



Pete the Reindeer

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YARN

A: Alpaca Cotton Storm 405 1 x 50gm

B: Felted Tweed Rage 150 1 x 50gm

C: Kid Classic Feather 828 1 x 50gm

NEEDLES

1 pair 4.5mm (US 7) needles.

1 pair 3.25mm (US 3) needles.

EXTRAS

Washable toy filling

Dried peas or beans

Piece of lightweight fabric approx 8 cm x 12 cm

TENSION

18 sts and 25-26 rows to 10 cm measured over st st using 4.5mm (US 7) needles.

FINISHED SIZE

Completed reindeer sits approx 20 cm (8 ins) tall.

SPECIAL ABBREVIATIONS

M1R = insert left needle point under strand lying between needles from back to front thereby lifting this loop onto left needle, K into front of this loop (to twist it and avoid a hole forming); **M1L** = insert left needle point under strand lying between needles from front to back thereby lifting this loop onto left needle, K into back of this loop (to twist it and avoid a hole forming); **ssk** = (slip next st knitwise onto right needle) twice, insert left needle point into these 2 sts from front to back and K these 2 sts tog.

BODY AND HEAD

Using 4.5mm (US 7) needles and yarn A cast on 52 sts.

Beg with a K row, work in st st throughout as folls:

Work 16 rows.

Row 17 (RS): K5, (K2tog, K8) 4 times, K2tog, K5. 47 sts.

Work 5 rows.

Row 23: K5, (K2tog, K7) 4 times, K2tog, K4. 42 sts.

Work 5 rows.

Row 29: K4, (K2tog, K6) 4 times, K2tog, K4. 37 sts.

Work 3 rows.

Row 33: K4, (K2tog, K5) 4 times, K2tog, K3. 32 sts.

Work 3 rows.

Row 37: K3, (K2tog, K4) 4 times, K2tog, K3. 27 sts.

Work 1 row.

Row 39: K3, (K2tog, k3) 4 times, K2tog, K2. 22 sts.

Work 1 row.

Row 41: K2, (K2tog, k2) 4 times, K2tog, K2. 17 sts.

Work 1 row.

Row 43: K2, (K2tog, K1) 4 times, k2tog, k1. 12 sts.

Work 5 rows.

Shape head

Row 49 (RS): Slip first 4 sts onto a holder (for first side of head), rejoin new length of yarn to next st and K4, slip rem 4 sts onto another holder (for second side of head).

Work on this centre set of 4 sts only for chin, and top and back of head.

Work 1 row.

Row 51: K1, M1R, K2, M1L, K1. 6 sts.

Work 1 row.

Row 53: K1, M1R, K4, M1L, K1. 8 sts.

Work 1 row.

Row 55: K1, M1R, K6, M1L, K1. 10 sts.

Work 1 row.

Row 57: K1, M1R, K8, M1L, K1. 12 sts.

Work 9 rows.

Row 67: K1, SSK, K6, K2tog, K1. 10 sts.

Work 1 row.

Row 69: K1, SSK, K4, K2tog, K1. 8 sts.

Work 7 rows.

Row 71: K1, SSK, K2, K2tog, K1. 6 sts.

Work 1 row. Place markers at both ends of this row.

Work 4 rows.

Row 77: K1, M1R, K4, M1L, K1. 8 sts.

Work 1 row.

Row 79: K1, M1R, K6, M1L, K1. 10 sts.

Work 1 row.

Row 81: K1, M1R, K8, M1L, K1. 12 sts.

Work 13 rows.

Row 94: K1, SSK, K6, K2tog, K1. 10 sts.

Work 5 rows.

Row 101: K1, SSK, K4, K2tog, K1. 8 sts.

Work 1 row.

Row 103: K1, SSK, K2, K2tog, K1. 6 sts.

Row 104: P1, P2tog, P2tog tbl, P1. 4sts.

Row 105: K1, SSK, K1. 3 sts.

Row 106: SL1P, P2tog, PSSO. 1 st.

Thread yarn through rem st. This shaped piece forms the underside (chin area), muzzle, face & back of head.

Shape first side of head

Slip 4 sts from first holder onto left needle and, using yarn left with these sts, K4, then pick up and knit 13 sts along row-end edge to marker. 17 sts.

Beg with a P row, work in st st throughout as folls:

Work 5 rows.

Row 7 (RS): K13, wrap next st (by slipping next st on left needle onto right needle, taking yarn to opposite side of work between needles and then slipping same st back onto left needle - when working across wrapped sts work the wrapped st and the wrapping loop tog) and turn, P13.

Row 9: K13, wrap next st and turn, P13

Row 11: K13, wrap next st and turn, P13

Cast off all sts.

Shape second side of head

Beg at marker along other side of centre section, rejoin yarn and pick up and knit 13 sts along row-end edge to sts left on second holder, then K these 4 sts. 17 sts.

Beg with a P row, work in st st throughout as folls:

Work 4 rows.

Row 6: (WS): P13, wrap next st and turn, K13

Row 8: P13, wrap next st and turn, K13.

Row 10: P13, wrap next st and turn, K13

Cast off.

BASE

Place markers along cast-on edge of body 17 sts in from each end of row - 18 sts between markers.

With RS facing, using 4.5mm (US 7) needles and yarn A pick up and knit 18 sts between markers.

Beg with a P row, work in st st throughout as folls:

Work 1 row.

