

#347 Knit Penguins and Polar Bears

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Finished Size:

About 4" tall

Materials:

1 sk each of Valley Yarns Northampton (100% wool, 247 yds/100g) colors White, Black and Gold
US size 5 (3.75 mm) double pointed needles

Abbreviations:

k2tog: knit 2 together

kfb: knit in the front and back of stitch

Body:

For stuffing, with the same color as the main body, loosely wind a ball of yarn about 8" around. Cut yarn.

Cast on 8 sts and join in the round.

Work in stockinette stitch, increasing 8 sts evenly every other round until you have 40 sts.

Work even in stockinette stitch for 1.5"

Insert ball of yarn into the body.

Continuing in stockinette stitch, decrease 8 sts evenly every other round until you have 8 sts. Cut yarn and draw through remaining stitches.

Tummy:

Cast on 5 sts.

Row 1 and all WS rows: Purl.

Row 2: Kfb, k2, kfb, k1. 7 sts.

Row 4: Kfb, k4, kfb, k1. 9 sts.

Row 6: Knit.

Row 8: K1, k2tog, k3, k2tog, k1. 7 sts.

Row 9: Purl.

Bind off.

Snout:

Cast on 3 sts.

Row 1 and all WS rows: Purl.

Row 2: Kfb, kfb, k1. 5 sts.

Row 4: Knit.

Row 6: K1, slip 1 st, k2tog, pass slipped st over the k2tog, k1.

Row 7: Purl.

Bind off all sts.

Feet / Ears:

Cast on 5 sts.

Rows 1 and 3: Knit.

Row 2: K1, slip 1 st, k2tog, pass slipped st over the k2tog, k1.

Row 4: Slip 1 st, k2tog, pass slipped st over the k2tog.

Cut yarn and draw through remaining stitch.

Penguin:

Work body in black, tummy in white and feet in gold.

Sew pieces to body. Embroider beak and sew 2 black french knots for eyes.

Polar Bear:

Work body, snout, ears and feet in white. Sew pieces on to body.

Embroider nose and eyes in black.