FUDGE THE DOG

Use your gorgeous yarn kit free with this issue of Knit Now to make Barbara Prime's adorable Jack Russell pup

Essentials

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Yarn
DK-weight wool blend white (MC) & Caramel (CC)

Amount
25g of MC, 15g of CC

Tension
26 sts and 34 rows = 10 cm measured over St st

Needles
3.25mm straight needles

Other supplies
polyester stuffing
2 9mm safety eyes
or buttons
yarn to embroider face
tapestry needle

Sizing
20cm tall, excluding ears

Abbreviations
See page 96 of *Knit Now* or **www.knitnowmag.co.uk**

"Use a long-tail, or similar, cast-on method. Leaving a 15-25cm-long yarn end when casting on will give you sufficient length of yarn for seaming. Use mattress stitch for seams, and whip stitch to assemble the toy pieces"

Legs (both alike, begin at sole)
With MC, cast on 10 sts.
Row 1 & all WS Rows: Purl.
Row 2: K1, *m1, k1; rep from * to end. *19 sts*
Row 4: K1, *m1, k2; rep from * to end. *28 sts*
Rows 5-11: Work 7 rows in St st.
Row 12: K6, [ssk] four times, [k2tog] four times, k6. *20 sts*
Row 14: K8, ssk, k2tog, k8. *18 sts*
Rows 15-19: Work 5 rows in St st.
Row 20: K1, ssk, k12, k2tog, k1. *16 sts*
Rows 21-27: Work 7 rows in St st.
Row 28: *K2tog; rep from * to end. *8 sts*
Break yarn and thread through rem sts. Pull tight to fasten. Sew partway down the back-leg seam. Thread the cast-on yarn end through the cast-on sts and pull tight to gather. Sew partway up the back-leg seam, leaving an opening. Stuff the leg and sew closed.

Body (begin at neck)
With MC, cast on 21 sts.
Row 1 and all WS Rows to Row 19: Purl.
Row 2: Knit.
Row 4: K1, *m1, k4; rep from * to end. *26 sts*
Row 6: Knit.
Row 8: K1, *m1, k5; rep from * to end. *31 sts*
Row 10: Knit.
Row 12: K13, m1, k5, m1, k13. *33 sts*
Row 14: Knit.
Row 16: K14, m1, k5, m1, k14. *35 sts*
Rows 17-20: Work 4 rows in St st. Join CC.
Row 21: P4 CC, p27 MC, p4 CC.
Row 22: K6 CC, (k9, m1, k5, m1, k9 MC), k6 CC. *37 sts*

Row 23: P7 CC, p23 MC, p7 CC.
Row 24: K7 CC, k23 MC, k7 CC.
Row 25: P8 CC, p21 MC, p8 CC.
Row 26: (K3, m1, k1, m1, k4 CC), k21 MC, (k4, m1, k1, m1, k3 CC). *41 sts*
Row 27: P10 CC, p21 MC, p10 CC.
Row 28: K10 CC, (k6, ssk, k5, k2tog, k6 MC), k10 CC. *39 sts*
Row 29: P10 CC, p19 MC, p10 CC.
Row 30: K10 CC, k19 MC, k10 CC.
Row 31: p10 CC, p19 MC, p10 CC.
Row 32: K9 CC, (k6, ssk, k5, k2tog, k6 MC), k9 CC. *37 sts*
Row 33: P9 CC, p19 MC, p9 CC.
Row 34: K8 CC, k21 MC, k8 CC.
Row 35: P7 CC, p23 MC, p7 CC.
Row 36: K5 CC, (k9, ssk, k5, k2tog, k9 MC), k5 CC. *35 sts*
Break CC and continue in MC.
Row 37: Purl.
Row 38: K1, *k2tog; rep from * to end. *18 sts*
Row 39: Purl.
Row 40: *K2tog; rep from * to end. *9 sts*
Break yarn and thread through rem sts. Pull tight to fasten. Weave in yarn ends from intarsia sections. Sew up the back seam to the neck edge, leaving the cast-on edge open. Stuff body.

Tail
With CC, cast on 10 sts.
Rows 1-18: Beg with a P row, work in St st.
Change to MC.
Rows 19-23: Work 5 rows in St st.
Row 24: *K2tog; rep from * to end. *5 sts*

Break yarn and thread through rem sts. Pull tight to fasten. Sew the seam from the tail tip to the cast-on edge, adding a small amount of stuffing as you sew. Leave the cast-on edge open.

