

# CHIPMUNK!



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**FINISHED SIZE** Approx. 14cm/ 5.5in tall from feet to top of head

**YARN** Unless otherwise stated, two strands of yarn are used together throughout this pattern. The exact combinations of yarn to be used are indicated by multiple letters so when the pattern states yarn **AB** use both yarns - yarn A & B - held together as one:

**YARN A** Small amount 4-ply/ fingering weight alpaca or merino yarn in ochre  
I used Drops Alpaca shade 2923 Goldenrod

**YARN B** Small amount lace-weight/ 1-ply mohair, (kid-silk for example) in beige-  
I used Drops Kid-Silk shade 42 Almond

**YARN C** 1 x 50g ball 4-ply/ fingering weight alpaca or merino yarn in white  
I used Drops Alpaca shade 101 White

**YARN D** Small amount lace-weight/ 1-ply mohair in white  
I used Drops Kid-Silk shade 38 Chalk

**YARN E** Small amount of lace-weight/ 1-ply mohair in pale pink  
I used Drops Kid-Silk shade 03 Light Pink

**YARN F** Small amount of faux fur yarn  
I used James C Brett Faux Fur shade H3

**YARN G** Small amount lace-weight/ 1-ply mohair, kid-silk for example, in brown  
I used Drops Kid-Silk shade 15 Dark Brown

**KNITTING NEEDLES** Pair of 3.50mm/ US 4 straight knitting needles

**TENSION** 15 stitches and 13 rows over 5cm with 3.75mm needles and yarn AB

**EXTRAS** optional - 8mm black toy safety eyes with metal or plastic backings; toy filling; locking-type coloured stitch markers (see colour guide on Page 2); yarn sewing needle

For Drops Yarn try [knittedhome.com](http://knittedhome.com)  
or for substitutes try [yarnsub.com](http://yarnsub.com)

**PATTERN NOTE:** Use Cable Cast-on throughout

### COLOURED MARKER GUIDE:

This guide is here to pull out and use together with the pattern should you wish to use similar coloured guides to mine for ease of following, especially at the making-up stage:

### HEAD & BODY

**ORANGE** HIND LEG

**BABY PINK** HIND LEG TOP

**PINK** THIGH

**GREEN** NECK

**TURQUOISE** JAW

**RED** MUZZLE

**LIME** LOWER NECK

**LIGHT TURQUOISE** THROAT

### SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

**W+Tk** bring working yarn to the front of the work, slip next stitch knit-wise onto the RH needle, take working yarn to the back, slip the slipped stitch back onto the LH needle, turn the knitting = W+Tk (wrap and turn knit)

**W+Tp** take working yarn to the back of the work, slip next stitch purl-wise onto the RH needle, bring working yarn to the front, slip the slipped stitch back onto the LH needle, turn the knitting = W+Tp (wrap and turn purl)

### GENERAL ABBREVIATIONS:

**K** = knit

**P** = purl

**inc** = increase

**dec** = decrease

**K2tog/ K3tog** = knit two together/ knit three together

**P2tog/ P3tog** = purl two together/ purl three together

**RH/LH** = right hand/ left hand

**RS/WS** = right side/ wrong side

**st/ sts** = stitch/ stitches

**Skpo** = slip one stitch, knit next stitch, pass slipped stitch over knit stitch to decrease by one stitch

**M1** = make 1: with the point of the right-hand needle pick up, place onto the left-hand and knit into the horizontal bar in between stitches to increase by one stitch

**Kfb** = knit into front then into back of stitch to increase by one stitch

**Pfb** = purl into front then knit into back of stitch to increase by one stitch

## BODY

Beginning at chipmunk's Tail End, with yarn **AB** cast on 5 sts

**Rows 1, 3, 5 & 7 WS)** Purl

**Row 2** inc) [Kfb, k1] twice, kfb - 8sts

**Row 4** inc) Kfb, k3, m1, k3, kfb - 11sts

**Row 6** inc) Kfb, k3, kfb, k1, kfb, k3, kfb - 15sts

**Row 8** inc) Kfb twice, [k3, kfb] twice, k3, kfb twice - 21sts

**Row 9** Purl

**PM** at each end of last row for left and right **Hind Leg Markers**

**Work short rows to shape chipmunk's Right Thigh as follows:**

Short row 1 K7, W+Tk (wrap and turn knit - see page 3)

Short row 2 P7

Short row 3 K6, W+Tk

Short row 4 P4, W+Tp (wrap and turn purl)