Row 2 (RS): K1, ssk, K12, K2tog, K1. 16 sts.

Work 3 rows.

Row 6: K1, ssk, K10, K2tog, K1. 14 sts.

Work 3 rows.

Row 10: K1, ssk, K8, K2tog, K1. 12 sts.

Work 1 row.

Row 12: K1, ssk, K6, K2tog, K1. 10 sts.

Work 1 row.

Row 14: K1, ssk, K4, K2tog, K1. 8 sts.

Work 1 row.

Row 16: K1, ssk, K2, K2tog, K1. 6 sts.

Work 1 row.

Row 18: K1, ssk, K2tog, K1. 4 sts.

Work 3 rows.

Row 23: K1, M1R, K2, M1L, K1.

Work 3 rows.

Row 27: K1, SSK, K2tog, K1.

Row 28: SSK, P2tog.

Row 29: K2tog, thread yarn through last st.

LEGS (make 4)

Using 4.5mm (US 7) needles and yarn A cast on 30 sts.

Beg with a K row, work in st st throughout as folls:

Work 4 rows.

Row 5 & 6: K10, wrap next st and turn, P10

Work 2 rows.

Row 9 & 10: K10, wrap next st, turn, P10

Work 2 rows.

Row 13 & 14: K10, wrap next st, turn, P10

Work 2 rows.

Cast off.

EARS (make 2)

Using 4.5mm (US 7) needles and yarn A cast on 8 sts.

Beg with a P row, work in st st throughout as folls:

Work 4 rows.

Row 5: (RS): SSK, SSK, K2tog, K2tog. 4 sts.

Cast off.

CURLED HORNS (make 2)

Using 3 1/4mm (US 3) needles and yarn B cast on 8 sts.

Beg with a K row, work in st st throughout as folls:

Work 6 rows.

Row 7: (RS): K1, M1R, K2, M1L, K1. Put remaining sts on a holder.

Work 11 rows.

Row 19: SSK, K2, K2tog.

Work 3 rows.

Row 23: SSK, K2tog.

Work 1 row.

Row 25: K2tog, thread yarn through rem st.

Pick up sts from holder, with RS facing pick up the horizontal bar lying before the first st. 5 sts.

Rejoin yarn and beg with a K row, work in st st throughout as folls:

Row 1: K to last st, M1L, K1.

Work 19 rows.

Row 21: SSK, K2, K2tog.

Work 5 rows.

Row 27: SSK, K2tog.

Work 1 row.

Row 29: K2tog, thread yarn through remaining st.

SECOND TAIL PIECE

With 4.5mm needles (US 7) and yarn C cast on 8 sts.

Beg with a K row, work in st st throughout as folls:

Work 2 rows.

Row 3: K1, M1R, K6, M1L, K1. 10 sts.

Work 4 rows

Row 8: SSK, K6, K2tog. 8 sts.

Row 9: SSK, K4, K2tog. 6sts.

Row 10: SSK, K2, K2tog. 4sts.

Row 11: SSK, K2tog. 2sts.

Cast off.

NOSE

With 3.25mm needles (US 3) and yarn B cast on 3 sts.

Beg with a P row, work in st st throughout as folls:

Work 1 row.

Row 2: K1, M1R, K1, M1L. 5 sts.

Row 3: K1, M1L, P3, M1R, K1. 7 sts.

Row 4: K1, M1R, K5, M1L, K1. 9sts.

Work 5 rows.

Row 10: SSK, K5, K2tog. 7 sts.

Row 11: P2tog, P3, P2tog tbl. 5 sts.

Row 12: SSK, K1, K2tog. 3 sts.

Cast off.

MAKING UP

Press as described on the information page.

Using mattress stitch for all seams, join sections as folls:

Join row-end edges of body section from cast-on edge to base of neck. Join centre section of head to side head pieces as folls: join row-end edges of centre section to cast-off edge of side sections, matching g st ridge of centre section to back end of side section. Now sew row-end edge of last (triangular) section of centre section to row-end edges of side sections, matching centre section fasten-off point to top of back seam.

Insert toy filling into head, neck and body so that toy remains quite soft. Make a little bag out of the fabric oddment that is roughly the same size as the knitted base piece. Fill this with the dried peas or beans and stitch bag closed. Matching fasten-off point of base to back seam, sew row-end edges of base to rem cast-on edges of body, inserting bag of peas (or beans) before closing seam.

Join cast-on and cast-off edges of legs with **wrong** sides facing to form a long thin tube and turn back wider end of tube to form foot as in photograph. Placing seam underneath reindeer, sew a leg to each front corner of base. Placing seam at top, sew rem pair of legs to back seam at base of neck.

Fold ears in half and sew cast-on edges of ears to top of head along g st ridge row as in photograph - attach ears so that purl side faces forward.

Using photograph as a guide and yarn B, embroider face onto head - for eyes, embroidery 2 long straight stitches using yarn double.

Join side edges of curled horns to form a tiny cone shapes - pull yarn tight whilst sewing seam so that horn begins to curl as in photograph. Fasten off securely when horn has curled sufficiently. Sew this pair of horns to top of head directly behind ears.

Attach second tail piece to the body underneath the first using small sts.

Attach the nose, leaving a small gap, then insert a small amount of toy filling and fasten closed.

Using photograph as a guide and yarn C, embroider stars onto the body.