

# **Muzzle Fox**

English knitting pattern

# What you need

- Needles: 3.5 mm double pointed needles or the size you need for the gauge
- Yarn: Go handmade Bohéme Velvet Double 50 g/70 m AZO certificate and approved for children
- Quantity: 1 ball colour A Rust, 1 ball colour B Black and 1 ball colour C - Snow white <u>Click here to buy the yarn</u>
- Stuffing: washable toy stuffing
- Eyes: use only safety child-proof eyes, size 8 mm.
- A thin cotton thread in your favorite colour for snout and mouth.

# What you need to know

- Head, body and legs are knitted in 1 piece
- Arms, ears, tail and snout is sewn to the body
- Muzzle measures 20-22 cm
- Gauge: 17 sts and 21 r to measure 10 cm using 3.5 mm needles.

# Yarn Alternative

- Hobii Honey Bunny 100g/120m OEKO TEX certificated and approved for children
- Quantity: 1 ball colour A Caramel, 1 ball colour B Black and 1 ball colour C - White Click here to buy the yarn
- Stuffing: washable toy stuffing
- Eyes: use only safety child-proof eyes, size 10 mm.
- Muzzle measures 25-27 cm
- Gauge: 14 sts and 18 r to measure 10 cm using 3.5 mm needles

# Tip and Video (in Danish)

Always leave a long thread when you cast on for arms, ears, tail and snout. You will need the thread for finishing. Watch the video for finishing, tips and tricks – <u>click here</u>.

# Abbreviations

- Dec = decrease
- DNP = double pointed needles
- Inc = increase
- K = knit
- K2tog = knit 2 together
- K2tog tbl = knit 2 togethethrough the back loops
- R = row
- Sts = stiches

# Head

Using 3.5 mm DNP and yarn A cast on 8 sts. Distribute equally at 4 DNP (2 sts at each needle). If necessary, watch the video for tips and tricks – <u>click here</u>.

## Increase:

- Row 1: K1, Inc 1 repeat to end of round (16 sts)
- Row 2: K2, Inc 1 repeat to end of round (24 sts)
- Row 3: K3, Inc 1 repeat to end of round (32 sts)
- Row 4: K4, Inc 1 repeat to end of round (40 sts)
- Row 5: K5, Inc 1 repeat to end of round (48 sts)
- Row 6-11: Knit 6 rows

From the wrong side close the small gap in the top at the cast on sts.

 Row 12–13: change to colour C and knit 2 rows

# Decrease:

- Row 14: K4, K2tog repeat to end of round (40 sts)
- Row 15: K3, K2tog repeat to end of round (32 sts)
- Row 16: K2, K2tog repeat to end of round (24 sts)
- Row 17: K1, K2tog repeat to end of round (16 sts)
- Row 18: K2tog repeat to end of round (8 sts)
- Row 19: Knit 1 row

Do not cast off – the body is knitted in extension of the head.

# Body

Change to colour A and Continue like this:

#### Increase:

- Row 20: K1, Inc 1 repeat to end of round (16 sts)
- Row 21-22: Knit 2 rows
- Row 23: K2, Inc 1 repeat to end of round (24 sts)
- Row 24-25. Knit 2 rows
- Row 26: K3, Inc 1 repeat to end of round (32 sts)
- Row 27-28: Knit 2 rows
- Row 29: K4, Inc 1 repeat to end of round (40 sts)
- Row 30-37: Knit 8 rows

### Decrease:

- Row 38: K8, K2tog repeat to end of round (36 sts)
- Row 39-40: Knit 2 rows

Do not cast off – the legs are knitted in extension of the body Legs Split the body in 2 by resting 18 sts at a thread.

Distribute the other 18 sts at 4 DPN (do not distribute the sts by knitting them, just move the sts). Continue like this:

Decrease in the crotch:

- Row 41: K2tog tbl, K14, K2tog (16 sts)
- Row 42–47: Knit 6 rows

Change to colour B and continue decreasing like this:

- Row 48 -49: Knit 2 rows
- Row 50: K2, K2tog repeat to end of round (12 sts)
- Row 51: Knit 1 row
- Row 52: K1, K2tog repeat to end of round (8 sts)

Cast off by pulling the yarn through all sts and weave in the end inside the leg. Move the 18 resting sts back to the needles. Add the eyes in the middle of Muzzle's face with 3 sts between the eyes. (if necessary, watch the video - <u>click here)</u>

TIP: If necessary, fill a little stuffing in Muzzle's head and body, to make it easier to know the centrale placing of the eyes. When you have added the eyes, remove the stuffing again to add the lock. Then stuff Muzzle's head completely - do not fill stuffing in the body yet.

