ITV DIGITAL MONKEY

The ITV Digital monkey toy has been specially created for *The Look* readers by Sirdar. To knit this irresistible character, you will need the following yarns which are available through Sirdar stockists nation-wide. Expect to pay around £1.90 per ball for the Country Style and £2.05 for the Calypso - cost to knit around £7.75. *The acrylic stuffing used to fill the toy is widely available from high street haberdashery stores or markets - a small 250g bag will be more than adequate.*

Sirdar Country Style DK

Shade 432 Khaki x 2, 50g balls Shade 408 Greystone x 1, 50g ball

Sirdar Calypso pure cotton 4-ply (for the T-shirt)

Shade 670 White x 1, 50g ball

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MONKEY

Materials - 2 x 50gm balls Sirdar Country Style DK in Khaki (432) and 1 in Greystone (408). 1 x 50gm ball Calypso 4 Ply in White (670). 1 pair 3mm (UK11 - USA2) needles. 2 x safety eyes. Washable toy stuffing.

Tension 28sts and 36 rows to 10cm (4in) over rev st-st on 3mm needles or the size required to achieve this tension. Monkey is worked in rev st-st and his T-Shirt is worked in st-st. The finished height will be approximately 41cm (16in), but please note that Monkeys legs are floppy and he will not stand up. This toy is not intended for children under 3 years old.

Abbreviations K - knit; p - purl; st(s) - stitch(es); st-st - stocking stitch (1 row knit, 1 row purl); rev st-st -reversed stocking stitch (1 row purl, 1 row knit); inc - increase; dec - decrease; rem - remaining; foll - following; alt -alternate; beg - beginning; tog - together; m1 - make 1 stitch by picking up loop between last and next stitch and knitting into back of it; mlp - make one purlways by picking up loop between last and next stitch and purling into back of it; RS - right side; WS - wrong side; cm centimetres; mm - millimetres, in - inch(es).

BODY - FRONT

Using khaki cast on 15sts. 1st row (RS) Purl 2nd row K1, m1, k3, m1, k7, m1, k3, m1, k1. (19sts) 3rd row Purl, inc 1 st at each end of row. (21sts) 4th row K1, m1, k5, m1, k9, m1, k5, m1, k1. (25sts) 5th row As 3rd row. (27sts) 6th row k1, m1, k6, m1, k13, m1, k6, m1, k1. (31sts) 7th row As 3rd row. (33sts) 8th row K1, m1, k8, m1, k15, ml, k8, ml, kl. (37sts) 9th row As 3rd row. (39sts) 10th row K1, m1, k10, m1, k17, m1, k10, m1, k1. (43sts) 11th row As 3rd row. (45sts) 12th row Knit, inc 1 st at each end of row. (47sts) 13th row As 3rd row. (49sts) Work 3 rows straight 17th row As 3rd row. (51sts) Work 15 rows straight. Work 19 rows dec 1 st at each end of next and every foll alt row. (3 lsts) Work 10 rows straight. Shape Neck Next row K10, turn and working on these 10sts only proceed as follows:-**Work 3 rows dec 1 st at neck edge in every row. (7sts) Work 4 rows dec 1 st at neck edge on each alt row. (5sts) Work 4 rows dec 1 st at neck

edge on 4th row only. (4sts)

Work 4 rows straight. Cast off. **

Rejoin yarn to rem 21sts and proceed as follows:- cast off centre 11sts, knit to end. (10sts). Place marker threads at each end of cast off section. Complete as given from ** to ** on first side.

BODY - BACK

Work as given for Front to Shape Neck. Work 16 rows straight. Shape Shoulders Cast off 4sts, k6, m1, k9, m1, k7, cast off 4sts. (25sts) Rejoin yarn to rem 25sts and purl 1 row. Next row K8, m1, k9, m1, k8. (27sts)Work 3 rows straight. Next row K2tog, k7, m1, k9, in1, k7, k2tog. (27sts) Work 9 rows, dec 1 st at each end of 6th row. (25sts) Work 8 rows dec 1 st at each end of next and every foll alt row. (17sts) Work 6 rows dec 1 st at each end of every row. (5sts) Work 3 rows straight. Cast off.

ARMS - (make 2) Using Greystone cast on 7sts. 1st row (WS) Knit.

2nd row [P1, m1p, p2, m1p] twice, pl. (11sts) 3rd row [K1, m1, k4, m1] twice, k1.(15sts) 4th row [P1, m1p, p6, m1p] twice, pl.(19sts) 5th row [K1, m1, k8, m1] twice, k1. (23sts) Work 15 rows straight. Break off Greystone, join in Khaki, Purl 1 row Beg with a p row work 15cm (6in) straight. Cast off.

LEGS - (make 2) Using Greystone cast on 5sts. 1st row (RS) Inc purlways in each of first 4sts, pl. (9sts) 2nd row Knit. 3rd row Inc purlways in first st, * p1, inc purlways in next st, rep from * to last 2 sts, p2. (13sts)Repeat 2nd and 3rd rows once. (19sts) 6th row Knit. 7th row Inc purlways in first st, * pl, inc purlways in next st, rep from * to end. (29sts) Work 8 rows straight, beg with Break off Greystone, join in Khaki. Purl 1 row.

