

MOLE TOY

Height approx 46 cm (18 in).

MATERIALS

Wool o' the West Pageant DK

3 x 100g balls of Khaki.

1 x 100g ball each of Bright Yellow, Olive, Gold and Dark Grey.

Wool o' the West English Maid DK

2 x 150g balls of Khaki.

1 x 150g ball each of Bright Yellow, Olive, Gold and Dark Grey.

Both yarns - Small amounts of Flesh, Dark Pink, Pale Pink, Light Grey, Black and White.

Pair 3 mm (UK 11 - USA 3) needles.

Good quality washable stuffing.

2 pipe cleaners for Glasses.

For tensions, notes, abbreviations and note on swiss embroidery, see first page of text.

RIGHT LEG

With Gold, cast on 32 sts and **work right foot** as follows:

1st Row - (RS), inc knitways in each of next 24 sts, place marker, inc knitways in each of next 8 sts (64 sts).

Starting with a P row, work 17 rows in st st.

1st Dec Row - K8, (K2tog) 16 times, K24 (48 sts). Work 1 row.

2nd Dec Row - K6, (K2tog) 8 times, K26 (40 sts). Work 1 row. Break Gold.

Join in Bright Yellow and **work right leg** as follows:

Starting with a K row, work 4 rows in st st.

1st Inc Row - K2, *M1 - see abbreviations, K4; rep from * to last 2 sts, M1, K2 (50 sts).

Work 3 rows.

2nd Inc Row - K3, *M1, K5; rep from * to last 2 sts, M1, K2 (60 sts). Work 3 rows.

3rd Inc Row - K4, *M1, K6; rep from * to last 2 sts, M1, K2 (70 sts). Work 3 rows.

4th Inc Row - K5, *M1, K7; rep from * to last 2 sts, M1, K2 (80 sts). Work 3 rows.

Break yarn and leave sts on a spare needle.

LEFT LEG

With Gold, cast on 32 sts and **work left foot** as follows:

1st Row - (RS), inc knitways in each of next 8 sts, place marker, inc knitways in each of next 24 sts (64 sts).

Starting with a P row, work 17 rows in st st.

1st Dec Row - K24, (K2tog) 16 times, K8 (48 sts). Work 1 row.

2nd Dec Row - K26, (K2tog) 8 times, K6 (40 sts). Work 1 row. Break Gold.

Join in Bright Yellow and **work left leg** as follows: Starting with a K row, work 4 rows in st st.

1st Inc Row - K2, *M1, K4; rep from * to last 2 sts, M1, K2 (50 sts). Work 3 rows.

2nd Inc Row - K2, *M1, K5; rep from * to last 3 sts, M1, K3 (60 sts). Work 3 rows.

3rd Inc Row - K2, *M1, K6; rep from * to last 4 sts, M1, K4 (70 sts). Work 3 rows.

4th Inc Row - K2, *M1, K7; rep from * to last 5 sts, M1, K5 (80 sts). Work 3 rows.

Do not break yarn.

BODY

With RS facing and Bright Yellow, K across 80 sts of Left Leg, then K across 80 sts of Right Leg (160 sts). Place marker at each end of last row. Starting with a P row, work 5 rows in st st.

1st Inc Row - K50, (M1, K12) 5 times, M1, K50 (166 sts). Work 3 rows.

2nd Inc Row - K50, (M1, K13) twice, M1, K14, (M1, K13) twice, M1, K50 (172 sts). Work 5 rows.

3rd Inc Row - K50, (M1, K14) twice, M1, K16, (M1, K14) twice, M1, K50 (178 sts).

Work 17 rows. Break Bright Yellow.

Join in Olive and work 4 rows.

1st Dec Row - K19, K2tog, K30, (sL1K, K1, pssso, K12) twice, sL1K, K1, pssso, K16, (K2tog, K12) twice, K2tog, K30, sL1K, K1, pssso, K19 (170 sts). Work 7 rows.

