

CY1065 Cygnet Pure Wool Superwash DK Frankie Fox by Val Pierce

## Measurements

Fox stands approx. 27cm tall

### **Materials**

Pure Wool Superwash DK in the following shades (50g)

3 x balls Copper shade 4888

1 x ball Cream shade 2195

1 x Ball Black shade 217

Needles Other materials Tension

1 pair of 4mm (UK 8 – US 6) Toy stuffing 19 stitches and 26 rows to

10cm (4in) over stocking stitch

on 4mm needles

## **Abbreviations**

k knit inc dec decrease increase patt pattern р purl foll following st stitches stst stocking stitch

K2tog Knit 2 together Skpo Slip 1 st, knit next stitch, pass slipped stich over knit stitch

# Body and head (Knitted in one piece )

# Begin at base of body

Using 4mm needles and Copper

cast on 10sts Next Row: Purl

Next Row: inc in every stitch to

end (20sts) Next Row: Purl

Next Row: \*K1, inc in next st, rep

from \* to end (30sts)

Next Row: Work 3 rows st st Next Row: \*K2 inc in next st, rep

from \* to end (40 sts)

Next Row: Purl

Next Row: \*K3, inc in next st, rep

from \* to end (50 sts)
Work 3 rows st st

Next Row: \*K4, inc in next st, rep

from \* to end (60 sts) Work 13 rows in st st.

Next Row: \*k4, k2tog, rep from \*

to end (50 sts) Work 7 rows in st st

Next Row: \*K3, k2tog, rep from

\* to end (40 sts) Work 7 rows in st st.

Next Row: \*K2, k2tog, rep from

\* to end (30 sts)

Work 5 rows in st st. (This forms the neck)

Next Row: \*K1 inc in next st, rep from \* to end (45 sts)

Work 20 rows st st

## Shape top of head

Row 1: \* K6, k2tog, rep from \*

to last 5 sts, k5 (40 sts)

Row 2 and following alt rows:

Purl

Row 3: \* K5, k2tog, rep from \* to

last 5 sts, k5 (35 sts)

Row 5: \*K4, k2tog, rep from \* to

last 5sts, k5 (30 sts)

Row 7: \* K3, k2tog, rep from \* to

end (25 sts)

Row 9: \*K2, k2tog, rep from \* to

end (20 sts)

Row 11: \* K1, K2tog, rep from \*

to end (15 sts)

Row 13: k1, (K2tog) to end (8 sts) Break yarn and run through sts on needle, draw up and fasten

off.

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Using 4mm needles and Cream cast on 16 sts.

Next Row: Purl

Inc 1st at each end of next and following alt rows to 24sts

Work 11 rows in st st.

Decrease 1 stitch at each end on next and following alt rows to 16

sts

Work 3 rows in st st and cast off.

## **Ears**

# Black Ears (Make 2)

Using 4mm needles and black

Cast on 14sts

Work 4 rows in st st.

Decrease 1 stitch at each end of next and following alt rows to

4sts

Next Row: K2tog twice

Next Row: K2tog and fasten off.

# Copper Ears (Make 2)

Work as for Black but cast on 12 sts instead of 16 sts

## Snout

Note: twist yarns together on wrong side when changing colours to avoid holes in work.

# Continue to keep the colours separate as you decrease.

Using 4mm needles cast on 20sts in Cream and 20sts in Copper (40 sts)

Work 4 rows in st st

Next Row: \*k4, inc in next st, rep

from \* to end (48 st) Next Row: Purl Work 2 rows in st st

Next Row: k2tog, k16, k2tog, skpo, k16, k2tog (44 sts)

Next Row: Purl

Next Row: K2tog, K14, K2tog, skpo, k14, K2tog (40 sts)

Work 2 rows st st.

Next Row: k2tog, 12, k2tog, skpo

k12, k2tog (36 sts) Next Row: Purl

Next Row: K2tog across row (18

sts)

Next Row: Purl

Next Row: K2tog to end (9 sts)

Next Row: Purl

Next Row: K2tog 4 times k1 (5

sts)

Next Row: Purl, break yarn and thread through sts, draw up and

fasten off.

