

Your little girl will love dressing her favorite BARBIE® dolls in stunning cool weather ensembles featuring the very latest "faux fur" looks. And you'll love 'em too, 'cause they're so quick 'n easy to knit!

Our ensembles include a sumptuous full-length, shawl collar "Persian lamb" coat with a matching pillbox hat and a dazzling three-quarter length "leopard" coat with a coordinating roll-brimmed hat. Knit both styles in basic stitches using furry sport-weight yarn.



Make it Easy

even until armhole measures $\frac{3}{4}$ ", end on right side. **Neck shaping:** bind off 3 sts at beg of next row—5 sts. Work even until armhole measures $1\frac{1}{4}$ ". Bind off.

Right front

Work same as for left front, reversing all shaping.

Sleeves

With CC, cast on 12 sts. Work even in Garter st (k every row) for $\frac{3}{4}$ ", end on wrong side. Change to MC and St st. Inc 1 st each side every 4th row 3 times—18 sts. Work even until sleeve measures 3" from beg. Bind off.

Finishing

Duplicate stitch: referring to chart, embroider spots on back, fronts and sleeves. Using matching thread and sewing needle, sew shoulder seams. **Left front band:** with CC, pick up and k 31 sts evenly spaced across left front edge. K 2 rows. Bind off in k. Rep for right front. **Collar:** with CC, cast on 24 sts. Work even in Garter st for 1". Bind off. Sew on collar. Sew side and sleeve seams. Sew in sleeves. Sew on bead buttons.

LEOPARD HAT

With CC, cast on 28 sts. Work even in garter st (k every row) for 1" end on wrong side. Change to MC and St st. **Next row:** k and dec 4 sts evenly spaced—24 sts. Work even for $\frac{1}{2}$ ", end on wrong side. **Next row:** k 1, * k 2 tog, rep from * across, end k 1. **Following**

Winter coats fit for a doll

Materials

Yarn

Tiny Tresses (38-yds) from Twice as Nice (3811 Douglas Ave., Des Moines, IA 50310). For lamb coat and hat, 3 balls Red (MC). For leopard coat and hat, 1 ball Dark Brown (CC) and 2 balls Medium Brown (MC).

Needles

Size 2 knitting needles or size to obtain gauge. Tapestry needle. Sewing needle.

Notions

Matching sewing thread. 4 small gold beads for buttons.

Directions

Gauge

13 sts and 17 rows = 2" (in St st). To save time, take time to check gauge.

PERSIAN LAMB COAT

Back: with MC, cast on 22 sts. Work even in Reversed St st (p 1 row, k 1 row) until piece measures $5\frac{1}{2}$ " from beg, end on wrong side. **Armholes:** bind

off 4 sts at beg of next 2 rows—18 sts. Work even until armholes measure $1\frac{1}{4}$ ". Bind off.

Left front

With MC, cast on 13 sts. Work even in Rev St st until piece measures $5\frac{1}{2}$ " from beg, end on wrong side. **Armhole:** bind off 3 sts at beg of next row—10 sts. Work even until armhole measures $1\frac{1}{4}$ ", end on wrong side. **Shawl collar:** bind off 5 sts at beg of next row—5 sts. Work

even on 5 sts for $\frac{1}{2}$ ". Bind off.

Right front

Work same as for left front, reversing all shaping.

Sleeves

With MC, cast on 12 sts. Work in Rev St st and inc 1 st each side every 4th row 3 times—18 sts. Work even until sleeve measures $3\frac{1}{2}$ " from beg. Bind off.

Finishing

Using sewing needle and matching thread, sew shoulder, side and sleeve seams. Sew in sleeves. Sew bound-off edges of collar together. Sew collar to back neck edge. Fold back cuffs.

PERSIAN LAMB HAT

With MC, cast on 24 sts. Work even in garter st (k every row) for 1". Work even in Re-

versed St st for 4 rows. **Next row:** k 1, * k 2 tog, rep from * across, end k 1. **Following row:** p. **Next row:** k 1, * k 2 tog, rep from * across. **Last row:** p 2 tog across. Cut yarn, leaving a 10" end. Thread with tapestry needle. Insert needle through rem sts. Pull to gather; fasten off securely. With sewing needle and thread, sew back seam.

LEOPARD COAT

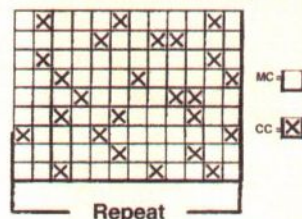
Back: with MC, cast on 22 sts. Work even in St st (k 1 row, p 1 row) until piece measures $4\frac{1}{4}$ " from beg, end on wrong side. **Armholes:** bind off 4 sts at beg of next 2 rows—18 sts. Work even until armholes measure $1\frac{1}{4}$ ". Bind off.

Left front

With MC, cast on 11 sts. Work even in St st until piece measures $4\frac{1}{4}$ " from beg, end on wrong side. **Armhole:** bind off 3 sts at beg of next row—8 sts. Work

row: p. **Next row:** k 1, * k 2 tog, rep from * across. **Last row:** p 2 tog across. Cut yarn leaving a 10" end. Thread with tapestry needle. Insert needle through rem sts. Pull to gather; fasten off securely. **Duplicate stitch:** referring to chart, embroider spots. With sewing needle and thread, sew back seam.

CHART FOR LEOPARD COAT



Follow chart to embroider spots in duplicate stitch.

NEXT WEEK: Happy Halloween wreath

QUICK TIP

To make a doll-shoe* charm bracelet, pierce back of shoe with hot ice pick. Attach each shoe to bracelet with a small metal ring.

