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ABBREVIATIONS:

st(s) = stitch(es)
k = knit
p = purl
RS = right side
WS = wrong side

tbl = through the back loop
tog = together
M1 = Make 1 increase – lift the chain between the stitches onto the left needle and knit it through the back loop

LEGS, BODY AND HEAD:

Cast on 20 sts evenly distributed between the double-pointed needles with colour 1.

Knit 16 rounds of stockinette stitch.

Now work 2 round wide stripes alternately in colour 3 and 2.

Work a total of 22 stripes [11 in colour 3 and 11 in colour 2]. Let the first leg rest and work the second leg the same way as the first.

Now the legs are joined to form the body using colour 2.

Cast on 3 sts, work the sts of one leg, cast on 3 sts in extension of the sts for the first leg, work the sts of the second leg. There are now a total of 46 sts on the needle.

Join in the round and work 40 rounds of stockinette stitch.

Change to colour 1 for the head.

Work 26 rounds, then work decreases for the head as follows: *k1, k2tog*, repeat from * to * to end of round.

Work 1 round without decreases.

Repeat these 2 rounds a total of 3 times. Break the yarn and pull the end through the remaining sts on the needle, but do not pull tight.

Sew a strand of yarn through the cast-on sts at the bottom of each leg and tighten to close.

Weave in all ends. Fill the legs, body and head with stuffing. Close the top of the head by pulling the sts tight. Weave in the end.

Sew a strand of yarn through the first round in colour 1 between the body and the head and pull tight to form the neck of the doll.

Sew stitches along the last round of the legs, between the legs and the body, so the doll can sit.

Bend the feet slightly forward and sew a few stitches to hold the feet in place.

NOSE:

Cast on 4 sts with colour 1. Work 7 rows of stockinette stitch, break the yarn, pull the end through the sts on the needle and continue by sewing the end through the 3 other sides of the little square, pull tight and sew the nose to the face.

Embroider eyes with a scrap of blue yarn and a mouth with red yarn.

ARMS:

Cast on 15 sts evenly distributed between the double-pointed needles with colour 1.

Knit 8 rounds of stockinette stitch.

Change to colour 2 and work 32 rounds. Bind off the last 6 sts on the last round, and finish the arm by working back and forth in stockinette stitch as follow:

Knit 1 row, turn.

Bind off 2 sts at the beginning of the next 2 rows.

Bind off the last 5 sts.

Work a second arm the same way as the first.

Sew a strand of yarn through the cast-on sts at the bottom of each arm, tighten and weave in ends.

Fill the arms with stuffing and sew the arms to the body.

Sew a strand of yarn through the last round in colour 1 and tighten lightly to form hands.

SHORT HAIR:

Wrap brown yarn around an A4 pad of paper or something similar width wise, approx. 40 rounds.

Carefully slide the yarn off the pad and sew a row of stitches though the middle of the looped yarn.

The length of the seam and the width of the section of yarn needs to be approx. 10 cm.

Sew the hair to the doll so the seam forms the middle parting. Pull the yarn a bit to form the fringe, sew through hair and head in an approx. 3 cm circle from the middle parting. Trim the hair, optionally before place the hat on the head first.

LONG HAIR:

Wrap brown yarn around an A4 pad of paper or something similar length wise, approx. 40 rounds.

Carefully slide the yarn off the pad and sew a row of stitches though the middle of the looped yarn.

MEASUREMENTS

Hight approx. 33 cm

YARN

Sensible Fraya
 100% Wool Superwash
 50 g = 144 m

YARDAGE

Boy: Colour 1: 20 g (skin)
 Colour 2: 30 g (red)
 Colour 3: 25 g (grey)
 Girl: Colour 1: 20 g (skin)
 Colour 2: 30 g (red)
 Colour 3: 25 g (grey)

GAUGE

In stockinette stitch on a UK size 2½
 [3 mm] needle:
 30 sts and 40 rows = 10 x 10 cm

SUGGESTED NEEDLE SIZE

UK size 2½ [3 mm] double-pointed needles

Please note: The needle sizes given above are only suggestions. The size of the needles you need depends on your personal gauge. If you knit firmly you might need a large needle size, if you knit loosely you might need a smaller needle size.

