

Simplified Monster Buddy

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MATERIALS: 1 100-gr skein worsted weight yarn; Size US 6 needle, or size needed to knit fabric tight but not stiff. You don't want the stuffing to poke through the stitches.

Legs- Make Two

Cast on 6 stitches.

Row 1- Knit into the front and back, (KF&B) of each stitch. (12 stitches on needle)

Row 2- Purl

Row 3- *KF&B, K1, repeat from * across row. (18 stitches)

Row 4- Purl

Row 5- Knit

Row 6- Purl

Row 7- *KF&B, K2, repeat from * across row. (24 stitches)

Row 8- Purl

Row 9- Knit

Row 10- Purl

Row 11 *KF&B, K3, repeat from * across row. (30 stitches)

Row 12- Purl

Row 13- Knit

Row 14- Purl

Row 15- Knit

Row 16- Purl

Row 17- Knit

Row 18- Purl, Do Not Bind Off, cut yarn and set aside to work other leg.

Once both legs are knit, slid them both onto your left needle with the right sides facing up, you are ready to start the body.

MONSTER BODY- *in the body section we will work a series of rows that include a decrease row. Work the decrease row as follows.*

DECREASE ROW- Knit to 3 stitches before the marker, (knit 2 together), k1, slip marker, k1, (Slip, Slip, Knit), knit to 3 stitches before next marker, (knit 2 together), k1, slip marker, k1, (Slip, Slip, Knit), knit to the end of the row.

Cast on 3 stitches, knit across first leg stitches, cast on 4, knit across second leg stitches, cast on 3 stitches. (70 stitches total)

Row 1- P18, place marker, P34, place marker, P18

Row 2- Work Decrease Row

Row 3- Purl

Row 4- Knit

Row 5- Purl

Row 6- Decrease Row

Row 7- Purl

Row 8- Knit

Row 9- Purl

Row 10- Decrease Row

Row 11- Purl

Row 12- Knit

Row 13- Purl

Row 14- Decrease Row

Row 15- Purl

Row 16- Knit

Row 17- Purl

Row 18- Decrease Row

Row 19- Purl

Row 20- Knit

Row 21- Purl

Row 22- Knit

Row 23- Purl

Row 24- Knit

Row 25- Purl

Row 26- Decrease Row

Row 27- Purl

Repeat row 26 and 27 seven more times.

You should now have, 5 stitches on the outsides of your markers and 8 stitches in the center, Bind Off.

Roll the selvage edges to the center and starting with the legs sew the edges together, then up the spine of your monster. Leave the top open to allow for stuffing, then stitch the top closed.

Arms- The simplest arms are made by stitching icord. You can determine the length, and even gather them up when you stitch them on. There are loads of tutorials for knitting Icord on Youtube, it is super simple!



Or You can knit these

Arms- (Make 2) Cast on 12,

Row 1- Knit

Row 2- Purl

Row 3-30- Repeat rows 1 and 2 fourteen times.

Row 31- *KF&B, K2, repeat from * to end of row. (18 sts)

Row 32- Purl

Row 33- Knit

Row 34- Purl

Row 35- Knit

Row 36- Purl

Row 37- *(K1, K2tog) repeat from * to end of row. (12 sts)

Row 38- K2tog 6 times. (6 sts)

Do Not Bind off, cut yarn leaving a 20 inch tail, thread a tapestry needle and run through the remaining live stitches and draw up tightly, use remaining tail to stitch the arm into a tube.

Stuffing- Stuff body firmly through hole in the top. Stuff base, (hands) of arms firmly, but arms themselves very lightly if at all. Stitch hole in body closed, stitch arms to sides, (or front) of body, Stitch on eyes, ears mouth or any other embellishment using yarn and embroidery stitches. (NO buttons or other items that could fall off.)

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