

Dear readers,

The tension used by the author throughout this book is 16 sts and 25 rows = 10cm/4in square in stocking stitch worked with UK 10 (3.25mm) needles. We'd like to point out, however, that the author has a unique way of working on very small needles that produces a relatively loose finish, and you may find this difficult to achieve on the needles she suggests.

We therefore strongly recommend that you test the tension of each pattern before beginning, and if necessary adjust the needle size to suit the yarn used. For guidance, if using Jiffy Lion Brand yarn, we recommend you use UK 7 (4.5mm) needles to achieve the correct tension. Another suitable alternative to Jiffy Lion Brand is Rowan Cocoon yarn; if using this yarn we suggest using UK 6 (5mm) needles. Please see page 119 for more information on tension.

Apologies for any inconvenience caused, and happy knitting!



# playful penguin

Playful penguin has a little Christmas hat to keep her warm, and two little chicks in the form of mittens. The hat is fastened under the chin with a crocheted button.

<b>HAT</b>	•Yarn needle
<b>LEVEL: intermediate</b>	•Small amount of toy stuffing
<b>SIZES</b>	<b>MITTENS</b>
6-12 months (12-24 months, 2-3 years)	<b>Main yarn:</b>
<b>Finished measurements</b>	<b>Colour A:</b> 1 x 85g (3oz) ball (123m/135yd) Lion Brand Jiffy Yarn, 100% acrylic, Black
<b>From 'cheek to cheek' around the hat:</b>	<b>Small amounts:</b>
36 (37, 38)cm (14 [14½ 15]in)	<b>Colour B:</b> Lion Brand Jiffy Yarn, 100% acrylic, White
<b>Mitten circumference:</b> 13.75 (15, 16.25)cm (5½s [6, 6½s]in)	<b>Colour D:</b> Lion Brand Baby's First Yarn, 100% acrylic, Honey Bee
<b>Mitten length:</b> 14 (16.5, 18)cm (5½ [6½ 7]in)	<b>Needles:</b>
<b>Scarf length:</b> 109cm (43in)	•4 x UK 14 (2mm) double-pointed needles
<b>Scarf width:</b> 10cm (4in)	•4 x UK 10 (3.25mm) double-pointed needles
<b>MATERIALS</b>	•2.75mm crochet hook
<b>HAT</b>	•Yarn needle
<b>Main yarn:</b>	<b>SCARF</b>
<b>Colour A:</b> 1 x 85g (3oz) ball (123m/135yd) Lion Brand Jiffy Yarn, 100% acrylic, Black	<b>Colour C:</b> 1 x 85g (3oz) ball (123m/135yd) Lion Brand Jiffy Yarn, 100% acrylic, True Red
<b>Small amounts:</b>	<b>Needles:</b>
<b>Colour B:</b> Lion Brand Jiffy Yarn, 100% acrylic, White	•1 pair of UK 10 (3.25mm) needles
<b>Colour C:</b> Lion Brand Jiffy Yarn, 100% acrylic, True Red	•Yarn needle
<b>Colour D:</b> Lion Brand Baby's First Yarn, 100% acrylic, Honey Bee	<b>TENSION</b>
<b>Needles:</b>	16 sts and 25 rows = 10cm/4in square in stocking stitch, worked with UK 10 (3.25mm) needles.
•1 pair of UK 10 (3.25mm) needles	19 sts and 28 rows = 10cm/4in square in k1, p1 rib, worked with UK 10 (3.25mm) needles.
•4 x UK 10 (3.25mm) double-pointed needles	
•Stitch marker	
•2.75mm crochet hook	

The hat and scarf combination is just as cosy as a coverall hat.



## HAT

Using a pair of UK 10 (3.25mm) needles and A, cast on 57 (61, 65) sts. Place a stitch marker at the beginning of the row.

**Rows 1-6 (6, 6):** K1, p1 rib.

**Row 7:** Knit.

**Row 8:** K6 (6, 6), p45 (49, 53), k6 (6, 6).

Rep. rows 7 and 8 to row 30 (30, 32).

**Row 31 (31, 33):** K18 (19, 21), k2tog, k17 (19, 19), k2tog, turn. 55 (59, 63) sts.

**Row 32 (32, 34):** Sl, p17 (19, 19), p2tog, turn. 54 (58, 62) sts.

**Row 33 (33, 35):** Sl, k17 (19, 19), k2tog, turn. 53 (57, 61) sts.

Rep. rows 32 (32, 34) and 33 (33, 35) to row 54 (58, 64). 32 (32, 32) sts.

