

# No-Seams Teddy

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## Materials:

Small amount of sock yarn in MC. Sample uses Lang Jawoll Aktion, color 132.0304  
Four yards of sock yarn in Cream for the snout. Sample uses KnitPicks Palette.  
1 Yard black embroidery floss with strands separated and used together for eyes OR 6mm safety eyes  
Polyester fiberfill  
Yarn needle  
2 stitch holders  
one set of US 4 or 5 double pointed needles, 2.25 mm

**Gauge:** 36 sts = 4" for a toy about 8" tall. Gauge is not critical. It is important that the fabric is dense so that stuffing does not peak through.

## Notes:

- Use a pull skein or wind the yarn into a ball with a center pull. You will then avoid cutting yarn to work the arms and the back.
- K2 tog is faster than KSP, which may be new to you. Take the time to decrease using KSP for a more polished result.
- When casting on for the legs, try using 2 needles and knit with the 3<sup>rd</sup> needle for 1 or 2 rnds.



## Abbreviations:

B/O	Bind off
C/O	Cast on
Inc	Knit the stitch one row below the first stitch on the left needle; knit the stitch. (This is a lifted increase.) When you use this increase, it will result in 2 sts; the stitch counts in the pattern reflect that.
K	Knit
Kfb	Knit in front and back of stitch
KSP	Knit the stitch and return it to the left needle purlwise. Pass the next stitch on the left needle over the stitch you just knit. Return the knit stitch to the right needle purlwise and continuing knitting.
M1	Make 1
Rnd	Round
SSK	Slip 1 st knitwise, slip next st knitwise, knit the 2 slipped stitches together through the back loops
St st	stockinette stitches

**Snout:**

With Cream, cast on 36 sts on 3 or 4 needles leaving an 18" tail.

Rnds 1–4: K.

Rnd 5: KSP around (18 sts).

Rnd 6: K.

Rnd 7: KSP around (9 sts).

Cut yarn leaving an 8" tail. Thread tail onto yarn needle and run through remaining sts; draw up tightly and secure. With all 6 strands of floss together, embroider nose and mouth; the bottom of nose should begin at the center of the snout.

**Left Leg:**

With MC, cast on 5 sts; being careful not to twist the stitches, join. Or use the preferred method: Emily Ocher's circular cast-on (see last page).

Rnd 1: Kfb in every st (10 sts)

Rnd 2: K.

Rnd 3: Inc in each st around (20 sts).

Rnds 4–9: K.

Rnd 10: Inc in each st around (40 sts).

Rnds 11–19: K.

Rnd: 20: K17, KSP 5 times, K1, ssk 5 times, k2 (30 sts).

Rnds 21–32: K.

Rnd 32: Bind off 6 sts, k to end of rnd

Close the opening at the bottom of the foot if necessary and weave in the end.

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Close the opening at the bottom of the foot and weave in the end.

Place the last 6 sts of the round on a separate holder to be woven later

Do **not** cut yarn.

**Body:**

Rnd 33: Knit the 24 left leg stitches; k the 24 right leg stitches. You now have 48 sts on 3 or 4 needles. There is a slight bump on each leg where you decreased. These decreases formed the "feet" and indicate the front of the legs.

Rnds 34–36: K. After knitting about 10 rnds, weave the leg openings together.

Rnd 37: (K4, inc) 2 times, k28, (inc, k4) 2 times (52 sts).

Rnds 38–39: K.

Weave leg opening.

Rnd 49: K12, W&T; p24; W&T, k23, W&T; p22, W&T; k21, W&T; p20, W&T; k19, W&T; p18, W&T; k17, W&T; p16, W&T; k15, W&T; p14, W&T; k13, W&T; p12, W&T; k11, W&T; p10, W&T; k to end of rnd.

Rnd 50: K. As you come to a wrapped st, lift the wrap up and behind the wrapped st. Remount the stitch if necessary and knit the st and the wrap together through the back loops.

Rnds 51–54: K.

Split for armholes:

(Beginning at center front): K12, b/o 2 sts, K24, b/o 2 sts, K across the front to the first bind off.

Working back and forth on the front 24 sts, work in st st for 8 rows for front ending after working a right side row at the right armhole. Do **not** cut yarn.

