

YARN

Deramores Studio Baby Soft DK

1 x 100g Snow	Yarn A
1 x 100g Lollipop	Yarn B
1 x 100g Sunset	Yarn C
1 x 100g Sunshine	Yarn D
1 x 100g Kiwi	Yarn E
1 x 100g Mint	Yarn F
1 x 100g Waves	Yarn G

NEEDLES

A pair of 3mm straight knitting needles; minimum length 20cm.

TENSION

24 sts x 30 rows to measure 10x10cm over stockinette stitch using 3mm needles.

SIZE

29cm long.

EXTRAS

A darning or tapestry needle.
A few handfuls of toy filling.
Two 5mm black beads for eyes.
Black embroidery floss/thread to sew on beads and embroider the mouth.
Small circles of pink and white felt fabric.
Glue or pink cotton thread to attach the cheeks.

UK TERMS

K	Knit
K2tog	Knit two stitches together (to decrease)
Kfb	Knit into the front and back of the stitch (to increase)
RS	Right side
St(s)	Stitch(es)
St st	Stockinette stitch. Also known as stocking stitch; knit and purl alternate rows.
WS	Wrong side
(.. sts)	The number in round brackets at the end of the instruction indicates the number of stitches after working the row.
[...]	Repeat the sequence between the square brackets.

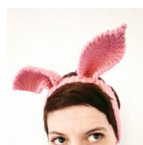


BEGINNER
KNITTING



Rainbow Caterpillar

by Amanda Berry



Amanda Berry creates knitted toys, all stuffed with a little fluff and fuzz! Since graduating from London College of Fashion with First Class Honours in 2014, Amanda's passion for knitting has become her full time career.

Now based in Berkshire, England, her toy designs have been published in magazines and she has also designed toys for charities. Amanda's knitting patterns are available from Deramores at www.deramores.com.



Caterpillar

Make 1.

Cast on 10 sts in **Yarn G** onto 3mm straight needles, using the long tail cast on.

Row 1 (WS): Purl.

Row 2 (RS): K1, [kfb] 8 times, k1. (18 sts).

Rows 3-7: Starting and ending on a WS purl row, work 5 rows in st st.

Break **Yarn G**.

Work rows 8 to 91 in st st, starting on a RS knit row and ending on a WS purl row, working 6-row stripes in each colour in the following order:

Rows 8-13: **Yarn F**.

Rows 14-19: **Yarn E**.

Rows 20-25: **Yarn D**.

Rows 26-31: **Yarn C**.

Rows 32-37: **Yarn B**.

Rows 38-43: **Yarn A**.

Rows 44-49: **Yarn F**.

Rows 50-55: **Yarn G**.

Rows 56-61: **Yarn E**.

Rows 62-67: **Yarn D**.

Rows 68-73: **Yarn C**.

Rows 74-79: **Yarn B**.

Rows 80-85: **Yarn A**.

Rows 86-91: **Yarn F**.

Break **Yarn F** and join **Yarn E** for the head.

Row 92: Knit.

Row 93: Purl.

Row 94: K1, [kfb, k1] 8 times, k1. (26 sts).

Row 95: Purl.

Row 96: K1, [kfb, k5] 4 times, k1. (30 sts).

Rows 97-103: Starting and ending on a WS purl row, work 7 rows in st st.

Row 104: K1, [k2tog, k2] 7 times, k1. (23 sts).

Row 105: Purl.

Row 106: K1, [k2tog, k1] 7 times, k1. (16 sts).

Row 107: Purl.

Row 108: K1, [k2tog] 7 times, k1. (9 sts).

Break yarn leaving a long tail end and pull through remaining sts to gather and fasten off.

Antennae

Make 2.

Cast on 4 sts in **Yarn E** yarn onto 3mm straight needles, using the long tail cast on.

Rows 1-5: Starting and ending on a WS purl row, work 5 rows in st st.

Row 6: K1, [kfb] twice, k1. (6 sts).

Row 7: Purl.

Break yarn leaving a long tail end and pull through remaining sts to gather and fasten off.

Making Up

Use mattress stitch to sew the seams. For the caterpillar, starting at the front of the head, sew the side edges together adding stuffing as you sew. Note that the seam runs down the underside of the body.

Roll the caterpillar like a rolling pin to make sure your stuffing is evenly spread throughout, then gather the cast on sts together at the bottom end.

At each colour change on the body section, cut a 20cm length of yarn in the body section colour, thread onto a darning needle and sew a long running stitch around the body over the colour change row. Pull the ends of the yarn firmly to gather in the knitting to make an indentation, knot to secure the yarn and bury the yarn tails inside the body.

For each antennae, using the cast off tail, sew the side edges together then sew the cast on end onto the top of the head.

Cut two white 11mm diameter circles in white felt fabric for the eyes. Using the black thread, sew beads on top of these circles on the head in front of the antennae.

Use the black thread to embroider a smiley mouth on the front of the head.

Cut two 8mm diameter circles in pink felt fabric for the cheeks, and glue or sew these onto the sides of the head over the ends of the mouth.



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