

Loomy Frosty Friend

Designed for the Knifty Knitter Loom Set © 2007 Bethany Dailey

Supplies: Knifty Knitter Round Loom Kit
★1 skein white worsted weight #4 yarn (sample: Lion Brand Wool-Ease, White Multi ★1 skein white decorative yarn (sample: Patons Divine, Icicle White)
★Your choice of yarns for hat and scarf

*Abbreviations

※WY: working yarn※EW: e-wrap knit※KO: knit off※FK: flat knit

*Gathered Cast On

- ☼ The Gathered Cast On* is an excellent way to cast on any edge you'd like to apply a gather to. To begin you will:
- 1. Attach your working yarn (in this case it will be both the 2 types of white yarns held together as one strand) to anchor peg with a slip knot.
- 2. Wrap the 2 strands around the entire loom, in the direction you will be knitting.
- 3. Bring WY to peg 1, above the other strands. flat knit these: bring the strands closest to the base of the loom up and over the WY & the top of the peg.
- 4. On Peg 2, hold the WY aside, and knit off the originally wrapped yarns.
- 5. Peg 3: Replace the WY over the top of the originally wrapped yarns, & FK the bottom strands over the WY & the top of the peg.

- 6. Alternate these 2 steps until all of the pegs have been knit...FK the odd #'d pegs, & with the WY held aside, KO original wrapped strands on the even #'d pegs.
- **Note: make sure to leave the cast on tail unknotted, as this will be used later in gathering this edge!

*Body

- *You will be creating the body of your snowman one ball at a time as follows:
- ★ Using your 2 strands of WY held as one, EW 22 rows. Trim yarns to 30".
- ** Gather Bind Off all pegs, beginning with the first, and working your way around the loom to the last. Do this by threading the yarn tails onto a yarn needle and sewing through the loop on each peg, releasing the loop from the peg once the needle is threaded through. Pull until the end is gathered tight. This will be the bottom of the bottom ball.
- *Bring your yarn needle up through the bottom to the inside of the ball and whipstitch hole closed and knot. Lay gathering tails over the top edge of the ball, and place a bean bag, or bag of flat rocks into the bottom.

** Stuff the rest of the way with fiberfill, working around the yarn coming up through the top, so that it is coming up out of the middle of the inside of the ball.



** Pull Gathered Cast On tail tightly closed and knot, with middle yarn still sticking out of the hole. Use this to slightly flatten the ball, by pulling to add

tension, and then tying securely to the gathering yarn tail, when the shape is to your liking.

*Repeat this procedure for the other two balls...For the middle ball: use the red loom & knit 20 rows...For the head: use the blue loom & knit 18 rows.

* Thread your yarn needle with a length of yarn, and whipstitch balls together into a snowman shape. For a more balanced snowman, stitch balls at the place where they naturally want to curve away from each other, rather than close to the place of the center gathering.

*Embellishments

★ Basic Hat Instructions: blue loom, 10 rows EW for brim, 12 rows EW for hat. Add a small pom pom & a little stuffing to inside. Stitch or glue into place.

★ Scarf: blue loom, Panel Knit using 6 pegs, until it reaches 16-18" in length.

** Nose: blue loom, Panel Knit using 6 pegs, 6 rows...decrease on each end, knit row...repeat until only one loop is left, pull tail through, and knot. Whipstitch sides, stuff, attach.

☼ Poke his stick arms into the sides of the middle ball and secure with glue.

* Add buttons and embellishments as desired with hot or craft glue.

***Use your imagination** and enjoy putting the finishing touches to your frosty little friend!

*Additional ideas for Embellishments:



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