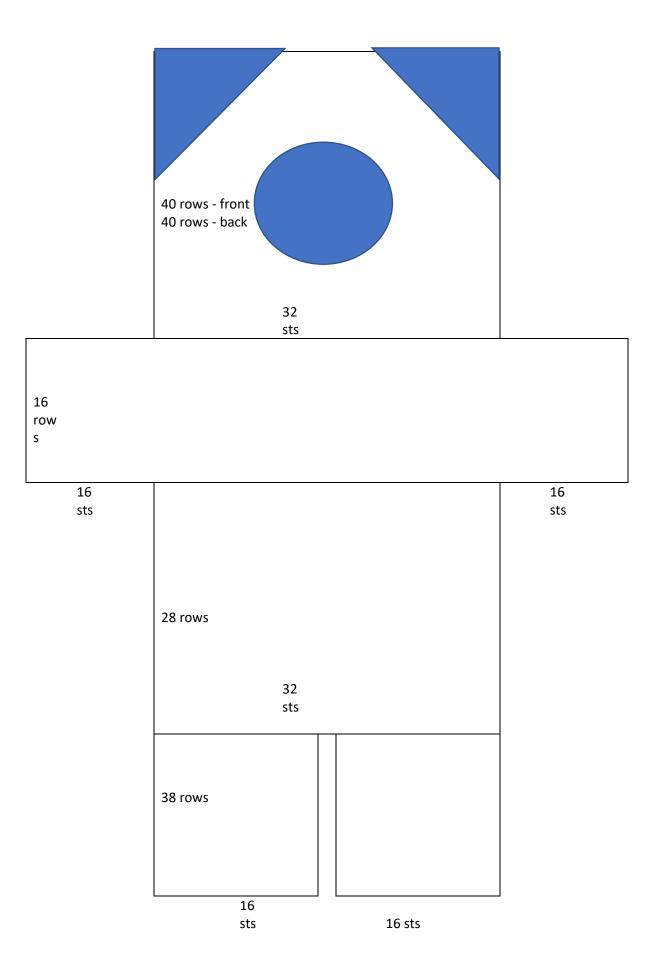
Easy Knitted Bear

Legs - Cast on 16 stitches and work 38 rows Cast on 16 stitches for the second leg and work 38 rows Work across both legs (32 stitches) For 28 rows Cast on 16 stitches at the beginning of the following two rows for the arms Work 16 rows. Keep the first 16 stitches at the beginning of the following two rows on stitch holders. Work 80 rows on the remaining 32 stitches - this will form the front and the back of the head Add the stitches that were kept on the stitch holders on each side of the head Knit across 64 stitches for 16 rows Cast of 16 stitches at the beginning of the following two rows Continue on the remaining 32 stitches for 28 rows Keep 16 stitches on a stitch holder Knit 38 rows for the one leg. Cast off. Pick up the 16 stitches of the second leg and knit 38 rows for the second leg. Cast off. Close the seams, leaving an area open for filling the bear. Work in ears and snout. Fill with soft filling and close the opening Use two buttons for eyes. Secure well



Knitted slip-doll

A slip-doll is undoubtedly the simplest doll to make. It is even quicker to use a knitting machine. Simply knit a slip, stuff and stitch the body to form the arms and legs.

REOUIREMENTS: Scraps of double knit or four-ply knitting yam in a variety of colours (do not mix the thickness); a woolembroidery needle; washable polyester filling.

LENGTH: About 15 cm

TENSION: Reasonably firm to prevent the filling from showing when the doll is stuffed.

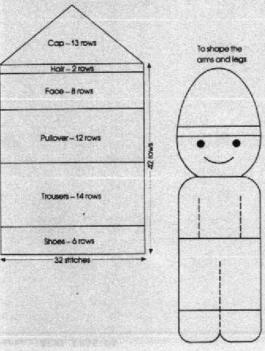
ABBREVIATIONS: dec - decrease; st(s) - stitch(es); st st stocking stitch; WS - wrong side.

TO KNIT: Prepare 32 needles for knitting in st st. Begin with a selvedge and knit 42 straight rows in st st following the diagram. Dec sts for the cap as follows and carry the sts over from the sides to the centre sts each time to fill the openings (see diagram):

43rd row: Dec 4 sts by knitting together the 3rd and 4th, 9th and 10th, 23rd and 24th and 29th and 30th sts (= 28 sts). 44th, 46th, 48th, 50th, 52nd and 54th row: st st.

45th row: Dec 4 sts by knitting together the 5th and 6th, 11th and 12th, 17th and 18th and 23rd and 24th sts (= 24 sts).

Knitting diagram of slip-doll



47th row: Dec 4 sts by knitting together the 3rd and 4th, 9th and 10th, 15th and 16th and 21st and 22nd sts (= 20 sts). 49th row: Dec 4 sts by knitting together the 4th and 5th, 8th and 9th, 12th and 13th and 16th and 17th sts (= 16 sts). 51st row: Dec 4 sts by knitting together the 2nd and 3rd, 6th and 7th, 10th and 11th and 14th and 15th sts (= 12 sts).

53rd row: Dec 4 sts by knitting together the 3rd and 4th, 5th and 6th, 7th and 8th and 9th and 10th sts (= 8 sts).

55th row: Dec 4 sts by knitting together the 1st and 2nd, 3rd and 4th. 5th and 6th and 7th and 8th sts (= 4 sts).

Break off the knitting yarn, thread the end through the remaining 4 sts and fasten firmly.

FINISHING: Thread a length of knitting yarn through the 40th row (between the face and pullover). Double the knitting over lengthwise with the WS facing outwards, and stitch the long sides to form the back panel leaving the bottom edge open. Turn right side out. Stuff the head and pull the thread separating the face and body tight. Fasten the thread firmly.

Stuff the remainder to form the body and stitch the bottom edge.

Use knitting yarn in the same colour as the pullover and trousers to form the arms and legs. Sew two rows of stitching through the pullover to form the arms and a row in the centre of the trousers for the legs (see sketch).

Embroider eyes and a mouth on the face. Make a tasse (pompon) and sew it onto the end of the cap. Twist yarn to form a cord, plait and sew it either side of the face along the hairline. Alternatively, make looped sts or French knots for curly hair.

Diagram to decrease stitches for cap

55 A A A A (4 sts) 5411111111 531 | A A A A 1 | (8 sts) 5211111111111 511 A | | A | | A | | A | (12 sts) 4711 A 1111 A 1111 A 1111 A 11(20 sts) 45| | | | A | | | A | | | A | | | A | | | | (24 sts)

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