

FLAMINGO + STORK

KNITTING PATTERNS BY AMANDA BERRY

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YARN + NOTIONS

Needles:

- A pair of 3.75mm straight knitting needles (US 5)
- Two 3.75mm double pointed needles (DPNs) to make the i-cord legs (US 5)

Notions:

- Toy filling (less than 250g for the two birds)
- A darning or tapestry needle to sew the knitted pieces together
- 2 x 6mm diameter black buttons or toy safety eyes per toy

Yarn:

DK weight yarns; less than 40g in each colour:

FLAMINGO

-  **Dark Pink:** For the head and body
Hayfield Bonus DK in "Pink"
-  **Light Pink:** For the beak and legs
Hayfield Bonus DK in "Peaches"
-  **Sunny Yellow:** For the beak
Hayfield Bonus DK in "Sunflower"

STORK

-  **White:** For the head and body
Hayfield Bonus DK in "White"
-  **Yellow:** For the beak and legs
Hayfield Bonus DK in "Bright Lemon"
-  **Grey:** For the wings and tail
Hayfield Bonus DK in "Silver Grey"



NOTES

Finished size: The birds are 42cm tall including the legs.

Work flat: All pieces are knitted flat (back and forth) on a pair of straight knitting needles, apart from the legs which are i-cord worked on two DPNs.

Tension: The tension is approximately 22 sts x 28 rows for a 10cm x 10cm square in stockinette stitch on 3.75mm needles. Don't worry too much about tension for this pattern.

Casting on: Unless otherwise specified, use the long tail cast on for all pieces.

Sewing seams: Use mattress stitch to sew the seams.

Yarns: The yarn used was sold in skeins weighing 100g, and one skein in each colour will be more than sufficient to knit your birds.

ABBREVIATIONS

DK Double knitting or light worsted weight yarn

DPN(s) Double pointed needle(s)

i-cord A knitted tube worked on two DPNs

k Knit

k2tog *Decrease:* knit two stitches together.

kfb *Increase:* knit into the front and back of the next stitch.

p Purl

Pull through to cast off

Cut the yarn leaving at least a 30cm tail. Thread the tail onto a darning needle and sew through the remaining sts on the knitting needle. Pull the sts off the knitting needle on to the yarn, gather together tightly and secure the yarn.

ssk *Decrease:* slip the next stitch on the left needle knit-wise, then slip the next stitch on the left needle purl-wise. Take the left needle and knit through the front of the two slipped stitches on the right needle

rem Remaining

rep Repeat

RS Right side

st(s) Stitch(es)

WS Wrong side

[...] Repeat the sequence between the square brackets by the number indicated.

(.. sts) The number in round brackets at the end of the instruction indicates the number of stitches after working the row.

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Flamingo Body

Make 1. Cast on 9 sts in dark pink on straight 3.75mm needles.

Row 1: p (9 sts, WS)

Row 2: k1, [kfb] x 8 (17 sts)

Row 3: p (17 sts)

Row 4: k1, [kfb, k1] x 8 (25 sts)

Row 5: p (25 sts)

Row 6: k1, [kfb, k2] x 8 (33 sts)

Row 7: p (33 sts)

Row 8: k1, [kfb, k3] x 8 (41 sts)

Row 9: p (41 sts)

Row 10: k1, [kfb, k4] x 8 (49 sts)

Row 11: p (49 sts)

Row 12: k1, [kfb, k5] x 8 (57 sts)

Row 13: p (57 sts)

Row 14: k (57 sts)

Rows 15 to 24: rep rows 13 and 14 five times (57 sts)

Row 25: p (57 sts)

Row 26: k1, [k4, k2tog] x 4, k7, [ssk, k4] x 4, k1 (49 sts)

Row 27: p (49 sts)

Row 28: k1, [k3, k2tog] x 4, k7, [ssk, k3] x 4, k1 (41 sts)

Row 29: p (41 sts)

Row 30: k1, [k2, k2tog] x 4, k7, [ssk, k2] x 4, k1 (33 sts)

Row 31: p (33 sts)

Row 32: k1, [k1, k2tog] x 4, k7, [ssk, k1] x 4, k1 (25 sts)

Row 33: p (25 sts)

Row 34: k1, [k2tog] x 4, k7, [ssk] x 4, k1 (17 sts)

Row 35: p (17 sts)

Row 36: k (17 sts)

Rows 37 to 54: rep rows 35 and 36 nine times (17 sts)

Cast off all sts.

