



Floral Panda

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Height: 13"

Circumference: 11½"

MATERIALS

Premier® Yarns Bloom™ Chenille (100% Polyester; 3.5oz/100g, 87yds/80m)

- MC: 2099-05 Forget-Me-Not – 1 ball

Premier® Yarns Parfait® Chunky (100% Polyester; 3.5oz/100g, 87yds/80m)

- CC1: 1150-14 Seaside – 1 ball
- CC2: 1150-18 Ballet Pink – 1 ball

Needle: US Size 11 (8 mm) straight *or size needed to obtain gauge*

Notions: Tapestry needle, stitch marker, stuffing, 20 mm safety eyes, optional: smooth yarn for seaming

GAUGE

10 sts x 14 rows = 4" in St st

Save time, check your gauge.

Skills/techniques used in this pattern:

- Knit and purl stitches.
- Working in the round.
- Decreases and increases.
- Applying safety eyes.
- Seaming and embroidering.

PATTERN NOTES

This Panda is worked in separate pieces and then sewn together.

PANDA

Body

With MC, cast on 72 sts. Work even in St st until piece meas 4½" from cast-on edge, ending on a WS row.

Shaping

Row 1 (RS): *K18, pm; rep from * to last 18 sts, knit to end.

Row 2 (WS): Purl.

Dec Row: K1, k3tog, knit to 3 sts before m, k2tog, k1, sm, k1, k2tog, knit to 4 sts before next m, k3tog, k1, sm, k1, k3tog, knit to 3 sts before m, k2tog, k1, sm, k1, k2tog, knit to last 4 sts, k3tog, k1 – 12 sts dec'd.

Rep last two rows, 3 more times – 24 sts.

Next Row: Purl.

Dec Row: *K2tog; rep from * to end – 12 sts. Rep last 2 rows once more – 6 sts.

With tapestry needle, thread yarn through rem sts. Draw closed.

Head

With CC1, cast on 72 sts. Work in St st until piece meas 3" ending on a WS row. Switch to MC and work in St st until piece meas 4½" ending on a WS row. Work Shaping as for Body.

Ears (make 4)

With CC1, cast on 3 sts.

Row 1 (RS): Knit.

Row 2 (WS): Kfb, k1, kfb – 5 sts.

Next Row: Knit.

Next Row: K1, kfb, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 – 2 sts inc'd, 7 sts.

Rep last two rows once more – 9 sts.

Knit 6 rows. Bind off.

Nose

With CC1, cast on 10 sts.

Next Row: Knit.

Next Row: K1, k2tog, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 – 2 sts dec'd, 8 sts.

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Rep last two rows 3 more times – 2 sts rem.

Next Row: K2tog. Pull yarn through rem st to bind off.

Tail and Legs (make 10)

With CC1, cast on 3 sts.

Row 1 (RS): Knit.

Row 2 (WS): Kfb, k1, kfb – 5 sts.

Next Row: Knit.

Next Row: K1, kfb, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 – 2 sts inc'd, 7 sts.

Rep last two rows 1 more time – 9 sts.

Knit 10 rows. Bind off.

Tongue

CC2, cast on 7 sts.

Next Row: K3, p1, k3.

Next Row: P3, k1, p3.

Dec Row: K2tog, k1, p1, k1, k2tog – 5 sts.

Next Row: P2, k1, p2.

Next Row: K2tog, p1, k2tog – 3 sts.

Next Row: K3tog. Fasten off.

FINISHING

Note: If desired, use a smooth yarn for easier seaming.

Using photos as a guide: Attach safety eyes to Head.

Sew Head to Body, leaving 3-4" open for stuffing.

Ears: Hold 2 pieces together and sew side edges, attach to top of Head.

Legs and Tail: Hold 2 pieces together and sew side edges leaving an opening for stuffing. Stuff lightly; sew closed. Sew onto Panda. Stuff Panda. Sew opening closed.

Sew Nose and Tongue in place.

Weave in ends.

Abbreviations

dec('d) decrease(d)

inc('d) increase(d)

k knit

kfb knit into the front and back of the next st (1 st inc'd)

k2tog knit 2 sts together (1 st dec'd)

k3tog knit 2 sts together (2 st dec'd)

m marker

p purl

pm place marker

sm slip marker

rep repeat(ing)

RS right side

st(s) stitch(es)

WS wrong side

