

Pattern setup

Item	Specification	Approx. quantity
Main yarn	DK / light worsted, smooth and washable	Grey 20 g
Garment yarn	DK in ivory and pale blue	Ivory 12 g; blue 15 g
Accent yarn	Red, pink and black scraps	Under 5 g each
Needles	3 mm straight needles; optional 3 mm DPNs for I-cord	1 set
Notions	Tapestry needle, stitch holders, pins, row counter	As needed
Stuffing	Washable polyester toy filling	20 to 25 g
Features	6 mm safety eyes or black embroidery; two 8 mm red buttons	2 each

Gauge and size control

Target gauge: 26 stitches and 36 rows to 10 cm / 4 inches in stockinette after light blocking. The toy is designed to be approximately 17 cm / 6.75 inches tall including the pom-pom.

For a finished height near 6 inches, use sport-weight yarn at about 28 stitches per 10 cm on 2.75 mm needles. For a finished height near 7 inches, use DK at about 24 stitches per 10 cm on 3.25 mm needles. Keep the fabric dense enough that stuffing does not show.

Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Meaning	Abbreviation	Meaning
BO	bind off	CO	cast on
k	knit	p	purl
k2tog	knit 2 together	kfb	knit into front and back
RS	right side	WS	wrong side
st(s)	stitch(es)	St st	stockinette: knit RS, purl WS

General: Unless stated otherwise, the first row after casting on is a WS purl row. Leave yarn tails of at least 15 cm for seaming.

Cat pieces

Head - make 2 in grey

CO 6 sts.

Row 1 (WS): Purl.

Row 2: Kfb in every st. 12 sts.

Row 3: Purl.

Row 4: *K1, kfb; repeat from * across. 18 sts.

Row 5: Purl.

Row 6: *K2, kfb; repeat from * across. 24 sts.

Rows 7-17: Work in St st, starting with a purl row.

Row 18: *K2, k2tog; repeat from * across. 18 sts.

Row 19: Purl.

Row 20: *K1, k2tog; repeat from * across. 12 sts.

Row 21: Purl.

Row 22: K2tog across. 6 sts. Cut yarn, draw through and secure.

Place the eyes at about Row 12, approximately 8 stitches apart. If using safety eyes, fit them before the head is fully seamed. Sew the two panels together, leaving the lower edge open. Turn, stuff firmly and evenly, then close.

Ears - make 2 in grey

CO 7 sts. Work 2 rows in St st.

Next RS row: K2tog, knit to last 2 sts, k2tog. Purl the WS row.

Repeat these 2 rows until 3 sts remain. K3tog and fasten off.

Fold the side edges slightly inward to cup each ear. Sew at the upper sides of the head before fitting the beret.

Body - make front and back

Use two-row stripes of ivory and pale blue from Row 5 onward. Carry the unused yarn loosely at the side.

CO 8 sts in ivory.

Row 1 (WS): Purl.

Row 2: Kfb in every st. 16 sts.

Row 3: Purl.

Row 4: K2, kfb, k3, kfb, k3, kfb, k3, kfb, k1. 20 sts.

Rows 5-14: Work 10 rows in striped St st.

Row 15: K2tog, knit to last 2 sts, k2tog. 18 sts.

Row 16: Purl.

Row 17: K2tog, knit to last 2 sts, k2tog. 16 sts.

Row 18: Purl.

Row 19: K2tog, knit to last 2 sts, k2tog. 14 sts.

Row 20: Purl. BO loosely.

Sew the side seams, leaving the neck and lower edge open. Stuff the torso lightly so the overalls still fit. Close the lower edge after the legs and tail are attached.

Limbs and clothing

Arms - make 2

CO 8 sts in grey. Work 6 rows in St st for the paw.

Row 7: Kfb, knit to last st, kfb. 10 sts. Change to ivory.

Rows 8-21: Work striped St st, changing between ivory and pale blue every 2 rows.

BO. Sew the long seam and paw end. Stuff lightly, keeping the shoulder end soft. Attach at a slight downward angle.

Legs and feet - make 2 in grey

CO 12 sts. Work 4 rows in St st.

Row 5: Kfb, knit to last st, kfb. 14 sts.

Rows 6-8: Work in St st.

Row 9: K2tog, knit to last 2 sts, k2tog. 12 sts.

Rows 10-13: Work in St st. BO.

Sew the long seam and lower end, stuff firmly at the foot and lightly at the upper leg, then attach side by side to the lower body.

Tail

Option A, flat: CO 6 sts in grey and work 18 rows in St st. BO, seam into a narrow tube and add a very small amount of stuffing.

Option B, I-cord: CO 4 sts and work approximately 3 cm / 1.2 inches. Fasten off.

Attach centrally at the back, just above the leg seam, allowing the tail to point downward.

Blue overalls - front

Left leg: CO 8 sts in pale blue. Work 6 rows in St st and place on a holder.

Right leg: CO 8 sts and work 6 rows. On the next RS row, knit across the right leg, CO 2 sts, then knit across the left leg. 18 sts.