**Row 55 (59, 65):** Sl, \*p1, k1\* rep. from \* to \* 8 (9, 9) times, p1, k2tog, turn. 31 (31, 31) sts.

**Row 56 (60, 66):** Sl, \*k1, p1\* rep. from \* to \* 8 (9, 9) times, k1, p2tog, turn. 30 (30, 30) sts.

Rep. rows 55 (59, 65) and 56 (60, 66) to row 66 (68, 74). 20 (22, 22) sts.

Cut yarn, leaving a long enough tail to weave in. Leave 20 (22, 22) sts on the needle.

## Fastener

Rejoin the yarn at marker, push the crochet hook through at the marker from front to back and make 15ch.

1thr in 5th ch from hook, 1thr in next ch, ch2, miss 2 ch,

1thr in each of next 6 ch, with right side facing insert hook into edge of rib row 3 and work 1dc, work a further 14 (14, 15) dc along bottom edge of hat (approximately in each alternate row) to sts held on needle, work 1dc into each of the 20 (22, 22) sts taking the sts off the needle one at a time, work a further 15 (15, 16) dc along bottom edge of hat (approximately in each alternate row) to front edge.

Fasten off. Weave in ends.

## Christmas hat

With UK 10 (3.25mm) double-pointed needles and B, cast on 22 sts and divide evenly among 3 needles. Join to work in the round, being careful not to twist. Place a marker at the beginning of the round.

**Rounds 1-3:** K1, p1 rib.

Switch to C.

**Round 4:** Knit.

**Round 5:** K2tog, k5, k2tog, k5, k2tog, k6. 19 sts.





Position the features as shown here, with the Christmas hat slightly off centre.



**Round 6:** Knit.

**Round 7:** K2tog, k4, k2tog, k4, k2tog, k5. 16 sts.

**Round 8:** Knit.

**Round 9:** K2tog, k3, k2tog, k3, k2tog, k4. 13 sts.

**Round 10:** Knit.

**Round 11:** K2tog, k2, k2tog, k2, k2tog, k3. 10 sts.

**Round 12:** Knit.

**Round 13:** K2tog, k1, k2tog, k1, k2tog, k2. 7 sts.

**Round 14:** Knit.

Cut a tail long enough to weave in. Pull it through all 7 stitches and remove them from the needles. Pull the tail tightly and secure.

### Pompom

With B, make a pompom 2.5cm/1in wide. See page 140 for instructions, or use a pompom maker.

### Eyes (make 2)

This pattern is crocheted in spiral. Don't join at the end of a row but continue working.

With the 2.75mm crochet hook and B: Make 4ch.

Join with ss to form ring.

**Round 1:** 7dc through ring.

**Round 2:** 2dc in each dc. 14dc.

**Round 3:** 14dc.

**Round 4:** 14dc.

End with ss in next st to join.

Fasten off, leaving a tail long enough for sewing.

### Pupils (make 2)

With 2.75mm crochet hook and A: Make 4ch.

Join with ss to form ring.

**Round 1:** 7dc through ring.

End with ss in next st to join.

Fasten off, leaving a tail long enough for sewing.



### Beak

With UK 10 (3.25mm) double-pointed needles and D, cast on 16 sts. Join to work in the round, being careful not to twist. Place a marker at the beginning of the round.

**Rounds 1-2:** Knit.

**Round 3:** K2tog, k4, \*k2tog\* twice, k4, k2tog. 12 sts.

**Round 4:** Knit.

**Round 5:** K2tog, k2, \*k2tog\* twice, k2, k2tog. 8 sts.

**Round 6:** Knit.

**Round 7:** K2tog 4 times. 4 sts.

Cut a tail long enough to weave in. Pull it through all 4 stitches and remove them from the needles. Pull the tail tightly and secure.

### Button

With 2.75mm crochet hook and C: Make 3ch. Join with ss to form ring.

**Round 1:** 5dc through ring.

End with ss in next st to join, leaving an 20cm/8in tail for sewing the button in place.

Using a yarn needle or crochet hook pull the tail through all 5 stitches. Pull the tail tightly and secure. Make a strong knot.

### MAKING UP

**1** Sew the pompom on to the Christmas hat.

**2** Lightly stuff the Christmas hat.

**3** Sew the Christmas hat on to the hat.

**4** Sew the pupils on to the eyes.

**5** Tuck the loose yarn ends into the dome of the eyeball, and add a tiny bit of stuffing if you want.

**6** With B embroider two small pupils (highlights) in satin stitch.

**7** Sew the eyes on to the hat.

**8** Lightly stuff the beak.

**9** Sew the beak on to the hat.

**10** Sew the button on to the hat.

**11** Weave in ends.

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