



KNITTING PATTERN

Steffy Starfish

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MATERIALS

1 skein of Friends Cotton 8/8 col. 26

Needles 3.25mm / US 3 / UK 10

Tapestry needle

YARN QUALITY

100% Cotton **8/8**, Hobbii **50** g / 1.75 oz = 75 m / 82yds

GAUGE

20 sts x 32 rows = 10 cm x 10 cm / 4" x 4"

ABBREVIATIONS

K = Knit

P = Purl

KFB = Knit front and back - knit into the front of the stitch, then knit into the back of it as well before pulling it off the left needle (increases 1 stitch)

K2tog = Knit 2 stitches together (decreases 1 stitch)

P2tog = Purl 2 stitches together (decreases 1 stitch)

Seed stitch = Alternate knit and purl stitches across work (knit the purls and purl the knits from the previous row)

SIZE

One size

MEASUREMENTS

Width: 10 cm / 4" Length: 10 cm / 4"

PATTERN INFORMATION

Steffy is a cute amigurumi starfish, lightly stuffed and just the right size to hold in the hand. The starfish is knitted and stuffed with Friends Cotton 8/8, but you can use whatever stuffing you have.

The pattern shows Steffy Starfish in color 26, 47 and 91

You could also knit smaller friends for Steffy in Friends Cotton 8/4 (great for a keyring or pocket hug).

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https://shop.hobbii.com/steffy-starfish



QUESTIONS

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Happy Crafting!



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INFO AND TIPS

The starfish body is made in 2 separate sides which are sewn together at the end and stuffed with more of the same yarn. Each side is constructed of 5 knitted segments sewn together into a star shape. You will need to knit 10 segments in total.

This pattern uses slightly smaller needles than recommended for the yarn to create a nice dense fabric for stuffing.

The starfish's bobbles are mimicked by using seed stitch, giving a nice tactile feel. And yes, starfish really do come in these gorgeous colours!

HOW TO KNIT 1 SEGMENT

Written instructions

Create a cast on loop, leaving a 15 cm / 6" tail for sewing up later

Row 1: KFB (2 st)
Row 2: K1, P1 (2 st)
Row 3: KFB, K1 (3 st)
Row 4: KFB, P1, K1 (4 st)

Row 5: KFB, 3 x seed stitch starting P (5 st)
Row 6: KFB, 4 x seed stitch starting K (6 st)
Row 7: KFB, 5 x seed stitch starting K (7 st)

Rows 8-12: 7 x seed stitch starting K for 5 rows (7 st)
Row 13: P2tog, 3 x seed stitch starting K, P2tog (5 st)
Rows 14-18: 5 x seed stitch starting P for 5 rows (5 st)

Row 19: K2tog, P1, K2tog (3 st)

Row 20: Bind off 3 st



ASSEMBLY

Note on mattress stitch

It's difficult to make this neat with seed stitch but real starfish are not neatly shaped so that's fine! Just make sure to insert your tapestry needle 1 whole stitch in from each edge, and pass it vertically beneath 2 horizontal bars of some kind (either between stitches or through the horizontal bar of a purl or KFB stitch) so you don't end up pulling on any single stitch when you pull it together. And don't be afraid to pull each seam really tight to get nice, thin starfish points!

1 side

Place 2 segments beside each other with the cast on points (the wider ends of the segments) together. Use the cast on tail from 1 segment to sew these 2 segments together using mattress stitch, up to just before the first set of decreases. Repeat until all 5 segments are joined in a star shape with the cast on points at the centre, making sure the central points are tightly joined too.



Repeat with the other 5 segments to make the second star shape.

Place the 2 star shapes back to back with the 'back' sides (with the ridged seams) against each other and the flatter 'front' sides facing outwards. One point at a time, sew around the perimeter of the starfish, again using mattress stitch. When you get to the tails left from sewing up the 5 segments, tie these securely together and make sure they're inside the starfish. Pull the spare cast off tails into the starfish as well.

When you get to the last point, cut off some extra lengths of yarn (around 5g), ball them up and stuff into each arm and the centre of the starfish. Do not overstuff. Finish sewing around the remaining edge, secure your final yarn end and pass it through the centre of the starfish. Cut off end.

Happy knitting!

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