Bob, the bunny and Ferdinand, the helper frog By Stana D. Sortor



Finished toys size: Ferdinand, the helper frog is approximately 5" (13 cm) tall. Bob, the bunny is approximately 7.5" (19 cm) tall.

Yarn:

Cascade 220 Superwash in # 809 Really Red (120 yards / 110 meters), # 871 White (40 yards / 37 meters), # 818 Mocha (35 yards / 32 meters), # 906 Chartreuse (30 yards / 28 meters), , # 815 Black (30 yards / 28 meters)

About 120 yards / 110 meters red

About 40 yards / 37 meters white

About 30 yards / 28 meters black

About 30 yards / 28 meters green

About 35 yards / 32 meters lighter brown

Total yardage 255 yards / 233 meters.

Recommended Needle Size: DPN US # 5/3.75mm (set of 5). Or use your preferred needles for knitting in the round.

Notions: Yarn needle, scissors, stitch marker, polyester fiberfill (1 small bag).

Abbreviations:

KFB = Knit in front and back of the same st, it creates 2sts from 1st.

SSK = Slip st, slip st and knit the 2sts together. This decreases 2sts to 1st.

K2tog = Knit 2 sts together. This decreases 2sts to 1st.

R = Round

Gauge: 21sts & 27 rows = 4" in stockinette stitch.

INSTRUCTIONS:

When casting on leave a longer tail to be used for sewing.

Hats (make 2):

With the white yarn and three DPN cast on 12 sts (4 sts per needle). Place the stitch marker on the first st and begin working in the round.

 $\mathbf{R} \mathbf{1} - \mathbf{2}$: Knit around (12 sts total) Cut off white yarn. Attach red yarn.

R 3: Knit around (12 sts total)

R 4: SSK, Knit 10 (11sts total)

R 5: Knit around (11 sts total)

R 6: Knit 3, SSK, Knit 6 (10sts total)

R 7: Knit around (10 sts total)

R 8: Knit 6, SSK, Knit 2 (9 sts total)

R 9: Knit around (9 sts total)

R 10: SSK, Knit 7 (8 sts total)

R 11 Knit around (8 sts total)

R 12 Knit 2, SSK, Knit 4 (7sts total)

R 13 Knit around (7 sts total)

R 14 Knit 4, SSK, Knit 1 (6 sts total)

R 15: Knit around (6 sts total)

R 16: SSK, Knit 4 (5sts total)

R 17 Knit around (5 sts total) Cut off red yarn. Attach white yarn.

R 18: Knit 1, SSK, Knit 2 (4 sts total)

R 19: Knit around (4 sts total)

R 20: Knit 2, SSK (3 sts total) Cut the yarn, leaving long enough tail, and thread the end on a yarn needle. Pull the end through the remaining stitches on needles, gather up and close the hole, stitch to secure.

Leave the yarn from cast on sts for sewing.

Ferdinand, the helper frog:

Body:

With the red yarn and three DPN cast on 6sts (2 sts per needle). Place the stitch marker on the first st and begin working in the round.

R 1: Knit around (6 sts total)

R 2: KFB all around, 4 sts per needle (12 sts total)

R 3: Knit around (12 sts total)

R 4: KFB all around, 8 sts per needle (24 sts total)

R 5: Knit around (24 sts total)

R 6: *KFB, Knit 1; repeat from * around, 12 sts per needle (36 sts total)

R 7: Knit around (36 sts total)

R 8: *KFB, Knit 2; repeat from * around, 16 sts per needle (48 sts total)

R 9 - 12: Knit around 4 rounds (48 sts total) Attach white yarn, do not cut red yarn.

R 13 - 15: Knit around 3 rounds in white yarn (48 sts total). Cut off white yarn, continue in red yarn.

R 16 - 22: Knit around 7 rounds (48 sts total)

R 23: *SSK, Knit 6; repeat from * around, 14 sts per needle (42 sts total)

R 24 - 26: Knit around (42 sts total)

R 27: *SSK, Knit 5; repeat from * around, 12 sts per needle (36 sts total)

R 28 - 30: Knit around (36 sts total)

R 31: *SSK, Knit 4; repeat from * around, 10 sts per needle (30 sts total)

R 32: Knit around (30 sts total) Cut off red yarn. Attach white yarn.

R 33 - 34: Knit around (30 sts total). Thread the tail from the cast on sts on a yarn needle. Stitch through all of the cast on stitches, pull up tight to close the hole, stitch to secure. Begin to stuff the body with fiberfill.