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Flamingo Head

Make 1. Cast on 8 sts in dark pink on straight 3.75mm needles.

Work rows 1 to 22 in dark pink.

Row 1: p (8 sts, WS)

Row 2: [kfb] x 7, k1 (15 sts)

Row 3: p (15 sts)

Row 4: [k1, kfb] x 7, k1 (22 sts)

Row 5: p (22 sts)

Row 6: [k2, kfb] x 7, k1 (29 sts)

Row 7: p (29 sts)

Row 8: [k3, kfb] x 7, k1 (36 sts)

Row 9: p (36 sts)

Row 10: [k4, kfb] x 7, k1 (43 sts)

Row 11: p (43 sts)

Row 12: k (43 sts)

Rows 13 to 18: rep rows 11 and 12 three times (43 sts)

Row 19: p (43 sts)

Row 20: k4, k2tog, [k3, ssk] x 3, k1, [k2tog, k3] x 3, ssk, k4 (35 sts)

Row 21: p (35 sts)

Row 22: k5, [k2, ssk] x 3, k1, [k2tog, k2] x 3, k5 (29 sts)

Work rows 23 to 30 in light pink.

Row 23: p (29 sts)

Row 24: k (29 sts)

Row 25: p (29 sts)

Rows 26 to 29: rep rows 24 and 25 twice (29 sts)

Row 30: k12, ssk, k1, k2tog, k12 (27 sts)

Work rows 31 to 44 in sunny yellow.

Row 31: p (27 sts)

Row 32: k11, ssk, k1, k2tog, k11 (25 sts)

Row 33: p (25 sts)

Row 34: k10, ssk, k1, k2tog, k10 (23 sts)

Row 35: p (23 sts)

Row 36: k9, ssk, k1, k2tog, k9 (21 sts)

Row 37: p (21 sts)

Row 38: k8, ssk, k1, k2tog, k8 (19 sts)

Row 39: p (19 sts)

Row 40: k7, ssk, k1, k2tog, k7 (17 sts)

Row 41: p (17 sts)

Row 42: k6, ssk, k1, k2tog, k6 (15 sts)

Row 43: p (15 sts)

Row 44: k1, [ssk] x 3, k1, [k2tog] x 3, k1 (9 sts)

Pull through to cast off.

Flamingo Wings

Make 2. Cast on 64 sts in dark pink on straight 3.75mm needles.

Row 1: k (64 sts, WS)

Row 2: k1, [k2tog, k5] x 9 (55 sts)

Row 3: k (55 sts)

Row 4: k1, [k2tog, k4] x 9 (46 sts)

Row 5: k (46 sts)

Row 6: k1, [k2tog, k3] x 9 (37 sts)

Row 7: k (37 sts)

Row 8: k1, [k2tog, k2] x 9 (28 sts)

Row 9: k (28 sts)

Row 10: k1, [k2tog, k1] x 9 (19 sts)

Row 11: k (19 sts)

Row 12: k1, [k2tog] x 9 (10 sts)

Pull through to cast off.

Flamingo Tail

Make 1. Cast on 24 sts in dark pink on straight 3.75mm needles.

Rows 1 to 3: k (24 sts)

Row 4: k4, [k2tog] x 2, k8, [k2tog] x 2, k4 (20 sts)

Rows 5 to 7: k (20 sts)

Row 8: k3, [k2tog] x 2, k6, [k2tog] x 2, k3 (16 sts)

Rows 9 to 11: k (16 sts)

Row 12: k2, [k2tog] x 2, k4, [k2tog] x 2, k2 (12 sts)

Rows 13 to 15: k (12 sts)

Row 16: k1, [k2tog] x 2, k2, [k2tog] x 2, k1 (8 sts)

Row 17: k (8 sts)

Row 18: [k2tog] x 4 (4 sts)

Pull through to cast off.

