Mommy's Yard Da

Lottie Doll basic body



I have been asked many times how to make my dolls and is there a pattern. Each doll is unique and special but over the course of finding the right look for my dolls, I have compiled notes to the basic body of a Lottie Doll, for my doll group on Raverly "We Make Dolls" . These notes are for the body only, and top hat. With this body you can make any doll your imagination can come up with. Clothing can be made searching Raverly data base for doll clothes. BE CREATIVE! Make your Lottie SHINE!

Materials:

-Any yarn of your choice, one colour for skin, and as many colours as you chose for legs, arms and torso (I like chunky yarn and mill end yarn has many interesting textures perfect for dolls) yes.... I said Mill end yarn. Awesome for dolls.

- Bernat Soft Bouclé- colour of your choice for hair (you can use any yarn for hair but is recommended it be a textured yarn)-
- 4 double pointed needles (size US 7 -4.5mm to obtain 21-28inch doll)
- tapestry needle to sew parts together
- stuffing of your choice (I use polyester Stuffing)
- -1 stitch markers for beginning of round
- stitch holder or waste yarn
- -crochet hook similar in size to your needles

Abbreviations:

K = knit

Ktog= knit two together

P = purl

Kfb= knit into the front loop and back loop

C/o=Knit two stitches on the right hand needle- with left needle pull first stich back and over the second stitch leaving one stitch- repeat till you have one stitch left, pull yarn through and weave in the ends.

Knitted head

CO 6 sts. Divide sts between needles and join to begin working in the round

Row 1: [Kfb]

Row 2 knit entire row

Row 3: (K1, kfb)

Row 4 knit entire row

Row 5: (K2, kfb)

Row 6 knit entire row

Row 7: (K3, kfb)

Row 8 knit entire row

Row 9:(K4, kfb)

Row 10 knit entire row

Row 11: (K5, kfb)

Row 12 knit entire row

Row 13: (K6, kfb)

Row 14 knit entire row

Row 15,(K7, kfb)

Row 16 knit entire row

Row 17: [K8, kfb]

Row 18 knit 2 entire row

Row 20 (k9, kfb)

Knit 8 rows

Round 29: [K9, k2tog]

Row 30-knit entire round

Row 31-(K8,k2tog)

Row 32-Knit row

ROw 33- [K7, k2tog]

Round 34- knit entire round

Row 35 - [K6, k2tog]

Row 36- knit entire round. Round 37- [K5, k2tog

Row 38- knit entire round. Round 39- [K4, k2tog]

Row 40- Knit entire round

Round 41- [K3, k2tog]--

This is a good time to stuff head and add eyes. Remember the open top of the head is the TOP of your dolls head. I place eyes low and shape my face by scrunching it. You should have a slight peak at the bottom I like to use that as a chin. Don't be afraid, shape that head and give it personality -poke your fingers where you think you want eyes.

Bend that head and squish that chin forward





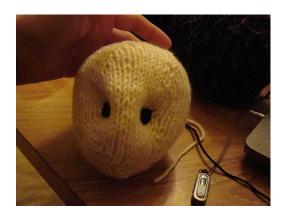
Row 42- (knit 2, k2tog)

Row 43-knit entire row

Row 44- (Knit 1, k2tog)

Row 45 (k2together)

Cut yarn weave through remaining stitches pull tight and weave in ends.



If you need to use some yarn to keep the eyes indented. Do it. Tie the loose yarn in the back if you have to it will be covered later anyways. I take the yarn that I sewed up hole and pull it down towards eyes weave out near one eye then through the other and pull (yarn is hidden underneath eyes. This gives a more indented look. I have pictures with my Tinka doll and also in the crochet version but it is the same thing, showing what I mean. Take your needle and fluff his head up to shape it better also. Don't be afraid to shape his/her head the way you want, remember he is going to have a skull cap covering most of his/her head that will be used as the bases of his hair. So go nuts and shape your Lottie Doll!

Skull cap-

With crochet hook

Row 1-magic loop 6 sc

Row 2- (sc1, 2 sc)

Row 3 (sc in next 2, 2 sc)

Row 4 (sc in next 3, 2sc)

Row 5, (sc in next 4, 2sc)

Row 6 (sc in next 5, 2 sc)

If cap does not cover entire crown of head - (sc in next 6, 2 sc)
Crochet sc entire row and continue sc every row till cap covers entire back (Sew cap to





We are going to stop here until doll body is complete. I have discovered that adding the hair AFTER the body is complete keeps it from getting frizzy. So we will do the hair section later. For now our little orphan has a skull cap for hair. As you can see the head is pretty much a basic kind of ROUND ball, just slightly altered so it can be shaped like a head and the beginning can be used as a chin.

TOP Hat KNIT:

ROW 1. co 6 stitches. Divide on double pointed needles and JOIN IN ROUND

Row 2: Knit

Row 3: (kfb every stitch -- you will have 12 stitches)

Row 4: Knit

Row 5: (K1,kfb)

Row 6: Knit

Row 7: (K2,kfb),

Row 8: Knit

Row 9: (K2, Kfb)

Row 10, knit

Row 11, k3,kfb

Row12-17- PURL 6 ROWS

Knit SIXTEEN ROWS (If you want taller Top hat knit25 rows) Row 42: Switch to another colour-knit.

