

Four Little Seasons

Liven up your breakfast table!
Four Egg Cosies to knit using
double knit yarn.



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Needed for Four Little Seasons

Knit pattern for four egg cosies

Basic Torso:

1" Doll heads and hands (FC 75082)
 25g Flesh coloured double knit yarn
 2 Standard pipe cleaners (15 cms (6 ins) approx - plain or flesh coloured for arms)
 Small amount of stuffing
 Clear adhesive
 Craft pliers
 Long sewing-up needles
 3.25 mm needles (UK 10, USA 3)

Spring Miss:

Small amounts of double knit yarn in spring colours (we used green, yellow, lilac, pink and white)
 6 white pipe cleaners (for lamb skeleton)
 1 yellow pipe cleaner (for crook)

Summer Miss:

25g White double knit yarn
 Small amount of blue double knit yarn
 1 blue pipe cleaner (for parasol)

Autumn Miss:

Small amounts of double knit yarn in autumn colours (we used lemon, orange, dark and medium browns)

Winter Miss:

Small amounts of double knit yarn in the following colours:
 Green (for skirt)
 Red (for coat and hat)
 White (coat and hat decoration and muff)

Abbreviations

cm	=	centimetre	dec	=	decrease
in(s)	=	inch(es)			(work two sts tog)
yd	=	yard	inc	=	increase
k	=	knit			(work twice into st)
p	=	purl	rep	=	repeat
st (s)	=	stitch(es)	tog	=	together
st-st	=	stocking st	lt	=	light
		(k 1 row, p 1 row)	dk	=	dark

USA Glossary

Double knit yarn = knitting worsted weight
 Tension = gauge
 Cast off = bind off
 Pipe cleaners = chenille stems

Tension:

6st and 7 rows to 25mm (1 in)
 in st-st on 3.25mm needles

Basic Torso

Suggestion - It may be a good idea to make enough bodies for a whole set of cosies before beginning to make the costumes.

Step 1: With pliers bend wire from doll's head to form a spine approximately 4 cms (1 1/2 ins) long

Step 2: Twist pipe cleaners tog

Step 3: Put glue at each end of pipe cleaners and push on

the pair of hands. (This unit forms the hands and arms)

Step 4: Secure the hands and arms at their centre to the spine of the doll close to the neck by binding with flesh coloured yarn. (Be careful to ensure that the left and right hands are in the correct position)

Step 5: Body: With flesh coloured yarn cast on 14 sts.

Work these sts in st-st for 9 rows starting with a purl row.

Next row: K2, k2tog, yarn round needle, k2tog, k2, k2tog, yarn round needle, k2tog, k2. (This row forms armholes)

Next row: P2tog all along row.

Cast off leaving enough wool for sewing up

Body Base - Cast on 2 st

1st row: K

2nd row: K, inc 1 st at each end of row

3rd row: K, inc 1 st at each end of row (6 sts)

4th and 5th rows: K

6th row: K, dec 1 st at each end of row

7th row: K, dec 1 st at each end of row (2 sts)

8th row: Cast off.

Make up: Taking main body piece, push the hands/arms through the armholes. Pull up tightly at neck and sew down the back seam. Stuff the body and sew the body base disc in place.

Spring Miss

Skirt: In basic skirt colour cast on 49 sts

Row 1: K

Row 2: K

Row 3: K

Row 4: K

Row 5: Join first contrast colour K

(do 5 more rows in st-st).

Row 11: Join basic colour, K3, drop next st and pick up at previous basic colour row (ie row 4), *k5, drop next st and pick up at previous basic colour row k, **, rep from * to ** to last 3 sts k.

Row 12: K

Row 13: Join second contrast colour K

(do 5 more rows in st-st).

Row 19: Rejoin basic skirt colour, k6, drop next st and pick it up from previous basic colour row, *k5, drop next st and pick it up at previous basic colour row k, **, rep from * to ** to last 6 sts k.

Row 20: K

Repeat rows 5 to 20 once.

Rows 41 and 42: st-st

Row 43: k2tog all across row to last st k1.

Row 44: Cast off.

Before making up skirt and joining to body, decorate each pattern segment with a daisy flower (as seen on pattern cover).

Join skirt to body.

Bodice: In your choice of colour cast on 20 sts.

Work 10 rows in st-st

Cast off.

Sleeves: (make 2) In flesh coloured yarn cast on 4 sts st-st 2 rows

Join bodice colour yarn and continuing in st-st inc in each st (8sts)

St-St 13 rows

Next row: inc in each st (16 sts-wrist frill)

Cast off purlwise.

Make-Up: Sew bodice round body (below armpits) with seam at back.

Join sleeves seams only as far as the basic bodice colour (leaving flesh coloured section to form shoulder).

Feed sleeves onto the arms and sew in position (low neckline formed where flesh coloured shoulder of sleeve joins the visible flesh coloured body). Embroider a chain round neckline with contrast coloured yarn, starting and ending at centre front and leaving enough yarn at each end to tie into a bow.