Flamingo Knees

Make 2. Cast on 7 sts in light pink on straight 3.75mm needles.

Rows 1 to 5: k (7 sts)

Cast off all sts.

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Flamingo Feet and Legs

Make 2. Cast on 32 sts light pink on straight 3.75mm needles.

Row 1: p (32 sts, WS)

Row 2: [k6, k2tog, ssk, k6] x 2 (28 sts)

Row 3: p (28 sts)

Row 4: [k5, k2tog, ssk, k5] x 2 (24 sts)

Row 5: p (24 sts)

Row 6: [k4, k2tog, ssk, k4] x 2 (20 sts)

Row 7: p (20 sts)

Row 8: [k3, k2tog, ssk, k3] x 2 (16 sts)

Row 9: p (16 sts)

Row 10: [k2, k2tog, ssk, k2] x 2 (12 sts)

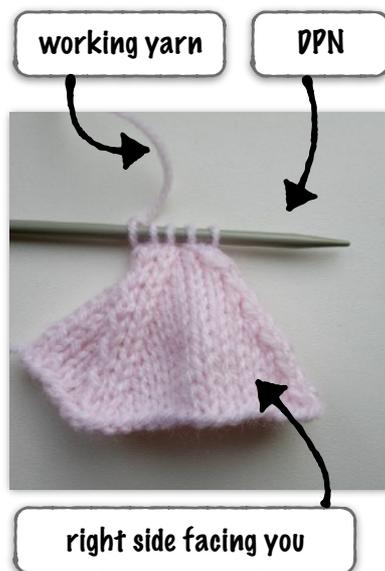
Row 11: p (12 sts)

Row 12: [k1, k2tog, ssk, k1] x 2 (8 sts)

Row 13: p (8 sts)

Row 14: k2tog, ssk, k2tog, k2 (5 sts)

Now transfer these 5 sts onto a 3.75mm DPN. Hold this DPN in your left-hand with the RS facing you. Note that the working yarn is at the end furthest from the tip of the needle (see photo opposite).



Now, keeping the RS facing you, use two DPNs to work i-cord on these 5 sts for the legs, until the legs (including the feet) are 24cm long.

Pull through to cast off.

Stork Body

Make 1. Cast on 9 sts in white on straight 3.75mm needles.

Rows 1 to 54: in white, follow the flamingo body pattern rows 1 to 54 (17 sts)

Cast off all sts.

Stork Head

Make 1. Cast on 8 sts in white on straight 3.75mm needles.

Work rows 1 to 22 in white.

Rows 1 to 22: in white, follow the flamingo head pattern rows 1 to 22 (29 sts)

Work rows 23 to 52 in yellow.

Row 23: p (29 sts)

Row 24: k (29 sts)

Row 25: p (29 sts)

Row 26: k5, [k2tog, k7] x 2, k2tog, k4 (26 sts)

Rows 27 to 29: rep rows 23 to 25 (26 sts)

Row 30: k4, [k2tog, k6] x 2, k2tog, k4 (23 sts)

Rows 31 to 33: rep rows 23 to 25 (23 sts)

Row 34: k4, [k2tog, k5] x 2, k2tog, k3 (20 sts)

Rows 35 to 37: rep rows 23 to 25 (20 sts)

Row 38: k3, [k2tog, k4] x 2, k2tog, k3 (17 sts)

Rows 39 to 41: rep rows 23 to 25 (17 sts)

Row 42: k3, [k2tog, k3] x 2, k2tog, k2 (14 sts)

Rows 43 to 45: rep rows 23 to 25 (14 sts)

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Row 46: k2, [k2tog, k2] x 3 (11 sts)

Rows 47 to 49: rep rows 23 to 25 (11 sts)

Row 50: k2, [k2tog, k1] x 2, k2tog, k1 (8 sts)

Row 51: p (8 sts)

Row 52: k1, [k2tog] x 3, k1 (5 sts)

Pull through to cast off.