2nd Dec Row - K18, K2tog, K30, (sL1K, K1, pssso, K11) twice, sL1K, K1, pssso, K14, (K2tog, K11) twice, K2tog, K30, sL1K, K1, pssso, K18 (162 sts). Work 7 rows.

3rd Dec Row - K17, K2tog, K30, (sL1K, K1, pssso, K10) twice, sL1K, K1, pssso, K12, (K2tog, K10) twice, K2tog, K30, sL1K, K1, pssso, K17 (154 sts). Work 5 rows.

4th Dec Row - K16, K2tog, K30, (sL1K, K1, pssso, K9) twice, sL1K, K1, pssso, K10, (K2tog, K9) twice, K2tog, K30, sL1K, K1, pssso, K16 (146 sts). Work 5 rows.

5th Dec Row - K15, (K2tog, K8) twice, K2tog, K10, (sL1K, K1, pssso, K8) 3 times, (K2tog, K8) twice, K2tog, K10, (sL1K, K1, pssso, K8) twice, sL1K, K1, pssso, K15 (134 sts). Work 3 rows.

6th Dec Row - K14, (K2tog, K7) twice, K2tog, K10, (sL1K, K1, pssso, K7) twice, sL1K, K1, pssso, K6, (K2tog, K7) twice, K2tog, K10, (sL1K, K1, pssso, K7) twice, sL1K, K1, pssso, K14 (122 sts). Work 3 rows.

7th Dec Row - K13, (K2tog, K6) twice, K2tog, K10, (sL1K, K1, pssso, K6) twice, sL1K, K1, pssso, K4, (K2tog, K6) twice, K2tog, K10, (sL1K, K1, pssso, K6) twice, sL1K, K1, pssso, K13 (110 sts). Work 1 row.

8th Dec Row - K12, (K2tog, K5) twice, K2tog, K10, (sL1K, K1, pssso, K5) twice, sL1K, K1, pssso, K2, (K2tog, K5) twice, K2tog, K10, (sL1K, K1, pssso, K5) twice, sL1K, K1, pssso, K12 (98 sts). Work 1 row.

9th Dec Row - K11, (K2tog, K4) twice, K2tog, K10, sL1K, K1, pssso, K4, sL1K, K2tog, pssso, K10, K3tog, K4, K2tog, K10, (sL1K, K1, pssso, K4) twice, sL1K, K1, pssso, K11 (86 sts). Work 1 row.

10th Dec Row - K10, (K2tog, K3) twice, K2tog, K10, sL1K, K1, pssso, K3, sL1K, K2tog, pssso, K6, K3tog, K3, K2tog, K10, (sL1K, K1, pssso, K3) twice, sL1K, K1, pssso, K10 (74 sts). Work 1 row.

11th Dec Row - K9, (K2tog, K2) twice, K2tog, K10, sL1K, K1, pssso, K2, sL1K, K2tog, pssso, K2, K3tog, K2, K2tog, K10, (sL1K, K1, pssso, K2) twice, sL1K, K1, pssso, K9 (62 sts). Work 1 row.

Shape Neck

Next Row - K2tog, K23, turn and work this side first. Work 1 row. Dec 1 st at each end of next and foll 6 alt rows (10 sts). Work 1 row.

Next Row - K2tog, K to last 2 sts, K2tog.

Next Row - P to last 2 sts, P2tog.

Rep last 2 rows once more. Cast off rem 4 sts.

With RS facing, rejoin yarn to rem 37 sts, cast off centre 12 sts **loosely**, K to last 2 sts, K2tog. Work 1 row.

Work to match first side, reversing shapings.

Sew together the 4 cast-off sts at top of each side of neck shaping to form top of back neck seam.

HEAD

With RS facing and Dark Grey, start at inner edge of right side of neck shaping after 12 cast-off sts at centre front and **knit up** 20 sts evenly up right side of neck shaping to top neck seam, then 20 sts evenly down left side of neck shaping to start of 12 cast-off sts at centre front (40 sts).

Next Row - P.

1st Inc Row - Inc in first st, K5, (M1, K4) 8 times, K1, inc in last st (50 sts). Work 1 row.

