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MATERIALS : TDB D.K. 2 in Pale Green, and 1 each in White, Rust, Dark Brown, Bright Coral, Dark Beige, and Black; 125g of washable toy stuffing; pair of 3mm (no.11) knitting needles; rust pencil.

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

TENSION: 26 sts and 36 rows to 10cm, worked over stocking stitch with **TDB D.K.** on 3mm needles.

MEASUREMENTS: 38cm/15in tall

NOTE: Begin all pieces worked in stocking stitch with a K row, unless otherwise stated.

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BREECHES AND SHIRT (MAKE 1 PIECE)

Right leg: *With Pale Green cast on 18 sts for base edge and gs 2 rows.

Next row: Inc into every st to end [36 sts].
P 1 row.

Next row: (K1, inc 1, K1) to end [48 sts].
Ss 9 rows.*

Break yarn and slip sts on to a stitch holder.

Left leg: As right leg from * to *.

Join legs

Next row: Inserting coloured marker threads at beg and end of row, K46, SKPO from left leg sts, then K 2 tog, K46 from held right leg sts [94 sts].

P 1 row.

Next row: K1, (K 2 tog, K42, SKPO) twice, K1 [90 sts].

P 1 row.

Next row: K1, (K 2 tog, K40, SKPO) twice, K1 [86 sts].

Ss 7 rows.

Next row: K5, (K2, K 2 tog, K5) to end [77 sts].

Ss 5 rows.

Next row: K5, (K1, K 2 tog, K5) to end [68 sts].

Ss 5 rows.

Change to White for shirt and ss 8 rows.

Next row: K2, (K5, K 2 tog, K4) to end [62 sts].

Ss 7 rows.

Next row: K2, (K4, K 2 tog, K4) to end [56 sts].

Ss 7 rows.

Next row: K2, (K4, K 2 tog, K3) to end [50 sts].

Ss 3 rows.

Shape shoulders

Next row: K11, (K 2 tog) twice, K20, (K 2 tog) twice, K11 [46 sts].

Next row: P10, (P 2 tog) twice, P18, (P 2 tog) twice, P10 [42 sts].

Next row: K9, (K 2 tog) twice, K16, (K 2 tog) twice, K9 [38 sts].

Next row: P8, (P 2 tog) twice, P14, (P 2 tog) twice, P8 [34 sts].

Change to Rust for neck and ss 6 rows.

Cast off for neck edge.

LEGS (MAKE 2 PIECES)

With Dark Brown cast on 11 sts for base edge and ss 2 rows.

Next row: Inc into every st to end [22 sts].

Ss 3 rows.

Inc 1 st at beg and end of next row [24 sts].

P 1 row.

Shape front of paw

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

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

Next row: Sl 1, K12, YF, sl 1, YB, turn.

Next row: Sl 1, P8, YB, sl 1, YF, turn.

Next row: Sl 1, K to end.

Next row: P across all sts [24 sts].

Next row: Inc 1, K3, (K 2 tog) eight times, K2, inc 1, K1 [18 sts].

P 1 row.

Next row: Inc 1, K6, K 2 tog, SKPO, K5, inc 1, K1 [18 sts].

P 1 row.

Repeat the last 2 rows three more times.

Ss 8 rows.

Cast off for top edge.

HEAD (MAKE 1 PIECE)

With Rust cast on 15 sts for back edge and ss 2 rows.

Next row: Inc into every st to end [30 sts].

P 1 row.

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

P 1 row.

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

Ss 3 rows.

Next row: (K2, inc 1, K2) to end [60 sts].

Ss 3 rows.

Next row: (K2, inc 1, K3) to end [70 sts].

Ss 17 rows.

Shape front

Next row: (K3, K 2 tog, K2) to end [60 sts].

Work white undersnout

Next row: Using a separate ball of yarn for each colour change and twisting yarns where colours meet, P6 White, 48 Rust, 6 White.

Next row: With White (K2, K 2 tog, K2), with Rust (K2, K 2 tog, K2) eight times, with White (K2, K 2 tog, K2) [50 sts].

Next row: P10 White, 30 Rust, 10 White.

Next row: With White (K2, K 2 tog, K1) twice, with Rust (K2, K 2 tog, K1)

six times, with White (K2, K 2 tog, K1) twice [40 sts].

Next row: P8 White, 24 Rust, 8 White.