Cut off the white yarn. Attach green yarn.

R 35: *SSK, Knit 1; repeat from * around (20 sts total)

R 36: Knit around (20 sts total)

R 37: *SSK, Knit 1; repeat from * around, the last will be SSK (13 sts total)

R 38: Knit around (13 sts total). Finish stuffing. Cut the yarn, leaving long enough tail, and thread the end on a yarn needle. Pull the end through the remaining stitches on needles, gather up and close the hole, stitch to secure.

Arms and legs (make 4):

With the red yarn and DPN cast on 6 sts. Place the stitch marker on the first st and begin working in the round.

R 1 - 15: Knit around (6 sts total) Cut off red yarn. Attach white yarn.

R 16 - 17: Knit around (6 sts total) Cut off white yarn. Attach green yarn.

R 18 - 20: Knit around (6 sts total)

R 21: KFB around, 6 sts per needle (12 sts total)

R 22 - 24: Knit around (12 sts total)

R 25: Knit and cast off from both DPN at the same time. Cut the yarn, leaving long enough tail, thread the tail on a yarn needle and stitch to secure.

Sew the arms and legs to the body using the picture as a guide.

Eyeballs (make 2):

With the green yarn and three DPN cast on 9sts (3sts per needle). Place the stitch marker on the first st and begin working in the round.

R 1: Knit around (9sts total)

R 2: *KFB, Knit 2; repeat from * around, 4sts per needle (12sts total)

R 3: * KFB, Knit 3; repeat from * around, 5sts per needle (15sts total)

R 4: Knit around (15sts total). Cut off green yarn. Attach white yarn.

R 5 - 6: Knit around (15sts total)

R 7: *SSK, Knit 3; repeat from * around, 4sts per needle (12sts total)

R 8: Knit around (12sts total). Thread the tail from the cast on sts on a yarn needle. Stitch through all of the cast on stitches, pull up tight to close the hole, stitch to secure. Begin to stuff eyeballs with fiberfill. Cut off white yarn. Attach black yarn.

R 9: *SSK, Knit 2; repeat from * around, 3sts per needle (9sts total)

R 10: Knit around (9sts total). Finish stuffing the eyeballs. Cut the yarn, leaving long enough tail, and thread the end on a yarn needle. Pull the end through the remaining stitches on needles, gather up and close the hole, stitch to secure.

Sew the eyeballs to the top of Ferdinand's head using the picture as a guide.

Bob, the bunny:

Body:

With the red yarn and three DPN cast on 6sts (2sts per needle). Place the stitch marker on the first st and begin working in the round.

- **R 1:** Knit around (6 sts total)
- **R 2:** KFB all around, 4 sts per needle (12 sts total)
- **R 3:** Knit around (12 sts total)
- **R 4:** KFB all around, 8 sts per needle (24 sts total)
- **R 5:** Knit around (24 sts total)
- **R 6:** *KFB, Knit 1; repeat from * around, 12 sts per needle (36 sts total)
- **R 7:** Knit around (36 sts total)
- **R 8:** *KFB, Knit 2; repeat from * around, 16 sts per needle (48 sts total)
- **R 9 12:** Knit around 4 rounds (48 sts total) Attach white yarn, do not cut red yarn.
- R 13 15: Knit around 3 rounds in white yarn (48 sts total). Cut off white yarn, continue in red yarn.
- **R 16 22:** Knit around 7 rounds (48 sts total)
- **R 23:** *SSK, Knit 6; repeat from * around, 14 sts per needle (42 sts total)
- **R 24 26:** Knit around (42 sts total)
- **R 27:** *SSK, Knit 5; repeat from * around, 12 sts per needle (36 sts total)
- **R 28 30:** Knit around (36 sts total)
- **R 31:** *SSK, Knit 4; repeat from * around, 10 sts per needle (30 sts total)
- **R 32:** Knit around (30 sts total)
- **R 33 34:** Knit around (30 sts total). Thread the tail from the cast on sts on a yarn needle. Stitch through all of the cast on stitches, pull up tight to close the hole, stitch to secure. Begin to stuff the body with fiberfill. Cut off red yarn. Attach white yarn.
- **R 35:** *SSK, Knit 1; repeat from * around (20 sts total)
- **R 36:** Knit around (20 sts total). Cut off white yarn. Attach brown yarn.
- **R 37:** *SSK, Knit 1; repeat from * around, the last will be SSK (13 sts total)
- **R 38:** Knit around (13 sts total). Finish stuffing the body.

