

Elephant and Ladybug

Knitting pattern by Twins



for Advanced Beginners

If you use DK yarn (100 g = 300 m) you get a sitting elephant measuring about 14 cm (5.5 inch). All pieces of the toy are knitted flat.

MATERIALS:

Straight needles size US 2½ (3.0 mm) and

DPNs US 2½ (3.0 mm)

Yarn for body: DK in beige.

Leftovers in DK in red and black from
different projects

Tapestry needle

Polyester stuffing

GAUGE: not important.

PATTERN NOTES

K – knit

P- purl

K2tog - knit two together

M1 - Make 1 stitch: Insert needle,
from front to back, under strand of
yarn which runs between last stitch
on left needle and first stitch on right
needle; place this loop on left needle;
knit this stitch through back loop.

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PATTERN – Elephant

Head

Start from back of head.

Cast on 8 sts using beige.

Row 1: P

Row 2: (K1, M1) x 7, K1 (15 sts)

Row 3: P

Row 4: K1, (M1, K2) x 7 (22 sts)

Row 5: P

Row 6: K2, (M1, K3) x 6, M1, K2 (29 sts)

Row 7: P

Row 8: K3, (M1, K4) x 6, M1, K2 (36 sts)

Rows 9 – 11: st st (3 rows)

Row 12: K2, (M1, K1) x 3, M1, K26, M1, (K1, M1) x 3, K2 (44 sts)

Rows 13 – 15: st st (3 rows)

Row 16: K4, (M1, K1) x 3, K11, K2tog, K4, K2tog, K11, (K1, M1) x 3, K4 (48 sts)

Rows 17 - 21: st st (5 rows)

Row 22: K6, (K2tog) x 18, K6 (30 sts)

Rows 23 – 27: st st (5 rows)

Row 28: K2, (K2 tog, K4) x 4, K2 tog, K2 (25 sts)

Row 29: P

Row 30: K1, (K2 tog, K3) x 4, K2 tog, K2 (20 sts)

Trunk

Rows 31 – 34: st st (4 rows)

Row 35: K2, (K2tog, K3) x 3, K2tog, K1 (16 sts)

Row 36: P

Row 37: K

Row 38: P

Row 39: P

Row 40: K1, (K2tog, K2) x 3, K2tog, K1 (12 sts)

Row 41: P

Row 42: K



Row 43: K
Row 44: P
Row 45: K
Row 46: P
Row 47: P
Row 48: K
Row 49: P
Row 50: K
Row 51: K
Row 52: P
Row 53: K
Row 54: P
Row 55: P
Row 56: K
Row 57: P
Row 58: K
Row 59: K2tog x 6 (6 sts)
Row 60: P

Cut yarn. Thread it through sts left on knitting needles, pull to gather tightly, then fasten off. Sew up head seam, stuffing firmly as you sew. Trunk should be stuffed **very lightly**.

Ears (2 pieces).

Cast on 15 sts using beige.
Rows 1 – 3: K all
Row 4: K2, M1, K11, M1, K2 (17 sts)
Row 5: K
Row 6: K2, M1, K13, M1, K2 (19 sts)
Row 7: K
Row 8: K2, M1, K15, M1, K2 (21 sts)
Rows 9 – 15: K all (7 rows)
Row 16: K2, K2tog, K13, K2tog, K2 (19 sts)
Row 17: K
Row 18: K2, K2tog x 2, K7, K2tog x 2, K2 (15 sts)
Row 19: K
Row 20: K2, K2tog x 2, K3, K2tog x 2, K2 (11 sts)
Cast off.

Body (one piece)

Cast on 11 sts.

Row 1: P

Row 2: (K1, M1) x 10, K1 (21 sts)

Rows 3 – 5: st st (3 rows)

Row 6: (K2, M1) x 9, K3 (30 sts)

Rows 7 – 13: st st (7 rows)

Row 14: K8, (M1, K2) x 7, M1, K8 (38 sts)

Rows 15 – 23: st st (9 rows)

Row 24: K3, (M1, K1) x 7, M1, K18, (M1, K1) x 7, M1, K3 (54 sts)

Rows 25 – 29: st st (5 rows)

Row 30: K4, (K2tog, K3) x 9, K2tog, K3 (44 sts)

Row 31: P

Row 32: (K3, K2tog) x 8, K4 (36 sts)

Row 33: P

Row 34: K1, (K2, K2tog) x 8, K3 (28 sts)

Row 35: P

Row 36: (K1, K2tog) x 9, K1 (19 sts)

Row 37: P

Row 38: K1, K2tog x 9 (10 sts)

Row 39: P

Cut yarn. Thread it through sts left on knitting needles, pull to gather tightly, then fasten off. Sew up center back seam, stuffing as you sew.

