

KNITTED PATTERN UK TERMS

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Materials

- use 100% anti-allergenic cotton yarn only
- silicone ball or anti-allergenic pillow filling, washable at 60°C (make sure that the filling does not go through the stitches; if it is too fine)

Size of the finished octopus

- head should be 6-9 cm/ 2.5-3.5 in from top to bottom
- arms should not be more than 22 cm/8.5 in when stretched

Tools

- needles 2,25 mm /US 1/ UK 13
- darning needle

Abbreviations

CO/ BO cast on/ bind off

kfb knit through the front loop and then through the back loop of the same stitch; increase

k2tg knit two stitches together; decrease

sl1-k2tg-pss0 slip one stitch knitwise, knit two stitches together, pass the slipped stitch over the stitches knitted together; decrease

ssk slip one stitch knitwise, slip another stitch knitwise, put those two stitches back on your left needle and knit them two together through their back loops; decrease

...(3) work instructions given between the asterisks three times

R row

[10 sts] number of stitches after the certain round is finished

Body and tentacles (arms)

CO 22 sts.

R 1 k22, CO 40 sts, turn [62 sts]

R 2 k60, turn

R 3 k18, turn

R 4 k16, turn

R 5 k14, turn

R 6 k13, turn

R 7 k11, turn

R 8 k9, turn

R 9 k15, 40kfb [102 sts]

R 10 BO80, k21, turn

R 11 k22, CO 40sts

Work R 2 – R 11 six times more, then R 2 – R 9 again, and finally, in R 10 bind off all stitches. Cut the remaining yarn leaving a tail long enough so you could join the CO and BO rows.

Bottom

CO 3 sts.
R 1 knit all stitches
R 2 kfb, k1, kfb [5 sts]
R 3 knit all stitches
R 4 kfb, k3, kfb [7 sts]
R 5
| knit all stitches
R 8
R 9 k1, k2tg, k1, ssk, k1 [5 sts]
R 10 knit all stitches
R 11 k1, sl1-k2tg-pssso, k1 [3 sts]
R 12 knit all stitches
R 13 BO

Assembling the body

When the body is ready, use the yarn tail to graft the cast-on row with the bind-off row.

To close the top of the body, weave in the yarn end around the edge of the top stitches to pull them together and close the top of the head.

Cut the remaining yarn leaving a tail long enough to join the bottom piece with the body. Put the filling inside the octo's body and using a darning needle fasten the bottom to the body.