



**Free Knitting Pattern**  
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**SKILL LEVEL:** Advanced Intermediate

**SIZE:** One Size  
About 9 1/2 in. (24 cm) tall

**CORRECTIONS:** (applied Feb 11, 2010)

#### Back of Head

**Rows 3 and 4:** With B, ~~k16~~: work in St st.

**Rows 5 and 6:** With C, ~~p16~~: work in St st.

**Rows 7 and 8:** With B, ~~k16~~: work in St st.

#### Shape Face

**Rnd 1:** On needle #1, k3, ssk, k to last 2 sts, k2tog; on needle #2, k5, ssk, k2tog, k4 **5** on needle #3, ssk, k to last 5 sts, k2tog, k3 – 38 sts at the end of this rnd.

#### MATERIALS

- 620-099 Lion Brand Wool-Ease Yarn: Fisherman  
1 Ball (A)
- 620-152 Lion Brand Wool-Ease Yarn: Oxford Grey  
1 Ball (B)
- 620-151 Lion Brand Wool-Ease Yarn: Grey Heather  
1 Ball (C)
- Lion Brand Knitting Needles- Size 5 [3.75 mm]
- Lion Brand Double-Pointed Needles - Size 5
- Lion Brand Stitch Markers
- Large-Eye Blunt Needles (Set of 6)
- Additional Materials  
Small amount of contrast yarn  
Fiberfill stuffing  
Small piece of black or brown felt  
Sewing needle and thread

#### GAUGE:

18 sts + 26 rows = 4 in. (10 cm) in St st (k on RS, p on WS). BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE. When you match the gauge in a pattern, your project will be the size specified in the pattern and the materials specified in the pattern will be sufficient. If it takes you less stitches and rows to make a 4 in. [10 cm] square, try using a smaller size hook or needles; if more stitches and rows, try a larger size hook or needles.

#### STITCH EXPLANATION:

**Cable Cast On** \*Insert right needle between first 2 sts on left needle; wrap yarn and pull through (as if knitting a st); transfer new st to left needle. Rep from \* for desired number of sts.

**kfb (knit in front and back)** Knit next st without removing it from left needle, then k through back of same st – 1 st increased.

**ssk (slip, slip, knit)** Slip next 2 sts as if to knit, one at a time, to right needle; insert left needle into fronts of these 2 sts and knit them tog – 1 st decreased.

**ssp (slip, slip, purl)** Slip next 2 sts as if to knit, one at a time, to right needle; pass them back to left needle; purl them tog through back loops – 1 st decreased.

#### NOTES:

1. Pattern is written for a Critter with felt eyes. Do NOT use button eyes if Critter is for a child.
2. If desired, 2 double pointed needles can be substituted for straight knitting needles. When working in rows on 2 double pointed needles, take care that sts do not drop off the ends of the needles by wrapping one end of each double pointed needle with an elastic band.
3. Body, legs and ears are worked back and forth in rows; head is worked in a similar way to knitting a sock; arms and tail are worked in the round.

#### CAT

##### LEG (make 2)

With straight needles and A, leave a long beg tail, cast on 8 sts. Work back and forth in rows.

**Row 1 (RS):** Kfb in each st across – 16 sts at the end of this row.

**Rows 2-6:** Beg with a WS row, work in St st (k on RS, p on WS).

**Rows 7 and 8:** With B, work 2 rows in St st.

**Rows 9 and 10:** With C, work 2 rows in St st.

**Rows 11 and 12:** With B, work 2 rows in St st.

**Rows 13-16:** Rep Rows 9-12.

**Row 17:** With C, bind off 3 sts, k to end of row – 13 sts at the end of this row.

**Row 18:** With C, bind off 3 sts, p to end of row – 10 sts at the end of this row. Cut yarn. Thread contrast yarn through Leg sts and set Leg aside. Make a second Leg in same way, but keep sts on needle and do not cut yarn.

**Both Legs:** Thread beg tail (at cast on) into blunt needle and weave through cast-on rnd. Pull tog tightly and fasten off. Stuff legs lightly.

