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**Lion Brand® Lion Cotton**  
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Sid is a friendly snake who protects people from nasty drafts

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**SKILL LEVEL:** Easy +

**SIZE:** One Size

About 2.5 inches in diameter x 33 inches in length [6.4 cm x 89 cm]when stuffed

**CORRECTIONS:** None

#### MATERIALS

- 760-201 Lion Brand Lion Cotton: Salt & Pepper  
1 Ball (A)
- 760-153 Lion Brand Lion Cotton: Black  
1 Ball (B)
- 760-112 Lion Brand Lion Cotton: Poppy Red  
1 Ball Small quantity used
- Lion Brand Knitting Needles- Size 8 [5 mm]
- Large-Eye Blunt Needles (Set of 6)
- Additional Materials
  1. 4 bobbins (we use spring-type clothes pins)
  2. Kitty litter (try and find a kind that says 'dustless' or 'low dust').
  3. Old pair of panty hose or tights, the legs need to be long enough to be able to stretch to 35 inches.  
The denser the tights / panty hose, the less likely your snake will be to shed dust!

#### GAUGE:

14 St sts + 23 rows = 4"x4" (10cm x 10cm) on size 8 (5 mm) needles BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

#### NOTES:

The snake has a diamond pattern running down its back. This is created on the outside edges of the piece and the snake is assembled by sewing together in the middle of the back.

Changing colors like this is a knitting technique called 'intarsia'. This is a great first intarsia piece because the color changes are very simple and the alternately colored areas are quite small, which makes them easier to do.



#### SNAKE

Wind two bobbins each of B and C with about 3 yards of yarn each (you can wind more when you need to.)

For bobbins, we used the kind of clothespins that have a spring in them. Clip the clothespin so only a short length of yarn is available for use, unwinding as you need and you'll find that your yarn does not get tangled up.



With A, cast on 4 sts.

**Row 1:** Knit

**Row 2:** and all WS rows, purl.

**Row 3:** Kfb all sts - 8 sts

**Rows 5 and 7:** Knit

**Row 9:** K1, yo, repeat to end of row - 15 sts

**Rows 11, 13, 15:** Knit

**Row 17:** \*K1, knit into the front and back of the next stitch; repeat from to end of row to end of row - 22 sts

**Rows 19, 21, 23:** Knit

**Row 25:** With B, k1, change to A, knit until there is 1 stitch remaining, change to B, k1

**Row 26:** With B, p1, change to A, purl until there is 1 stitch remaining, change to B, p1

**Row 27:** With B, k2, change to A, knit until there are 2 stitches remaining, change to B, k2

**Row 28:** With B, p2, change to A, purl until there are 2 stitches remaining, change to B, p2.

**Row 29:** With B, k3, change to A, knit until there are 3 stitches remaining, change to B, k3.

**Row 30:** With B, p3, change to A, purl until there are 3 stitches remaining, change to B, p3.

**Row 31:** Change to C (from bobbin), k1, change to B k3, Change to A, knit until there are 4 stitches remaining, change to B, k3, Change to C (other bobbin), k1.

**Row 32:** with C, p1, change to B, p3, change to A, purl until there are 4 stitches remaining, change to B, k3, change to C, p1.

**Row 33:** With C, k2, change to B, k3, change to A, knit until there are 5 stitches remaining, change to B, k3, change to C, k2.

**Row 34:** With C, p2, change to B, p3, change to A, purl until there are 5 stitches remaining, change to B, p3, change to C, p2.

**Row 35:** With C, k3, change to B, k3, change to A, knit until there are 6 stitches remaining, change to B, k3, change to C, k3.

**Row 36:** With C, p3, change to B, p3, change to A, purl until there are 6 stitches remaining, change to B, p3, change to C, p3.

**Row 37:** With C, k4, change to B, k3, change to A, knit until there are 7 stitches remaining, change to B, k3, change to C, k4.

**Row 38:** With C, p4, change to B, p3, change to A, purl until there are 7 stitches remaining, change to B, p3, change to C, p4.

**Row 39:** With C, k5, change to B, k3, change to A, knit until there are 8 stitches remaining, change to B, k3, change to C, k5.

**Row 40:** With C, p5, change to B, p3, change to A, purl until there are 8 stitches remaining, change to B, p3, change to C, p5.

**Row 41:** With C, k4, change to B, k3, change to A, knit until there are 7 stitches remaining, change to B, k3, change to C, k3.

**Row 42:** With C, p4, change to B, p3, change to A, purl until there are 7 stitches remaining, change to B, p3, change to C, p3.

**Row 43:** With C, k3, change to B, k3, change to A, knit until there are 6 stitches remaining, change to B, k3, change to C, k3.

**Row 44:** With C, p3, change to B, p3, change to A, purl until there are 6 stitches remaining, change to B, p3, change to C, p3.

**Row 45:** With C, k2, change to B, k3, change to A, knit until there are 5 stitches remaining, change to B, k3, change to C, k2.

**Row 46:** With C, p2, change to B, p3, change to A, purl until there are 5 stitches remaining, change to B, p3, change to C, p2.

**Row 47:** With C, k1, change to B k3, Change to A, knit until there are 4 stitches remaining, change to B, k3, Change to C, k1.

**Row 48:** with C, p1, cut C, leaving short tail. Change to B, p3, change to A, purl until there are 4 stitches remaining, change to B, k3, change to C, p1, cut C, leaving long tail (will be used for sewing this section together.)

