



Little Cotton Rabbits Series - Boy Mouse class at Green Planet Yarn

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Thank you for signing up for this class! Here is the homework to complete before we meet for the first class!

Why homework? You'll find that the knitting portion of this pattern is easy compared to the stuffing, seaming, and sewing together of body parts- that is what we will be working on in class! So you will need to knit the pieces of the animal beforehand. Don't worry, they knit up quickly!!

Please Purchase your copy of Boy Mouse in a Cabled Sweater from Julie Williams on Ravelry.

<https://www.ravelry.com/patterns/library/boy-mouse-in-a-cabled-sweater>

A note on yarn choice: The pattern designer calls for a Worsted Weight wool yarn for the body and a DK cotton yarn for the clothes, tights, and shoes. If you do not have the yarns called for by the designer or would rather knit it all in a fingering weight wool, please follow the directions below for the fingering weight version.

I suggest choosing two colors of Louet Gems (50g skeins) for the fingering weight version, one color for the body and the second color for clothes and shoes! We have a wide selection of colors of this yarn in store.

Homework- Your homework is to knit the flat pieces of the pattern.

Try to knit as many pieces as you can, I've outlined in the chart which pieces to prioritize. Please attempt to mattress stitch the pieces as directed in the pattern. The pattern walks you through how to do it, and below is a link from Julie on mattress stitch, but I can help you with this in class if it isn't making sense!

https://littlecottonrabbits.typepad.co.uk/my_weblog/2017/05/a-mattress-stitch-tutorial.html

The most important part of making these stuffies look cute is where you sew on the face and ears, and how you stuff the head. This is what we will be working on during the first class! Please bring stuffing and scraps of black yarn to class with you, along with a tapestry needle!!! I recommend Poly-fil stuffing!

Homework Chart

Body Part	Worsted Wool & DK Cotton	Fingering Weight Wool
Head Please Knit Before First Class	follow instructions found on page 4 of the pattern	follow instructions found on page 4 of the pattern but use fingering weight wool and a US size 0 (2mm) needle throughout the piece.
Ears Please Knit Two Before First Class	follow instructions found on page 5 of the pattern	follow instructions found on page 5 of the pattern but use fingering weight wool and a US size 0 (2mm) needle throughout the piece.
Body Please Knit Before First Class.	follow instructions found on page 8 of the pattern	follow instructions found on page 8 of the pattern but use fingering weight wool and a US size 0 (2mm) needle throughout the piece.
Legs Please Attempt One Leg before First Class, have both knit before second class.	follow instructions found on pages 8 & 9 of the pattern	follow instructions found on pages 8 & 9 of the pattern but use fingering weight wool and a US size 0 (2mm) needle throughout the piece.
Arms Please have both arms knit before the second class.	follow instructions found on page 10 of the pattern	follow instructions found on pages 10 of the pattern but use fingering weight wool and a US size 0 (2mm) needle throughout the piece.
Tail Have by second class if you choose to knit it.	follow instructions found on page 11 of the pattern	follow instructions found on pages 11 of the pattern but use fingering weight wool and a US size 0 (2mm) needle throughout the piece.
Clothing Optional Knitting! This mouse is cute naked or clothed! Knit for second class if you choose to knit it!	follow instructions found on pages 12-15 of the pattern	follow instructions found on pages 12-15 of the pattern but use fingering weight wool and a US size 0 (2mm) needle throughout the piece.

If you are confused about anything or need clarification, please shoot me an email at katieleeattia@gmail.com and I will do my best to help you with any questions you may have before the first class! I look forward to making these animals with you! -Kat

For Inspiration I Highly Recommend Visiting Julie's Blog, Little Cotton Rabbits!
<https://littlecottonrabbits.typepad.co.uk/>