

The WOMBLES



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MEASUREMENTS: 30cm (12in) tall.

MATERIALS: Patons Icy Shimmer D.K., 50g balls: 1 in Winter White (shade no. 6564); Patons Super Chenille, 50g balls: 1 in Sand (shade no. 2463) and 1 in Cream (shade no. 2460); Patons Knit'n'Save DK, 25g balls: 2 each in Leaf (shade no. 7720) and Navy (shade no. 7817), and 1 each in White (shade no. 7813), Black (shade no. 7814), Sky Blue (shade no. 7916), and School Grey (shade no. 7920); Patons Fashion Mohair, 50g balls: 1 ball in White (shade no. 2785); 125g washable toy stuffing; an 8cm diameter circle of 5mm thick green washing-up sponge cloth; a 3cm square of cream felt; rust stranded embroidery cotton; white and sand sewing threads; Newey Fray Check; clear adhesive; pair of 3mm (no. 11) knitting needles; 3mm crochet hook; latched rug hook (optional); wire teasel or suede brush.

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TENSION: 26 sts and 36 rows to 10cm, worked over stocking stitch with Icy Shimmer or Knit'n'Save D.K. on 3mm needles.

ABBREVIATIONS: beg = beginning; cont = continue; dec = decrease by working 2 stitches together; gs = garter stitch; inc = increase by working into front and back of stitch; K = knit; M1 = make one stitch by winding yarn round needle; P = purl; PSSO = pass slipped stitch over; SKPO = slip one, knit one, pass slipped stitch over; sl = slip; st(s) = stitch(es); ss = stocking stitch; tog = together; YB = yarn back; YF = yarn forward.

NOTE: Work all pieces in stocking stitch on 3mm needles, beginning with a K row, unless otherwise stated.

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LEGS AND BODY make 1 piece

Right leg: With Navy Knit'n'Save cast on 56 sts for base edge and ss 4 rows.

Change to Sky Blue and K 1 row.

Cont in Leaf and P 1 row.

Shape top of foot, next row: K31, YF, sl 1, YB, turn.

***Next row:** Sl 1, P24, YB, sl 1, YF, turn.

Next row: Sl 1, K20, YF, sl 1, YB, turn.

Next row: Sl 1, P16, YB, sl 1, YF, turn.

Next row: Sl 1, K to end.

Next row: P across all sts [56 sts].*

Next row: K11, (sl 1, K 2 tog, PSSO, K4) three times, K to end [50 sts].

Change to Sky Blue and P 1 row.

Next row: Cont in Navy and K10, (sl 1, K 2 tog, PSSO, K2) three times, K to end [44 sts].

P 1 row.

Next row: K9, (sl 1, K 2 tog, PSSO) three times, K to end [38 sts].

K 1 row.

Change to Icy Shimmer and ss 8 rows.

Break yarn and slip sts on to a stitch holder.

Left leg: With Navy Knit'n'Save cast on 56 sts for base edge and ss 4 rows.

Change to Sky Blue and K 1 row.

Cont in Leaf and P 1 row.

Shape top of foot, next row: K49, YF, sl 1, YB, turn.

Work as given for right foot from * to *.

Next row: K28, (sl 1, K 2 tog, PSSO, K4) three times, K7 [50 sts].

Change to Sky Blue and P 1 row.

Next row: Cont in Navy and K27, (sl 1, K 2 tog, PSSO, K2) three times, K8 [44 sts].

P 1 row.

Next row: K26, (sl 1, K 2 tog, PSSO) three times, K9 [38 sts].

K 1 row.

Change to Icy Shimmer and ss 8 rows.

Join legs for body, next row: Inserting coloured marker threads at beg and end of row, K36, SKPO from left leg sts, then K 2 tog, K36 from held right leg sts [74 sts].

P 1 row.

Shape body, next row: K4, (K4, inc 1, K9) to end [79 sts].

P 1 row.

Next row: K4, (K5, inc 1, K9) to end [84 sts].

Ss 17 rows.

Shape top of body, next row: (K6, K 2 tog, K6) to end [78 sts].

Ss 7 rows.

Next row: (K6, K 2 tog, K5) to end [72 sts].

Ss 7 rows.

Next row: (K5, K 2 tog, K5) to end [66 sts].

Ss 5 rows.

Next row: K9, (SKPO, K4, K 2 tog) twice, K16, (SKPO, K4, K 2 tog) twice, K9 [58 sts].