2nd Inc Row - Inc in first st, K6, (M1, K5) 3 times, M1, K6, (M1, K5) 4 times, K1, inc in last st (60 sts). Work 1 row.

3rd Inc Row - Inc in first st, K7, (M1, K6) 3 times, M1, K8, (M1, K6) 4 times, K1, inc in last st (70 sts). Work 1 row.

Shape Top of Head

Next Row - Inc in first st, K40, turn.

Next Row - sL1P, P11, turn.

Next Row - sL1P, K15, turn.

Next Row - sL1P, P19, turn.

Cont thus, working 4 sts more before turning on every row until the row "sL1P, P51, turn" has been worked.

Next Row - sL1P, K54, turn.

Next Row - sL1P, P57, turn.

Next Row - sL1P, K60, turn.

Next Row - sL1P, P63, turn.

Next Row - sL1P, K60, turn.

Next Row - sL1P, P57, turn.

Next Row - sL1P, K54, turn.

Next Row - sL1P, P51, turn.

Now work 4 sts less before turning on every row thus:

Next Row - sL1P, K47, turn.

Next Row - sL1P, P43, turn.

Next Row - sL1P, K39, turn.

Cont thus, working 4 sts less before turning on every row until the row "sL1P, P11, turn" has been worked.

Next Row - sL1P, K across all sts to last st, inc in last st.

Next Row - P across all sts to end (72 sts).

Next Row - Inc in first st, K to last st, inc in last st (74 sts). Work 1 row.

Place marker at each end of last row.

Shape Forehead and Chin Opening

Next Row - sL1K, K1, psso, K28, K2tog, K10, sL1K, K1, psso, K28, K2tog.

Next Row - P2tog, P to last 2 sts, P2tog tbl.

Next Row - sL1K, K1, psso, K25, K2tog, K10, sL1K, K1, psso, K25, K2tog.

Next Row - P2tog, P to last 2 sts, P2tog tbl.

Next Row - sL1K, K1, psso, K20, place marker in last st worked to mark placement of right eye chart, K2, K2tog, K10, sL1K, K1, psso, K3, place marker in last st worked to mark placement of left eye chart, K19, K2tog.

Next Row - P2tog, P to last 2 sts, P2tog tbl.

Next Row - sL1K, K1, psso, K19, K2tog, K10, sL1K, K1, psso, K19, K2tog.

Next Row - P2tog, P to last 2 sts, P2tog tbl.

Next Row - sL1K, K1, psso, K16, K2tog, K10, sL1K, K1, psso, K16, K2tog.

Next Row - P.

Next Row - sL1K, K1, psso, K14, K2tog, K10, sL1K, K1, psso, K14, K2tog (42 sts).

Next Row - P. Place marker at each end of last row to mark placement for mouth.

Shape Snout

Next Row - Inc in first st, K13, (K2tog, K2) twice, sL1K, K1, psso, K2, sL1K, K1, psso, K13, inc in last st.

Next Row - Inc in first st, P to last st, inc in last st.

Next Row - Inc in first st, K14, K2tog, K1, K2tog, K2, sL1K, K1, psso, K1, sL1K, K1, psso, K14, inc in last st.

Next Row - Inc in first st, P to last st, inc in last st.

Next Row - Inc in first st, K15, (K2tog) twice, K2, (sL1K, K1, psso) twice, K15, inc in last st.

Next Row - Inc in first st, P to last st, inc in last st (42 sts).

Next Row - sL1K, K1, psso, K15, K2tog, K4, sL1K, K1, psso, K15, K2tog.

Next Row - P2tog, P to last 2 sts, P2tog tbl.

Next Row - sL1K, K1, psso, K12, K2tog, K4, sL1K, K1, psso, K12, K2tog (32 sts).

Next Row - P.

Next Row - K20, turn.

Next Row - sL1P, P7.

Next Row - sL1P, K11.

Next Row - sL1P, P15.

Next Row - sL1P, K19.

Next Row - sL1P, P23.

Next Row - sL1P, K 27.

Next Row - P32. Break Dark Grey.