**Row 49:** With B, k3, change to A, knit until there are 3 stitches remaining, change to B, k3.

**Row 50:** With B, p3, change to A, purl until there are 3 stitches remaining, change to B, p3.

**Row 51:** With B, k2, change to A, knit until there are 2 stitches remaining, change to B, k2

**Row 52:** With B, p2, change to A, purl until there are 2 stitches remaining, change to B, p2.

**Row 53:** With B, k1, change to A, knit until there is 1 stitch remaining, change to B, k1

**Row 54:** With B, p1, change to B, purl until there is 1 stitch remaining, change to B, p1

**Rows 55-84:** Repeat rows 25-54.

**Rows 85-114:** Repeat rows 25-54.

**Rows 115-144:** Repeat rows 25-54.

**Rows 145-174:** Repeat rows 25-54.

**Row 175:** With B, k1, change to A, knit until there is 1 stitch remaining, change to B, k1

**Row 176:** With B, p1, change to B, purl until there is 1 stitch remaining, change to B, p1

**Row 177:** With B, k2, change to A, knit until there are 2 stitches remaining, change to B, k2

**Row 178:** With B, p2, change to A, purl until there are 2 stitches remaining, change to B, p2.

**Row 179:** With B, k3, change to A, knit until there are 3 stitches remaining, change to B, k3.

**Row 180:** With B, p3, change to A, purl until there are 3 stitches remaining, change to B, p3.

**Row 181:** With B, k4, change to A, knit until there are 4 stitches remaining, change to B, k4.

**Row 182:** With B, p4, change to A, purl until there are 4 stitches remaining, change to B, p4.

**Row 183:** With B, k5, change to A, knit until there are 5 stitches remaining, change to B, k5.

**Row 184:** With B, p5, change to A, purl until there are 5 stitches remaining, change to B, p5.

**Row 185:** With B, k6, change to A, knit until there are 6 stitches remaining, change to B, k6.

**Row 186:** With B, p6, change to A, purl until there are 6 stitches remaining, change to B, p6.

**Row 187:** With B, k7, change to A, knit until there are 7 stitches remaining, change to B, k7.

**Row 188:** With B, p7, change to A, purl until there are 7 stitches remaining, change to B, p7.

**Row 189:** With B, k8, change to A, knit until there are 8 stitches remaining, change to B, k8.

**Row 190:** With B, p8, change to A, purl until there are 8 stitches remaining, change to B, p8.

**Row 191:** With B, k9, change to A, knit until there are 9 stitches remaining, change to B, k9.

**Row 192:** With B, p9, change to A, purl until there are 9 stitches remaining, change to B, p9.

**Rows 193-194:** With B, work in stockinette. Note: When you come to the places where the other colors are, cut off the other strands of yarn.

**Row 195:** Knit

**Row 196:** Purl.

**Row 197:** \*K2, k2 stitches together. Repeat from \* to end of row -- 17 sts

**Row 198:** Purl.

**Row 199:** K2, \*k2tog k2, rep from \* to end of row - 13 stitches.

**Row 200:** Purl

Bind off all stitches, leaving a long tail.



Ssssssid springs into action to defeat a draft!

## FINISHING

Bring the long sides together, matching C and B areas. Pin if needed. Starting at the beginning of the red (C) color nearest the tail of the snake, thread the large-eyed blunt needle with the long tail of the red (C) yarn and sew the two sides together. Tie off yarn, leaving ends on the inside of the snake. Repeat for each red segment.

Rows 193-200 are the head of the snake. The end is the mouth.

Thread the large-eyed blunt needle with B (the black yarn) and, with the exception of the tail end beyond the portion already sewed together and the mouth, sew the rest of the back together. Tie off the ends of the yarn, leaving them inside the snake.

With C, embroider eyes on the head of the snake. For the tongue, cut an 8 inch piece of C and, on the inside of the snake, secure it in the middle of the mouth so that two ends come out the mouth.. Fold the mouth flat with the tongue in the middle and, with , stitch shut.

Cut one of the legs off the panty hose. Using a piece of paper rolled into a cone as a funnel, fill with kitty litter. so that the leg is filled to a point where it is about 2 inches wide for most of its length. Tie off end. Take it outside and shake well to get any dust out.

Turn the snake partially inside out. Place the knotted end of the stocking into the head end of the snake and put your hand into the snake (while it is inside out) and hold onto the end of the stocking inside the snake's head and then turn the snake right side out over the stocking, shaking the snake as needed to get the filled stocking inside. Once it is inside, position the stocking and the kitty litter so it is distributed as you'd like it.

Working from the outside, sew the tail of the snake shut. Shake so the filling is distributed as you wish and shape into position. Add a bow if you like!

ABBREVIATIONS / REFERENCES	
Click for explanation and illustration	
<u>approx</u> = <u>approximately</u>	<u>k</u> = <u>knit</u>
<u>k2tog</u> = <u>knit 2 together</u>	<u>Kfb</u> = <u>knit in front and back of st</u>
<u>p</u> = <u>purl</u>	<u>RS</u> = <u>right side</u>
<u>St st</u> = <u>Stockinette stitch</u>	<u>st(s)</u> = <u>stitch(es)</u>
<u>yo</u> = <u>yarn over</u>	

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