Next row: With White (K1, K 2 tog, K1) twice, with Rust (K1, K 2 tog, K1) six times, with White (K1, K 2 tog, K1) twice [30 sts].

Next row: P6 White, 18 Rust, 6 White.

Next row: K6 White, 18 Rust, 6 White.

Repeat the last 2 rows once more.

Next row: P6 White, 18 Rust, 6 White.

Next row: With White (K2, K 2 tog, K2) with Rust (K2, K 2 tog, K2) three times, with White (K2, K 2 tog, K2) [25 sts].

Next row: P6 White, 13 Rust, 6 White.

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Next row: With White (K3, K 2 tog, K1),

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with Rust (K1, (K 2 tog, K2) three times), with White (K1, K 2 tog, K3) [20 sts].
Next row: P6 White, 8 Rust, 6 White.
Next row: K6 White, 8 Rust, 6 White.
Next row: P6 White, 8 Rust, 6 White.
Next row: With White (K3, K 2 tog, K1), with Rust (K 2 tog, (K1, K 2 tog) twice), with White (K1, K 2 tog, K3) [15 sts].
Next row: P6 White, 3 Rust, 6 White.
Next row: K6 White, 3 Rust, 6 White.
 Repeat the last 2 rows once more.
Next row: P across all sts in White. Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread through sts on needle, draw up tightly and fasten off.

SHIRT COLLAR (MAKE 1 PIECE)

With White cast on 38 sts for top edge and ss 5 rows.
 Cast off for neck edge.

CRAVAT (MAKE 1 PIECE)

With White cast on 7 sts for neck edge and ss 2 rows.
Next row: Inc into every st to end [14 sts].
 Ss 9 rows.
 Dec 1 st at beg and end of next 6 rows [2 sts].
 Cast off for base edge.

WAISTCOAT (MAKE 1 PIECE)

Right base: With Bright Coral cast on 20 sts for base edge and ss 2 rows.
 Inc 1 st at beg of next row.
 P 1 row.
 Repeat the last 2 rows two more times [23 sts].
 Break yarn and slip sts on to a stitch holder.
Left base: With Bright Coral cast on 20 sts for base edge and ss 2 rows.
 Inc 1 st at end of next row.
 P 1 row.
 Repeat the last 2 rows two more times [23 sts].
Join base pieces
Next row: K21, SKPO from left base sts, then K 2 tog, K21 from held right base sts [44 sts].
 P 1 row.

Shape centre front

Next row: K20, SKPO, K 2 tog, K20 [42 sts].
 Ss 3 rows.
Next row: K19, SKPO, K 2 tog, K19 [40 sts].
 P 1 row.
Next row: K18, SKPO, K 2 tog, K18 [38 sts].
 Ss 3 rows.
Next row: K17, SKPO, K 2 tog, K17 [36 sts].
 P 1 row.
Next row: K16, SKPO, K 2 tog, K16 [34 sts].
 Ss 3 rows.
Next row: K15, SKPO, K 2 tog, K15 [32 sts].
 P 1 row.
Divide for left front, next row: K16, turn and work on these sts only.
 P 1 row.
 Dec 1 st at end of next row.

Dec 1 st at beg of next row.
 Dec 1 st at beg and end of next row.
 Repeat the last 4 rows once more [8 sts].
 P 1 row.
Shape shoulder
Next row: Cast off 3 sts, K to end [5 sts].
 Dec 1 st at beg of next row [4 sts].
 Cast off.
Work right front
Next row: Rejoin yarn to held 16 sts and ss 2 rows.
 Dec 1 st at beg of next row.
 Dec 1 st at end of next row.
 Dec 1 st at beg and end of next row.
 P 1 row.
 Repeat the last 4 rows once more [8 sts].
 Dec 1 st at beg of next row [7 sts].
Shape shoulder
Next row: Cast off 3 sts, P to end [4 sts].
 K 1 row.
 Cast off.

RIGHT WAISTCOAT LAPEL (MAKE 1 PIECE)

With Bright Coral cast on 2 sts for base edge and ss 2 rows.
 Inc 1 st at end of next row.
 Ss 3 rows.
 Repeat the last 4 rows two more times [5 sts].
 K 1 row.
Next row: Cast off 3 sts, cast on 3 sts, P to end [5 sts].
 Ss 4 rows.
 Cast off for shoulder edge.