Shape Nose

Join in Flesh and starting with a K row, work 2 rows in st st.

Next Row - K24, turn.

Next Row - sL1P, P15.

Next Row - sL1P, K23.

Next Row - P32.

Next Row - (K2tog) 16 times (16 sts).

Next Row - P.

Next Row - (K2tog) 8 times (8 sts).

Break yarn, thread through rem sts, pull up tightly and fasten off.

Join under-snout and nose seam. Sew shaped edges of lower edge of head shaping to cast-off sts at centre front, placing markers at centre.

CHIN

With Dark Grey, cast on 2 sts.

1st Row - (RS), K2.

2nd Row - Inc purlwise in each st (4 sts).

Cont in st st, inc 1 st at each end of next and every alt row until there are 18 sts, ending with a P row.

Next Row - K15, turn.

Next Row - sL1P, P11, turn.

Next Row - sL1P, K7, turn.

Next Row - sL1P, P3, turn.

Next Row - sL1P, K10.

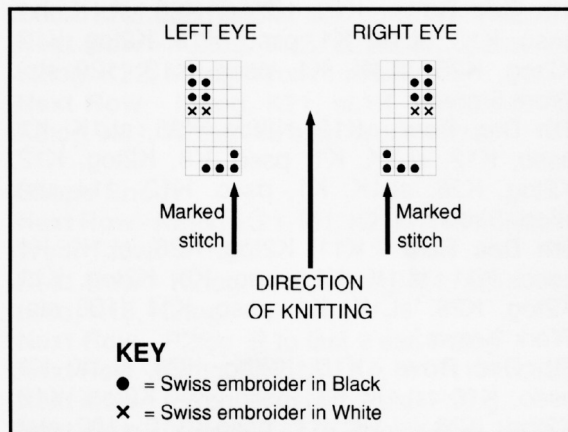
Next Row - P18. Cast off **loosely**.

MOUTH

With Dark Pink, cast on 12 sts and starting with a K row, work in st st for 6 rows. Break Dark Pink. Join in Pale Pink and cont in st st, dec 1 st at each end of next row. Work 1 row. Dec 1 st at each end of next 4 rows. Cast off rem 2 sts.

Sew cast-off edge of chin around shaped edge of mouth. Sew shaped edges of chin around chin shaping on head between markers, then cast-on edge of mouth to shaped edge under snout.

Using markers as a guide, swiss embroider eyes and eyebrows from charts.



Join back seam from neck to markers, leaving a gap for stuffing. Join leg and foot seams from markers to cast-on edge. Placing leg seam to markers at base of foot, oversew cast-on edges of each foot together.

Stuff head, feet, legs and body firmly (body should measure 72 cm at widest point). Close gap in back seam.

RIGHT HAND

****** With Dark Grey, cast on 24 sts and starting with a K row, work 2 rows in st st.

Next Row - K7, M1, K10, M1, K7. Work 1 row.

Next Row - K7, M1, K12, M1, K7. Work 1 row.

Next Row - K7, M1, K14, M1, K7. Work 1 row.

Next Row - K7, M1, K16, M1, K7 (32 sts).

Work 1 row. ******

Next Row - K23, M1, K2, M1, K7. Work 1 row.

Next Row - K23, M1, K4, M1, K7. Work 1 row.

Next Row - K23, M1, K6, M1, K7. Work 1 row.

Next Row - K23, M1, K8, M1, K7 (40 sts).

Work 1 row.

Shape Thumb and Fingers

Next Row - K32, turn.

***** Next Row** - Cast on 1 st, P8, turn (9 sts).

Break Dark Grey and join in Flesh.

Next Row - Cast on 1 st, K9 (10 sts).

Work 5 rows on these 10 sts.

Next Row - K1, (K2tog) 4 times, K1 (6 sts).

Next Row - P6.

Next Row - K1, (K2tog) twice, K1 (4 sts).

Break yarn, thread through rem sts, pull up tightly and fasten off. *******

With RS facing, rejoin Dark Grey to rem 8 sts on left-hand needle, K to end.

