

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
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 3rd needle for 1 or 2 rnds.

Abbreviations:

B/O	Bind off
C/O	Cast on
Inc	Increase
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 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

Ears (make 2):

With MC, cast on 22 sts on 3 or 4 needles, leaving an 18" tail (to sew cast-on edge together).

Rnds 1–7: K.

Rnd 8: KSP around (11 sts).

Rnd 9: K.

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 tail. Sew cast on edge together. Do *not* trim this tail or weave it in.

Snout:

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

Rnds 1–7: K.

Rnd 8: KSP around (18 sts).

Rnd 9: K.

Rnd 10: 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.

Right Leg:

With MC, cast on 5 sts.

Rnd 1: Kfb in every st (10 sts)

Rnd 2: K.

Rnd 3: Using a lifted increase, *inc, k1; rep from * around (20 sts).

Rnds 4–9: K.

Rnd 10: Using a lifted increase, *inc, k1; rep from * around (40 sts).

Rnds 11–19: K.

Rnd: 20: K 17, KSP 5 times, K1, ssk 5 times, k2 (30 sts).

Rnds 21–31: K.

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

Cut yarn leaving a 12" tail and place stitches on holders.

Left leg:

With MC, cast on 5 sts.

Rnd 1: Kfb in every st (10 sts)

Rnd 2: K.

Rnd 3: Using a lifted increase, *inc, k1; rep from * around (20 sts).

Rnds 4–9: K.

Rnd 10: Rep Rnd 3. (40 sts).

Rnds 11–19: K.

Rnd: 20: K 2, KSP 5 times, K1, ssk 5 times, k 17 (30 sts).

Rnds 21–31: K.

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

Do **not** cut yarn. Mark for beginning of the round and as center back.

Body:

Rnd 33: Knit the 24 right leg stitches; K the 24 left 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 34–54: K. After knitting about 10 rnds, weave the leg openings together.

K 24 sts; you are now at the center front.

Split for armholes:

(Beginning at center front): K11, b/o 2 sts, K22, b/o 2 sts, K across the front to the first bind off..

Working back and forth on the front 22 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, working back and forth on the 22 sts of the back, work in st st 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 of the left armhole, pick up 18 sts around the left armhole.

Rnds 1–2: K.

Rnd 3: K1, M1, k to within 1 st of end of rnd, M1, K1.

Rnd 4: K.

Rnds 5–14: Rep rnds 3 and 4 five times (30 sts).

Rnd 15: K.

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

Rnd 17–33: K.

Rnd 34: 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.

Neck:

Rnd 71: KSP around (24 sts).

Rnds 72–74: K.

Head:

Rnd 75: Inc in every st using a lifted increase (48 sts).

Rnds 76–106: K

Knit to center of back.

Rnd 107: *K1, KSP, rep from * around (32 sts).

Rnd 108: K.

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

Sew Ears on head beginning about 16 rows above neck.

Sew Snout on, stuffing lightly.

Embroider eyes using 3 or 4 French knots.

Finish head

Rnd 109: 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.