Legs (make 2 pieces)

Cast on 10 sts using beige.

Row 1: K

Row 2: (K1, M1) x 9, K1 (19 sts)

Row 3: K

Row 4: K1, (M1, K1) x 2, K5, (M1, K1) x 4, K5, (M1, K1) x 2 (27 sts)

Row 5: K

Row 6: K10, (M1, K1) x 8, M1, K9 (36 sts)

Row 7: K

Row 8: P

Row 9: K

Row 10: P

Row 11: K5, (K2tog, K1) x 8, K2tog, K5 (27 sts)

Row 12: P

Row 13: K5, K2tog x 8, K6 (19 sts)

Next 23 rows st st.

Next: K1, K2tog x 8, K2 (11 sts)

Next: P

Cut yarn. Thread it through sts left on knitting needles, pull to gather tightly, then fasten off. Sew up, stuffing as you sew.

Arms (make 2 pieces) – start from top of arm.

Cast on 9 stitches using beige yarn.

Row 1: P

Row 2: (K1, M1) x 8, K1 (17 sts)

Next 15 rows st st.

Next: K4, M1, K9, M1, K4 (19 sts)

Next: P

Next: K5, M1, K9, M1, K5 (21 sts)

Next 7 rows st st.

Next: K1, K2tog x 9, K2 (12 sts)

Next: P

Next: K1, K2tog x 5, K1 (7 sts)

Next: P

Cut yarn. Thread this tail through remaining stitch and pull to gather tightly, then fasten off. Sew arms and stuff them with fiberfill leaving upper arm stuff free.

Tail – make an i-cord

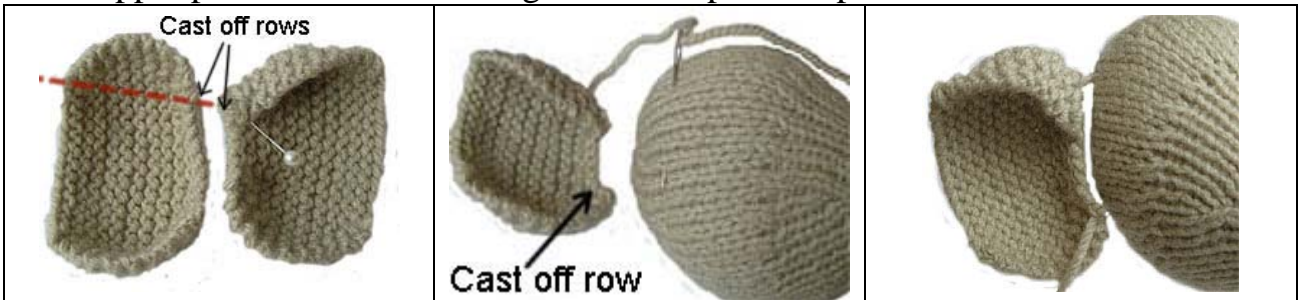
Using short double-pointed needles cast on a 6 stitches.

Knit the first row. Slide the stitches to the opposite end of the needle.

Now the working yarn is at the bottom of the row. Knit again, pulling the working yarn up the back of the piece so you can work with it. Knit 25 rows. Thread this tail through remaining stitches and pull to gather tightly, then fasten off. Make tassel on the end of i-cord.

Make up: Shape Ears

Fold upper part of ear and sew to get shell shape – see photo. Attach ears to head.