******** Starting with a P row, work 3 rows in st st across all 32 sts.

Break Dark Grey, join in Flesh and work 6 rows.

Next Row - (K1, K2tog, K1) 8 times (24 sts).

Next Row - P.

Next Row - (K2tog) 12 times (12 sts).

Next Row - P.

Cast off **loosely**, placing marker between 6th and 7th cast-off sts. ********.

RIGHT ARM

With RS facing and Olive, **knit up** 24 sts along cast-on edge of hand.

Next Row - P.

Starting with a K row, cont in st st, shaping sides by inc 1 st at each end of next and every foll 4th row until there are 36 sts. Work 7 rows straight, thus ending with a P row.

Shape top by casting off 2 sts at beg of next 2 rows. Dec 1 st at each end of next and every alt row until 24 sts rem, ending with a P row. Dec 1 st at each end of next 8 rows (8 sts). Cast off.

LEFT HAND

Work as for Right Hand from ****** to ******.

Next Row - K7, M1, K2, M1, K23. Work 1 row.

Next Row - K7, M1, K4, M1, K23. Work 1 row.

Next Row - K7, M1, K6, M1, K23. Work 1 row.

Next Row - K7, M1, K8, M1, K23 (40 sts).

Work 1 row.

Shape Thumb and Fingers

Next Row - K16, turn.

Work as for Right Hand from ******* to *******.

With RS facing, rejoin Dark Grey to rem 24 sts on left-hand needle, K to end.

Work as for Right Hand from ******** to ********.

LEFT ARM

Work as for Right Arm.

Join thumb seams. Stuff thumbs lightly. Join hand and arm seams. Placing hand seam to marker at cast-off edge, join cast-off edge of each hand.

Stuff hands lightly, then stuff arms firmly.

Using Flesh, sew 2 lines of tight running stitches from cast-on edge to end of fingertips evenly spaced to form 3 fingers on each hand.

Sew arms to sides of body, placing cast-off edge at top of each arm level with start of neck-shaping.

TAIL

With Dark Grey, cast on 12 sts and starting with a K row, work 6 rows in st st.

1st Dec Row - K2, K2tog, K4, K2tog, K2 (10 sts).
Work 5 rows.

2nd Dec Row - K2, K2tog, K2, K2tog, K2 (8 sts).
Work 3 rows.

3rd Dec Row - K1, K2tog, K2, K2tog, K1 (6 sts).
Work 1 row.

4th Dec Row - K1, (K2tog) twice, K1 (4 sts).
Break yarn, thread through rem sts, pull up tightly and fasten off.

Join tail seam. **Do not stuff.**

Placing tail seam at centre of cast-on sts, join cast-on edge together.

With top of tail 8 rows below top edge of trousers, sew tail in place to back of body.

TROUSER CUFFS (make 2)

With Bright Yellow, cast on 8 sts and work 27 cm in g st. Cast off.

Sew trouser cuffs in place to lower edge of trousers on each leg, placing cuff seams over leg seams.

COAT

Left Side of Back

** With Khaki, cast on 52 sts and **noting that first row is RS**, work 5 cm in g st, ending with RS facing for next row. **

Break yarn and leave sts on a spare needle.

Right Side of Back

Work as for Left Side of Back from ** to **.

Do not break yarn.

Main Piece of Back

Next Row - K across 52 sts of Right Side of Back, then K across 52 sts of Left Side of Back (104 sts).

Cont in g st until Back measures 16 cm from cast-on edge, ending with RS facing for next row.

Shape raglans by casting off 2 sts at beg of next 2 rows. Dec 1 st at each end of next and every row until 50 sts rem. Work 1 row, thus ending with RS facing for next row.

Dec 1 st at each end of next and every alt row until 32 sts rem, ending with RS facing. Cast off.

Left Front

With Khaki, cast on 52 sts and **noting that first row is RS**, work in g st until Left Front matches Back to start of raglan shaping, ending with RS facing for next row.

Shape raglan by casting off 2 sts at beg of next row. Work 1 row. Dec 1 st at beg of next row and 1 st at this same edge on every row until 25 sts rem. Work 1 row, thus ending with RS facing for next row.

