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### BONUS Knitted SHEEP

Pattern for Izzy INSOMNIAC Teddy

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Hi there!

Welcome to the Funky Friends Factory.

This is an extra BONUS PATTERN to complement my Izzy INSOMNIAC Bedtime Teddy Bear Pattern.

When I first thought of Izzy INSOMNIAC I wanted to make a knitting pattern for her sleepy sheep because I thought it would be a great thing for me to be able to knit while I was up with insomnia in the midle of the night!

The pattern includes a very cute sewn sheep because I know that NOT everyone CAN knit - but for those of you who can, I want you to have the knitted version too!

I've had a lot of fun making this cute knitted sheep pattern and I hope you'll have as much fun as me, counting your sheep!

Sweet dreams! Pauline



Soft Toys you'll love to make!

Sizing: (measurent doesn't include the ears!)

Finished size: 12cm / 5 inches tall.



## Material requirements:

Knitting needles: Size 7 / 4.5mm

Yarn:

8 ply/Double knit yarn - 1 ball each of BLACK and WHITE yarn. \*

\* Have fun experimenting with yarn colours and textures, there are so many fancy new types of yarn to play with!!!



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### **EARS** and TAIL:

Cast on 5 stitches.

Knit 5 rows in stocking stitch. (1 row knit, 1 row purl)

Do not cast off. Cut your yarn leaving about 20cm/8inches. Use a wool needle to 'sew through' the stitches on the needle and then pull to gather the stitches of your last row.

Sew the sides of the ear together tucking the starting thread inside the ear.

Make a knot to secure the thread but do not cut off the yarn as you will need this to sew the ear to the head.

Repeat for the other ear AND the tail!

#### HEAD:

Cast on 10 stitches.

Knit 10 rows in stocking stitch.

Cut the yarn and gather the stitches of the last row like you did with the ears, then sew the sides together. Stuff a little bit of toy stuffing in the head.

Sew the back of the head closed with the side seam in the centre at the back, then sew the top of the head closed.

Sew the ears to the head at the top, on each side.

#### ARMS:

Cast on 10 stitches.

Knit 10 rows in stocking stitch.

Cut the yarn and gather the stitches of the last row as before.

Roll the edges of the arm in to the centre, then roll the folded edges together and sew the folded edges together to form a cigar shaped arm! (sorry don't know how else to describe this!)

Make a knot at the end of the arm, but do not cut off the yarn – you will need this to sew the arm to the body.

Repeat for the other arm.

#### **LEGS**

Do the same as for each arm, BUT knit 14 rows. Finish each leg and leave a tail to sew the legs onto the body.

#### **BODY**

Cast on 20 stitches.

Knit 20 rows in stocking stitch. (1 row plain, 1 row purl)

Cast off and cut your yarn leaving a tail about 20cm/8inches long.

Use this to sew the body closed with the side seam in the centre at the back so the sheep's body looks even on both sides. Sew the body closed at the base, fill it with toy stuffing then sew it closed at the top.

#### \* TIP \*

If you want to make a more textured body, you can use garter stitch (knit EVERY row) With garter stitch, I find that 20 rows isn't long enough so you will need to knit and extra 4 rows if you use garter stitch, so your body is long enough.

\* TIP \*

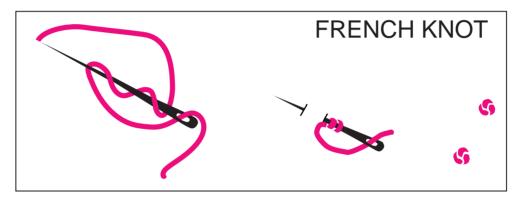
Use a yarn needle - it has a large hole to make threading the yarn easy and a blunt tip so you can sew inbetween the strands of yarn, NOT through them!

#### ASSEMBLY:

Sew the legs to the body at the bottom end, sew the arms in place on each side about 1/3 of the way down from the top.

Sew the head to the body, sew the top of the head to the top seam of the body then sew the sheeps head to the body to pull it's chin DOWN to it's chest so it is looking forwards not up!

Use some black yarn to sew a French knot for each eye and a 'Y' shape for the nose and mouth.



### Your first Sleepy SHEEPIE is ready to love!

You can MAKE a sheep EVERY time you have insomnia – to pass the time, NOT to keep count, who's counting anyway??

YAWN....

Goodnight!

### Happy knitting everyone!

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