



GNASHER

Materials Required :

D.K. yarn: 1 x 50g ball in Black and Flesh; small amount in White; Chunky yarn: 1 x 50g ball in Black; 50g washable toy stuffing; white sewing thread; pair of 3mm/No.11 knitting needles; 2.5mm crochet hook or latched rug hook.

Measurements

18cm/7in tall.

Body

Make 1 piece
With black cast on 40 sts for neck edge and ss 4 rows.
Next row: (K3, inc 1) to end [50 sts].
Ss 3 rows.
Next row: (K4, inc 1) to end [60 sts].
Ss 35 rows.
Shape tail end, next row: (K2, K 2 tog) to end [45 sts].
Ss 3 rows.
Next row: (K1, K 2 tog) to end [30 sts].
Ss 3 rows.
Next row: (K 2 tog) to end [15 sts].
P 1 row.
Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

Head

Make 2 pieces
With black cast on 14 sts for base edge and ss 2 rows.

Shape base of head: Inc 1 st at beg and end of next 6 rows [26 sts].
Ss 22 rows.
Shape top of head: Dec 1 st at beg of next 6 rows [20 sts].
Dec 1 st at beg and end of next 4 rows [12 sts].
Cast off.

Face

Make 1 piece
With flesh cast on 10 sts for base edge and ss 2 rows.
Shape chin, next row: Inc 1, (K2, inc 1) to end [14 sts].
P 1 row.
Next row: Inc 1, (K3, inc 1) three times, K1 [18 sts].
P 1 row.
Next row: K1, inc 1, (K4, inc 1) three times, K1 [22 sts].
P 1 row.
Next row: K1, inc 1, (K5, inc 1) three times, K2 [26 sts].
P 1 row.
Shape cheeks, next row: (Inc 1) four times, K18, (inc 1) four times [34 sts].
Ss 3 rows.
Shape muzzle, next row: K15, inc 1, K1, inc 1, K16 [36 sts].
P 1 row.
Next row: K16, inc 1, K1, inc 1, K17 [38 sts].
P 1 row.
Next row: K17, inc 1, K1, inc 1, K18 [40 sts].
P 1 row.
Next row: K18, inc 1, K1, inc 1, K19 [42 sts].
Shape cheeks, next row: (P 2 tog) four times, P26, (P 2 tog) four times [34 sts].
Cast off for top of muzzle, next row: K9, cast off next 16 sts, K to end [18 sts].
Ss 7 rows.
Shape top of face: Dec 1 st at beg of next 4 rows [14 sts].
Dec 1 st at beg and end of next 2 rows [10 sts].
Cast off.

Nose

Make 1 piece
With black cast on 6 sts and ss 6 rows.
Cast off.

Teeth

Make 1 piece
With white cast on 18 sts and ss 4 rows.
Change to flesh for bottom lip and ss 4 rows.
Cast off.

Eyes

Make 2 pieces
With white cast on 12 sts.
Next row: (K 2 tog, K2, SKPO) twice [8 sts].
Cast off.

Ears

Make 4 pieces
With flesh cast on 9 sts for base edge and ss 8 rows.
Dec 1 st at beg and end of next 2 rows [5 sts].
Cast off.

Legs

Make 4 pieces
With flesh cast on 20 sts and gs 2 rows.
Shape knee, next row: K9, (inc 1) twice, K9 [22 sts].
K 1 row.
Next row: K10, (inc 1) twice, K10 [24 sts].
K 1 row.
Next row: K11, (inc 1) twice, K11 [26 sts].
Gs 5 rows.
Next row: K11, (K 2 tog) twice, K11 [24 sts].
K 1 row.
Next row: K10, (K 2 tog) twice, K10 [22 sts].
K 1 row.
Next row: K9, (K 2 tog) twice, K9 [20 sts].
K 1 row.
Cast off.

Feet

Make 4 pieces
With flesh cast on 22 sts for front edge and ss 14 rows.
Next row: (SKPO, K7, K 2 tog) twice [18 sts].
P 1 row.
Next row: (SKPO, K5, K 2 tog) twice [14 sts].
P 1 row.
Next row: (SKPO, K3, K 2 tog) twice [10 sts].
P 1 row.
Cast off.

Tail

Make 1 piece
With black cast on 10 sts and ss 4 rows.
Dec 1 st at beg and end of next row.
Ss 5 rows.
Repeat the last 6 rows two more times [4 sts].
Cast off.

To Make Up

Join head pieces, leaving a 5cm space open. Stuff firmly, then join opening. Take face piece, fold cast off edge at top of muzzle in half and join. Pin face in position on front of head, stuffing cheeks, muzzle and chin firmly, then sew in place. Gather round nose piece and draw up tightly,

stuffing lightly, then position and sew to tip of muzzle. Fold back lip section of teeth piece and sew cast off edge to first row of flesh yarn to form a tiny hem. Pin teeth and lip piece in position and oversew in place with sewing thread. Fold each eye piece in half and join side edges and across cast off edge to make an oval shape. Oversew in place with sewing thread. Using black yarn, and working in split stitch, outline eyes and teeth, then separate teeth with three vertical lines. Also work eyebrows in split stitch. Work three chain stitches in a circle on each eye for pupil. Embroider three tiny straight stitches at each side of nose for whiskers, and work a straight stitch at both top corners of mouth for smile lines. Using white yarn, Swiss darn a 2 stitch wide, 2 row deep, 'gloss' mark on nose. Join ear pieces together in pairs, then sew to top of head, placing 8 knit stitches apart. Join body seam, leaving neck edge open, and stuff firmly. Having seam running along underside of body, sew neck edge to back of head. Join cast on and cast off edges of each leg piece and stuff firmly. Join side edges of each foot piece, leaving cast on edge open. Stuff firmly and join opening. Using flesh yarn, define toes by working single stitches of flesh yarn round end of foot, drawing up each stitch to indent. Sew feet and legs together, then position and sew legs to body. Join side edges of tail, then sew cast on edge to body. Cut several 7cm lengths of chunky yarn. Using crochet or rug hook and one length of yarn for each tassel, work fringing over body and head, working tassels 2 knit stitches and 3 knit rows apart. When fringing head, outline face section first with a line of tassels, then fill in remainder. Trim ends of yarn to neaten.