##### Body

###### Notes:

1. First row of body is knit by working over sts of legs and casting on sts between the legs.
2. On Row 1, remove contrast yarn from Leg sts as you knit them.

**Row 1 (RS):** With B and RS of second Leg facing, cable cast on 4 sts, k these 4 sts, k across 10 sts of second Leg, turn, cable cast on 6 sts, turn, k across 10 sts of first Leg, turn, cable cast on 4 sts – 34 sts at the end of this row.

**Row 2 (WS):** With B, purl.

**Rows 3 and 4:** With C, work 2 rows in St st.

**Rows 5 and 6:** With B, work 2 rows in St st.

**Rows 7-22:** Rep last 4 rows 4 more times.

**Row 23:** With C, k2tog, (p1, k1) across to last 2 sts, ssp – 32 sts. Arrange sts on 3 needles as follows: 8 sts on needle #1, 16 sts on needle #2, and 8 sts on needle #3. Join for working in the rnd. Place marker for beg of rnd.

**Rnd 24:** With C, \*k1, p1; rep from \* around.

**Rnds 25 and 26:** With B, \*k1, p1; rep from \* around.

**Rnds 27 and 28:** With C, \*k1, p1; rep from \* around.

**Rnds 29 and 30:** With B, rep Rnds 25 and 26.

##### Shape Head

**Note:** Back and top of head are worked in rows across sts on needles #1 and #3 only (as when working a sock heel). The sts on needle #2 will be worked later, when shaping face.

##### Back of Head

**Row 1:** With C, k8 from needle #1, turn.

**Row 2:** With C, p8 from needle #1, then p8 from needle #3, turn. Work back and forth across 16 sts on needles #1 and #3 only.

**Rows 3 and 4:** With B, work in St st.

**Rows 5 and 6:** With C, work in St st.

**Rows 7 and 8:** With B, work in St st.

**Rows 9-12:** Rep Rows 5-8.

##### Shape Top of Head

**Note:** Beg short row shaping for top of head as follows:

**Row 1:** With C, sl 1, k8, k2tog, k1, turn.

**Row 2:** With C, sl 1, p3, p2tog, p1, turn.

**Row 3:** With B, sl 1, k4, k2tog, k1, turn.

**Row 4:** With B, sl 1, p5, p2tog, p1, turn.

**Row 5:** With C, sl 1, k6, k2tog, k1, turn.

**Row 6:** With C, sl 1, p7, p2tog, p1, turn – 10 head sts rem.

### Shape Face

**Note:** Work now proceeds in the rnd. Sts are worked all the way around the edges of the top and back of head, and over the held sts on needle #2 to complete the first rnd.

**Set-Up Rnd (RS):** With C, on needle #1, k across 10 rem st of head, pick up and k 10 sts along side of back of head; on needle #2, k6, ssk, k2tog, k6; on needle #3, pick up and k10 sts along other side of back of head; then k across first 5 head sts (the same sts worked at the beg of this rnd) – 44 sts at the end of this rnd. Place marker for beg of rnd.

**Rnd 1:** With C, on needle #1, k3, ssk, k to last 2 sts, k2tog; on needle #2, k5, ssk, k2tog, k5; on needle #3, ssk, k to last 5 sts, k2tog, k3 – 38 sts at the end of this rnd.

**Rnd 2:** With B, knit.

**Rnd 3:** With B on needle #1, k3, ssk, k to last 2 sts, k2tog; on needle #2, knit across; on needle #3, ssk, k to last 5 sts, k2tog, k3 – 34 sts at the end of this rnd.

**Rnds 4 and 5:** With C, rep Rnds 2 and 3 – 30 sts at the end of Rnd 5.

**Rnds 6-9:** Rep Rnds 2-5 – 22 sts at the end of Rnd 9.

**Rnds 10-12:** With A, knit. Cut B and C. Work with A only for rem rnds of face. At the end of Rnd 12, beg stuffing head, and continue to stuff head as work progresses.