Continue with head:

- **R 39:** *KFB, Knit 1; repeat from * around, last stitch is KFB. (20 sts total)
- **R 40:** Knit around (20 sts total)
- **R 41** *KFB, Knit 3; repeat from * around (25 sts total)
- **R 42:** Knit around (25 sts total)
- **R 43** *KFB, Knit 4; repeat from * around (30 sts total)
- **R 44 46:** Knit around 3 rounds (30 sts total)
- **R 47** *KFB, Knit 5; repeat from * around (35 sts total)
- $\mathbf{R} \mathbf{48} \mathbf{52}$: Knit around 5 rounds (35 sts total)
- **R 53** *SSK, Knit 5; repeat from * around (30 sts total)
- **R 54:** Knit around (30 sts total)
- **R 55** *SSK, Knit 1; repeat from * around (20 sts total)
- **R 56:** Knit around (20 sts total)
- **R 57:** SSK all around (10 sts total)

Finish stuffing. Cut the yarn, leaving long enough tail, and thread the end on a yarn needle. Pull the end through the remaining stitches on needles, gather up and close the hole, stitch to secure.

Arms (make 2):

With the red yarn and DPN cast on 6 sts. Place the stitch marker on the first st and begin working in the round

R 1 - 20: Knit around (6 sts total) Cut off red yarn. Attach white yarn.

R 21 - 22: Knit around (6 sts total) Cut off white yarn. Attach brown yarn.

R 23 - 25: Knit around (6 sts total)

R 26: KFB around, 6 sts per needle (12 sts total)

R 27 - 28: Knit around (12 sts total)

R 29: SSK all around (6 sts total). Lightly stuff the hand part of arm. Cut the yarn, leaving long enough tail, and thread the end on a yarn needle. Pull the end through the remaining stitches on needles, gather up and close the hole, stitch to secure. Sew the arms to the body using the picture as a guide.

Legs (make 2):

With the black yarn and 3DPN cast on 6sts (2 sts per needle). Place a stitch marker and begin working in the round.

R 1: Knit around (6 sts total)

R 2: KFB all around (12 sts total)

R 3: *KFB, Knit 3; repeat from * around (15 sts total)

 $\mathbf{R} \mathbf{4} - \mathbf{12}$: Knit around (15 sts total)

R 13: *SSK, Knit 3; repeat from * around (12 sts total) Thread the tail from the cast on sts on a needle and sew close the hole. Stuff the legs with fiberfill.

R 14: SSK all around (6 sts total)

Cut the yarn leaving long enough tail, thread the end on a yarn needle. Pull the end through the remaining stitches on needles, gather up and close the hole, stitch to secure. Leave the yarn for sewing.

Ears (make 2):

With the brown yarn and two DPN cast on 8sts. Place the stitch marker on the first st and begin working in the round.

R 1: Knit around (8 sts total)

R 2: *KFB, Knit 3; repeat from * around (10 sts total)

R 3 - 22: Knit around 20 rounds (10 sts total)

R 23: *SSK, Knit 3; repeat from * around (8 sts total)

R 24: Knit around (8sts total)

R 25: *SSK, Knit 2; repeat from * around (6 sts total)

Cut the yarn, leaving long enough tail, and thread the end on a yarn needle. Pull the end through the remaining stitches on needles, gather up and close the hole, stitch to secure. Flatten the piece. Sew the ears on top of bunny's head, using the picture as a guide.

Tail:

With the white yarn and DPN cast on 15sts. Place the stitch marker on the first st and begin working in the round.

 $\mathbf{R} \mathbf{1} - \mathbf{2}$: Knit around (15 sts total)

R 3: *SSK, Knit 3; repeat from * around (12 sts total)

R 4: *SSK, Knit 2; repeat from * around (9 sts total)

Cut the yarn, leaving long enough tail, and thread the end on a yarn needle. Pull the end through the remaining stitches on needles, gather up and close the hole, stitch to secure. Sew the tail to the middle of the bottom part of the back.



Finishing:

Using duplicate stitch make the white edge of Santa's coat in the middle of front. Using black yarn duplicate stitch the black piece on the white belt.

Embroider a smile on the Ferdinand's face using the picture as a guide. Embroider Bob, the bunny's face using the picture as a guide.

Sew the hats on top of their head.

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