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Patons country mouse | KNIT



MATERIALS

Patons® Classic Wool DK Superwash™ (1.75 oz/50 g; 125 yds/114 m)

Contrast A Black (12040) 1 ball
Contrast B Aran (12008) 1 ball
Contrast C Medium Grey Heather (12044) 1 ball
Contrast D Pink (12420) 1 ball
Contrast E Claret (12532) 1 ball

Set of 4 size U.S. 3 (3.25 mm) double-pointed knitting needles **or size needed to obtain gauge.** Size U.S. 3 (3.25 mm) knitting needles for Dress. Pair of 8 mm safety eyes. Stitch marker. Large eyed blunt tip tapestry needle. Snap fastener. Fiberfil stuffing.



KNIT | SKILL LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

MEASUREMENT

Approx 15" [38 cm] tall (excluding ears).

GAUGE

28 sts and 36 rows = 4'' [10 cm] in stocking stitch.

INSTRUCTIONS

Shoe: With pair of needles and A, cast on 16 sts.

1st and alt rows: Purl.

2nd row: K3. (M1. K1) 4 times. K3. (M1. K1)

4 times. K2. 24 sts.

4th row: K4. (M1. K1) 6 times. K5. (M1. K1)

6 times. K3. 36 sts.

Beg on a purl row, work 6 rows in stocking

ST.

Next row: (WS). P14. P2tog. P4. P2tog.

P14. 34 sts.

Next row: Cast off 14 sts. Slip next 6 sts on safety pin. Cast off rem 14 sts. PM 1" [2.5 cm] in from each side along top edge of Shoe.

Fold Shoe lengthwise and sew bottom of Shoe.

Top of Sock: Slip 6 sts from safety pin onto double-pointed needle. With B, K6. Beg on a purl row, work 8 rows stocking st. Leave sts on needle. Break yarn, leaving a long end.

Using end, sew side of Sock to top edge of Shoe to markers.

Beg working in rnds: Sock: With RS facing, B, and first needle, pick up and knit 7 sts from top right edge of Shoe. With second needle, K6 (Sock sts already on needle). With third needle, pick up and knit 7 sts from top left edge of Shoe. PM and join to work in rnds. 20 sts.

1st rnd: *K1. P1. Rep from * around.

Rep last rnd 3 times more.

Next rnd: (Cuff turndown rnd). Knit.

Next 4 rnds: *K1. P1. Rep from * around.

Cast off in pat.

Sew back seam of Shoe. Take time to inspect for any holes where the Sock and Shoe are joined, and stitch them shut using yarn ends.

Stuff Foot.

Leg: Fold Sock cuff down at turndown rnd. With C, pick up and knit 20 sts in each knit 'bump' of cuff turnback rnd. Divide sts onto 3 needles. PM and join to beg working in rnds.

Knit even in rnds until Leg from top of Sock measures $4\frac{1}{2}$ " [11.5 cm]. Cast off knitwise.

Stuff Leg. Sew top edge closed.

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Nose: With D, cast on 3 sts.

1st row: *Kfb into each st. 6 sts. Divide 6 sts evenly onto 3 needles. PM and beg working in rnds.

1st rnd: Knit.

2nd rnd: *Kfb. Rep from * around. 12 sts.

3rd rnd: *K1. Kfb. Rep from * around. 18

sts.

Knit 5 rnds even. Break D, leaving a long

end.

Note: Ensure sts around tip of Nose are

drawn up and fastened securely.

Head: Join C.

1st rnd: With C, Kfb in each st around.

36 sts.

2nd and alt rnds: Knit.

3rd rnd: *K4. M1. Rep from * around.

45 sts.

5th rnd: *K5. M1. Rep from * around.

54 sts.

7th rnd: *K6. M1. Rep from * around.

63 sts.

9th rnd: *K7. M1. Rep from * around.

72 sts.

Knit 8 rnds even.

Beg dec: 1st rnd: *K6. K2tog. Rep from *

around. 63 sts.

2nd and alt rnds: Knit.

3rd rnd: *K5. K2tog. Rep from * around.

54 sts.

5th rnd: *K4. K2tog. Rep from * around. 45 sts.

7th rnd: *K3. K2tog. Rep from * around.

36 sts.

Using long end of D, run yarn around last rnd of Nose and pull sts in slightly to create defined Nose. Insert safety eyes now, approx 6 rows up from Nose and

10 sts apart. Stuff Head.

9th rnd: *K2. K2tog. Rep from * around.

27 sts.

11th rnd: *K1. K2tog. Rep from * around.

18 sts.

13th rnd: *K2tog. Rep from * around. Fasten off, leaving a long end. Thread

end through rem sts. Draw up tightly and fasten securely.

Ears (make 2)

Outer Ear

With pair of needles and C, cast on 12 sts.

1st row: (RS). Knit.

2nd and alt rows: Purl.

3rd row: K1. M1. Knit to last st. M1. K1.

Rep last 2 rows to 20 sts.

Beg on a purl row, work 5 rows even in

Stocking st.

Beg dec: 1st row: (RS). K1. ssk. Knit to last

3 sts. K2tog. K1.

2nd and alt rows: Purl.

Rep last 2 rows to 10 sts.

Next row: P1. P2tog. Purl to last 3 sts.

P2toqtbl. P1. 8 sts.

Next row: K1. ssk. Knit to last 3 sts. K2tog.

K1. 6 sts.

Cast off purlwise.

Inner Ear

With D, cast on 10 sts.

1st row: (RS). Knit.

2nd and alt rows: Purl.

