

# Wee Baby Lamb

## Peep Pattern

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Prox size 4" tall, depending on needle size and yarn gauge.

2 Size 4 circular needles

(you could use straight needles and dpns if you prefer, but the instructions are written for 2 circs)  
Sport weight lambie colors (white, yellow, pink or whatever you like). I used Baby Coordinates because of the crinkly texture, and also Baby Amore (which made a larger lambie with the same size needles),

Black and pink embroidery floss for face.

Tapestry needle.

Stitches used:

I use and recommend the cable cast on. Other than knitting and purling, I use two types of increase stitches, the kfb and the kinc, and I used k2tog for decreases..

(video help for kinc:

[http://www.knittinghelp.com/apps/flash/video\\_player/play/90/1](http://www.knittinghelp.com/apps/flash/video_player/play/90/1) for increasing in the right side of the stitch where she calls it a M1R or M1B, and

<http://www.saveknitting.com/AnimatedKnittingStitches/Kinc/tabid/76/Default.aspx> for the left side of the stitch)

Lambie Peeps are knit using the double knitting technique described here:

<http://free-knitting-pattern.com/doubleknitbear.htm>

Their legs, body, and arms are doubleknit inside-out in one piece on one circular needle (or two straight needles), then turned right side out and the head is knit in the round. There are no seams.



TIP:

Pull the first st of each row tight to minimize gaps. Keep your tension fairly tight while double knitting as the slip st creates a looser st tension.

**Beginning** with the first leg and 1 circ (or two straight needles):

**LEGS**

c/o 8 st (bottom of first leg)

\*(sl1/ k1) across to end of row, turn\*

Repeat \* to \* till 1.25 inches.

Break yarn, leaving long tail, leave leg hanging on needle (or you can put it on a holder).

Make second leg the same, but continue knitting when 1.25" across both legs to make **BODY**

Continue doubleknitting across 16 stitches till body is 1.25"

**ARMS**

At end of row, cast on (using cable cast on) 10 st & turn. Continue to slip/knit across to other side of body (beginning w slipping last cast on st). Repeat cast on 10 stitches at opposite side & continue in pattern till arms are as wide as legs. Cast off 12 st & sl/k across. Repeat on other arm. (12 st remain on 4" lamb)

**SHOULDERS**

k1, sl1 once around (across the needles and back)

K2tog & k1, sl1 across. Turn & repeat on other side. (8 st remain on 4" lambie)

## NECK

sl1, k1 two more times across (1ce around) for neck

pass alternating stitches onto two needles (1 for front stitches & 1 for back). Turn inside-out (arms first). Begin stuffing legs arms & torso.

NOTE: I use the back end of a size K crochet hook to assist turning, and to stuff into the arms and legs.

K around.

## LAMBIE HEAD

You are knitting in the round with two circs now

Rnd 1: knit around,

Rnd 2: p/u 1 st., inc in ea st across needle 1.

P/u 1 st., inc in ea st across needle 2. (9 st on ea needle)

Rnd 3: K arnd.

Rnd 4: incr in ea st on needle 1 (face). (18 st).

Incr every third st on needle 2 (back of head). (12 st)

## EARS

("front" side has 18 st, "back" side has 12 st)

From front side, c/o 4 st on each needle \*(see Note 1 at bottom of page), alternating front and back needle.

Knit across front needle.

From back needle, repeat cast on 4 st on each needle, alternating back and front needle. K across.

Make sure you are now ready to knit on the "front" needle (with 26 st now on it).

## FACE

Knit 8 (4 are ear stitches), place marker, knit 10, bring yarn to front, sl next st, yb, sl st on rt needle back to left needle (stitch wrapped).

Turn, and working on the back of this needle (the inside of the lambie), p10 (to marker) remove marker, bring yarn to back, sl next st, yf, sl st on rt needle back to left needle (stitch wrapped).

Turn and continue working in the round on outside of lambie, k to end of front needle.

K around 2x

From the front side, bind off 4 stitches from each needle (for the ear) using 3 needle bind-off. K to end of front needle. Do the same on the back side for the other ear.

K to end of back needle & p/u 1 st.

K across front needle & p/u 1 st.

Continue knitting around for head

Continue k around till nearly desired size of head is reached.

Begin decreasing.

On needle 2(back):

K2tog. k across to last 2 st, k2tog.

Needle 1 (front):

(k2tog) 2x, k1, k2tog, k4, k2tog, k1, (k2tog) 2x (12 st)

NOTE: If you wound up with more than 18 st before this row, simply decrease across evenly to 12 st here.

Needle 2: k2tog. k across to last 2 st, k2tog (9 st)

Needle 1 (front): K2tog, k3, k2tog, k3, k2tog (you should have 9 st on each needle now)

\*k2tog, k to last 2 st, k2tog on each needle.

Repeat from \* leaving 5 st on each needle.

Finish stuffing here as next step will close head.

Cut yarn, leaving a long tail, and kirchener st the stitches on front and back needles together. Neaten any loose stitches or holes with yarn tails. Embroider face.

I made their little scarves by chain stitching with a crochet hook with a multicolored baby yarn and tied it in a bow. Sew this securely to the lambie if this is for a child 3 or younger.

\*Note 1:

## CASTING ON FOR EARS

Push stitches to same end of both needles to prox half inch from the tips. Holding both needles in left hand (as if about to do a three needle bind off), knit into st on front needle and place st back onto needle. Purl into st on back needle and place st back onto back needle. Repeat 3 more times for each needle. This creates the ear cast on.