Thread a strand of yarn (same colour as neck decoration) through stitches at sleeve frills and tie into bows.

Hat: With the same coloured yarn with which the bodice was decorated cast on 20 sts.

Row 1: Join main bodice colour k

Row 2: p

Row 3: *k2, k2tog**, rep from * to ** across row to last st k.

Row 4: *p1, p2tog**, rep from * to ** across row.

Cut off yarn leaving enough to thread through 10 sts remaining on needle. Pull up tightly and sew back seam.

Sew hat onto head.

Crook: Bend a pipe cleaner and decorate as picture.

Lamb: Bend pipe cleaners to form a skeleton body. Bind round and round with white yarn to make a good foundation and then with short lengths of yarn make tiny loops all over the body to form coat. Make larger loops at each side of the head for ears and tail. Use black yarn to form a dot for eyes and a "T" shape for nose & mouth.

Summer Miss

Skirt: With blue yarn cast on 58 sts

Row 1: p

Row 2: k

Row 3: k1 (blue), join white yarn *k2(white),

K1 (blue) **, rep from * to ** to end of row

Row 4: p1(blue) *p2(white), p1(blue) ** rep from * to ** to end of row

Repeat rows 3 and 4 until 3 1/2ins (9cms) is worked

Next row: *k1(blue), k2tog(white)** rep from * to ** across the row

Next row: p2tog(blue) across row

Next row: Cast off.

Join skirt to body.

Blouse Bodice: With blue yarn cast on 24 sts.

Change to white yarn and st-st 8 rows

Row 9: k2, k2tog, k4, k2tog, k4, k2tog, k4, k2tog, k2

Row 10: p

Row 11: k

Row 12: p

Row 13: k3, k2tog, yarn round needle twice, k2tog, k6, k2tog, yarn round needle twice, k2tog, k3 (armhole row)

Row 14: p2tog all along row, casting off at same time.

Feed bodice on to doll's body and sew seam at back.

Sleeves: (make 2) With blue yarn cast on 6 sts

Join white yarn and work in st-st for 18 rows

Cast off. Fit sleeves.

Collar: (starting at back) With white yarn cast on 10 sts
Work 4 rows in st-st

Next row: k4 sts, cast off 3 sts, k4 sts

Next row: p4 sts, turn and work 17 more rows on these in st-st

Next row: k2tog, k2tog

Next row: p

Next row: k2tog

Next row: pull thread through to finish off point of collar.

Rejoin white yarn to remaining sts and complete second side of collar to match first.

With blue yarn, work round collar to close blanket stitch.

Secure collar in position and decorate with bow (see picture).

Parasol: With white yarn cast on 3 sts

Row 1: k

Row 2: p

Row 3: inc in each st (6 sts)

Row 4: p

Row 5: *k1, inc in next st, ** rep from * to ** across row

Row 6: p

Row 7: *k2, inc in next st, ** rep from * to ** across row

Row 8: p

Row 9: *k3, inc in next st, ** rep from * to ** across row

Row 10: p

Row 11: *k4, inc in next st, ** rep from * to ** across row

Row 12: p

Row 13: *k5, inc in next st, ** rep from * to ** across row

Row 14: p

Row 15: *k6, inc in next st, ** rep from * to ** across row

Row 16: p

Row 17: *k7, inc in next st, ** rep from * to ** across row

Row 18: p

Row 19: *k8, inc in next st, ** rep from * to ** across row

Row 20: p

Row 21: join blue yarn k

Row 22: Cast off in k1, p1 fashion.

Sew seam of parasol almost to the bottom. Feed blue pipe cleaner through the centre of the parasol and sew remaining unsewn seam round it at the bottom. Fold lines formed by increase stitches against pipe cleaner and catch the three folds formed round the pipe cleaner at the top of the knitted parasol with the blue yarn. Cut the pipe cleaner to appropriate length and shape into a hook handle for placing round the arm of doll. Catch the parasol to skirt (to take its weight). Decorate with bow (see picture).

Hat: With white yarn cast on 20 sts. St-st 3 rows.

Row 4: k

Brim: Row 5 k increasing in each alternate st

Row 6: p Cast off.

Disc for top of crown: Cast on 18 sts

Row 1: k2tog all along row

Row 2: p2tog all along row to last st p

Break off yarn, leaving enough to thread through the sts remaining on the needle. Pull up tightly and sew into a disc.

Make-Up: Sew up the back seam of the brim and crown. Sew top of crown disc in position and, with double strands of yarn, starting at the back seam, embroider a hat band of chain stitch round the crown leaving a tail of yarn at the start and end.

Autumn Miss

Skirt: With medium brown yarn cast on 49 sts. Work in moss stitch till work measures 3 ins. (7.5cms)

Next row: k2tog all along row to last st k1 (25sts). Continue for another half 1/2in (1.2cm) in st-st.

Cast off. Join skirt to body.