LEFT WAISTCOAT LAPEL (MAKE 1 PIECE)

With Bright Coral cast on 2 sts for base edge and ss 2 rows.
 Inc 1 st at beg of next row.
 Ss 3 rows.
 Repeat the last 4 rows two more times [5 sts].
Next row: Cast off 3 sts, cast on 3 sts, K to end [5 sts].
 Ss 5 rows.
 Cast off for shoulder edge.

JACKET (MAKE 1 PIECE)

Left tail: With Pale Green cast on 31 sts for base edge and ss 2 rows.
Shape front edge: Inc 1 st at end of next row.
 P 1 row.
 Repeat the last 2 rows four more times [36 sts].
 Ss 2 rows.
 Break yarn and slip sts on to a stitch holder.
Right tail: With Pale Green cast on 31 sts for base edge and ss 2 rows.
Shape front edge: Inc 1 st at beg of next row.
 P 1 row.
 Repeat the last 2 rows four more times [36 sts].
 Ss 2 rows.
Join tails
Next row: K34, SKPO from right tail sts, then K 2 tog, K34 from held left tail sts [70 sts].

Ss 3 rows.
Next row: K6, (K 2 tog, K6) to end [62 sts].
 Ss 11 rows.
Next row: K6, (K 2 tog, K5) to end [54 sts].
 Ss 7 rows, inserting marker threads at beg and end of last row.
Shape lapels: Dec 1 st at beg and end of next row [52 sts].
 P 1 row.
 Dec 1 st at beg and end of next row [50 sts].
Next row: P2, (P2, P 2 tog, P4) to end [44 sts].
 Dec 1 st at beg and end of next row [42 sts].
 P 1 row.
Shape shoulders and lapels
Next row: SKPO, K4, SKPO, K 2 tog, K22, SKPO, K 2 tog, K4, K 2 tog [36 sts].
 P 1 row.
Next row: SKPO, K2, SKPO, K 2 tog, K20, SKPO, K 2 tog, K2, K 2 tog [30 sts].
 P 1 row.
Next row: (SKPO) twice, K 2 tog, K18, SKPO, (K 2 tog) twice [24 sts].
 P 1 row.
 Cast off for back neck edge.

JACKETCOLLAR (MAKE 1 PIECE)

Take jacket piece with wrong side of work facing and, working between marker threads, use Pale Green to K up 14 sts from left front neck, 24 sts from back neck, and 14 sts from right front neck, evenly spaced [52 sts].
 P 1 row.
Next row: K50, YF, sl 1, YB, turn.
Next row: Sl 1, P48, YB, sl 1, YF, turn.
Next row: Sl 1, K44, YF, sl 1, YB, turn.
Next row: Sl 1, P40, YB, sl 1, YF, turn.
Next row: Sl 1, K36, YF, sl 1, YB, turn.
Next row: Sl 1, P32, YB, sl 1, YF, turn.
Next row: Sl 1, K28, 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.
 Cast off all 52 sts K wise and remove markers.

SLEEVES (MAKE 2 PIECES)

With White cast on 24 sts for shirt cuff edge and ss 2 rows.
 Change to Pale Green for jacket and gs 2 rows.
 Ss 8 rows, beg with a K row.
Next row: (K2, inc 1, K3) to end [28 sts].
 Ss 11 rows.
Shape sleeve head: Cast off 3 sts at beg of next 2 rows [22 sts].
 Dec 1 st at beg of next 16 rows [6 sts].
 Cast off.

PAWS (MAKE 2 PIECES)

With Dark Brown cast on 24 sts for wrist edge and ss 2 rows.
Next row: (K1, K 2 tog, K1) to end [18 sts].
 Ss 5 rows.

Next row: (K1, inc 1, K1) to end [24 sts].

Ss 3 rows.

Next row: (K4, K 2 tog, K1, SKPO, K2) twice, K2 [20 sts].

P 1 row.

Next row: (K3, K 2 tog, K1, SKPO, K1) twice, K2 [16 sts].

P 1 row.

Cast off.

EAR BACKS (MAKE 2 PIECES)

With Dark Brown cast on 14 sts for base edge and ss 4 rows.

Dec 1 st at beg and end of next row.

Ss 3 rows.

Repeat the last 4 rows once more [10 sts].

*Dec 1 st at beg and end of next row.

P 1 row.

Repeat the last 2 rows once more [6 sts].

Dec 1 st at beg and end of next 2 rows [2 sts].

Cast off.

EAR FRONTS (MAKE 2 PIECES)

With White cast on 12 sts for base edge and ss 6 rows.