Short row 5 K3, W+Tk

Short row 6 P2, W+Tp

Short row 7 inc) K6, kfb, k1, kfb, k9 to end of row

**Work short rows to shape chipmunk's Left Thigh as follows:**

Short row 1 P7, W+Tp

Short row 2 K7

Short row 3 P6, W+Tp

Short row 4 K4, W+Tk

Short row 5 P3, W+Tp

Short row 6 K2, W+Tk

Short row 7 P20 to end of row - 23sts

**PM** at each end for left and right **Hind Leg Top Markers**

***NOTE:** Over the next few rows you'll see 'KW' - which means 'knit white' so knit the stitch in yarn AB but also add yarn D - in other words for that one stitch knit with yarn ABD, this 'marker' stitch you will use as a guide for the stripes later on*

**Row 10** inc) Kfb, k8, KW, kfb, k1, kfb, KW, k8, kfb - 27sts

**Row 11** Purl

**Work short rows to shape the Lower Back as follows:**

Short Row 1 K20, W+Tk

Short Row 2 P13, W+Tp

Short Row 3 K12, W+Tk

Short Row 4 P11, W+Tp

Short Row 5 K10, W+Tk

Short Row 6 P9, W+Tp

Short Row 7 K8, W+Tk

Short Row 8 P7, W+Tp

Short Row 9 K6, W+Tk

Short Row 10 P5, W+Tp

Short Row 11 K16 to end of row

**Row 12** Purl

**Row 13** dec) Cast off 7 sts for Right Thigh Top, **PM** for **Right Thigh**, k3, KW, k4, KW, k4, **PM** for **Left Thigh**, cast off last 7 sts for Left Thigh Top - 13sts

**Forelegs**

Rejoin yarn **AB** to 13 sts on the knitting needle, continue as follows:

**Row 14 WS)** inc) Cast on 10 sts for Left Foreleg, p23 to end of row - 23sts

**Row 15** inc) Cast on 10 sts for Right Foreleg, k13, skpo, k3, k2tog, k13 to end of row - 31sts

**Rows 16 & 18** Purl

**Row 17** dec) K10, KW, k1, skpo, k3, k2tog, k1, KW, k10 to end - 29sts

**Row 19** dec) Cast off 4 sts for Right Foreleg, knit to last 4 sts, cast off last 4 sts for Left Foreleg - 21sts

Rejoin yarn **AB** to 21 sts on the knitting needle, continue as follows:

**Row 20 WS)** Purl

**Row 21** dec) K2tog twice, k13, k2tog twice - 17sts

**Row 22** dec) P2tog, purl to last 2 sts, p2tog - 15sts

**Work short rows to shape the Right Front as follows:**

Short Row 1 K3, KW, k2, W+Tk

Short Row 2 P6

Short Row 3 K5, W+Tk

Short Row 4 P5

Short Row 5 K4, W+Tk

Short Row 6 P4

**Row 23** dec) K2tog three times, k5, KW, k3 to end of row - 12sts

**Work short rows to shape the Left Front as follows:**

Short Row 1 P6, W+Tp

Short Row 2 K6

Short Row 3 P5, W+Tp

Short Row 4 K5

Short Row 5 P4, W+Tp

Short Row 6 K4

**Row 24** dec) P2tog three times, p6 to end of row - 9sts

**PM** at each end of last row for left and right **Neck Markers**

**Head**

**Row 25** inc) Cast on 4 sts for Right Jaw, k4, k2tog, kfb, k3, kfb, k2 - 14sts

**Row 26** inc) Cast on 4 sts for Left Jaw, p4, p2tog, p12 to end - 17sts

**Row 27** inc) Kfb, k5, kfb, k3, kfb, k5, kfb - 21sts

**Row 28** Purl

**PM** at each end of last row for left and right **Jaw Markers**

**Work short rows to shape the Back of the Head**

Short Row 1 K16, W+Tk

Short Row 2 P11, W+Tp

Short Row 3 K10, W+Tk

Short Row 4 P9, W+Tp

Short Row 5 K8, W+Tk

Short Row 6 P7, W+Tp

Short Row 7 K14 to end of row

**Row 29** dec) P2tog, purl to last 2 sts, p2tog - 19sts

**Row 30** dec) K6, skpo, k3, k2tog, k6 to end - 17sts

**Row 31** dec) P2tog, purl to last 2 sts, p2tog - 15sts

**Row 32** dec) K2tog, k2, skpo, k3, k2tog, k2, k2tog - 11sts

**Row 33** dec) P1, p2tog, purl to last 3 sts, p2tog, p1 - 9sts

**PM** at each end of last row for left and right **Muzzle Markers**

**Row 34** dec) K2tog, skpo, k1, k2tog twice - 5sts

**Row 35** Purl

**Row 36** dec) K2tog, cast off 1 st, k2tog, cast off last 2 sts.

Fasten off for Nose Point.