Ss 3 rows.

Next row: K9, (SKPO, K2, K 2 tog) twice, K16, (SKPO, K2, K 2 tog) twice, K9 [50 sts].

P 1 row.

Next row: K9, (SKPO, K 2 tog) twice, K16, (SKPO, K 2 tog) twice, K9 [42 sts].

P 1 row.

Cast off for shoulder edge.

SLIPPER SOLES make 2 pieces

With Black Knit'n'Save cast on 9 sts for back edge and ss 2 rows.

Inc 1 st at beg and end of next row.

Ss 3 rows.

Repeat the last 4 rows two more times [15 sts].

Ss 10 rows.

Dec 1 st at beg and end of next row.

P 1 row.

Repeat the last 2 rows two more times [9 sts].

Cast off for front edge.

SLIPPER TONGUES make 2 pieces

With Navy Knit'n'Save cast on 11 sts for front base edge and ss 4 rows.

Change to Sky Blue and K 1 row.

Cont in Navy and ss 3 rows, beg with a P row, dec 1 st at beg and end of first and third rows [7 sts].

Inc 1 st at beg and end of next row.

P 1 row.

Repeat the last 2 rows once more [11 sts].

Ss 4 rows.

Cast off for back base edge.

HEAD make 1 piece

With Sand Super Chenille cast on 10 sts for back edge and ss 2 rows.

Next row: Inc into every st to end [20 sts].

Ss 3 rows.

Next row: (Inc 1, K1) to end [30 sts].

Ss 3 rows.

Next row: (K1, inc 1, K1) to end [40 sts].

Ss 5 rows.

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Next row: (K1, inc 1, K2) to end [50 sts].

Ss 11 rows.

Next row: (K2, K 2 tog, K1) to end [40 sts].

Ss 9 rows.

Next row: (K1, K 2 tog, K1) to end [30 sts].

Ss 9 rows.

Next row: (K1, K 2 tog) to end [20 sts].

Ss 7 rows.

Next row: K2, (K 2 tog, K1) to end [14 sts].

Ss 3 rows.

Next row: K1, (K 2 tog) six times, K1 [8 sts].

P 1 row.

Change to Black Knit'n'Save for nose and P 1 row.

Next row: Inc into every st K wise to end [16 sts].

Ss 5 rows, beg with a P row.

Next row: (K 2 tog) to end [8 sts].

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

NECK make 1 piece

With Black Knit'n'Save cast on 42 sts and ss 6 rows.

Cast off.

ARMS make 2 pieces

With Icy Shimmer cast on 8 sts for top of arm and ss 2 rows.

Inc 1 st at beg and end of next row.

Ss 3 rows.

Repeat the last 4 rows four more times [18 sts].

Cast on 4 sts at beg of next 2 rows for underarm [26 sts].

Ss 6 rows.

Inc 1 st at beg and end of next row [28 sts].

Ss 7 rows.

Cast off for wrist edge.

HANDS make 2 pieces

With Sand Super Chenille cast on 22 sts for wrist edge and ss 2 rows.

Shape thumb: Cast on 6 sts at beg of next 2 rows [34 sts].

Next row: K14, inc 1, K3, inc 1, K15 [36 sts].

Ss 3 rows.

Cast off 5 sts at beg of next 2 rows [26 sts].

Ss 2 rows.

Divide for fingers, next row: K3, inc 1, (K2, inc 1) twice, K5, inc 1 [20 sts], turn and work on these sts only.

****Next row:** P8, turn and work on these sts only.

Ss 6 rows.

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.**

Work ring finger, next row: With held 12 sts on right hand needle, rejoin yarn to work and K2, inc 1 from sts on left hand needle [16 sts], turn and work on these sts only.

Work from ** to **.

Work middle finger, next row: With held 8 sts on right hand needle, rejoin yarn to

work and K2, inc 1 from sts on left hand needle [12 sts], turn and work on these sts only.

Work from ** to **.

Work index finger, next row: With held 4 sts on right hand needle, rejoin yarn to work and K remaining 4 sts from left hand needle [8 sts].

Ss 7 rows.

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

EARS make 2 pieces

With Cream Super Chenille cast on 12 sts for top edge and ss 14 rows.

Dec 1 st at beg and end of next row.

Ss 3 rows.

Repeat the last 4 rows two more times [6 sts].

Cast off.