Next row Knit, dec 1 st at each end of row. (27sts)

rows straight.

Beg with a purl row, work 15

Work 5 rows straight. Repeat last 6 rows once more. (25sts) Work 8 rows straight. Cast off.

EARS (make 4)

rows inc 1 st at each end of 3rd and every foll alt row. (17sts) Work 7 rows straight. Work 4 rows dec 1 st at each end of every row. (9sts) Cast off.

Using Khaki cast on 11sts.

Beg with a purl row work 8

HEAD GUSSET First Side

Using Khaki cast on 1 st.

1st row (WS) Knit into front, back and front again of this st. (3sts)

2nd row Purl.

Work 4 rows inc 1 st at each end of next and foll alt row. (7sts). Place marker threads at each end of last row.

7th row Knit, inc 1 st at end of row. (8sts)

8th row Inc in 1st st purlways, p to end. (9sts)

9th row Knit, inc 1 st at each end of row. (11sts)

10th row. (11sts)
10th row As 8th row. (12sts)
11th row As 7th row. (13sts)
12th row As 8th row (14sts)
13th row As 7th row. (15sts)
14th row Purl, inc 1 st at beg
and dec 1 st at end of row.
15th row Knit, dec 1 st at beg

and inc 1 st at end of row.

Break off yarn and leave sts on a thread.

Second Side

Cast on and work first 6 rows as given for First Side.
7th row Knit, inc 1 st at beg of row. (8sts)
8th row P to last 2sts, inc in next st purlways, p1. (9sts)
9th row Knit, inc 1 st at each end of row. (11sts)
10th row As 8th row. (12sts)
11th row As 8th row. (13sts)
12th row As 8th row. (14sts)

13th row As 7th row. (15sts)

14th row Purl, dec 1 st at beg and inc 1 st at end of row. 15th row Knit, inc 1 st at beg and dec 1 st at end of row. To join First and Second Sides:- P2tog, p13 across sts from Second Side, cast on 7sts, p13, p2tog across sts from First Sidc. (35sts) Work 4 rows dec 1 st at each end of every row. (27sts) Work 14 rows dec 1 st at each end of every alt row. (13sts) Next row Cast off 3sts, k to last 2sts, k2tog.(9sts) Next row Cast off 3sts, p to last 2sts, p2tog. (5sts) Knit I row. Cast off.

Using Greystone and with RS

and knit 13sts evenly down left

side of front neck, 11sts from

(ie purl side) facing, pick up

LOWER JAW

centre of neck and 13sts evenly up right side of neck. (37sts) 1st row K1, k2tog, k to last 3sts, k2tog, k1. (35sts) 2nd row Purl. Rep 1st and 2nd rows once. (33sts) 5th row K1, k2tog, k8, m1, k11, m1, k8, k2tog, k1. 6th row P1, p2tog, p to last 3sts, p2tog, p1. (31sts) 7th row K1, k2tog, k7, m1, k11, m1, k7, k2tog, k1. 8th row As 6th row. (29sts) 9th row K1, k2tog, k6, m1, kll, ml, k6, k2tog, k1. 10th row As 6th row. (27sts) 11th row K1, k2tog, k to last 3sts, k2tog, k1. (25sts) 12th row As 6th row. (23sts) 13th row K3, k2tog, k1, k2tog, k7, k2tog, k1, k2tog, k3. (19sts) 14th row As 6th row. (17sts) 15th row As 11th row. (15sts)

** Beg with another purl row to change from rev st-st to stst, work 3 rows straight. The st-st will be the inside of Monkeys mouth.

Beg with a purl row, work 5

rows straight.

Work 5 rows dec 1 st at each end of 1st and 5th rows. (11sts)
Work 4 rows dec 1 st at each end of every alt row. (7sts)
Cast off.**
Place marker threads at each end of last row.

UPPER JAW

Using Greystone and with RS (ie purl side) facing, working between marker threads left at top of 6th rows, pick up and knit 13sts evenly along inner edge of Gusset, 7sts from sts cast on between the two gusset pieces and 13sts evenly along other side of Gusset. (33sts) 1st row (WS) Knit. 2nd row P1, m1p, purl to last st, mlp, pl. (35sts) Rep 1st and 2nd rows once. (37sts) Work 4 rows straight. 9th row K10, k2tog, k13, k2tog, k10. (35sts) Work 5 rows straight. **15th row** K10, k2tog, k11, k2tog, k10. (33sts) Shape Nose P27, turn; k21, turn; p19, turn; k17, turn; p15, turn; k13, turn; [p12, p2tog, turn, k12, k2tog, turn] twice, [p5, p2tog] twice, turn; k11, k2tog, turn; p11, p2tog, turn; k11, k2tog, turn; p5, p2tog, p4, p2tog, turn; k10, k2tog, turn; p10, p2tog, p4 to end. (20sts). Next row K14, k2tog, k4. Work 3 rows dec 1 st at each end of next and foll alt row. (15sts) Complete as given from ** to ** on Lower Jaw.

