

FINISHED SIZE Approx. 56cm/ 22in length from tail to beak, 46cm/ 18in tall

YARN 500g super chunky yarn in MC and C plus small amount DK cotton yarn for the

horn - MC - I used Drops Eskimo - 8 x50g balls shade 01 Off-white and 2 x 50g balls

shade 13 Camel, horn - Scheepjes Catona

NEEDLES Pair 7mm circulars, pair 3.5mm straights needles

TENSION 6 stitches, 12 rows of garter stitch over 5cm on 7mm needles

EXTRAS Polyester toy filling (you'll need about 200g) or scraps fabric/ yarn for stuffing 2 x 22cm diameter toy eyes

Beginning with the muzzle, with yarn C, cast on 6sts

Row 1 inc) Kfb across - 12sts

Row 2 K

Row 3 inc) Kfb across - 24sts

Row 4 K

Row 5 inc) [K1, kfb] 12 times - 36sts

Rows 6-17 Garter stitch 12 rows

Row 18 dec) Skpo, k1, k2tog, k to last 5 sts, skop, k1, k2tog - 32sts

Cut yarn C, join in yarn MC

Row 19 dec) Skpo, k to last 2 sts, k2tog - 30sts

 $Row\ 20\ \mathrm{K}$

 ${f Row~21~dec})~{
m Skpo},~{
m k~to~last~2~sts},~{
m k2tog~-~28sts}$

Row 22 inc) K1, kfb, k6, kfb, k10, kfb, k6, kfb, k1-32sts

Row 23 inc) K10, kfb, k10, kfb, k to end - 34sts

Row 24 K

Row 25 inc) K9, kfb, k14, kfb, k to end - 36sts

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Row 26 K

Row 27 inc) Kfb, k to last st, kfb - 38sts

Row 28 K

Rows 29-36 inc) Rep last 2 rows four times - 46sts

Rows 37-40 Garter stitch 4 rows

NECK

Row 41 dec) Cast off 14sts, k17, cast off last 14 sts - 18sts

WS facing rejoin yarn MC

Row 42 K

Row 43 inc) Kfb, k to last sts, kfb - 20sts

Place marker on 4th stitch from each end of last row for positions of ears

Row 44 inc) K1, kfb, k to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 - 22sts

Rows 45-52 inc) Rep last 2 rows four times - 38sts

Row 53 inc) Kfb, k to last sts, kfb - 40sts

Rows 54-58 Garter stitch 5 rows

Row 59 inc) Kfb, k18, K2tog, to last st, kfb - 41sts

Row 60 inc) K1, kfb, k to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 - 43sts

Place **marker** at each end of last row for position of beginning of underside of neck

Row 61 inc) Kfb, k20, cast off next st (centre stitch), k to last st, kfb - 44sts

Row 62 inc) K1, kfb, k to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 - 46sts

Row 63 inc) Kfb, k21, k2tog, k to last st, kfb - 47sts

Row 64 inc) K1, kfb, k to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 - 49sts

Row 65 inc) Kfb, k23, cast off next st (centre stitch), k to last st, kfb - 50sts

Row 66 inc) K1, kfb, k to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 - 52sts

Row 67 inc) Kfb, k24, k2tog, k to last st, kfb - 53sts

Row 68 inc) K1, kfb, k to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 - 55sts

Row 69 inc) Kfb, k26, cast off next st (centre stitch), k to last st, kfb - 56sts

Row 70 inc) K1, kfb, k to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 - 58sts

Row 71 inc) Kfb, k27, k2tog, k to last st, kfb - 59sts

Row 72 inc) K1, kfb, k to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 - 61sts

Row 73 inc) Kfb, k29, cast off next st (centre stitch), k to last st, kfb - 62sts

Row 74 inc) K1, kfb, k to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 - 64sts

