

Momma Bear Pattern Reworked in the Round

MATERIALS

Size 7 needles

Worsted Weight Yarn (machine washable preferred)

Floss or yarn for embroidery

Other embellishments for fun

DIRECTIONS

Body/Head:

Provisionally cast on 40 sts.

Join and knit 30 rnds (16 for trousers and 14 for top).

Split and work 6 rows back and forth (both front and back). Rejoin and knit in the rnd with bear color for 3”.

Legs:

Pick up 20 sts from provisional sts at bottom for 1st leg starting and ending at the center of body, and cast on 2 sts at crotch (22 sts total). Knit 1 rnd plain and then dec 2 sts at crotch on next rnd (20 sts). Knit 26 additional rnds (working first 18 rnds in trouser color and then 8 in bear or shoe color). Dec rnd: k2tog across rnd. Knit 1 rnd plain. Stuff leg with stuffing.

Break yarn and pull through sts.

Rep for second leg, except that instead of casting on 2 sts at crotch, pick up 2 sts across the 2 cast on sts for the first leg. Adjust stuffing before starting arms.

Arms:

Pick up 16 sts around armhole opening.

Work in rnd for 24 rnds (16 for sleeve and 8 for paw). K2tog across rnds.

Knit 1 rnd plain. Stuff arm. Break yarn and pull through rem sts. Rep for other arm.

Stuff bear body. Graft closed.

Use lighter weight yarn or floss to embroider facial features and sew ears. Embellish as desired to personalize your bear.

