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Knitting Patterns



Christmas Bitsy Boy



Bitsy Baby is snuggly and warm in a Christmas Snow Suit with a matching hat and scarf

Bitsy is so excited to be bringing home the Christmas tree and can't wait to start decorating it!

Pattern Information

Bitsy Baby size-14cm /5.5"

Needle size Body 3.25mm (UK 11 /US 3)

Tension - 20sts x 26 rows = 10cm (4") st.st. Square

Recommended yarn: - Paint box yarns Simply DK
Or Stylecraft Special Knit DK

You will need-
5g red DK Yarn,
2g green DK yarn
5g Skin tone

Small amounts of white, and Brown yarn.
Handful of toy stuffing

Abbreviations

CO= Cast on using cable method

k=knit

p=purl

kfb= knit into front and then back of the same stitch-
(Increase one stitch)

k2tog= knit the next 2 stitches together-
(Decrease by one stitch)

stst = k1 row, p1 row. Makes 2 rows

(Pattern indicates whether to start with a k or p row)

BO= Bind off

C&T= Cut and thread yarn through remaining stitches.

Yarn A = Red

Yarn B =White

Pattern

Body and head

Use Yarn A

CO15 sts.

R1: k1, (k1, kfb) to last st, k2. (21)

R2: purl.

R3: k1, (k2, kfb) to last st, k2. (27)

R4: purl.

Join Yarn B (white) carry unused yarn at back of work.

R5: k1A, (k1B, k3A) six times, k1B, K1A.

R6&7: stst A. *starting with a p row.*

R8: (p3A, p1B) six times, p3A.

R9&10 Yarn A: stst 2 rows, *starting with a p row.*

R11: k1A, (k1B, k3A) six times, k1B, K1A.

R12&13 Yarn A: stst 2 rows, *starting with a p row.*

R14: (p3A, p1B) six times, p3A.

mark this row to help with dividing the legs.

R15&16 Yarn A: stst 2 rows, *starting with a p row.*

R17: k1A, (k1B, k3A) six times, k1B, K1A.

R18&19 Yarn A: stst 2 rows, *starting with a p row.*

R20: p2A. (p1B, p3A, p1B, p1A) p1A.

R21: k2A, (k2B, k1A) eight times, k1A.

R22: p1A, (p1B, p5A) four times, p1B, p1A.

R23: k2A, (k2B, k1A) eight times, k1A.

R24: p2A. (p1B, p3A, p1B, p1A) four times, p1A.

R25&26 Yarn A: stst 2 rows, *starting with a p row.*

R27: k1A, (k1B, k3A) six times, k1B, K1A.

R28 Yarn A: purl.

Change to skin tone

R29&30: stst 2 rows *starting with a k row.*

R31: k1, (k3, kfb) to last st, k2. (33)

R32-34: stst 2 rows *starting with a k row.*

R35: k1, (k3, k2tog) to last st, k2. (27)

R36: purl.

R37: k1, (k2, k2tog) to last st, k2. (21)

R38: purl.

R39: k1, (k1, k2tog) to last st, k2. (15)

R40: purl.

R41: k1, k2tog to last st, k2. (9)

R42: C&T.

Arms (make 2)

Use Yarn A

CO6 sts

R1: k1, (kfb to end of row). (11)

R2: p5A, p1B, p5A.

R3&4 Yarn A: stst 2 rows, *starting with a k row.*

R5: (k3A, k1B) twice, k3A.

R6-8 Yarn A: stst 2 rows, *starting with a k row.*

Change to skin tone

R9-12: stst3 rows, *starting with a p row.*

R13: C&T

Back patch

Use Yarn A

CO7 sts

R1-6: stst 6 rows, *starting with a k row.*

R7: BO

Hat

Use Yarn B

CO32 sts

R1&2, (k2 p2) rep to end of row.

R3&4 stst 2 rows, *starting with a p row*

R5: (k3A, k1B) seven times, k4B.

R6&7 Yarn A: stst 2 rows, *starting with a p row*.

R8: p2A, (p1B, p3A) six times, p1B, p1A

R9&10 Yarn A: stst 2 rows, *starting with a p row*.

R11: k2tog A rep to end of row.

C&T

Cut yarn and weave in end

Scarf

Use Yarn B

CO 38 sts

R1: knit

R2: BO

Tree Trunk

Use Brown yarn

CO8 sts

Body and Head

Sew the back head seam and body seam.

Leave the C&T at the head open for stuffing.

Turn the doll inside out, Fold the cast on edges together with the seam in the centre back. Sew the cast on edges together. Turn the doll right side out again.

Stuff the body and head.

Pull the C&T yarn to close the head Sew through the head gathers

Use a length of skin tone yarn to tie firmly around the neck. Sew the ends into the body.

R1-4: knit

R5: BO.

Christmas Tree

Use Green yarn

CO5 sts

R1: WS, kfb every st. (10)

R2: purl.

R3: (k1, kfb) to end of row. (15)

R4: purl.

R5: (k2, kfb) to end of row. (20)

R6-8: knit 3 rows.

R9: k2tog, k to last 2 sts, k2tog. (18)

R10: knit.

R11-22: rep R 9&10 six more times. (6)

R23: k1, k2tog twice, k1. (4)

R24: knit.

R25: k2tog twice. (2)

R26: knit.

R27 k2tog.

Cut yarn and thread through last stitch.

Making up

Arms-

Sew the seams from the C&T yarn to the cast on edge.

There is no need to sew the cast on edge shut.

Use a tiny amount of stuffing to fill the hands (not the arms. Pull the C&T yarn to close the hands and sew shut.

Position the arms on either side of the neck with the seam against the body sew carefully around the shoulder shaping at the top of the arms.



Legs

Starting at centre of the feet and using a length of red yarn sew through the doll from back to front and back again. Continue to sew through the doll until you reach Row 14, pull each stitch tightly to divide the legs

Back Patch



Using the illustration to guide you sew the back patch onto Bitsy Baby's back just above the leg divide, use white yarn to embroider two small buttons at the top corners.

Making the Eye knots

Cut two 50cm lengths of brown yarn, take one piece of yarn and fold it in half. Wrap the middle of the doubled yarn around your index finger to make a loop,

Leaving the loop on your finger, thread one end of the doubled yarn through the loop as if to make a knot. Do not tighten the knot yet! Thread the yarn once more through the loop on your finger.

Take the loop off your finger and gently pull the ends to tighten the knot. You will now have an oval knot in the middle of the yarn.

Sewing on the eyes

The eyes are placed 4 rows up from the neck and with 3 stitches between them. Use pins to help you mark the position of the eyes. Thread one doubled end of thread onto a needle and push the needle from the front to the back of the head. Unthread the needle and repeat with

the other end of the knotted yarn 1 stitch above the first thread.

Repeat for the other eye.

Gently pull on the loose threads at the back of the head to indent the eyes.

You can easily reposition the eyes to give a pleasing expression. When you are happy with the eye positions re-thread each end and pass the needle through the head twice to secure the yarn. Cut off close to the head so that the tail disappears into the head.



Hat

Make a small bobble by wrapping white yarn around your fingers and sewing the loops together, sew this bobble in place as you tighten the C&T yarn.

Sew the hat seam. Sew the hat into place on the Bitsy baby's head

Christmas tree

Starting at the BO end sew the garter stitch row edges together, stuff the tree carefully to maintain its shape then sew the reverse stocking stitch base shut.

Roll the tree trunk piece edge wise to give a solid tube and sew the edges to stop it unrolling. Then sew into position at the base of the Christmas tree

Finally sew the tree into place at the mid-point of Bitsy Baby's body and arm.