

MiraMar Baby Animals



Materials:

Bunny: 1 ball Miramar color 27;
Cat: 1 ball color 23, Dog: 1 ball color 26,
Bear: 1 ball color 32; plus all need oddments
of a flat yarn for accents as shown in photos,
Needles: Size US 7, stitch markers, fiberfil
stuffing.

Gauge: 18 sts = 4" over st st.

Size: ~7".

BASIC ANIMAL:

Cast on 9 sts.

Row 1(RS): K1, *(M1, k1); repeat from *
across: 17 sts

Row 2 and all even numbered rows: Purl.

Row 3: *(K2, M1); repeat from * across, end
k1: 25 sts

Row 5: *(K3, M1); repeat from * across, end
k1: 33 sts

Row 7: *(K4, M1); repeat from * across, end

k1: 41 sts

Rows 8 to 18: Beginning with a purl row, work even in st st for 11 rows.

Row 19: K4, k2tog, *(k3, k2tog); repeat from * across, end k5: 34 sts.

Row 20: P6, place marker, p6, place marker, p10, place marker, p6, place marker, p6.

Begin increases: Knit across increasing before and after each marker by knitting in the front and back of each stitch as follows:

Row 21: There will be 7/8/12/8/7 sts.

Row 23: There will be 8/10/14/10/8 sts.

Row 25: There will be 9/12/16/12/9 sts.

Row 27: There will be 10/14/18/14/10 sts.

Row 29: There will be 11/16/20/16/11 sts.

Divide for Body

Row 31: Knit across 11 sts. (back). Slip next 16 sts to holder (arm). Knit across 20 sts (front). Slip next 16 sts to holder (arm). Knit across last 11 sts (back).

Rows 32 to 40: Starting with a purl row, work in st st for 9 rows across all sts on needle (42 sts).

LEGS

Row 41: Dividing for legs, knit across 21 sts. M1 st. Slip last 21 sts to holder. 22 sts on needle.

Row 42: Purl 22 sts, M1 st: 23 sts on needle.

Row 43 to 48: Beginning with a knit row, work 6 rows in st st.

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Row 49: *(K1, k2tog); repeat from * across, end k2: 16 sts.

Row 51: K2tog across: 8 sts remain.

Tie off and sew leg up to increase point on leg.

Put 2nd leg sts on needle and repeat as for first leg.

ARMS

Row 1: Slip first arm sts to needle and knit across 16 sts, M1 st: 17 sts.

Row 2: Purl across sts, M1: 18 sts.

Rows 3 to 8: Starting with a knit row work in st st 6 rows.

Row 9: * (K1, k2tog); repeat from * across: 12 sts.

Row 11: K2tog across: 6 sts.

Tie off and sew arm up to increase point on arm.

Put 2nd arm sts on needle and repeat as for first arm.

Sew underarms. Gather up starting 9 sts and proceed to sew down the back seam, stuffing as you go.

Sew on animal features as shown in photos. Wrap yarn around neck to define the neck. Knot and anchor in ends. Cover with ribbon (tacked down to body for safety), if desired.

CAT EARS (Make 2)

Row 1: Cast on 8 sts.

Row 2 and all even rows: K1, purl across to last st, K1.

Row 3: K3 sts, increase in next 2 sts, K3 sts: 10 sts.

Row 5: K1 st, (k2tog) 4 times, k1 st: 6 sts.

Row 7: K2tog across: 3 sts.

Row 8: P3tog: 1 st.

Row 9: (Knit, purl, knit) all in same st: 3 sts.

Row 11: Increase in all 3 sts by knitting into the front & back of each: 6 sts.

Row 13: K1 st, increase in next 4 sts, k1 st: 10 sts.

Row 15: K3 sts, k2tog, 2 times, k3 sts: 8 sts.

Row 16: K1, purl across to last st, K1.

Bind off.

Fold ears in half and sew cast on and bind off edges together. Sew as desired to head.

DOG EARS (Make 2)

Row 1: Cast on 6 sts.

Row 2 and all even rows: K1, purl across to last st, K1.

Row 3: Knit across.

Row 5: K2, increase in next 2 sts, K2: 8 sts.

Rows 6 to 10: Starting with a purl row, work 5 rows in st st.

Row 11: *(K2, increase in next st); repeat from * once, end with k2: 10 sts.

Row 13: K1, (k2tog) 4 times, K1: 6 sts.

Row 15: Knit across.

Row 16: K1, purl across to last st, K1.

Bind off.

Fold ears in half and sew cast on and bind off edges together. Sew as desired to head.

BEAR EARS (Make 2)

Row 1: Cast on 8 sts.

Row 2 & all even rows: K1, purl across to last st, K1.

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Row 3: K3 sts, increase in next 2 sts, k3 sts: 10 sts.

Row 5: K1 st, (k2tog) 4 times, k1 st: 6 sts.

Row 7: K2tog across: 3 sts.

Row 8 to 10: Starting with a purl row, st st 3 rows.

Row 11: Increase in 3 sts by knitting into the front & back of each. 6 sts

Row 13: K1 st, increase in next 4 sts, k1 st. 10 sts.

Row 15: K3 sts, (k2tog) 2 times, k3 sts: 8 sts.

Row 16: K1, purl across to last st, K1.

Bind off.

Fold ears in half and sew cast on and bind off edges together. Sew as desired to head.

BUNNY EARS (Make 2)

With smaller needles, cast on 8 sts.

Knit 1 row.

Row 2: K3, M1, K2, M1, K3 (10 sts).

Knit 3 rows.

Row 6: K4, M1, K2, M1, K4 (12 sts)

Knit 3 rows.

Row 10: K5, M1, K2, M1, K5 (14 sts)

Knit 45 rows (or to desired length before decreases).

Row 56: K4, ssk, K2, K2tog, K4 (12 sts)

Knit 3 rows.

Row 60: K3, ssk, K2, K2tog, K3 (10 sts)

Knit 3 rows.

Row 64: K2, ssk, K2, K2tog, K2 (8 sts)

Knit 3 rows.

Row 68: K1, ssk, K2, K2tog, K1 (6 sts)

Knit 3 rows.

Row 72: K1, ssk, K2tog, K1 (4 sts)

Knit 1 row.

Bind off. Sew on securely.

Tails:

Cat & Dog: Work a 4 st I-cord for 2". Then k2tog twice. Last row: K2tog. Tie off and sew securely in place.

Bunny & Bear: Cast on 6 sts. Knit every row for 1". Bind off. Gather around the ends and pull tight. Stuff lightly and sew on securely.

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