### Join Nose Seam

RS together, fold the Nose Cast-Off Edge in half and back stitch to join the tiny seam (I use a single strand of mohair to join the seam).

Turn out to RS.

### FORELEG PAWS

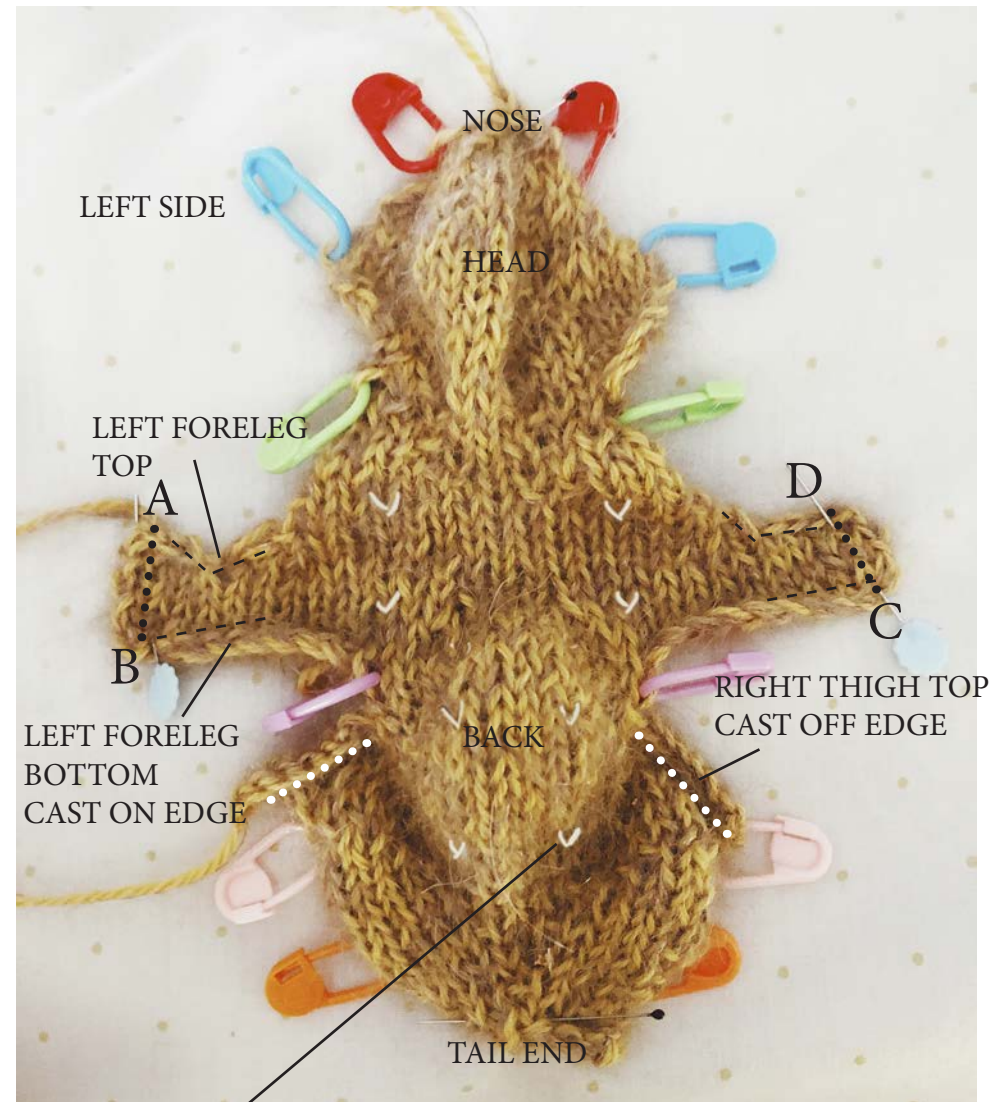
#### Left Foreleg paw

With the RS/ knit-side of the chipmunk's Left Foreleg facing you, with yarn EE (use other end of ball for the second strand yarn E), begin at the Top of the Left Foreleg and pick up and knit 6 sts across the row ends to the Bottom of the Left Foreleg (*see Fig. 1, pick up from A to B as black dotted line shows*)

**Rows 1-3** Beginning with a purl row work three rows stocking stitch

Cast off all 6 Paw End sts.