EAR LININGS make 2 pieces

Work as given for ears, using Sand Super Chenille throughout.

EYES make 2 pieces

With White Knit'n'Save cast on 12 sts and ss 5 rows.

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

EYELIDS make 2 pieces

With Sand Super Chenille cast on 6 sts and ss 2 rows.

Dec 1 st at beg and end of next row [4 sts].

Cast off.

SHAWL make 1 piece

With Sky Blue Knit'n'Save cast on 90 sts.

Stripe pattern: 8 rows Leaf, 1 row Sky Blue, 4 rows Navy, 10 rows Leaf, 4 rows Navy, 1 row Sky Blue.

These 28 rows form the pattern.

Work in pattern throughout.

Next row: K 2 tog, K to end.

Next row: P to last 2 sts, P 2 tog.,

Next row: K 2 tog, K to end.

Next row: P to last 2 sts, P 2 tog.

Repeat the last 6 rows five more times [66 sts].

Next row: Cast off 26 sts, K to end [40 sts].

P 1 row.

Next row: K 2 tog, K to end.

Next row: P to last 2 sts, P 2 tog.

Repeat the last 2 rows five more times [28 sts].

Ss 36 rows.

Next row: K 2 tog, K to end.

Next row: P to last 2 sts, P 2 tog.

Next row: K 2 tog, K to end.

Next row: P to last 2 sts, P 2 tog.

Ss 2 rows.

Repeat the last 6 rows four more times [8 sts]. Then the first 4 rows once more [4 sts].

Cast off.

SHAWL EDGING make 1 piece

With Black Knit'n'Save cast on 4 sts.

Row 1: K1, M1, K3.

Rows 2 & 10: P4, K1.

Row 3: K1, M1, K 2 tog, M1, K2.

Rows 4 & 8: P5, K1.

Row 5: K1, M1, K 2 tog, M1, K3.

Row 6: P6, K1.

Row 7: (K 2 tog, M1) twice, K 2 tog, K1.

Row 9: K 2 tog, M1, K 2 tog, K2.

Row 11: K 2 tog, K3.

Row 12: P3, K1.

Repeat these 12 rows nineteen more times.

Cast off.

HAT SIDE make 1 piece

With Leaf Knit'n'Save cast on 62 sts for base edge and ss 8 rows.

Change to Sky Blue and K 1 row.

Cont in Navy and ss 4 rows, beg with a P row.

K 1 row.

Cast off for top edge.

HAT CROWN make 1 piece

With Leaf Knit'n'Save cast on 7 sts and ss 1 row.

Inc 1 st at beg and end of next 4 rows [15 sts].

Change to Navy and inc 1 st at beg and end of next row.

K 1 row.

Repeat the last 2 rows once more [19 sts].

Change to Sky Blue and inc 1 st at beg and end of next row [21 sts].

Change to Leaf and ss 10 rows.

Change to Sky Blue and K 1 row.

Change to Navy and dec 1 st at beg and end of next row.

K 1 row.

Repeat the last 2 rows once more [17 sts].

Change to Leaf and dec 1 st at beg and end of next 5 rows [7 sts].

Cast off.

HAT BUTTON make 1 piece

With Black Knit'n'Save work as given for eye.

HAIR AND SIDEBURNS make 1 piece

With Fashion Mohair cast on 60 sts for base edge and ss 2 rows.

Dec 1 st at beg and end of next 10 rows for sideburns [40 sts].

Cast off for top edge.

TO MAKE UP

Treat purl side of all pieces knitted in Super Chenille and Fashion Mohair as right side. Sewing is made easier if you use a D.K. yarn of matching shade when joining pieces knitted in textured yarns.

Join each leg seam from slipper base edge up to marker thread, then join back body seam and remove markers. Sew sole to base of each slipper, matching centre front points of slipper and sole. Stuff legs and body firmly

