

Sheep

Note: Use cream for all the knitted pieces.

Body

Begin at back and cast on 12 sts.
P 1 row.

Next row: Inc K wise into every st — 24 sts.
Beginning with a P row, st-st 17 rows.

Next row: (K2tog) to end — 12 sts. B & T tightly.
Noting that P side of st-st is right side, oversew row ends together. This seam will run underneath the body. Turn right side out and stuff. Gather round cast on sts, pull up tightly and fasten off.

Legs [make two pieces alike]

The following knitted strip makes *one pair* of legs.

Begin at top edge and cast on 19 sts.

1st row: K9, P1, K9.

2nd row: P9, K1, P9.

Repeat these two rows once, then first row once.
Cast off.

Starting at one set of row ends and with K side of st-st outside, roll up the strip very tightly as far as the centre line of sts. Catch rolled-up section to centre sts. Roll up and sew the other set of row ends in same way. Sew one pair of legs under body at front and the other pair under body at back.

Head

Begin at top edge and cast on 14 sts. P 1 row.

Next row: K4, inc K wise into next 6 sts, K4 — 20 sts.

Join on another strand of cream yarn. Using double yarn and beginning with a P row, st-st 3 rows.

Break off one strand and continue in single yarn.

K 1 row.

Dec for face

Next row: K2, (K2tog) 8 times, K2 — 12 sts.
Beginning with a P row, st-st 3 rows and dec 1 st at each end of 3rd row — 10 sts.
St-st 2 more rows.

Next row: (K2tog) to end — 5 sts.
B & T tightly.

Noting that K side of st-st on face is right side, oversew row ends together. Turn right side out and stuff. Leave cast on edge open. Note that the oversewn seam will run underneath the head.

Eyes and nose

Work the stitches in black, starting and fastening off in stuffing at open cast on edge. For one eye work a small back-stitch, 2 knitted rows down the st-st face section. Work again over the first back-stitch. For other eye repeat in the adjacent st. At end of face work a small V-shape for nose.

Push a little more stuffing inside head to cover black yarn ends. Gather round cast on sts, pull up tightly and fasten off. Pin the seam [at section of head which was worked in double yarn], to front of body above the B & T sts. Sew head to body as pinned.

Ears [make two alike]

Cast on 5 sts.

1st row: K3, turn.

2nd row: Slip first st K wise, P to end.
Cast off P wise.

Gather up longest set of row ends. Pin these edges to section of head worked in double yarn, at sides of head. Make sure that K side of st-st faces forwards. Sew ears in place as pinned.

Tail

Work tail as for ears. Sew to back of body above the gathered cast on sts, with P side of st-st outside.