... shape shoulders

Row 75 inc) K3, kfb, *k2, kfb, rep from * to last 3 sts, k3 - 84sts

Rows 76-82 Garter stitch 7 rows

Row 83 dec) [K2, k2tog] across - 63sts

 $\textbf{Row 84} \; \text{K}$

Row 85 dec [K2, k2tog] across to last 3 sts, k3 - 48sts

Rows 86-98 Garter stitch 13 rows

... shape haunches

Row 99 inc) K3, kfb, *k5, kfb, rep from * to last 2sts, k2 - 56sts

Row 100~K

Row 101 inc) K3, kfb, *k6, kfb, rep from * to last 3sts, k3 - 64sts

Row 102-104 Garter stitch 3 rows

Row 105 inc) K4, kfb, *k7, kfb, rep from * to last 3sts, k3 - 72sts

Row 106-108 Garter stitch 3 rows

Row 109 inc) K4, kfb, *k8, kfb, rep from * to last 4sts, k4 - 80sts

Row 110-112 Garter stitch 3 rows

Row 113 inc) K5, kfb, *k9, kfb, rep from * to last 4sts, k3 - 88sts

Row 114-126 Garter stitch 13 rows

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Row 127 dec) K1, k2tog, *k10, k2tog, rep from * to last st, k1 - 80

Row 128 K

Row 129 dec) K2tog across - 40sts

Row 130-132 Garter stitch 3 rows

Row 133 dec) K2tog across - 20sts

Cast off.

FORELEGS make 2 alike

Beginning at the hoof, with yarn C, cast on 4sts

*... shape base of hoof

Begin hoof in st st as follows:

Row 1 inc) Kfb all across - 8sts

Row 2 P

Rows 3-6 Rep last 2 rows twice more - 32sts

Rows 7-9 Garter stitch 3 rows - 2nd row of garter stitch forms edge of base

Row 10 P

of hoof

Row 11 inc) K15, kfb twice, k to end - 34sts

Row 12 P

Row 13 inc) K16, k2tog, k to end - 33sts

Row 14 dec) P16, cast off next st, k to end - 32sts

Row 15 dec) K15, k2tog, k to end - 31sts

Row 16 dec) P2tog, p13, cast off next st, p to last 2 sts, p2tog - 28sts

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Row 17 dec) K2tog, k11, k2tog, k to last 2 sts, k2tog - 25sts

Row 18 dec) P2tog, p10, cast off next st, p to last 2 sts, p2tog - 22sts

Row 19 inc) K2tog, k8, k2tog, k to last 2 sts, k2tog - 19sts

Row 20 dec) P2tog, p7, cast off next st, p to last 2 sts, p2tog - 16sts

Row 21 inc) K2tog, k5, k2tog, k to last 2 sts, k2tog - 13sts

Row 22 dec) P6, cast off next st, p to end - 12sts**

Cut yarn C, join in yarn MC

Rows 23-55 Garter stitch 32 rows

Row 56 dec) K2tog, k to last 2 sts, k2 tog - 10sts

Row 57 K

Rows 58-63 dec) Rep last 2 rows three times - 4sts

Row 64 dec) K2tog twice - 2sts

Row 65 dec) K2tog. Fasten off.

REAR LEGS

Beginning at the hoof, with yarn C, cast on 4sts

Cont. as hoof from Forelegs from * to ** = 12sts

Cut yarn C, join in yarn MC

Rows 23-39 Garter stitch 17 rows

Row 40 inc) K5, kfb twice, k to end - 14sts

Row~41~K

Row 42 inc) K to centre 2 sts, kfb twice, k to end - 16sts

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Row 43 K

Rows 44-57 Rep last 2 rows 7 times - 30sts

... right leg

Row 58 K

Row 59 dec) Cast off 15sts, k to end - 15sts

Row 60 dec) *K2tog, k to last 2 sts, k2tog - 13sts

Row 61 K

Rows 62-67 dec) Rep last 2 rows three times - 7sts

Row 68 dec) K2tog, k3, k2tog - 5sts

Row 69 dec) K2tog, cast off all rem. sts.**

... left leg

Row 58 dec) Cast off 15sts, k to end - 15sts

Rows 59-68 As Right Leg from * to **

EARS make 2 alike

Beginning with the base of the ear, cast on 8 sts

Rows 1-3 Garter stitch 3 rows

Row 4 dec) K2tog, k to last 2 sts, k2 tog - 6sts

Row 5 K

Rows 6-9 dec) Rep last 2 rows twice - 2sts

Cast off.