NOTIONS

Fibre filling 150 g, brown and blue scraps of yarn for hair and eyes, buttons, optionally: elastic thread

The length of the seam and the width of the section of yarn needs to be approx. 12 cm.
Sew the hair to the doll so the seam forms the middle parting. Pull the yarn a bit to form the fringe and gather the rest of the hair into 2 pigtails. Sew the pigtails to the head. trim the hair.

SOCK:

Cast on 24 sts evenly distributed between the double-pointed needles with colour 2.
Work 5 round of k1, p1 ribbing.
Then work 15 rounds of stockinette stitch.
Now work the heel by working 4 rows back and forth across 12 sts.
Then work back and forth across the 12 sts as follows [RS]:
Knit to the last 3 sts, turn and purl back to the first 3 sts, turn.
Knit to the last 4 sts, k2tog tbl, turn, purl to the last 4 sts, p2tog, turn.
Continue in this way by working together the stitch on either side of the hole created by the last turn, until all the sts have been worked.
Now pick up and knit 4 sts along either side of the heel.
Now decrease 1 stitch on both sides of the sock.
Now work 3 rounds.
Now decrease for the toe by working k2tog tbl at the end of the double-pointed needle and k2tog at the beginning of the next double-pointed needle. Work these decreases every round until there are 8 sts left on the needle. Break the yarn and pull the end through the remaining sts on the needle.
Pull tight and weave in the end.
Work a second sock the same way as the first.

ELF HAT:

Cast on 56 sts evenly distributed between the double-pointed needles with colour 2.
Work 5 rounds of k1, p1 ribbing.
Then work 22 rounds of stockinette stitch.
Decrease by knitting together the first 2 sts of every other round until there are 8 sts left on the needle.
Break the yarn and pull the end through the remaining sts on the needle. Pull tight and weave in the end.
Macramé, crochet or twist a 3 cm string, make a tassel for the end and sew the string to the hat.

SKIRT:

Cast on 96 sts evenly distributed between the double-pointed needles with colour 3.
Round 1: Purl.
Round 2: Knit.
Round 3: Purl.
Round 4: Knit.
Round 5: Purl.
Now work in the round in stockinette stitch, while increasing on the first round as follows: *M1, k8*, repeat from * to * to end of round. There are now 108 sts on the needle.
Work 25 rounds of stockinette stitch.
Next round: *K2tog*, repeat from * to * to end of round. There are now 54 sts on the needle.
Work 3 rounds of k1, p1 ribbing. Bind off.
Weave in ends, optionally sew an elastic thread around the top edge of the skirt.

DUNGAREES:

Start at the top of the trousers and work back and forth.
Cast on 27 sts with colour 3.
Work 3 rows of k1, p1 ribbing.
Continue in stockinette stitch while increasing to a total of 40 sts evenly across the first row.
Work 12 rows of stockinette stitch.
Work an increase at the beginning and end of the every 4th row a total of 3 times.
Work until a total of 24 rows of stockinette stitch have been worked.
Bind off 3 sts at the beginning of the next 2 rows.
Work 19 rows of stockinette stitch, End on a RS row.
Bind off the sts knit-wise from the WS, so a ridge is formed on the RS.
Work the second trouser leg the same as the first.
Sew together the legs with little invisible stitches.

Flap:

Pick up and knit 12 sts along the middle for the flap on the dungarees, knit the first and last 2 sts of every row, while the middle 8 sts are worked in stockinette stitch. Work a total of 10 rows in this way.
Knit 4 rows. Bind off.

Suspenders:

Cast on 4 sts. Knit 60 rows. Bind off.
Weave in all ends. Sew the suspenders to the flap in the front with a little button.
Cross the suspenders and sew the to the back of the trousers with approx. 2 cm in between.