**Rnd 13:** K2, k2tog, k5, ssk, k2tog, k5, ssk, k2 – 18 sts at the end of this rnd.

**Rnd 14:** Knit.

**Rnd 15:** K1, k2tog, k4, ssk, k2tog, k4, ssk, k1 – 14 sts at the end of this rnd.

**Rnd 16:** K2tog, k3, ssk, k2tog, k3, ssk – 10 sts at the end of this rnd. Cut yarn, leaving a long tail. Thread tail into blunt needle and weave through rem sts. Finish stuffing head, then pull sts tog tightly and fasten off.

### ARM (make 2)

With double pointed needles and A, and leaving a long tail, cast on 8 sts. Divide sts evenly onto 4 double pointed needles. Join, being careful not to twist sts. Place marker for beg of rnd.

**Rnd 1:** Kfb in each st around – 16 sts at the end of this rnd.

**Rnds 2-6:** With A, work in St st worked in the rnd (k every rnd).

**Rnds 7 and 8:** With B, work 2 rnds in St st.

**Rnds 9 and 10:** With C, work 2 rnds in St st. Rep last 4 rnds 2 more times. Bind off. Cut yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing. Thread beg tail (at cast on) into blunt needle and weave through sts of cast-on rnd. Pull tog tightly and fasten off. Stuff Arm lightly.

### EAR (make 2)

**Note:** Ear is worked back and forth in rows. With straight needles and A and leaving a long tail, cast on 2 sts.

**Row 1:** (Kfb) twice – 4 sts at the end of this row.

**Row 2 (RS):** K1, p to last st, k1.

**Row 3 (WS):** P1, (kfb) twice, p1 – 6 sts.

**Row 4:** K1, p4, k1.

**Row 5 (WS):** P1, kfb, k2, kfb, p1 – 8 sts.

**Row 6:** K1, p6, k1.

**Row 7:** P1, k6, p1.

**Row 8:** K1, p6, k1.

**Row 9:** P1, k2tog, k2, k2tog, p1 – 6 sts.

**Row 10:** K1, p4, k1.

**Row 11:** P1, (k2tog) twice, p1 – 4 sts.

**Row 12:** K1, p2, k1.

**Row 13:** (K2tog) twice – 2 sts. Bind off. Cut yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing. Fold ear in half across Row 7 and sew sides closed. Do not stuff Ear.

### TAIL

With B and double pointed needles, and leaving a long tail, cast on 6 sts. Divide sts evenly onto 4 double pointed needles. Join, being careful not to twist sts. Place marker for beg of rnd.

**Rnd 1:** Kfb in each st around – 12 sts at the end of this rnd.

**Rnds 2 and 3:** With C, knit.

**Rnds 4 and 5:** With B, knit.

**Rnds 6 and 7:** With C, knit. Rep last 4 rnds 4 more times. Bind off. Cut yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing. Thread beg tail (at cast on) into blunt needle and weave through sts of cast-on rnd. Pull tog tightly and fasten off. Do not stuff Tail.

### FINISHING

Sew opening between legs closed. Stuff body, then sew body closed. Seam Legs, stuff lightly before finishing seam. Sew top edge of Arms closed, then sew Arms to Body. Sew Ears to sides of Head. Flatten Tail and sew to back of Body. From felt, cut 3 small circles for eyes and nose. With sewing needle and thread, sew felt circles to face. To allow Critter to sit: With matching yarn, sew a straight line across lower edge of body just above top of Legs, sewing through all layers and pushing stuffing slightly to either side of stitching. Weave in ends.

<b>ABBREVIATIONS / REFERENCES</b>	
Click for explanation and illustration	
<u>beg = begin(s)(ning)</u>	<u>k = knit</u>
<u>k2tog = knit 2 together</u>	<u>p = purl</u>
<u>p2tog = purl 2 together</u>	<u>rem = remain(s)(ing)</u>
<u>rep = repeat(s)(ing)</u>	<u>rnd(s) = round(s)</u>
<u>RS = right side</u>	<u>sl = slip</u>
<u>St st = Stockinette stitch</u>	<u>st(s) = stitch(es)</u>
<u>tog = together</u>	<u>WS = wrong side</u>

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