Dec 1 st at beg and end of next row [10 sts].

Ss 5 rows.

Work as given for ear backs from * to end.

BRUSH (MAKE 1 PIECE)

With Rust cast on 10 sts for top edge and ss 2 rows.

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

Ss 7 rows.

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

Ss 7 rows.

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

Ss 27 rows.

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

Ss 3 rows.

Change to White for tip and ss 4 rows.

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

Ss 7 rows.

Next row: (K 2 tog) to end [10 sts].

P 1 row.

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

TO MAKE UP

Join each inside leg from base edge up to marker thread, then join back body seam from markers up to neck edge. Remove markers and stuff body and legs firmly through neck opening. Fold each leg in half and join across base edge and up back seam. Stuff firmly, then sew top edge of leg to base edge of breeches, placing leg seam 4 knit stitches away from inside leg seam.

Join head seam from gathered nose end, leaving a 3cm space open in seam at back. Stuff head firmly and join remainder of seam, then work a gathering thread through every stitch on back edge, draw up tightly and fasten off. With head seam running along underside, position head on top of body and sew in place to body neck edge. Shade edge of white undersnout with rust pencil to soften outline.

Following instructions on ball band, press shirt collar, waistcoat and lapels, and jacket lightly on wrong side. Wrap shirt collar round neck, meeting ends at centre front, and sew neck edge in place with a few stitches. Sew neck edge of cravat in position, placing centrally and in line with collar neck edge, then catch base edge down with a few stitches. Place lapels in position on top of waistcoat and oversew edges together round V neck, then pin waistcoat to front of body and sew in place down side edges and across shoulders. Remove pins, then catch centre front of waistcoat to body with a few stitches.

Wrap jacket round body and hold in place with pins, then sew front edges to waistcoat. Now turn up collar and catch pick-up edge in place with a few stitches, then turn down collar and remove pins. Join seam on each sleeve, leaving sleeve head and cuff edges open. Join seam on each paw, then fold paw flat so that seam runs down centre of palm and sew across cast off edge. Stuff each paw firmly. Turn up shirt cuff at base of sleeve to show wrong side of work, then sew wrist edge of paw to first Pale Green garter stitch row of jacket sleeve on wrong side, matching paw and sleeve seams, then turn shirt cuff back down over paw. Stuff sleeves firmly, leaving a space in centre unstuffed to allow elbows to bend, then position and sew sleeve heads in place, stitching through all layers of knitting. Using Black yarn, embroider three vertical straight stitches for claws on each of the four paws, spacing 2 knit stitches apart. Bend elbows and take arms to back of body, then overlap paws and sew together, stitching through to body.

With a length of Bright Coral yarn, embroider five buttons evenly spaced down centre front of waistcoat, working a circle of 5 chain stitches for each button. Now work another circle of chain stitches on top of each button to give added depth. Also embroider three buttons evenly spaced down right front of jacket in same manner, using Dark Beige yarn, but this time working a circle of 6 chain stitches for each button.

Sew ear backs to ear fronts along side edges, then oversew base edges together. With rust pencil, shade a triangular shape at base of each ear front. Fold each in half to make a right angle, and sew to head, placing 11 knit stitches apart and positioning fold in line with last increase row at back of head. Mark eye positions with pins, placing 4.5cm apart and in line with fourth decrease row at front of head. Embroider a circle of 7 chain stitches with Black yarn for each eye. Carefully draw out a single strand from a length of Dark Beige yarn and use the remaining 2 strands to embroider a circle of 10 chain stitches round each eye. Add 'gloss' by embroidering a single small stitch with White yarn in the centre of each eye. Embroider 2 straight stitches in a V shape at both sides of each eye, using Dark Brown yarn. Mark ends of mouth with pins, and also mark point where mouth crosses undersnout seam, 2.5cm in from snout end. Drawing out a single strand from a length of Dark Brown yarn and using the remaining 2 strands, embroider mouth with two straight stitches, worked between each end point and undersnout, drawing up each stitch slightly to indent mouth and fastening off yarn securely. Using a length of Black yarn, embroider a rectangle of four straight stitches for nose, then fill in with horizontal satin stitches.

Join brush seam, leaving a 3cm space open in seam at top edge. Stuff lightly, then join remainder of seam. Position and sew to back seam of breeches, directly below top of jacket tails opening. Curve brush round right leg of breeches and catch in place with a few stitches, then shade edge of white tip with rust pencil to soften line.



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