then, with body seam running down centre back, fold shoulder edge flat and join. Join each arm seam from wrist edge to underarm. Join finger seams on each hand, and sew down side of index finger and all round thumb. Stuff fingers and thumb, using tweezers to push stuffing into place, then stuff remainder of hand firmly. Position and sew hands to arms, matching arm seam to centre of palm, then stuff arms firmly and sew top edges to sides of body, adding more stuffing if necessary. Bend fingers into position and hold in place with a few stitches, using sewing thread. Take head piece and join nose seam, then work a gathering thread through every stitch along first row of nose. Stuff nose firmly, then draw up gathering thread and fasten off. Join head seam from nose to back edge, leaving a 5cm space open at back. Stuff firmly, then join remainder of seam. Work a gathering thread through every stitch along back edge, draw up tightly and fasten off. Join side seam on neck piece and sew cast on edge to top of body. Stuff firmly, then position and sew head to cast off edge of neck. Wrap hair and sideburns piece round head, placing base edge in line with top of neck at back of head and sideburn ends 4cm away from base of nose, 2cm apart. Sew in place, leaving top edge open and gathering base edge slightly to fit back neck, then stuff lightly and sew down top edge. Join ear and ear lining pieces together, then position and sew to sides of head. Embroider tartan pattern over shawl in following manner. With Navy Knit'n'Save, Swiss darn a 3 stitch wide vertical stripe parallel to straight side edge, starting on the 8th knit stitch in from edge. Work successive stripes of Navy across shawl, leaving a space of 7 knit stitches between each stripe. With Sky Blue Knit'n'Save, Swiss

darn vertical stripes over the first and last stitches of each alternate 7 stitch space, embroidering a single stitch every alternate row to form dotted lines. Sew edging strip to cast on and straight side edges of shawl then, following instructions on ball band, press shawl and edging lightly on wrong side. Join side edges of hat side piece, then sew top edge to hat crown. Swiss darn Navy vertical stripes and Sky Blue dotted lines round side as for shawl. Mark centre vertical line of hat crown with tacking thread then, leaving a 7 stitch wide space down centre, Swiss darn a Navy stripe and Sky Blue dotted line at each side as before and remove tacking. Fit sponge circle in crown, stuff lightly, then position and sew to head. With Black Knit'n'Save, crochet a 5cm long chain, leaving a length of yarn at each end. Take sixteen 15cm lengths of Black Knit'n'Save and tie securely in centre with yarn at one end of chain. Fold at this point and bind 1cm below with more black yarn to form a tassel. Trim tassel to measure 5cm, then sew opposite end of chain to centre of hat crown. Join side seam on hat button, stuff lightly, then work a gathering thread through every stitch along cast on edge, draw up tightly and fasten off. Sew to centre of crown. Join side seam on each eye piece, stuff lightly, then work a gathering thread through every stitch along cast on edge, draw up tightly and fasten off. Position and sew to head with sewing thread, then sew an eyelid over top half of each eye, using sewing thread. With a length of Black Knit'n'Save, embroider a single chain stitch on each eye for pupil, then embroider a circle of 9 chain stitches round each pupil, using Sky Blue Knit'n'Save. Cut several 10cm lengths of Fashion Mohair and, using crochet or rug hook and a single length of yarn for each tassel, tuft a

triangular shape at front of each ear, then work 6 rows of tufting at back of head, starting at top of hair piece and working downwards. Trim ends of yarn, then brush hair, sideburns, and tufts with tease or suede brush until fluffy. With School Grey Knit'n'Save, crochet one 25cm, and two 10cm lengths of chain. Trace off outline of glasses frame and tape tracing to a piece of corrugated cardboard. Cover with clear plastic, cut from a bag, and tape in place. Use longer chain to follow outline of frame and hold in place with pins, pushing into cardboard, then pin the two shorter 'arm' chains to card in straight lines. Spread chains with Fray Check and leave to dry. Remove pins, trim away excess chain on frame, then glue trimmed ends in place. Position and glue base of frame to head, 2cm in front of eyes, then trim each arm chain to fit and glue to frame and front edge of ear. Mark centre front vertical line of each slipper with tacking thread. Leaving a space of 5 knit stitches at centre front, Swiss darn vertical Navy stripes and Sky Blue dotted lines as before, this time leaving a space of only 6 knit stitches between each Navy stripe. Fold each slipper tongue in half and join side edges. With Leaf Knit'n'Save, Swiss darn a vertical, 5 stitch wide, stripe in centre of front section, working from base edge up to Sky Blue stripe. Position and sew tongues centrally to front of slippers. Wrap shawl round body, overlapping by 2cm at centre front, and hold in place at top of overlap with a few stitches. Trace off Womble badge and transfer to felt, then separate 3 strands from a length of rust embroidery cotton and use to embroider over each line with chain stitch. Trim away felt close to outside edge of circle, then sew badge to shawl, using embroidery cotton.



WOMBLE BADGE
trace-off pattern