Apron: With lemon yarn cast on 6 sts and, working in st-st, inc each end of every row until there are 20 sts on needle. Work 4 rows straight

Dec each end of next 3 rows

Next row: p2tog across row (7sts) casting off at same time. Sew apron at waist of doll.

Blouse: Using orange yarn cast on 18 sts
Work in st-st for 10 rows

Next row: k3, k2tog, yarn round needle twice, k2tog, k4, k2tog, wool round needle twice, k2tog k3 (armhole row)

Next row: p2tog all along row, casting off at the same time
Put blouse bodice on doll and sew up back seam.

Coat: With dk brown yarn cast on 30 sts. Working in st-st

Row 1: p. Inc in first and last sts of each row until there are 48 sts on needle (start and end every p row with 1k stitch).

Next row: k2tog across row

Next row: k. Continue in st-st for another 5 rows.

Next row: dec 1st at each end of row

Rep last row 3 times.

Next row: k2, k2tog, yarn round needle twice, k2tog, k4, k2tog, yarn round needle twice, k2tog, k2

Next row: p2tog across row, casting off at the same time.

Feed coat body onto doll and close front opening, forming a "V" shaped neck, showing the blouse beneath. Decorate the front join with tiny French knots.

Sleeves: (make 2) With dk brown wool cast on 6 sts.

St-st 14 rows

Row 15: Join orange yarn and inc in each st and pick up an st between each st (17 sts) (wrist frill).

Row 16: p

Cast off.

Sew sleeves round the arms and join to coat body at shoulder.

Cap: With lemon yarn cast on 45 sts work in st-st for 2 rows.

Next row: k3tog across row

Next row: k

Next row: k inc in each st (30 sts)

St-st 3 rows

Next row: k2tog across row

Next row: p2tog to last st p (8 sts)

Cut yarn and thread through remaining sts. Pull up tightly and sew seam. Sew cap to head. Thread contrast coloured yarn through the stitches where the brim and crown meet, starting and ending at centre front and leaving a length of yarn at each end to tie into a bow.

Basket : With straw coloured yarn cast on 6 sts

Row 1: inc in each st p-wise

Row 2: inc in each st k-wise

Row 3: k (these three rows form the basket base)

Row 4: (right side) k2, p2 across row

Row 5: k2, p2 across row

Row 6: p2, k2 across row

Row 7: p2, k2 across row

Repeat rows 4 to 7

Row 12: p

Row 13: Cast off k-wise

Handle: Cast on 16 sts

Cast off

Make Up: Sew seam with wrong side out, flatten basket so that seam is at the back and then sew along the base. Turn right side out and sew handle in position

Winter Miss

Skirt: With green yarn cast on 51 sts

Row 1: p

Row 2: k

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Row 3: k Continue st-st until work measures 3.5 ins. (ending with a p row)

Next row: k3tog all along row (17 sts)

Next row: Cast off purlwise.

Join skirt to body

Coat: With white yarn cast on 61 sts. First 2 rows work in moss stitch.

Next row: Moss stitch first 2 sts, join red and k to last 2 sts join white and moss stitch these. Keeping border correct in moss stitch continue until work measures 2 ins (5cms).

(Weave the white yarn in with the red for the first two to three sts at either side of red section to ensure that there is no gap as the work grows).

Next row: Moss stitch 2 sts white, k3tog all across red sts, moss stitch last 2 sts. (Waist row).

Continue, keeping border correct for 11 rows.

Next row: Moss stitch 2 sts white, k3, k2tog, yarn round needle, k2tog, k5, k2tog, yarn round needle, k2tog, k3, moss stitch 2 sts in white (armhole row).

Next row: Moss stitch 2 sts white, p2tog all along red sts, moss stitch 2 sts white

Next row: k across all stitches with white yarn (collar).

Next row: Cast off.

Sleeves: (Make 2) With white yarn cast on 8 sts.

Row 1: Join red yarn k

Continue in st-st for 20 rows. Cast off.

Make-Up: Feed coat body onto doll (opening to front) and sew down from neck to waist with white yarn. Join sleeves to coat body.

Hat: With white yarn cast on 24 sts.

Row 1: p

Row 2: Join red p

Row 3: k

Row 4: p

Row 5: k

Row 6: p

Row 7: k2tog across row (12 sts)

Row 8: p2tog across row (6 sts) Cut yarn (leaving enough to sew up the hat). Thread yarn through 6 sts remaining on needle. Pull up tightly to close top of hat and sew seam.

Make small pom pom : Wrap white yarn round a finger (loosely) approx. 20 times. Thread a strand of white yarn through centre of ring of yarn and knot tightly. Cut through the loops at the opposite side to the knot. Using the thread from the knot sew pom pom to hat, fluffing out and cutting to shape.

Muff: With white yarn cast on 8 sts and work in moss st for 16 rows. Cast off. Sew cast on and cast off rows tog. This seam is at the back of the muff (next to the body). Decorate the front of the muff with embroidered holly as picture.

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cm	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
inches	1				2			3		4			5		6			7	