FIG. 1



THE WHITE 'V's ARE THE MARKERS FOR THE STRIPES, WHICH YOU WILL WORK LATER



**Right Foreleg paw**

With the RS/ knit-side of the chipmunk's Right Foreleg facing you, with yarn **EE** begin at the Bottom of the Right Foreleg and pick up and knit 6 sts across the row ends to the Top of the Right Foreleg (*see Fig. 1, pick up from C to D as black dotted line shows*)

**Rows 1-3** Beginning with a purl row work three rows stocking stitch  
Cast off all 6 Paw End sts.

**Join Foreleg Seam**

RS together, fold the Paw Cast-Off Edge in half and back stitch the cast-off edge together. Turn out so RS facing.

WS together match the Foreleg Bottom Cast-on Edge and Foreleg Top row ends and work mattress stitch (or over-sew as it's such a small seam) to join the paw and foreleg seam a little over halfway along the foreleg (*see Fig. 1, dashed line shows where the seam runs to*).

If you wish, with a single strand brown mohair, embroider four straight lines as claws.

**FRONT BREAST**

Have the WS of the Back facing you. Fold the Left and Right Thigh Top Cast-Off Edges over the WS of the Back so that you now have the thigh cast-off edges (*see Fig. 1, Thigh Cast-Off Edges are where the white dotted lines are*) facing you, corners almost meeting, RS/ knit-side up.

RS facing, begin at chipmunk's Left Thigh marker, with yarn **CD** pick up and knit 5 sts evenly across the Left Thigh Top Cast-Off Edge, cast on 2 sts, then pick up and knit 5 sts evenly across the Right Thigh Top Cast-Off Edge to the Right Thigh Marker (*see Fig. 2, pick up from A to B; cast on 2 sts; pick up from C to D & Fig. 3, showing the breast stitches after picking up*) - 12sts

**Rows 1-3** Beginning with a purl row work three rows stocking stitch

**Row 4** dec) K3, skpo, k2, k2tog, k3 - 10sts

**Rows 5-7** Beginning with a purl row work three rows stocking stitch

**Row 8** dec) K2, skpo, k2, k2tog, k2 - 8sts

**Row 9** Purl

**Row 10** dec) K1, skpo, k2, k2tog, k1 - 6sts

**Rows 11-13** Beginning with a purl row work three rows stocking stitch

**Row 14** inc) Kfb, knit to last st, kfb - 8sts

**Row 15** Purl

Cast off all 8 Neck sts.

**PM** at each end for left and right **Lower Neck Markers**.



### Join Breast to Back

WS together, working on one side at a time, match Lower Neck Marker with Neck Marker - work a stitch or two to hold the knitted stitches near those markers together before join the Breast to Back Seam as follows (see Fig. 4, join X to Y):

Join the top half of the breast to the back along to the top of the foreleg seam (if it helps mark the halfway point with a pin) (see Fig. 5, join seam as dotted line from A to B).

Join the bottom half of the belly along the Foreleg Bottom Cast-On edge at to the Thigh Marker (see Fig. 6, join seam as dotted line from C to D).

**NOTE:** There is a little amount of easing here so imagine it's like fitting a puffed sleeve into an armhole.

Remove Lower Neck Markers & Thigh Markers.

Stuff all your yarn endings into the body - the forelegs aren't stuffed.