# Nose (Worked in garter stitch)

Using black and 4mm needles cast on 10 sts Knit 4 rows.

K2tog at each end of next and following alt rows to 2 sts, k2tog and fasten off.

# Front Legs (Make 2)

Using Copper and 4mm needles

cast on 10sts

Work 4 rows in st st

Next Row: \*K1, Inc in next st, to

end (15sts) Next Row: Purl

Next Row: Inc in first st, knit to

last stitch, inc (17 sts) Next Row: Purl

Repeat last 2 rows twice more.

(21 sts)

Work 20 rows in st st.

Break Copper and join in Black.

Work 10 rows st st.

Next Row: \*K1, inc in next st; rep from \* to last st, K1 (31 sts)

Work 10 rows in st st

Next Row: k1, \*K2tog, rep from

\* to end (16 sts) Next Row: Purl

Next Row: K2tog to end break yarn and run through sts on needle, draw up and fasten off.

## Back Legs (Make 2)

Using Copper and 4mm needles

cast on 16sts Work 2 rows in st st

Next Row: Inc in first st, knit to

last st, inc (18 sts) Next Row: Purl

Repeat last 2 rows 3 times more

(24 sts)

Work 5 rows st st.

Next Row: inc in first st, knit to

last st, inc (26 sts) Next Row: Purl Work 16 rows in st st.

Break Copper and join in Black

Work 10 rows st st.

Next Row: K5, inc in each of next

16 sts, K5 (42 sts) Work 9 rows in st st.

Next Row: K2tog across row (21

sts)

Next Row: Purl

Next Row: K2tog across row to

last st, K1 (11sts) Next Row: Purl

Next Row: K2tog, 5 times, K1, break yarn and run through sts on needle, Draw up tight and

fasten off.

### Tail

Using Copper and 4mm needles

cast on 12 sts

Work 2 rows in st st.

Next Row: Inc in every st (24sts) Beg with a purl row, work 5 rows

st st.

Next Row: inc in every stitch to

end (48 sts)

Beg with a purl row work 17 rows

st st.

Next Row: \*K3, k2tog, rep from \*

Next Row: \*K2, K2tog, rep from \*

to last 3 sts, K3 (39 sts) Beg purl work 5 rows in st st.

to last 3 sts, K3 (30 sts)

Beg with a purl row work 5 rows st st.

Break Copper and join in Cream. Next Row: k2, \*K2, K2tog, rep from \* to end of row (23 sts) Beg purl work 3 rows st st. Break Cream and join in Black.

Next Row: \*K2, k2tog, rep from to end of row.

Beg purl work 3 rows st st. Next Row: k1, (K2tog) to end, break yarn and thread through stitches on needle, draw up and fasten off.

## Making Up

Begin with the head and body. Sew seam, noting that the seam runs down the centre back of the toy. Stuff the head first, shape as you do, get a nice firm rounded shape. Continue stuffing the body. When you are happy with the shape, close the base. Take a needle and some copper yarn and run the thread through the 3<sup>rd</sup> row of the neck line, weaving in and out of each st, beg and end at the back seam, pull fairly firmly to accentuate the neck line. Fasten off.

Join the side seam of snout. Form into a cup shape. Stuff and shape. Copper will be on the top of the snout, cream is the chin. Pin on to the front of the head, You will need to arrange the snout to get the best position. Use picture to help. Sew carefully in place, adding more stuffing if needed. Place the nose onto the end of the snout, sew in place.

Sew a black ear to a copper ear, black is the back of the ear. Sew in place on either side of the head. Using black yarn embroider eyes on either side of the nose. Take the bib and pin in place on the front of the body, the cast off edge is the edge that fits up under the chin. Sew in place. Take the front legs and sew the side seam to the incd edge. Stuff the foot first and shape, continue

to stuff the leg. Don't over stuff the top of the leg. Sew to either side of the body a short way below the neck line.
Sew and stuff the back legs in the same way. Sew to the base of the body on either side, remembering that the fox is in a sitting position.