Row 43: PURL Row

Switch to BACK TO MAIN COLOUR

Row 44 (K3, kfb)

Row 45: Purl

Row 46: (k4, kfb)

Row 48: Purl

BIND OFF- I-cord bind-off as follows:

Cast on 3 stitches at the beginning of the first needle. Beginning with the new stitches, K2,

K2tog. Slip the three worked stitches back onto the left needle. Repeat from until all stitches are bound off.. Weave in ends



Doll torso Knit

Cast on 25 stitches

Divide between double pointed needles

-----PLEASE READ BEFORE CONTINUING!!!! -----

WARNING YOU WILL HAVE extra STITCHES ON THE END--- JUST KNIT THEM and continue with PATTERN on NEW round.

Row 1: K all sts.

Row 2: (K3, kfb)

Row 3-5: Kall sts

Row 6: (K4, kfb

Row 7-10: Kall sts

Row 11: (K5, kfb)

Row 12-16: K all sts

Row 17: (K6, kfb)

Row 18-23: K all sts.

Row 24: (K7, kfb)

Row 25-44: K all sts.

Row 45: (K7, k2tog)

Row 46. Knit all sts

Row 47: (K6, k2tog)

48 knit all stitches Row 49: (K5, k2tog) Row 50 knit all sts.

Row 51: (K4, k2tog)

Row 52 knit all stitches Round 53: (K3, k2tog)

Row 54. Knit all stitches Row 55: (K2, k2tog)

Row 56 knit all stitches Row 57: (K1, k2tog) Row 58: (K2tog)

Row 59 (K2tog) UNTIL YOU HAVE 6 sts REMAINING Cut and draw yarn through remaining sts, pull tight. weave in end

Neck stabilizer Crochet

- Crochet chain 6, sc in each chain until it is long enough to wrap around neck, DO NOT MAKE IT SUPER LONG, just enough to wrap around neck FIRM, then sew around neck between Head and torso. This will make head more stable and not so wobbly.



Knit hands- Make two

Cast on 15 stitches, join to knit in round Rounds 1-50 K all sts Fingerless gloves (change to colour you want for fingerless glove)

Round 51 Knit round

Round 52- purl round

Round 53 knit round

Round 54- purl round

Round 55-: K6, kfb, k remaining stitches

Round 56: K5, kfb, k2, kfb, knit remaining stitches

Round 57: Kfb, k4, kfb, place next 4 sts on st holder or waste yarn, kfb, k4, kfb knit

remaining stitches

Rounds 58-62- Knit all stitches- (THIS IS KNITTING 5 COMPLETE ROWS)

63-purl all stitches

64-knit all stitches

65-purl all stitches

Change to skin colour

66-knit round

Round 67: K2tog

Round 68: K2tog

Weave needle through remaining stitches pull tight and weave in ends.

Thumb:

put stitches held on waste yarn on double-point needle with RS facing, using skin colour knit 3 rounds in I-Cord.

Weave needle through remaining stitches pull tight and weave in ends. You can add buttons to the side or whatever you want for your fingerless gloves.

Stuff (you can stuff your hand before you do the ktog rows if you wish) the top will be open, secure this to NECK of torso (where the neck stablizer is sew to the side of head)

Knit Legs- Make 2

Cast on 20 stitches, join to knit in the round

K 50 rounds

Change colour to boot colour

Row 51- knit round

Row 52-purl round-

Knit 8 rounds (NOTE IF YOU WANT A SHORTER BOOT Knit less rounds here BUT if you want it the same length add those extra rounds to the above 50 rounds—ie. if you want shorter boot K 55 rounds and after your purl row knit 3 rounds) does that make sense???

FEET

Row 61- (k8,kfb)-- IF YOU WANT BIG FEET BEGIN HERE

Row 62-knit round

Row 63-(k7,kfb)-- IF YOU WANT MEDIUM FEET BEGIN HERE

Row 64-Knit round

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Row 65- (k6,kfb)--- IF YOU WANT SMALL FEET KNIT HERE
Row 66--(K5,kfb)
Row 67--Knit round
Row 68--(K4,kfb)
Row 69-Knit round
Row 70- (K3,kfb)
Row 71-knit round
Row 72- (K2,kfb)
Row 73-Knit round
BIG FEET ONLY- (Knit 1 kfb)
ALL FEET --
KNIT TWO ROUNDS
(K8, k2tog)--BIG FEET ONLY
Knit round
(k7,k2tog)--- MED feet only
knit round---
(k6,k2toq)--- All feet--Small feet start here-
knit round
(k5,k2toq)
knit round
(K4,k2tog)
knit round
(K3,k2toq)
knit round
(k2,k2tog)--- Stuff feet here and shape nice and firm.
knit round
(k1,k2tog)
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K2together until you have 6 stitches left on needle, thread needle through 6 stitches draw tight and weave in ends

Go back to top of boot colour to purl row. Join yarn and kfb in each purl.

Knit two rows, bind off and weave in ends. Using contrast colour weave in laces for boots.

Top of leg will be open, sew to bottom of torso stuffing opening as you go so it is nice and firm.

HAIR-- cut strands and rug hook into skull cap, don't go over board because hair can easily over take the doll but do it random and sit your doll back and look at it to see if the hair is doing what you want.

Now you have your own basic Lottie Doll. Get creative and dress him/her in fun, funky clothes!



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