FIG. 4

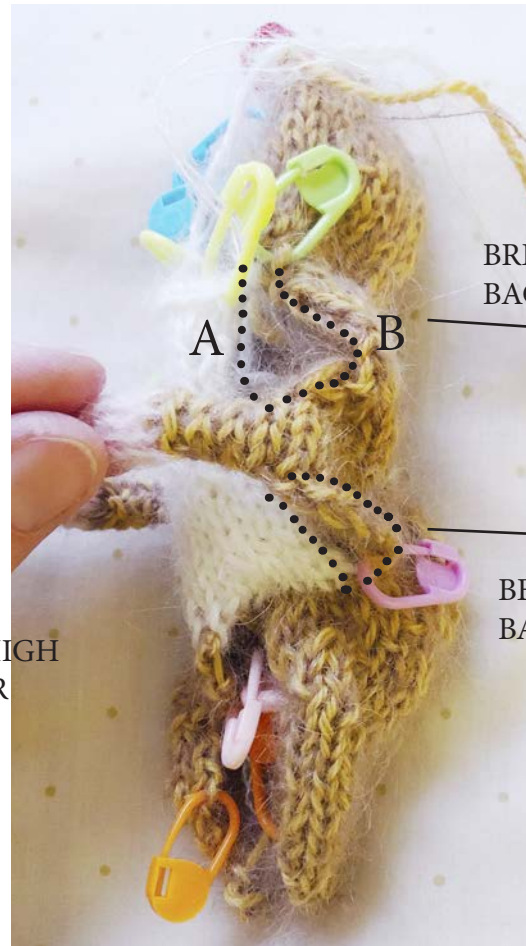


FIG. 5

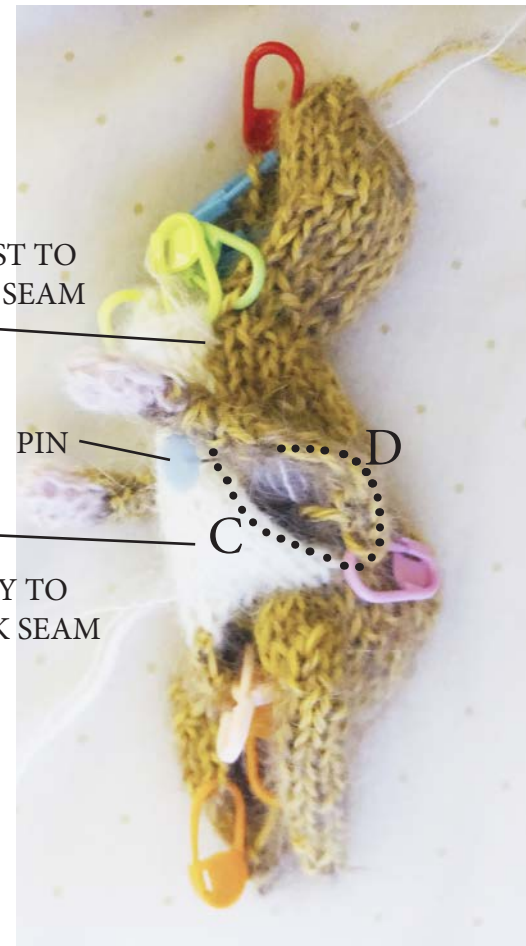


FIG. 6



**BELLY**

With the RS of the Breast facing you, head towards you, beginning on chipmunk's right side, with yarn CD pick up and knit 3 sts into the two cast on stitches in between the right and left thigh - *NOTE: Pick up one in the middle of the two knitted sts and two either side (see Fig. 7, pick up and knit from A to B & Fig. 8, showing the belly stitches after picking up).*

**Row 1** inc) Pfb, p1, pfb - 5sts

**Rows 2-11** Work ten rows stocking stitch

Cast off all 5 Lower Belly sts.



FIG. 7



FIG. 8

**TAIL**

With the RS of the Back facing you, head towards you, return to the Tail Cast-Off Edge. Beginning on chipmunk's left side, with yarn **FA** pick up and knit 5 sts from chipmunk's left to right

**Row 1** inc) Cast on 2 sts, knit (*NOTE: with faux fur yarn you get a better furry effect if you reverse stocking stitch hence knit on a purl-side*) - 7sts

**Row 2** inc) Cast on 2 sts, purl - 9sts

**Rows 3-14** Work twelve rows reverse stocking stitch

**Work short rows to shape the Tail Tip as follows:**

Short Row 1 K8, W+Tp

Short Row 2 P7, W+Tk

Short Row 3 K6, W+Tp

Short Row 4 P5, W+Tk

Short Row 5 K4, W+Tp

Short Row 6 P3, W+Tk

Short Row 7 K2, W+Tp

Short Row 8 P1, W+Tk

Short Row 9 K5 to end of row

Cast off all 9 Tail sts purl-wise.



FIG. 9

**To Join Tail**

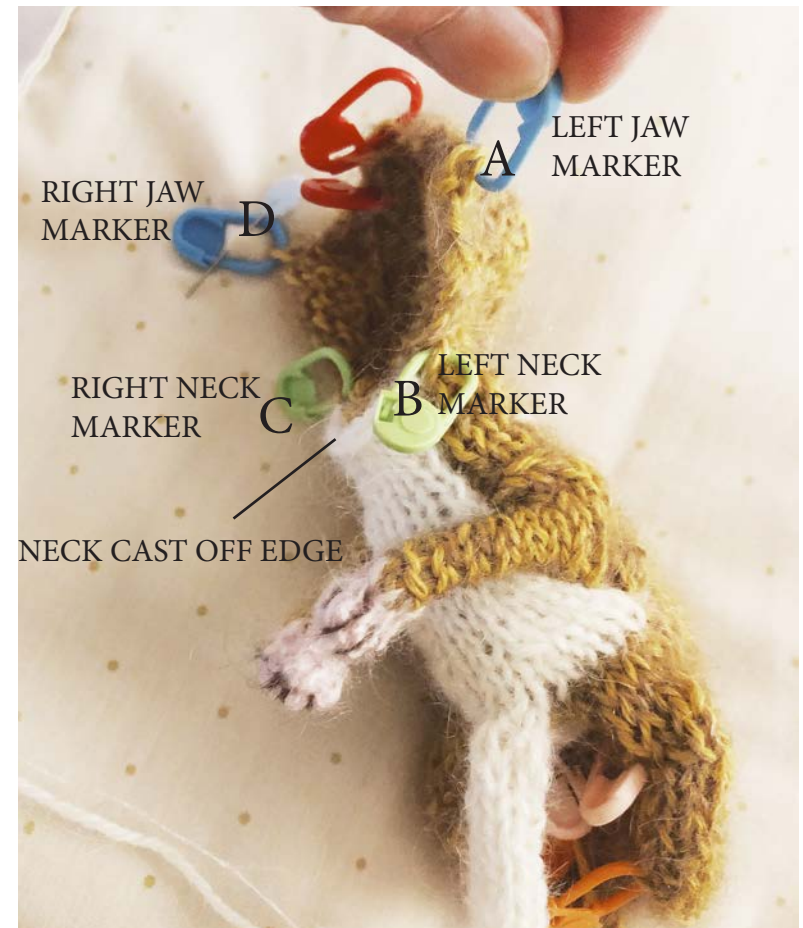
Fold tail with WS together along the cast-off edge. Join Tail row ends and cast off edge but leave the cast-on edges un-sewn. Tail is not stuffed.

