







MEASUREMENTS & SIZES

Seated height: 7cm Standing height: 12cm

KNIT KIT

Yarn: Stylecraft Special DK, shades (A) 1010 Matador, one 50g ball, (B) 1123 Claret, (C) 1001 White, (D) 1002 Black, small amounts. Other brands of yarn in similar colours are available

Needles: 3mm

Sturdy card (min): 18cm x 24cm

Ruler

Masking tape Safety toy stuffing Tapestry needle

ABBREVIATIONS

beg - beginning

cont - continue/s

DK - double knitting

foll(s) - following/follows

k2tog - knit two stitches together

kfb - knit into the front and the back

of next stitch

min - minimum

p - purl

p2tog - purl two stitches

patt - pattern

 $\mbox{\bf pfb}$ - purl into the front and the back

of next stitch

rem - remaining

rep - repeat

RH - right-hand

RS - right side

st(s) - stitch(es)

st st - stocking stitch

tog - together

WS - wrong side

"Use the long matching yarn tails to stitch the layered pieces together neatly, which also means less weaving in." LK DESIGNER, Sachiyo Ishii



Kids can count on Numberblock

ENCOURAGE A NATURAL INTEREST IN NUMBERS FROM A YOUNG AGE WITH THIS ENGAGING CHARACTER FROM THE HIT CBEEBIES SHOW!

Numberland is the home of many Numberblocks with special abilities to help them on their adventures, and in this issue we're delighted to bring you Numberblock One. You may already know that she's the smallest and bravest, is full of ideas and is always the first to come up with a plan - but did you know that she has been recreated with small amounts of yarn (and a bit of card) by Sachiyo Ishii? And did you spot the clever colour graduation on the arms and legs? Sew up your character carefully and bring this Numberblock to life!

Start knitting here...

BODY

Using 3mm needles and varn A, cast on 52 sts

- □ Row 1 (WS): p17, k1, p16,
- k1, p17
- ☐ Row 2: k to end
- ☐ Rows 3-21: rep Rows 1-2 nine times, then rep Row 1 once more
- □ Row 22 (edge): cast off 17 sts, p17 for edge, cast off to end. 18 sts
- Rejoin yarn A to rem sts ready to work a WS row
- ☐ Rows 23-42: starting with a p row, work in st st for 20 rows
- □ Row 43 (edge): k to end ☐ Rows 44-63: starting
- with a k row, work in st st for 20 rows
- ☐ Row 64 (edge): p to end
- ☐ Rows 65-84: starting with a p row, work in st st for 20 rows
- ☐ Cast off

EYE

Using 3mm needles and yarn B, cast on 36 sts

- ☐ Row 1 (RS): (k4, k2tog) three times, (k2tog, k4) three times. 30 sts
- Change to yarn C
- ☐ Row 2: p to end
- \square Row 3: (k1, k2tog) five times, (k2tog, k1) five times.
- ☐ Row 4: p to end
- \square Row 5: (k2tog) to end.
- Ten sts

20 sts

☐ Cut yarn, thread through rem sts, pull tight and fasten off

PUPIL

Using 3mm needles and yarn D, cast on 18 sts

- \square Row 1 (WS): (p2tog) to end. Nine sts
- $\hfill\square$ Cut yarn, thread through rem sts, pull tight and fasten off

MOUTH

Using 3mm needles and yarn B, cast on 20 sts, change to yarn D

☐ Row 1 (RS): (k3, k2tog) twice, (k2tog, k3) twice. 16 sts

Use a ruler to draw a cross shape comprising a column of four 6cm x 6cm squares, and a bar of three 6cm x 6cm squares. Cut out the cross shape and using the scissor blade, lightly score along the lines to make folding easier and more accurate. Fold up all up the sides into a cube and tape together.

☐ Cut yarn, thread through rem sts, pull tight and fasten off

LEG (make two) Using 3mm needles and yarn B, cast on 12 sts

- \square Row 1 (WS): p to end □ Row 2: (k1, kfb) three times, (kfb, k1) three times.
- ☐ Rows 3-7: starting with a p row, work in st st

- ☐ Row 8: k7, k2tog, k6, k2tog, k1. 16 sts
- \square Rows 9-11: starting with a p row, work in st st
- ☐ Row 12: k6, k2tog, k5, k2tog, k1. 14 sts
- □ Row 13: p to end
- Cut yarn B, leaving 30cm tail and separate the plies. Cut a 30cm length of yarn A and separate the plies. Create colour blend by holding together as folls:
- □ Row 14: using two plies of yarn
 B and one ply of yarn A, k to end
 □ Row 15: using one ply of yarn B
 and two plies of yarn A, p to end
- Cut yarn B and change to yarn A (all three plies)
- ☐ Row 16: k5, k2tog, k4, k2tog, k1. 12 sts
- ☐ Row 17: p to end
- ☐ Row 18: k4, k2tog, k3, k2tog,
- k1. Ten sts
- ☐ Cast off

- ARM (make two)
 Using 3mm needles and
 yarn B, cast on 12 sts
- □ Row 1 (WS): p to end
 □ Row 2: (k1, kfb) three times,
- (kfb, k1) three times. 18 sts

 Rows 3-5: starting with
- a p row, work in st st
- ☐ Row 6: k7, k2tog, k6, k2tog, k1. 16 sts
- ☐ Row 7: p to end Cut yarn B, leaving 30cm tail, separate plies. Cut a 30cm
- length of yarn A, separate plies. Create colour blend as folls:
- ☐ Row 8: using two plies of yarn B and one ply of yarn A, k to end ☐ Row 9: using one ply of yarn B and two plies of yarn A, p to end Cut yarn B and change to
- yarn A (all three plies)

 ☐ Row 10: k6, k2tog,
 k5, k2tog, k1. 14 sts

- ☐ Row 11: p to end
- ☐ Row 12: k5, k2tog, k4, k2tog, k1. 12 sts
- □ Row 13: p to end
- ☐ Row 13: p to end
- \square Row 14: k4, k2tog, k3, k2tog, k1. Ten sts
- ☐ Cast off

TO MAKE UP

Construct a 6cm square box with sturdy card or cardboard (see panel). Sew Body seams using mattress stitch, encasing card box. Sew Pupil to Eye.
Using yarn C, make French knot inside pupil. Sew Eye to Body.
Stitch ends of Mouth, shaping by using the photo as a guide.
Using yarn C, embroider teeth with long and short stitches.
Sew Mouth to Body. Seam and stuff Arms and Legs. Attach limbs to Body by oversewing edges neatly in yarn A.

Safety NOTES

As Numberblock
One is likely to
be given to very
young children,
choose safety toy
stuffing that is
certified to be fire
safe and free from
toxins and harmful
substances. Ensure
your oversewing,
appliqué and
embroidery are
all secure for
this character to
withstand play time.

