

Desmond

Knitting Pattern

Desmond was fast asleep in bed... when suddenly, the alarm bell went off!
But Desmond kept on sleeping.
Mum shouted up the stairs,
"DESMOND, GET UP!"



Tools & Materials

Abbreviations

- sts** – stitches
stst – stocking stitch
(knit 1 row, purl 1 row)
k – knit
p – purl

Double knitting wool

- Cream for face/hands/feet
- Light blue for trousers
- Navy blue for jumper
- Dark brown or black for hair
- Small amount of red for mouth

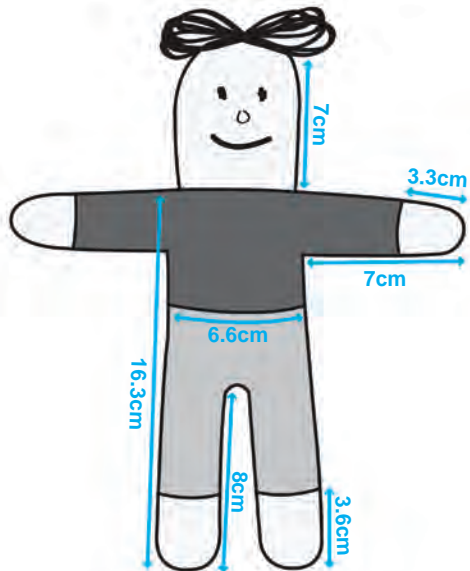
Needles

UK needles size 10 or metric 3.25mm
Spare needle of the same size, or a safety pin or stitch marker.

About this project

Desmond is knitted in one long flat piece that is folded to become a front and back part that are stitched together to make a 3D shape. Two flat legs are knitted first, starting at the feet and working upwards, then his torso up to the top of his head. Then you continue knitting down from the top of his head to the bottom of his feet. Flat arms are added at the front and the back.

Your wool and knitting tension will affect the size of your Desmond, so we provide measurements of an average Desmond to the right, so you can add or reduce the number of rows to try to make his size conform!



Instructions

Using cream wool cast on 8 sts, stst 10 rows.

Change to light blue – stst 16 rows, leave on spare needle.

Make another leg to match

Knit across both legs casting on stitch in the middle (17sts)

Work a further 9 rows of stst

Change to navy blue – Work 18 rows stst

Change to cream – K1, then K2tog to end of row (9 sts)

P1, increase in each of next 8 sts (17 sts)

Stst 18 rows

K2 tog each end of next 3 knit rows (11 sts)

Increase each end of next 3 knit rows (17 sts)

Stst 18 rows

K1, then K2tog to end of row (9 sts)

P1, increase in each of next 8 sts (17 sts)

Change to navy – Work 18 rows stst

Change to light blue – stst 10 rows

Divide for legs – K8 sts, cast off 1 st, K to end.

[on first 8st stst another 15 rows

Change to cream – stst 10 rows. Cast off]

Repeat from [to] for second leg.

Arms

Using navy, pick up and K 15 sts evenly – 7 and 8 sts either side of head.
Stst 13 more rows.

Change to cream – sstst 4 rows:

Row 1 K2tog, knit to last 2 stitches, K2 tog

Row 2 Purl

Row 3 As row 1

Row 4 Purl

Row 5 As row 1 (9 stitches)

Cast off purlwise in 2s (middle stitch single)

Construction

Fold Desmond in half across the top of the head, matching up the front and back. Stitch around the full perimeter, except for a small gap down the side of Desmond's torso. Push toy stuffing into his head, arms and legs, then fill up his body and sew up the gap.

Hair

Take a length of brown or black wool and loop around 4 fingers 10-15 times, creating a little ball. Tie the ball around the middle with a separate length of wool and then sew this securely to the top of the head.

Face

Stitch in two black eyes, a cream nose and a smiley red mouth using the photo as guidance.

Thank you