**CHIN**

With the RS of the Breast facing you, tail towards you, beginning at chipmunk's Left Jaw Marker, with yarn **CD** pick up and knit 5 sts along row ends and Cast-Off Edge to chipmunk's Left Neck Marker; pick up and knit 7 sts across Neck Cast-Off Edge to Right Neck Marker; pick up and knit 5 sts along Right-Side Cast-Off Edge to chipmunk's Right Jaw Marker (*see Fig. 10, pick up from A to B; cast on 5 sts; pick up from C to D*) - 17sts.

Remove Neck and Jaw Markers

FIG. 10





**Row 1 dec)** P2tog, p3, p2tog, p3, p2tog, p3, p2tog - 13sts

**Row 2 dec)** K2, skpo, k5, k2tog, k2 - 11sts

**Row 3 dec)** [P2tog, p1] three times, p2tog - 7sts

**Rows 4, 6 & 8** Knit

**Row 5 dec)** P2tog, p3, p2tog - 5sts

**Row 7 dec)** P2tog, p1, p2tog - 3sts

**Row 9 dec)** P3tog. Fasten off for Chin Point.

### Join to Cheeks and Muzzle

WS together, match the Muzzle Markers and work a stitch to hold the knitted stitches near the marker together before you sew the Jaw to Cheek/ Muzzle Seam as follows (*see Fig. 11*):

Match the Chin Point to the stitch you've made at the markers.

Working on one side of the face at a time, ease together and work mattress stitch join the cheek row ends to the jaw row ends (*see Fig. 11, working on one side at a time match dotted lines*).

Remove Muzzle Markers.

Finish the seam from the Muzzle Markers to the bottom of the Nose Seam for the Front of the Nose (*see Fig 12*).



FIG. 11

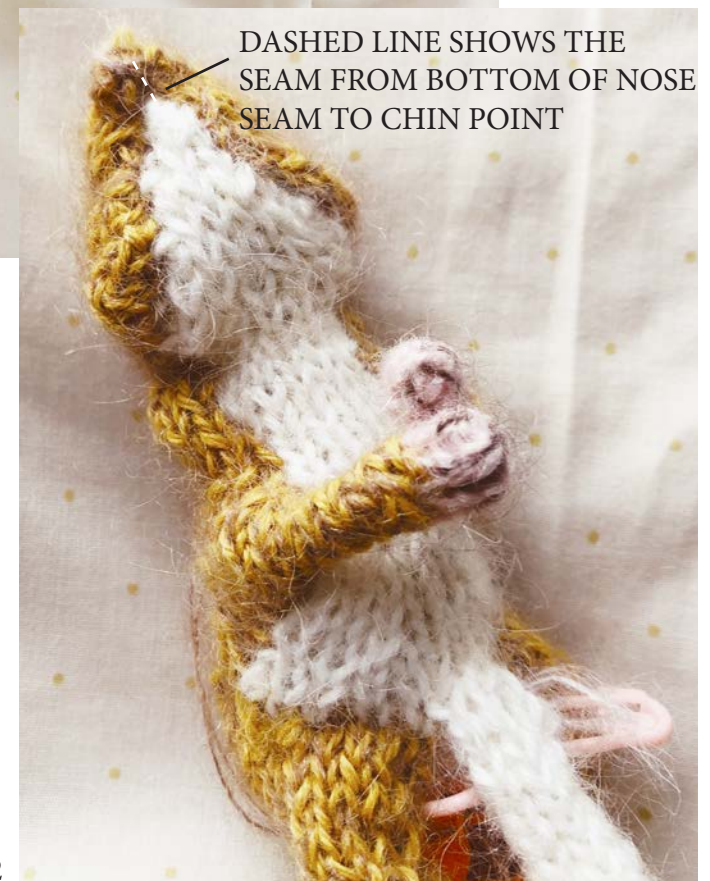


FIG. 12

### Add Eyes

Stuff the head a little and then add the eyes; positioning them where you want them and then fastening them in place (see Fig. 13).

