

Teddy Bear Knitted Sweater and Crochet Cap

You can knit sweaters from lamb's wool. Proverbs 31:26MSG

The thought of making a sweater might be frightening if you have never knitted one before. So why not start out small.

Gather some of your leftover stash yarn and knit this sweater , then crochet a simple cap for a teddy bear. Once you realize you could do a small outfit, you may have the confidence to move on to a larger project, like a matching sweater for a child, then one for yourself.



MATERIALS NEEDED:

- worsted weight yarn
- size 8 (5mm) needles
- size H crochet hook
- yarn needle
- teddy bear, approximately 12" head to toe

Size: approximately 12 inched around under the arms and around the head below ears

SWEATER:

Front/Back (make 2)

With size 8 needles, loosely cast on 26 stitches.

Rows 1-3: K1, P1 across

Row 4: Knit across

Row 5: Purl across

Repeat rows 4-5 until piece measures 2 ½ inches.

Decrease:

Decrease Row 1: K1, slip 1, K1, pssso, K across to last 3 stitches, K2tog, K1

Decrease Row 2: Purl across

Repeat decrease rows 1 and 2 until 12 stitches remain, ending on Knit side row.

Slip stitches onto stitch holder.

Make 2 (sleeves)

Loosely cast on 15 stitches

Row 1: K1, P1 across

Row 2: P1, K1 across

Row 3: K1, P1 across

Work in stockinette stitch (Knit 1 row, Purl 1 row) until piece measures 2 inches, ending with purl row.

Decrease as for sweater front/back, until 1 stitch remains.

Slip remaining stitch onto a stitch holder.

Seam:

With stitches still on the stitch holders and wrong sides together, seam sleeves to front and back pieces.

Seam sleeves and one side of sweater.

Turtleneck collar:

Slip all stitches onto knitting needle.

Knit across (you should have wrong side facing you)

Continue stockinette stitch with knitting side of neck appearing on purl side of sweater for 1 ¼ inches.

Loosely bind off.

Finishing:

Seam the collar and final seam of sweater.

Weave in all ends.

Place sweater on bear, turn collar down.

CROCHETED CAP:

With size H hook, loosely chain 2, slip to form ring.

Row 1: 6 SC in ring, slip stitch into 1st sc to join.

Row 2: ch 3 (counts as 1 DC) DC in same stitch. 2dc in each sc. (12 stitches)

Row 3: ch 3, dc in same stitch, 2 dc in each st around (24)

Row 4: ch 3, dc in same stitch, dc in each st,(2 dc in next, dc in next) around (36)

Row 4: ch 3, dc in next 5 st, ch 4, skip 4, dc next 12, ch 4, skip 4, dc last 10 stitches. (28 st/8 ch)

Row 5: Ch 3, dc in each st around, including the chain stitches. (26)

Row 6: Ch 3, dc next 10 st, hdc in next, sc in next 10 st, hdc, dc last 13 st (36)

Finish off, weave in ends.

