

SAM

Sew all darts on body.

Sew centre front seam and centre back seam between dots (right sides together).

Sew front and back together (right sides together) but leave a gap down one side between armpit and hip for stuffing. Clip curves and pull right side out.

Lightly stuff ends of arms and legs.

Using strong pink thread or embroidery thread define fingers and toes by over-sewing three times into each of the four finger and toe 'gaps' on each hand and foot.

Complete stuffing and sew up side using ladder stitch.

Sew centre seams on hair and beard (right sides together). Sew hair to beard down side seams (right sides together), turn right side out and just pull over the head. Catch-stitch into place around the face.

Make up the eyes then glue or stitch eyes and eyebrows onto the face.

Put a running stitch around the nose and pull into a 'bag', stuff and pull thread tight then attach securely to the centre of the face.

SAM'S GREEN POLO NECK JUMPER

(FRONT AND BACK THE SAME - KNIT TWO PIECES THE SAME)

Using 3½ mm knitting needles and jade green dk yarn cast on 48 sts.

K3, p2 k2, repeat these last 4 sts until last 3 sts, k3.

P3, k2 p2, repeat these last 4 sts until last 3 sts, p3.

Repeat these last 2 rows 3 times (8 rows of ribbing).

Change to 4 mm knitting needles.

Stocking stitch for 42 rows starting with a knit row.

Cast off 10 sts at the beginning of the next 2 rows.

Change to 3½ mm knitting needles.

Working on the 28 sts left in the centre.

K3, p2 k2, repeat these last 4 sts until last 3 sts, k3.

P3, k2 p2, repeat these last 4 sts until last 3 sts, p3.

Repeat last 2 rows 3 times (8 rows of ribbing).

Cast off rib-wise very loosely.

SLEEVES (KNIT TWO)

Using 3½ mm knitting needles and jade green dk yarn cast on 40 sts.

K3, p2 k2, repeat these last 4 sts until last 3 sts, k3.

P3, k2 p2, repeat these last 4 sts until last 3 sts, p3.

Repeat these last 2 rows 3 times (8 rows of ribbing).

Change to 4 mm knitting needles.

St st on these 40 sts starting with a knit row for 30 rows and then cast off loosely.

TO MAKE UP

Embroider anchor onto right sleeve using white yarn.

Sew up right shoulder seam and right of neck band.

Sew up 2 cm (from arm side) of left shoulder seam.

Fold sleeve in half lengthwise to find centre of top then sew top edge of sleeves into place right sides together (half to front and half to back of jumper).

Sew along sleeve cuff, under sleeve, down side seam of body and bottom ribbing right sides together. Darn in all ends. Turn jumper right side out.

Using green thread, sew a snap fastener onto the outside corners of the polo neck securely. This will enable the neck band to fit round Sam's neck. Then turn the neck band over.

SAM'S RED POM POM HAT (KNIT TWO PIECES THE SAME)

Using 3½ mm knitting needles and red dk yarn cast on 40 sts.

K3, p2 k2, repeat these last 4 sts until last 3 sts, k3.

P3, k2 p2, repeat these last 4 sts until last 3 sts, p3.

Repeat these last 2 rows 3 times (8 rows of ribbing).

Change to 4 mm knitting needles.

St st on these 40 sts for 8 rows starting with a knit row.

Dec. 1 st at the beginning of each row for the next 16 rows (24 sts).

Dec. 1 st at each end of next 8 rows (8 sts).

Cut off yarn leaving a length of about 20 cm to use for sewing on the pom pom.

Pull the end through these 8 stitches, pull tight and secure firmly. Knit another side to match.

Sew side seams of hat with right sides together. Darn in ends. Turn right side out.

Cut 2, 6½ cm diameter circles out of card and a 2½ cm hole in the centre of each.

(You can draw around a 10p coin for the inner hole).

Wind red yarn through the hole and around the entire edge of the circle until a thick pad has formed. Cut the yarn around the edge of the card. Tie a piece of yarn between the pieces of card and pull very tightly and knot securely in several places.

The card pieces can then be pulled away gently.

Sew the pom pom onto the top of the hat.

SAM'S WELLINGTON BOOTS (KNIT FOUR PIECES THE SAME)

With 4 mm knitting needles and black dk yarn cast on 6 sts. Knit 1 row.

Continue in st st starting with a purl row increasing 1 st at each end of the next 4 rows (14 sts).

St st 3 rows.

Increase 1 st at the beginning of the next 4 rows (18 sts).

St st 17 rows.

Change to white dk yarn.

Garner stitch (knit every row) for 9 rows.

Cast off.

Sew up side seams with right sides together (using relevant colours). Darn in all ends.

The boot tops can then be turned over.

SAM'S YELLOW ROUND NECK JUMPER (FRONT AND BACK THE SAME - KNIT TWO PIECES THE SAME)

With 3½ mm knitting needles and yellow dk yarn cast on 48 sts.
Knit 2 and 2 rib for 6 rows.
Change to 4 mm knitting needles and starting with a knit row st st 40 rows.
K16 st, turn, p2 tog, p to end.
K until last 2 sts, k2 tog into back of stitch.
P2 tog, p to end of row.
K until last 2 sts, k2 tog into back of stitch.
P2 tog, p to end. (11 sts)
Cast off in next knit row.
Leave centre 16sts on a stitch holder.

Join on yellow yarn and k 1 row.
P to last 2 sts, p2 tog.
K2 tog, k to end.
P to last 2 sts, p2 tog.
K2 tog, k to end.
P to last 2 sts, p2 tog (11st).
Cast off in next knit row.

SLEEVES (KNIT TWO)

Using 3½ mm knitting needles and red dk yarn cast on 40 sts. Knit 2 and 2 rib for 4 rows.
Change to 4 mm needles and yellow dk yarn. St st 22 rows. Then cast off loosely in a knit row.

TO MAKE UP

Embroider an 'S' on the front using chain stitch and red yarn.
Sew up the right shoulder seam using yellow yarn.
Join red yarn to neck end of left shoulder on the front of jumper and create stitches along neck edge.
Create 8 sts down curved left side of neck on front, knit 16 sts from stitch holder, create 8 sts up curved right side of neck on front to shoulder seam.
Create 8 sts down curved right side of neck on back, knit 16 sts from stitch holder, create 8 sts up curved left side of neck on back (64 sts).
Knit 2 and 2 rib for 4 rows.
Cast off loosely rib-wise.
Sew 1 cm up left shoulder from arm side. Sew tops of sleeves to front and back.
Sew seam from cuff, under arm, down body side seams. Darn in all ends. Turn right side out.
Add a snap fastener to the ends of the neck band to create a closing on the left shoulder.
(Underneath on front and on top on back.)

SAM'S SCARF

Using 4 mm knitting needles and red dk yarn cast on 26 sts.

S1 k2 p2 k2 p2 k2 p2 k3 for 250 rows. (Slip over first stitch of every row knit-wise to ensure a neat edge.)

Cast off rib-wise.

Add 4 small tassels at each end to make a fringe.

(Alternatively you could use garter stitch or fisherman's rib.)

TROUSERS

Join front of pieces together along centre seam.

Join back of pieces together along centre seam.

Sew inside leg seams. Hem leg bottoms.

Make a hem around the top to encase the elastic leaving a 2 cm gap at the top of the centre back seam.

Thread a 52 cm length of ½ cm wide elastic through the casing using a safety pin attached to one end to help push it through. Tie the ends into a secure knot and remove the safety pin. Then finish sewing the hem with the knot pushed inside the casing. Turn right side out.