EYE PATCH

Using Greystone cast on 15sts.

1st row (RS) Purl.

Work 2 rows inc 1 st at each end of both rows. (19sts)

Work 4 rows dec 1 st at each end of 4th row. (17sts)

Next row K2tog, k4, k2tog, turn; p2tog, p2, p2tog.

Cast off rem 4sts.

Rejoin yarn to rem 9sts and proceed as follows:- cast off 2 sts, k4, k2tog, turn; p2tog, p2, p2tog. Cast off rem 4 sts.

TO MAKE UP

Sew first 6 rows of Gusset to shoulder seams of Back and Front. Join Upper and Lower Jaw along shaped edges and cast off stitches. Attach inside of mouth to picked up edge of Lower Jaw on WS by running threads approximately 5cm (2in) long between the marker threads at the cast off edge of the Lower Jaw and the picked up edge of the Lower Jaw and securing. These will stop the inside of the mouth from turning out and help hold the jaw in place. (You will have to work around these threads carefully when stuffing.) Sew Eyepatch in place and attach safety eyes in place as illustrated. Join Back of Body to Front of Body and Head Gusset, leaving cast on edge open for stuffing. (You may find it easier to sew the head first and stuff this, before sewing the side seams.) When body is stuffed, join cast on edges. Join leg scams and stuff. We would suggest that you stuff less firmly at the top of the leg so that it will 'flop'. Sew legs in position. Using mattress stitch join arm seams, pulling seam tightly to give a curve. Stuff arms and attach to body approximately 2cm (¾in) below shoulder seams. Join 2 pieces together for each ear and attach to head with a tuck in the middle of each ear. The left ear should be attached with the seam running vertically, the right ear should be attached with the seam running horizontally.

T SHIRT Back

Using White 4-ply cast on

Working in st-st, work 24 rows dec 1 st at each end of 7th and every foll 4th row. (50sts)

Shape Ragians
Cast off 3 sts at beg of next 2 rows. (44sts)

Work 6 rows dec 1 st at each end of every row. (32sts)
Cast off rem 32sts.

Front

Using White 4-ply cast on 60sts

Working in st-st, work 22 rows dec 1 st at each end of 7th and every foll 4th row. (52sts)

Shape Neck

Next rowK2tog, k19, turn. Working on these 20sts only proceed as follows:-

Next row Cast off 5sts, purl to end. (15sts)

Shape Raglan

Next row Cast off 3sts, knit to end. (12sts)

Next row P2tog, p to end. (11sts)

Work 4 rows dec 1 st at each end of every row. (3sts)
Next row K2tog, k1. (2sts)
P2tog and fasten off.

With RS facing rejoin yarn to rem 31sts and proceed as follows:- cast off 10sts, k to last 2sts, k2tog. (20sts)

Next row Purl.

Next row Cast off 5sts, k to end. (15sts)

Shape Raglan

Next row Cast off 3sts, p to last 2sts, p2tog. (11sts) Work 4 rows dec 1 st at each end of every row. (3sts) Next row K1, k2tog. (2sts) P2tog and fasten off.

Sleeves (make 2) Using White 4-ply cast on 35sts. Working in st-st, work 8 rows straight.

Shape Raglans
Cast off 3sts at beg of next 2

rows. (29sts)
Work 6 rows dec 1 st at each end of every row. (17sts)

Cast off rem 17sts.

To make up

Join raglan seams, leaving left back raglan seam open. Make a neck edging by picking up 83sts evenly around neck edge and casting off. Join left back raglan and edging seams. Join side and sleeve seams.

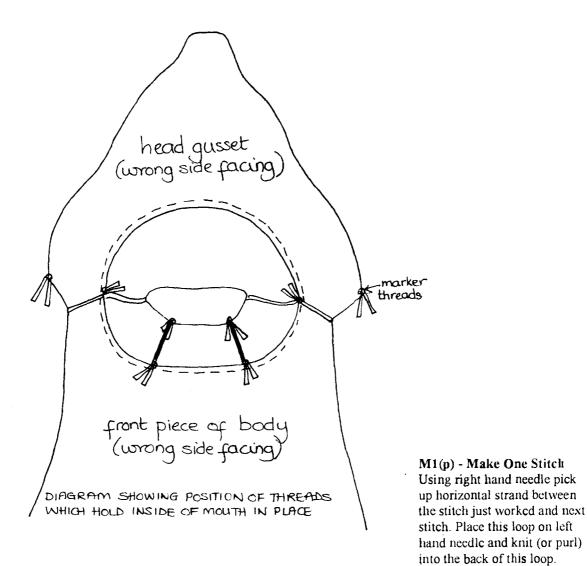
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