Row 16 P

Row 17 dec) Skpo, k2 tog - 2sts

Cut yarn and thread the end through the 2 remaining sts. Weave in the end.

HORN

Cast on 20 sts.

... short rows to shape horn

Short row 1 K19, W+T

Short row 2 K19

Short row 3 K18, W+T

Short row 4 K18

Short row 5 K17, W+T

Short row 6 K17

Short row 7 K16, W+T

Short row 8 K16

Short row 9 K15, W+T

Short row 10 K15

Short row 11 K14, W+T

Short row 12 K14

Short row 13 K13, W+T

Short row 14 K13

Short rows 15-38 Work shorter and shorter rows until the last 2 short rows

read K1, W+T, then (short row 38) K1

Cast off.

MANE

Beginning at the front of the main with yarn MC, cast on 6sts

Row 1 K

Row 2 inc) Kfb, k to end - 7sts

Row 3 K

Rows 4 inc)-9 Rep last 2 rows three times - 10sts

Row 10 dec) K2tog, k to end - 9sts

Row 11 K

Rows 12 dec)-21 Rep last 2 rows five times - 4sts

Cast off.

TAIL

Leaving a long tail cast on 24sts

Row 1 K1, k2tog, slip 2nd st over first st and off needle (offn), *k1, k2tog, slip 2nd st over first st and offn, slip 3rd st over the first st and offn, rep from * to last 3sts, k3 - 4sts

Row 2 K4, turn, cast on 29sts - 33sts

Row 3 As Row 1

Row 4 K4, turn, cast on 35sts - 39sts

Row 5 K1, k2tog, slip 2nd st over first st and off needle (offn), *k1, k2tog, slip 2nd st over first st and offn, slip 3rd st over the first st and offn, rep from * to end

Fasten off.

TO MAKE UP

Mattress sew the seam that runs from the muzzle then along underside and up to marker (marking beginning of underside of neck) then sew cast off edge of head to shaped side of neck up to marker leaving remaining head/muzzle seam open.

Snap in the eyes - each eye is positioned on 26th row after the muzzle/ where MC yarn begins - and 16 stitches apart.

Sew remaining head/ muzzle seam across the cast on edge at the same time stuffing the body well.

Forelegs and rear legs - Fold in half matching row/ selvedge ends and join hoof and leg seam with mattress stitch leaving the top of the leg (at the shaping) open and at the same time passing a length of rope, cut to same size as the leg length, and adding stuffing around the rope, inside leg and hoof. Position each foreleg either side of the body, just beneath the neck, and join onto the body by sewing around the shaped top of the leg - stuffing lightly as you do so - the seam lies towards the back of the legs.

Position each rear leg either side of the body, almost in line with the back of the body, and join onto the body by sewing around the shaped top of the leg - stuffing lightly as you do so - the seam lies towards the back of the legs.

Horn - Fold in half at the cast off edge and mattress sew together. Oversew around the base onto the head to join horn to head - the horn os posotioned equidistant between the eyes at the same time stuffing the horn enough so that it holds its shape - the seam lies towards the ears.

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Mane - join the mane onto the head along the row edge from just after the horn, then curl over itself like a quiff/ wave and sew the curl in place. sew a couple of looped stitches in front of the mane.

Ears - join ears onto the head at marker positions.

Tail - join the straight edge to the horse's rear. Re-curl the curliques if necessary.

Nostrils - to create nostrils thread up a yarn needle then use your thumb and 1st finger to pinch a small curved ridge at the top of the muzzle, sew a couple of stitches along the pinched bit of the ridge to keep its shape - work a nostril on each side of the muzzle about 7 stitches apart.

Abbreviations:

K = knit P = purl

inc = increase dec = decrease

K2 tog = knit two together Rep = repeat

RS/WS = right side/ wrong side

SKPO = slip, knit, pass slipped stitch over the knitted stitch

St/ Sts = stitch/ stitches

Kfb = knit into front then into back of stitch to increase 1 stitch

