

Arm Knit Alligator Sleep Sack

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FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Width: approx. 18" Length: approx. 60"

MATERIALS

Premier® Yarns *Couture Jazz®* (81% Acrylic, 19% Polyamide; 100gm/16.5 yds)

- #26-08 Olive (A) 7 balls
- #26-12 Tan (B) 4 balls
- #26-14 Black (C) 1 ball
- #26-36 Kiwi (D) 1 ball

GAUGE

Work evenly and consistently throughout. Try to keep your stitches as tight as you can on your arm to avoid large holes in your work.

TIPS

To learn how to arm knit, see the "How to Arm Knit a Mermaid Blanket" video on the SimplyMaggie YouTube Channel here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LMAbqbemifE

When arm knitting, the Right Side of the piece is always facing you. Odd numbered rows are worked off the right arm onto the left arm; even numbered rows are worked off the left arm onto the right arm.

ALLIGATOR

Back

With A, cast on 4 sts.

Rows 1 and 2: Knit.

Row 3: K1, M1R, knit to last stitch, M1R, k1 – 6 sts.

Row 4: Knit.

Row 5: K1, M1R, knit to last stitch, M1R, k1 – 8 sts.

Row 6: Knit.

Rows 7: K1, M1R, knit to last stitch, M1R, k1 – 10 sts.

Rows 8 and 9: Knit.

Row 10: K1, M1R, knit to last stitch, M1R, k1 – 12 sts.

Rows 11-23: Knit.

Row 24: K2tog, knit to last 2 stitches, k2tog – 10 sts.

Rows 25-27: Knit.

Row 28: K2tog, knit to last 2 stitches, k2tog – 8 sts.

Rows 29-31: Knit.

Row 32: K2tog, knit to last 2 stitches, k2tog - 6 sts.

Rows 33-35: Knit.

Row 36: K2tog, knit to last 2 stitches, k2tog – 4 sts.

Rows 37-39: Knit.

Row 40: K2tog, knit to last 2 stitches, k2tog – 2 sts.

Rows 41-43: Knit.

Bind off.

Belly

With B, cast on 4 sts.

Work same as for Back through Row 35.

Change to A.

Continue same as for Back through Row 43.

Fasten off.

Legs - make 4

With A, cast on 3 sts.

Rows 1-3: Knit.

Bind off, leaving long yarn tails for use in attaching legs.

ASSEMBLY

Place the Back and Belly with Right Sides together and align the edges. The cast on end will be left open for the mouth.

Starting at Row 10, using color A, sew pieces together down side to tip of tail, then up other side to Row 10. Turn piece Right Side out.

Position front legs halfway down each side of Alligator (about Row 14) and sew in place. Position back legs on each side at Row 24 (beginning of tail decreases) and sew in place.

Weave in ends.

Eves

With C, use duplicate stitch embroidery make 2 eyes in Row 7. Place eyes on 3rd and 8th stitch of row.

Spine

With D, use duplicate stitch embroidery to make a line of sts up the center of the back, beginning 3 rows from the tip of the tail and ending in Row 10.

ABBREVIATIONS

k knit

k2tog knit 2 stitches together

st(s) stitch(es)