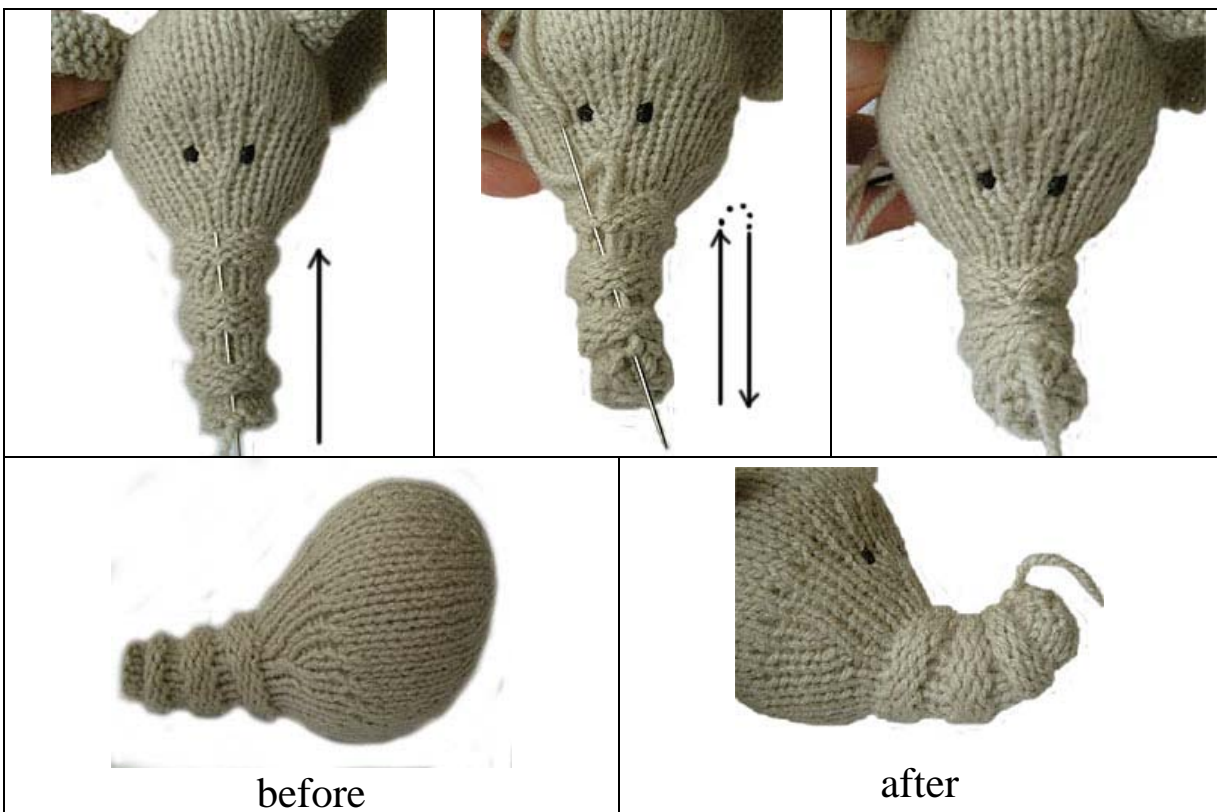


Mark eye position with pins, spacing 2 – 3 sts apart. Embroider each eye with horizontal detached chain stitch in black.

Sew a ladybug on the top of head.

Trunk

Starting from top of trunk, thread yarn through, pull yarn tightly and thread back through trunk in the same place as before and fasten off (see photos). Secure and hide yarn.



Assembling body

Attach head to body, matching center back seams. It will be easier to assemble if you use 2 short DPNs to pin head to body. (see photos).

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Join legs to body as you prefer: in standing or in sitting position, making sure feet are facing the right direction. It will be easier if you use 2 short DPNs to pin legs to body (see photos).

Pin arms onto body. Make sure to position the arms so the increases can't be seen from the front. Below top of one arm, thread yarn through body at shoulder position, then attach other arm, pull yarn tightly and thread back through body again in the same place. Attach yarn to first arm again and fasten off.

Pin and sew on elephant's tail.



Tiny Ladybug

Cast on 8 sts using red.

Row 1: P

Row 2: (K1, M1) x 7, K1 (15 sts)

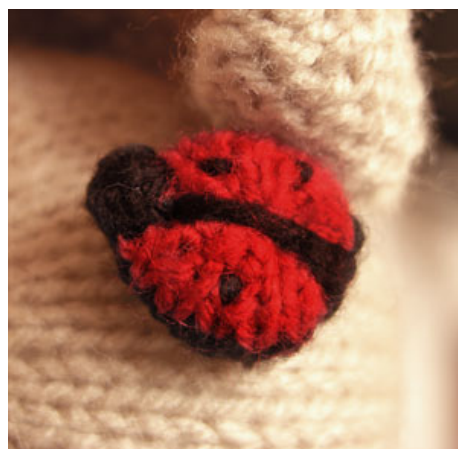
Row 3: P

Change yarn into black

Row 4: (K2tog) x 7, K1 (8 sts)

Row 5: P

Cut yarn. Pull and tie. Gather up cast on sts tightly and fasten off. With right side of st – st outside, stuff but only a bit, oversee the row ends at each side of the ladybug. Using black yarn stitch a line to get wings, use satin stitch to make a head. Taking long stitches through the body of ladybug to embroider dots.



Tiny Ladybug – photo tips

Cast on 8 sts using red.

Row 1: P







Row 2: (K1, M1) x 7, K1 (15 sts)

Row 3: P







Change yarn into black

Row 4: (K2tog) x 7, K1 (8 sts)

Row 5: P

		
Cut yarn.	Thread yarn tail through remaining stitch.	Pull and tie.
		
Gather up cast on sts tightly	Fasten off.	Stuff but only a bit, oversew the row ends at each side of the ladybug.

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Taking long stitches through the body of ladybug to embroider dots.	Taking long stitches through the body of ladybug to embroider dots.	Ladybug is ready.