Work 8 rows in St st.

Next RS row: K2tog, knit to last 2 sts, k2tog. 16 sts. Purl 1 row.

Bib: BO 3 sts at the beginning of the next 2 rows. 10 sts remain. Work 8 rows in St st. BO.

Blue overalls - back

Work the two legs and join them exactly as for the front. 18 sts.

Work 10 rows in St st. Next RS row: K2tog, knit to last 2 sts, k2tog. 16 sts.

Work 3 more rows and BO at the waist.

Straps, make 2: CO 3 sts and knit every row for 26 rows, or until each strap reaches comfortably from the back waist to the front bib. BO.

Sew the front and back overalls together at the side and inside-leg seams. Fold the lower 3 rows outward to form cuffs and tack discreetly. Dress the toy. Sew straps to the back waist, cross them if desired, and attach at the front with two red buttons or embroidered circles.

Accessories and finishing

Ivory beret with red pom-pom

CO 42 sts in ivory. Work 5 rows in K1, P1 rib.

Increase row: *K6, kfb; repeat from * across. 48 sts. Purl 1 row.

Next RS row: *K3, kfb; repeat from * across. 60 sts.

Work 5 rows in St st.

Decrease row 1: *K8, k2tog; repeat from * across. 54 sts. Purl the next row.

Decrease row 2: *K7, k2tog; repeat from * across. 48 sts. Purl the next row.

Continue in this way, working one fewer knit stitch before each k2tog on every RS row, until 12 sts remain.

Next RS row: K2tog across. 6 sts. Draw yarn through, secure and sew the back seam.

Make a firm red pom-pom about 2 cm / 0.8 inch in diameter. Trim evenly and sew securely to the crown.

Red checked scarf

CO 5 sts in red. Knit every row until the scarf measures about 17 cm / 6.75 inches. BO.

Using ivory yarn, embroider short running stitches lengthwise and crosswise to suggest a small check pattern. Weave in all ends and tie loosely around the neck.

Face embroidery

With pink yarn, embroider a small triangular nose at the centre of the muzzle. Add a short vertical line and two curved mouth lines in black. Work three fine whiskers on each side. Add small grey horizontal cheek marks if desired. Keep all knots inside the head.

For a toy intended for a child under 3 years, embroider the eyes and overall buttons instead of using plastic safety eyes or sewn buttons.

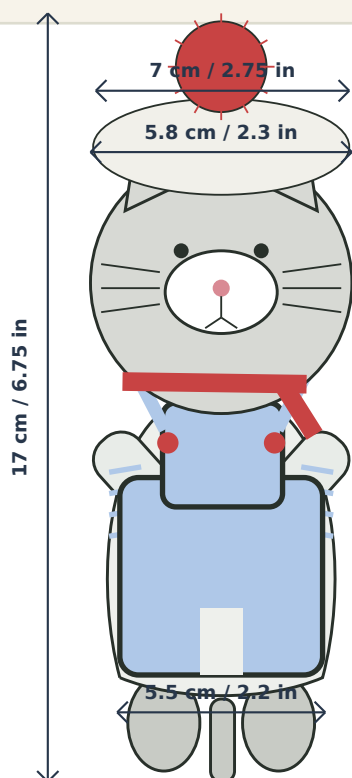
Final assembly order

1	Prepare the face and ears; seam and stuff the head.
2	Seam and lightly stuff the torso.
3	Complete and attach both feet, the tail and both arms.
4	Dress the body in the overalls and secure the straps.
5	Attach the head with small firm stitches around the neck.
6	Fit the beret, add the pom-pom and tie the scarf.
7	Shape the toy by redistributing stuffing; weave in every end.

Production sample note: Record the actual finished height, head circumference and yarn consumption from the first sample. If the sample is more than 0.5 cm outside target, change needle size before altering stitch counts.

Small Knitted Cat in Overalls

A practical 6 to 7 inch hand-knitting adaptation based on the supplied toy photograph.
Worked flat on two needles and seamed.



Target finished measurements

Overall, with pom-pom	17 cm / 6.75 in
Overall, without pom-pom	15.5 cm / 6.1 in
Head width	5.8 cm / 2.3 in
Body width	5.5 cm / 2.2 in
Body length	6 cm / 2.4 in
Arm, shoulder to paw	5.5 cm / 2.2 in
Visible foot length	2.2 cm / 0.9 in
Beret diameter	7 cm / 2.75 in
Scarf	17 x 1.5 cm / 6.75 x 0.6 in
Tail	3 cm / 1.2 in

Measurements are approximate after firm stuffing.
Maintain the stated gauge for the intended size.

Design note: The reference toy has a crochet-style surface. This pattern recreates its proportions, striped top, blue overalls, scarf and pom-pom beret as a knitted toy. The finished piece will have a smoother stockinette texture.

Use this sheet as a working sample pattern. Knit and measure one head panel before production; small changes in yarn, gauge and stuffing firmness can alter the finished size by 5 to 10 percent.