to form other leg.

Knit across both legs (16 stitches) and then complete 8 rows.

Cast on 8 stitches at the beginning of next 2 rows. Work 8 rows.

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Now work 38 rows on these 16 stitches.

Cast on 8 stitches at beginning of next 2 rows. Work 8 rows.

Cast off 8 stitches at beginning of next 2 rows. Work 8 rows.

Using only first 8 stitches, work 16 rows and then cast off. Return to remaining 8 stitches and work 16 rows and then cast off.

Making up

Fold knitted piece in half lengthways. The fold becomes the top of the head.

Join seam around teddy, leave a small gap between the legs.

Sew a couple of stitches to each corner of the top of the head to give the ears a curved rather than pointy shape. Turn right side out. Backstitch a diagonal line across corner of head to form ears.

Stuff and slip stitch closed area left for stuffing. Embroider face on teddy.

Take double thickness of yarn and thread around neck, going in every few stitches (making sure there are no loops that little fingers can get into). Draw up yarn tightly to form neck and secure ends.

Optional scarf

Cast on 60 stitches. Knit 6 rows then cast off.