3rd row: K1. M1. Knit to last st. M1. K1.

Rep last 2 rows to 18 sts.

Beg on a purl row, work 3 rows even in

stocking st.

Beg dec: 1st row: (RS). K1. ssk. Knit to last

3 sts. K2tog. K1.

2nd row: Purl.

Rep last 2 rows to 10 sts, ending on a 1st

row

Next row: P1. P2tog. Purl to last 3 sts.

P2togtbl. P1. 8 sts.

Next row: K1. ssk. Knit to last 3 sts. K2tog.

K1. 6 sts.

Next row: P1. P2tog. P2togtbl. P1. 4 sts.

Cast off knitwise.

With WS tog, sew Inner Ear to Outer Ear,

being careful not to stitch through to RS

of Outer Ear.

Body

With C, cast on 60 sts. Divide sts evenly among 3 needles. PM and join to work in

rnds.

Knit 4 rnds even.

Next rnd: *K8. K2tog. Rep from * around.

54 sts.

Knit 5 rnds even.

Next rnd: *K7. K2tog. Rep from * around.

48 sts.

Knit 5 rnds even.

Next rnd: *K6. K2tog. Rep from * around.

42 sts.

Knit 5 rnds even.

Next rnd: *K5. K2tog. Rep from * around.

36 sts.

Knit 5 rnds even.

Next rnd: *K4. K2tog. Rep from * around.

30 sts.

Knit 2 rnds even.

Stuff Body.

Next rnd: *K3. K2tog. Rep from * around.

24 sts.

Knit 2 rnds even.

Next rnd: *K2. K2tog. Rep from * around.

18 sts.

Knit 3 rnds even.

Cast off. Stuff rem of Body.

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Arms (make 2)

With C, cast on 3 sts.

1st rnd: Kfb into each st. 6 sts. Divide sts onto 3 needles (2 sts each needle). PM. Join to beg working in rnds.

2nd rnd: *Kfb. Rep from * around. 12 sts.
3rd rnd: *K1. M1. Rep from * around. 24 sts.

Knit 6 rnds even.

Next rnd: *K4. K2tog. Rep from * around. 20 sts.

Knit even in rnds until Arm from beg, measures approx 5" [12.5 cm], stuffing lightly as you work.

Cast off knitwise.

Tail

With pair of double-pointed needles and C, cast on 4 sts.

K4. **Do not** turn. *Slide sts to other end of needle. K4. Rep from * until Tail measures approx 6" [15 cm].

Next row: Sl1. K3tog. psso. Fasten off.

FINISHING

Sew Legs to Bottom of Body. Sew Head to Body at Neck. Attach Arms at either side of Head. Attach Tail to back of Body. With A, embroider mouth using straight st. Attach Ears to top of Head.

Dress

Beg at shoulder edge, with pair of needles and E. cast on 24 sts.

1st row: (RS). K3. *M1. K1. M1. K4. M1. K1. M1.** K6. Rep from * to ** once more. K3. 32 sts.

2nd and alt rows: Purl.

3rd row: K4. *M1. K1. M1. K6. M1. K1. M1.** K8. Rep from * to ** once more. K4. 40 sts.

5th row: K5. *M1. K1. M1. K8. M1. K1. M1.** K10. Rep from * to ** once more. K5. 48 sts.

7th row: K6. *M1. K1. M1. K10. M1. K1. M1.** K12. Rep from * to ** once more. K6. 56 sts.

9th row: K7. *M1. K1. M1. K12. M1. K1. M1.** K14. Rep from * to ** once more. K7. 64 sts.

11th row: K8. *M1. K1. M1. K14. M1. K1. M1.** K16. Rep from * to ** once more. K8. 72 sts.

13th row: K9. *M1. K1. M1. K16. M1. K1. M1.** K18. Rep from * to ** once more. K9. 80 sts.

14th row: Purl.

15th row: K10. Cast off next 18 sts (armhole). K24. Cast off next 18 sts (armhole). K10. 44 sts.

Divide 44 sts onto 3 double-pointed needles. PM. Join to beg working in rnds. **1st rnd:** *K1. Kfb. Rep from * around. 66 sts.

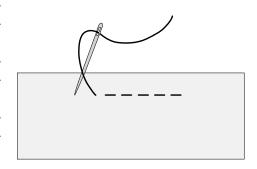
Knit even in rnds until work from armhole divide measures 3" [7.5 cm].

Next rnd: Purl.

Next rnd: Knit.

Rep last 2 rnds twice more. Cast off loosely knitwise.

Sew snap fastener on back of Dress at top.



ABBREVIATIONS:

Alt = Alternate(ing)

Approx = Approximate(ly) **Beg** = Begin(ing)

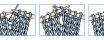
Dec = Decrease(ing)

K = Knit

K2(3)tog = Knit next 2(3) stitches together

Kfb = Increase 1 stitch by knitting into front and back of next stitch

M1 = Make 1 stitch by picking up horizontal bar between next stitch and knitting into back of loop



P2tog = Purl next 2 stitches together **P2togtbl** = Purl next 2

stitches together through back loops

Pat = Pattern

 $\mathbf{P} = Purl$

PM = Place marker

Psso = Pass slipped stitch

over

Rep = Repeat

Rem = Remain(ing)

Rnd(s) = Round(s)

RS = Right side

SI1 = Slip next stitch knitwise

Ssk = Slip next 2 stitches

knitwise one at a time. Pass them back onto left-hand needle, then knit through back loops together.

St(s) = Stitch(es) **Tog** = Together

WS = Wrong side

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