**NOTE:** *If you want a sleeping chipmunk leave out the eyes and embroider the details as written at the end of the pattern.*

FIG. 13



### Join to Cheeks to Neck

Working on one side of the head at a time, bring the corner edge seam from the cheek down to the slightly sloping seam from the neck/ front. Over-sew together with a single strand of mohair (see Fig. 13, join dotted line A to B & Fig. 14).

**NOTE:** *I've found that if you just sew one side and leave the other the chipmunk looks like he is looking around in a jaunty way!*

FIG. 14





## Join to Belly to Thighs

WS together, match the Lower Belly Cast-Off Edge to the Underside of the Tail/ at the cast-on edges at the bottom of the tail seam. Join with mattress stitch.

Working on one side of the belly at a time, ease row ends together and work mattress stitch to join the belly row ends to the thigh ends, stuffing the body at the same time (see Fig. 15, showing seam as sewn).

FIG. 15



## HIND FEET

### Left Hind Foot

With the chipmunk's left side facing you, beginning at chipmunk's Left Hind Leg Top Marker, with yarn EE pick up and knit 5 sts into knitted sts at Left Hind Leg Seam along to chipmunk's Left Hind Leg Marker, (see Figs. 15 & 17, pick up from A to B)

Remove Left Hind Leg and Hind Leg Top Markers.

**Rows 1-3** Beginning with a purl row work three rows stocking stitch

**Row 4** inc) Cast on 5 sts for Outer Foot Front, knit 10 sts to end - 10sts

**Rows 5-9** Beginning with a purl row work five rows stocking stitch

**Row 10** dec) Cast off 5 sts for Inner Foot Front, knit to end - 5sts

**Rows 11-13** Beginning with a purl row work three rows stocking stitch

**Row 14** Cast off 4 Right Inner Foot sts, don't cast off the last stitch, pick up and knit 6 sts all along the Heel Row Ends (see Fig. 16, pick up as dotted line from A to B)

Cast off all 7 Heel stitches purl-wise.



FIG. 16

## Right Hind Foot

With the chipmunk's right side facing you, beginning at chipmunk's Right Hind Leg Marker, with yarn **EE** pick up and knit 5 sts into knitted sts at Right Hind Leg Seam along to chipmunk's Right Hind Leg Top Marker, (see Fig. 15, pick up as white dotted line from C to D) Remove Left Hind Leg and Hind Leg Top Markers.

**Rows 1-2** Beginning with a purl row work two rows stocking stitch

**Row 3** inc) Cast on 5 sts for Outer Foot Front, purl 10 sts to end - 10sts

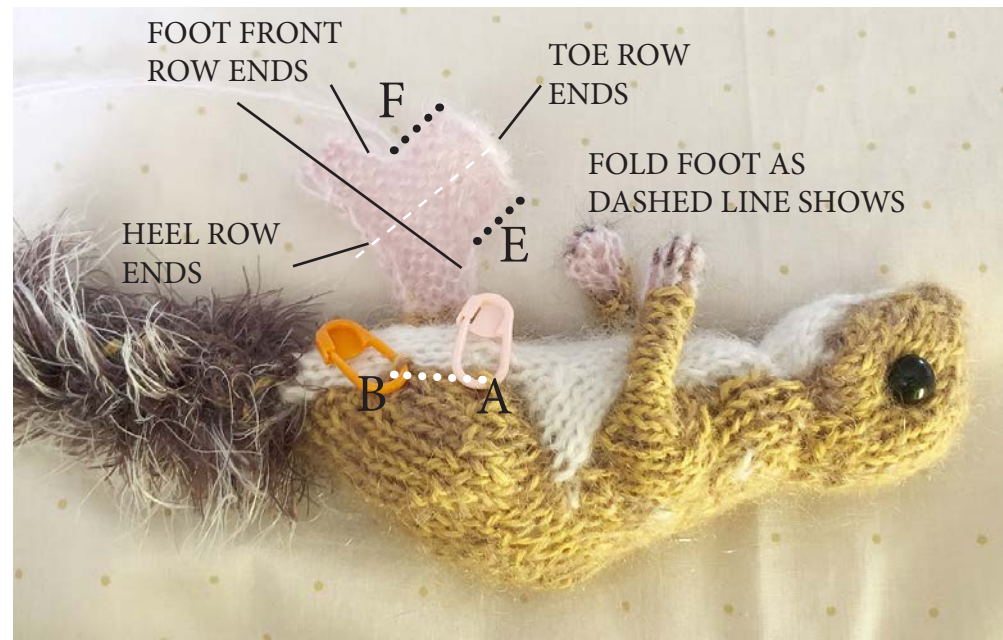
**Rows 4-8** Work five rows stocking stitch