Shape lapel and neck as follows:

Next Row - K2tog, K to last 9 sts, place marker in last st worked, cast off last 9 sts.

With **WS** facing, rejoin yarn to rem sts, K to end. Dec 1 st at each end of next and foll 2 alt rows (9 sts). Work 1 row.

Dec 1 st at raglan edge on next and foll 4 alt rows, **at the same time** dec 1 st at neck edge on 3rd and foll 4th row (2 sts). Work 1 row.

Next Row - K2tog and fasten off.

Right Front

With Khaki, cast on 52 sts and **noting that first row is RS**, work in g st until Right Front matches Back to start of raglan shaping, ending with **WS** facing for next row.

Shape raglan by casting off 2 sts at beg of next row. Dec 1 st at end of next row and 1 st at this same edge on every row until 25 sts rem. Work 1 row, thus ending with RS facing for next row.

Shape lapel and neck as follows:

Next Row - Cast off 9 sts, place marker in st on right-hand needle, K to last 2 sts, K2tog.

Work 1 row.

Dec 1 st at each end of next and foll 2 alt rows (9 sts). Work 1 row.

Dec 1 st at raglan edge on next and foll 4 alt rows, **at the same time** dec 1 st at neck edge on 3rd and foll 4th row (2 sts). Work 1 row.

Next Row - K2tog and fasten off.

Sleeves

With Khaki, cast on 38 sts and **noting that first row is RS**, work in g st, shaping sides by inc 1 st at each end of 7th and every foll 6th row until there are 48 sts. Work 5 rows, thus ending with RS facing for next row.

Shape raglans by casting off 2 sts at beg of next 2 rows. Work 2 rows.

Dec 1 st at each end of next and every foll 4th row until 36 sts rem, then on every foll alt row until 8 sts rem, ending with RS facing. Cast off.

Join raglan seams, stretching sleeve raglans to fit. Join side and sleeve seams.

Collar

With **WS** facing and Khaki, start at marker on left front lapel and **knit up** 12 sts up left side of neck, 8 sts across left sleeve, 32 sts across back, 8 sts across right sleeve, then 12 sts down right side of neck to marker (72 sts).

Next Row - K.

Cont in g st, inc 1 st at each end of next and foll 2 alt rows (78 sts). Work 1 row.

Place marker at each end of last row.

Next Row - K47, turn.

Next Row - sL1P, K15, turn.

Next Row - sL1P, K19, turn.

Cont thus, working 4 sts more on every row before turning until the row "sL1P, K39, turn" has been worked.

Next Row - sL1P, K to end.

Next Row - K across all sts.

Work 5 rows in g st across all sts. Cast off **loosely**.

Sew shaped side edges of Collar up to markers halfway across cast-off sts of lapels. Fold lapels and collar to RS and slip stitch in place.

SCARF

With Gold, cast on 4 sts and work 18 rows in g st. Break yarn and push sts to end of needle.

****** On same needle, cast on 4 sts and work 18 rows in g st. Break yarn. ******

Rep from ****** to ****** 3 times more, **noting not to break yarn at end of last rep** (5 fringes made).

Next Row - (RS), K4, *K across 4 sts of next fringe; rep from * 3 times more (20 sts).

Cont in g st across all sts until Scarf measures 80 cm from fringe joining row, ending with RS facing for next row.

Next Row - K4, turn and work on these 4 sts **only**. Work 18 rows in g st. Cast off.

******* With RS facing, rejoin yarn to rem sts, K4, turn and work on these 4 sts **only**.

Work 18 rows in g st. Cast off. *******

Rep from ******* to ******* 3 times more.

GLASSES

Form each pipe cleaner into a circle 3 cm in diameter, leaving a straight section approx 2 cm long on each piece to form nose piece. Twist nose pieces of each pipe cleaner together to join glasses.

Using Light Grey, wind yarn tightly all round glasses twice, making sure that pipe cleaners are completely covered. Work in buttonhole stitch all round glasses. Stitch onto snout.

