

Fish Pattern

What you need:

- 4mm needles
- Double knit yarn (we used 2 colours to create the stripes on our fish, these are denoted by Yarn A and Yarn B in our pattern)
- Darning needle
- Toy stuffing



Key:

Stocking stitch: knit one row, purl one row

Kfb: knit into front and back of the same stitch

RS: Right side of your work

WS: Wrong side of your work

K2tog: knit 2 stitches together

Head and body

Cast on 4 stitches in yarn A

Row 1: (RS) (kfb) to end (8 stitches)

Row 2: (and all WS rows) purl

Row 3: (kfb, k2, kfb) twice (12 stitches)

Row 5: (kfb, k4, kfb) twice (16 stitches)

Row 7: (kfb, k6, kfb) twice (20 stitches)

Row 9: (kfb, k8, kfb) twice (24 stitches)

Row 10- 14: start with a p row, stocking stitch 4 rows

CHANGE TO YARN B

Row 15: (kfb, k4, kfb) 4 times (32 stitches)

CHANGE TO YARN A – you'll now be working 2 rows in YARN A, followed by 2 rows in YARN B throughout the rest of the body)

Rows 17-34 start with a k row, work in stocking stitch

Row 35: (k2tog, k12, k2tog) twice (28 stitches)

Row 36 and all WS rows: p

Row 37: (k2tog, k10, k2tog) twice (24 stitches)

Row 39: (k2tog, k8, k2tog) twice (20 stitches)

Row 41: (k2tog, k6, k2tog) twice (16 stitches)

Row 42-44: continue in stocking stitch

Row 45: (kfb, k6, kfb) twice (20 stitches)

Row 46: p

Cast off

Tail

USE YARN A

Cast on 8 stitches

Rows 1-3: k

Row 4: kfb, k to last stitch, kfb (10 stitches)

Rows 5-7: k

Row 8: kfb, k to last stitch, kfb (12 stitches)

Rows 9-11: k

Row 12: kfb, k to last stitch, kfb (14 stitches)

Rows 13-14: k

You will now just work the first seven stitches on your needles – it feels a bit weird to start with!

Row 15: k5, k2tog, turn (6 stitches)

Row 16 and every even row: k

Row 17: k4, k2tog, turn (5 stitches)

Row 19: k3, k2tog, turn (4 stitches)

Row 21: k2, k2tog, turn (3 stitches)

Row 23: k1, k2tog, turn (2 stitches)

Cast off these 2 stitches. Reattach yarn to the edge of the remaining 7 stitches on your needle.

Row 1: k2tog, k4 (6 stitches)

Row 2, and all even rows: k

Row 3: k2tog, k4 (5 stitches)

Row 5: k2tog, k3 (4 stitches)

Row 7: k2tog, k2 (3 stitches)

Row 9: k2tog, k1 (2 stitches)

Cast off

Fins (make 3)

Use YARN A

Cast on 3 stitches

Row 1: k

Row 2: k

Row 3: kfb, k to end (4 stitches)

Row 4 and all even rows: k

Row 5: kfb, k to end (5 stitches)

Row 7: k1, k2tog, k2 (4 stitches)

Row 9: k1, k2tog, k2 (3 stitches)

Row 11: k1, k2tog (2 stitches)

Cast off

To make up:

Use YARN A sew up long seam from top of head to the end of the body, stuffing as you go, and sew tail to the seam at end of the body, weaving in any yarn ends. Sew flat edge of the front fin to the underside of the fish and the two back fins either side of the tummy seam. Sew eyes in place.

