

Knitted square bear

(courtesy of Gina Michele)

Supplies

4 Yarn: Two colours

Needles: Size 8

Also needed: filling, buttons, felt

Approximate size: Measures 10 inches from the bottom of the foot to the top of the ear.

Pattern

For the body (make 1): Cast on 20 sts. Work in Garter stitch for 13 inches. Bind off.

For the legs (make 2): Cast on 12 sts. Work in Garter stitch for 4 inches. Bind off.

For the arms & ears (make 4): Cast on 10 sts. Work in Garter stitch for 4 inches. Bind off.

For the muzzle (make 1): Cast on 10 sts. Work in Garter stitch for 4 inches. Bind off.



Assembling the bear:

- Fold body piece over and stitch the sides and bottom closed, leaving a hole to insert the fiber fill. Stuff and sew seam closed.
- For the legs: Roll the piece up and stitch the long seam closed. Stuff lightly with fiber fill and sew on end closed. Repeat with the other leg.
- For the arms: Roll the piece up and stitch the long seam closed. Stuff lightly with fiber fill and sew on end closed. Repeat with the other arm.
- To make the ears: Fold the square over to form a triangle. Stitch the sides closed.
- Run the yarn through the bottom stitches to gather. Pull tightly and knot to hold in place.
- Sew the ears on.
- For the muzzle: Repeat the same steps used to make the ears. Stitch the muzzle to the body. Cut out a felt nose and sew it on. Cut out circles from the white felt and sew the buttons on to make eyes.