**Row 9** dec) Cast off 5 sts for Inner Foot Front purl-wise, purl to end - 5sts

**Rows 10-12** Work three rows stocking stitch

**Row 13** Cast off 4 Right Inner Foot sts purl-wise, don't cast off the last stitch, pick up and purl 6 sts all along the Heel Row Ends  
Cast off all 7 Heel stitches.

FIG. 17



## Join Hind Feet

Working on one foot at a time, WS together, fold the foot so that the Outer Front Foot Cast-On Edge and Inner Front Foot Cast-Off Edge match (see Fig. 17, join as black dotted lines E to F)

Mattress stitch both cast-on and cast-off edges together.

Mattress stitch along row ends to join at the toe end.

Mattress stitch along row ends to join at the heel end.

Mattress stitch along row ends to join at the front of the foot.

Stuff only with the yarn ends and complete the seam by mattress-sewing the Inner Foot Cast-Off edge near to where you picked up for the feet at the belly.

**EARS**

Make 2 alike

**NOTE:** *The Ears are knitted separately and then joined onto the head*

With yarn **CD** cast on 7 sts

**Row 1 WS)** Purl

Cut yarn **CD**, join yarn **AE**, continue as follows:

**Rows 2-5** Work four rows stocking stitch

**Join Ears**

Cut yarn, thread end through all 7 sts, pull up to gather the end for the Ear Base.

Weave in the ends from the cast-on and the yarn changes.

**Join Ears to the Head**

Join the 'pulled-up' edge to the head, inner ears facing forward, the WS/ purl-side as the inner ear, over-sewing around the ear base securely and curving the ear into a petal shape as you join.

**Finish the Face**

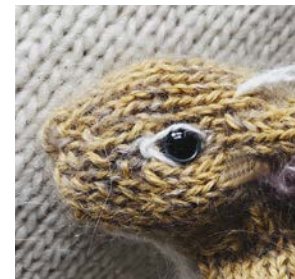
Work an outline around the eyes with yarn **C** (*see Fig. 18 & 19*).

With a length of lace-weight brown yarn or sewing thread embroider a 'Y' around the Nose and a small curve for the smiley mouth (*see Fig. 20*).

FIG. 18



FIG. 19



For a sleeping chipmunk simple embroider two straight lines in white (*see Fig. 20*).

FIG. 20





STRIPES - *these are picked up and knitted into the knitted stitches along the body* FIG. 21  
*using your guides as follows:*

Working on one side of the body at a time place stitch markers where you're stripe markers are - it's easier to see them!

### Right Side Stripe

Starting at the marker nearest the neck, with yarn **GG** pick up and knit 5 stitches into the knitted stitches along in a straight line along to the next marker - you can remove the markers as you go (*see Fig. 21*)

Continue to pick up stitches from marker to marker - I picked up \*\*\*19 sts but you may find you pick up less or more - this is fine as long as when you come the second side the amount of picked up stitches is similar (*see Fig. 22*)

**\*\*Row 1** Purl

**Row 1** Change to yarn **EE** and knit

**Row 1** Change to yarn **GG** and purl

Cast off all Stripe sts.\*\*

### Left Side Stripe

Starting at the marker nearest the tail with yarn **GG** pick up and knit approx \*\*\*19 stitches into knitted stitches from marker to marker.

Complete as Right Side Stripe from \* to \*\*.

Thread the tail ends into the body.

### Join Stripes to the Body

With a single strand yarn **G** carefully sew down the Stripe Cast-Off Edge as neatly as you can (*see Fig. 23*).



FIG. 21







FIG. 23

### Face Squish

To make the face squish up a little, bend a length of yarn in half and pass the cut ends through a yarn sewing needle.

Pass the threaded needle through one side of the head, just behind eye, and out the other side of the head, behind the other eye, then back in to emerge back out where you started - pull up to squish the face a little and secure the thread.

### Tail

If you like you can pull the tail towards the Back and secure with a few stitches to hold the tail upwards.

### Nose

Finally - sew a tiny pink nose with a single strand of yarn E and a few straight stitches (

FIG. 24





NOTE: If there is any part of this pattern that you do not understand then please feel free to email me:  
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