

KNITTED OCTOPUS

Materials:

SMALL OCTOPUS

Pair of 4mm needles

Any colour 100g ball DK yarn

Scraps black and white yarn for features

LARGE OCTOPUS (as photo)

Pair of 6.5mm needles

2x 100g balls DK yarn in any 2 colours

Scraps black and white yarn for features

Instructions:

Body:

Cast on 9sts

Row1 and all odd rows in purl

Row 2: Knit and increase in every stitch (18sts)

Row 4: *K1, increase in next stitch* to end (27 sts)

Row 6: *K2, increase in next stitch* to end (36 sts)

Row 8: *K3, increase in next stitch* to end (45 sts)

Starting with purl row, work in stocking stitch for 11 rows.

Row 20: *K3, K2tog* to end (36 sts)

Row 22: *K2, K2tog* to end (27 sts)

Row 24: *K1, K2tog* to end (18sts)

Row 26: *K2tog* to end (9 sts)

Cut yarn and thread through stitches and pull tightly. Sew edge seams together inside out, allowing a small gap to turn right side out. Stuff firmly and sew up the small gap.

Tentacles (make 8):

Cast on 40 sts

Knit into front and back of every stitch (80sts)

Next row: Cast Off

Alternative Crocheted Tentacles (make 8):

Using 4mm hook for small octopus and 5mm for large octopus, chain 32.

2 treble in 2nd chain from hook and each chain to end.

Fasten off.

To make up:

Embroider eyes and mouth as in photo.

Sew each tentacle firmly in place at the base of the body.