Arms (both alike, begin at paw)
With MC, cast on 6 sts.
Row 1 and all WS Rows: Purl.
Row 2: K1, *m1, k1; rep from * to end. *11 sts*
Row 4: K1, *m1, k2; rep from * to end. *16 sts*
Row 6: Knit.
Row 8: K3, k2tog, k6, ssk, k3. *14 sts*
Row 9-17: Work 9 rows in St st.
Row 18: K3, k2tog, k4, ssk, k3. *12 sts*
Rows 19-25: Work 7 rows in St st.
Row 26: *K2tog; rep from * to end. *6 sts*
Break yarn and thread through rem sts. Pull tight to fasten. Sew up seam, leaving an opening. Stuff and sew closed.

Head (begin at back)
With CC, cast on 8 sts.
Row 1: Purl.
Row 2: K1, *m1, k1; rep from * to end. *15 sts*
Row 3: Purl.
Row 4: K1, *m1, k1; rep from * to end. *29 sts*
Rows 5-7: Work 3 rows in St st.
Row 8: K4, *m1, k3; rep from * to last st, k1. *37 sts*
Rows 9-15: Work 7 rows in St st.
Row 16: K18 CC, k1 MC, 18 CC.
Row 17: P18 CC, p1 MC, p18 CC.
Row 18: K18 CC, k1 MC, k18 CC.
Row 19: P17 CC, p3 MC, p17 CC.
Row 20: K2 MC, k15 CC, k3 MC, k15 CC, k2 MC.

Row 21: P3 MC, p14 CC, p3 MC, p14 CC, p3 MC.
Row 22: K5 MC, k10 CC, (k2tog, k3, ssk) MC, k10 CC, k5 MC. *35 sts*
Row 23: P7 MC, p8 CC, p5 MC, p8 CC, p7 MC.
Break CC and continue in MC.
Row 24: K1, [k2tog] 8 times, k1, [ssk] 8 times, k1. *19 sts*
Rows 25-29: Work 5 rows in St st.
Row 30: K1, k2tog, k13, ssk, k1. *17 sts*
Rows 31-33: Work 3 rows in St st.
Row 34: K1, *k2tog; rep from * to end. *9 sts*
Break yarn and thread through rem sts. Pull tight to fasten. Weave in yarn ends from intarsia sections. Attach safety eyes or buttons. Sew up the seam from the nose to the back of the head, leaving an opening. Stuff, smoothing and shaping as you stuff, and sew closed. Embroider a nose and a mouth.

Ears (both alike)
With CC, cast on 3 sts.
Rows 1, 3, 5, 7 and 9: Knit.
Row 2: K1, m1, k to end. *4 sts*
Rows 4, 6, 8 and 10: Work as Row 2. *9 sts*
Mark beg of Row 12.
Row 13-23: Knit 11 rows.
Row 24: K1, ssk, k3, k2tog, k1. *7 sts*
Row 26: K1, ssk, k1, k2tog, k1. *5 sts*
Row 28: K1, s3kp, k1. *3 sts*
Row 30: S2kp. *1 st*
Break yarn and thread through rem st. Pull tight to fasten. Weave in this yarn end. Sew the ears to the head (along Row 8 of the head), attaching the edge from the ear cast on to your mark on Row 10.

Making up and finishing:
Sew the head securely to the cast-on edge of the body. To attach the arms, thread a 45cm length of yarn through the body at the shoulder position on one side (3cm below the upper-body edge), exiting at the same position on the other side of the body. Thread the yarn through the top of one arm, make a short stitch then thread the yarn back through the arm and the body, back to the starting position. Thread the yarn through the second arm, make a short stitch then thread the yarn back through the second arm to the other side of the body. Pull on the yarn gently to tighten the arms to the body. Pass the yarn through the arms and body three or four more times, in the same manner as before, finishing where you began. Tie a secure knot with the yarn ends and weave the end into the body. Attach the legs to the body in the same way, 2.5cm from the lower-body edge. (Note: this method makes jointed arms. For a simpler method, sew the tops of the arms and legs in position with several whip stitches.) Sew the cast-on edge of the tail to the centre of the lower back, in line with where the legs are attached.