With another ball of yarn, attach at the left armhole. Beginning with a purl row, work in st st on the back for 8 rows for front ending after working a right side row at the left armhole. Cut yarn.

Join the front and back:

Using a cable cast-on, c/o 2 sts, k across back, c/o 2 sts, k across front (48 sts).

Rnds 65–70: K. Do **not** cut yarn. Place sts on stitchholders.

**Arms:**

With another ball of yarn and beginning at the bottom center of the left armhole, pick up 18 sts around the left armhole.

Rnds 1–2: K.

Rnd 3: K1, M1L, k to within 1 st of end of rnd, MR, K1.

Rnd 4: K.

Rnd 5: K2, M1L, knit to last 2 sts, M1R, K2.

Rnd 6: K.

Rnd 7: K3, M1L, knit to last 2 sts, M1R, K3.

Rnd 8: K.

Rnd 9: K4, M1L, knit to last 2 sts, M1R, K4.

Rnd 10: K.

Rnd 11: K5, M1L, knit to last 2 sts, M1R, K5.

Rnd 12: K.

Rnd 13: K6, M1L, knit to last 2 sts, M1R, K6 (30 sts).

Rnds 14 – 15: K.

Rnd 16: (KSP) 3 times, K18, (ssk) 3 times (24 sts).

Rnd 17–25: K.

Rnd 26: KSP around (12 sts).

Cut yarn leaving an 8" tail. Thread tail onto yarn needle and run through remaining sts; draw up tightly, secure and weave in tail.

Repeat for the right arm.

Weave in underarm tails. Stuff legs, arms and lower body.

Knit to center back.

**Neck:**

Rnd 71: KSP around (26 sts).

Rnds 72: K.

Rnd 73: K5, KSP, k12, KSP, k5 (24 sts.)

Rnd 74: K.

**Head:**

Rnd 75: Inc around (48 sts).

Rnds 76–78: K

Rnd 79: \*K5, inc, rep from \* around (56 sts).

Rnds 80–82: K

Rnd 83: \*K6, inc, rep from \* around (64 sts).

Rnds 84–101: K.

Rnd 102: \*K6, KSP, rep from \* around (56 sts).

Rnds 103–105: K.

Rnd 106: \*K5, KSP, rep from \* around (48 sts).

Rnd 107: K.

Rnd 108: \*K1, KSP, rep from \* around (32 sts).

Rnd 109: K.

**Ear:**

Note: The ears are not stuffed.

Beginning 12 rows above the neck increases, pick up and knit 12 sts. With a second needle, pick up 12 sts opposite the first set of stitches. You will be working on 2 needles and may find using the magic loop technique a little easier.

Rnd 1: K.

Rnd 2: \*K1, M1L, K10, M1R, K1; rep from \* once (28 sts).

Rnd 3–7: K.

Rnd 8: \*SSK 3 times, K2, KSP 3 times; rep from \* once (16 sts).

Rnd 9: K.

Rnd 10: \*SSK twice, KSP twice; rep from \* once (8 sts).

Cut yarn leaving an 8" tail. Thread tail onto yarn needle and run through remaining sts; draw up tightly and bring yarn through the stitches again; secure and weave in the yarn tails.

Repeat for second ear.

Finish stuffing body and arms. Lightly stuff head for shaping to help with placement of the ears and the snout.

Sew Snout on, stuffing lightly.

Insert safety eyes or embroider eyes.

Finish head

Rnd 110: KSP around (16 sts).

Cut yarn leaving an 8" tail. Thread tail onto yarn needle and run through remaining sts; draw up tightly and secure.

## Emily Ocher's Circular Cast-on

1. Make a ring. Do not pull it tight; keep it loose. Grasp the loop where the strands meet with your left thumb and index finger. You can make the loop with the tail going up. You will then have to weave in the tail.
  2. Insert the hook into the loop from front to back. Grab the yarn with the hook (yo) and bring through the loop. You now have one loop on the hook.
  3. Insert the hook into the loop again; you will be going under the yarn tail as well. Hook the yarn (yo) and bring through the loop. Hook the yarn again and bring through the loop on the hook as if you were making a chain. You now have two loops on the hook. Repeat this step until you have the required number of loops.
  4. Carefully replace the hook with your needles and begin knitting in the round. After you have finished a few rounds, pull the tail to close up the circle.
- You now have a nice, tight circle with no hole in the middle.