Now work leg 2.

Cast off leg 2 by pulling the yarn through all sts and weave in the end inside the leg by pulling the leg out at the gap between the legs. Also remember to weave in the ends where you changed colour.

Stuff the body at the gap in the crotch. Use mattress sts to close the gap.

Do you think Muzzle is a little chubby? Stretch the body and pull the stuffing together. Then Muzzle will be in shape.

# Arms

Using 3.5 mm DPN and color A cast on 12 sts. Distribute equally at the 4 DPN (3 sts at each needle).

- Row 1 -20: Knit 20 rows
- Row 21- 22: change to colour B and knit 2 rows

#### Decrease:

 Row 23: K1, K2tog – repeat to end of row (8 sts) Cast off by pulling the yarn through all sts. Weave all the ends inside the arm by turning the arm inside out. Fill in a little stuffing from the hole at the cast on sts. Fold the arm flat and sew it together with sts. Work another arm.

#### Ears

Using 3.5 mm DPN and colour A cast on 20 sts. Distribute equally at the 4 DPN (5 sts at each DPN).

• Row 1: Knit 1 row

#### Decrease:

- Row 2: K3, K2tog repeat to end of round (16 sts)
- Row 3: Knit 1 row
- Row 4: K2, K2tog repeat to end of round (12 sts)
- Row 5: Knit 1 row
- Row 6: K1, K2tog repeat to end of round (8 sts)
- Row 7: change to colour B and knit 1 row
- Row 8: K2tog repeat to end of round (4 sts)
- Row 9: Knit 1 row

Cast off by pulling the thread through all sts. Weave the ends inside the ear by turning the ear inside out. Fold the ear flat and sew it together with sts.

Work another ear.

# Snout

Using 3.5 mm DPN and colour C cast on 20 sts. Distribute equally at the 4 DPN (5 sts at each DPN)

- Row 1: Knit 1 row
- Row 2: K3, K2tog repeat to end of round (16 sts)

- Row 3: K2, K2tog repeat to end of round (12 sts)
- Row 4: K1, K2tog repeat to end of round (8 sts)

Cast off by pulling the thread through all sts. Weave the ends at the wrong side.

## Tail

Using 3.5 mm DPN and colour A cast on 8 sts. Distribute equally at the 4 DPN (2 sts at each DPN).

• Row 1-4: Knit 4 row

#### Increase:

- Row 5: K2, Inc 1 repeat to end of round (12)
- Row 6-13: Knit 8 row

#### Decrease:

- Row 14: K1, K2tog repeat to end of round (8 sts)
- Row 15-16: Knit 2 row
- Row 17-18 : change to colour C and knit 2 rows
- Row 19: K2tog repeat to end of round (4 sts)
- Row 20: Knit 1 row

Cast off by pulling the thread through all sts. Weave the ends inside the tail by turning the tail inside out. Fold the tail flat and sew it together with sts

# Finishing

Watch the video for finishing, tips and tricks – <u>click here</u>.

Now arms, ears and tail must be sewed to the body with the thread from your cast on sts. Before you start sewing, then attach all parts with pins or something else to hold the parts firmly to the body and head. Then you are sure you do not have the parts sewn on crookedly.

You must be aware to pull the snout a little when you join it. Stuff the snout when you have just a small opening left. Afterwards sew it together and weave the end. Embroider mouth and nose with a cotton thread in a colour you prefer.

The nose is made by embroidering many stiches on top of each other. The thread from the nose and down is 1 long stich. It is recommended to watch the video mentioned at the top to have the nose and mouth embroidered correctly.

### You are on target

Are you ready to let go? We know it can be a bit difficult to let Muzzle go, now you have spent so much time together. Muzzle is soft and nice in so many ways. But we promise you, that Muzzle Fox will lighten up the lucky owner's eyes and make it worth the effort.