Stork Knees

Make 2. Cast on 7 sts in yellow on straight 3.75mm needles.

Rows 1 to 5: k (7 sts)

Cast off all sts.

Stork Wings

Make 2. Cast on 8 sts in white on straight 3.75mm needles.

Work rows 1 to 19 in white.

Row 1: k (8 sts)

Row 2: k1, [kfb] x 2, k2, [kfb] x 2, k1 (12 sts)

Row 3: k (12 sts)

Row 4: k1, [kfb] x 2, k6, [kfb] x 2, k1 (16 sts)

Row 5: k (16 sts)

Row 6: k1, kfb, k to the last 2 sts, kfb, k1 (18 sts)

Rows 7 to 12: rep rows 5 and 6 three times (24 sts)

Rows 13 to 15: k (24 sts)

Row 16: k1, k2tog, k to the last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 (22 sts)

Row 17: k (22 sts)

Rows 18 to 19: rep rows 16 and 17 (20 sts)

Work rows 20 to 36 in grey.

Row 20: k1, k2tog, k to the last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 (18 sts)

Row 21: k (18 sts)

Rows 22 to 33: rep rows 20 and 21 six times (6 sts)

Row 34: k1, [k2tog] x 2, k1 (4 sts)

Row 35: k (4 sts)

Row 36: [k2tog] x 2 (2 sts)

Pull through to cast off.

Stork Tail

Make 1. Cast on 24 sts in white on straight 3.75mm needles.

Work rows 1 to 7 in white.

Rows 1 to 3: k (24 sts)

Row 4: k4, [k2tog] x 2, k8, [k2tog] x 2, k4 (20 sts)

Rows 5 to 7: k (20 sts)

Work rows 8 to 18 in grey.

Row 8: k3, [k2tog] x 2, k6, [k2tog] x 2, k3 (16 sts)

Rows 9 to 11: k (16 sts)

Row 12: k2, [k2tog] x 2, k4, [k2tog] x 2, k2 (12 sts)

Rows 13 to 15: k (12 sts)

Row 16: k1, [k2tog] x 2, k2, [k2tog] x 2, k1 (8 sts)

Row 17: k (8 sts)

Row 18: [k2tog] x 4 (4 sts)

Pull through to cast off.

Stork Legs

Make 2. Cast on 32 sts in yellow on straight 3.75mm needles.

Rows 1 to 14: in yellow, follow the flamingo legs pattern rows 1 to 14 (5 sts)

Transfer these 5 sts to a DPN and work the i-cord legs following the flamingo instructions.

Pull through to cast off.



MAKING UP

A quick note about eyes: If you prefer to use toy safety eyes you will need to insert these before you sew the head together.

Flamingo



Head: Note that the cast off sts are the tip of the beak. Sew the side edges together, stuffing as you sew, and finish by gathering the cast on sts together at the back of the head. Note that this seam runs down the centre underside of the head.

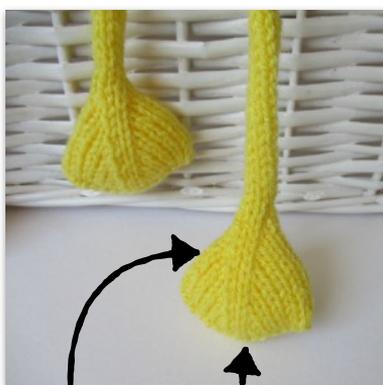
Eyes: Sew on two black beads or buttons for eyes on the last dark pink row just above the beak.



Body: Note that the cast off edge is the top of the neck, and this edge is left open. Start by gathering the cast on sts together at the base, then sew the side edges together ending at the cast off edge. Note that this seam runs down the centre back of the body. Stuff the neck and body through the opening at the neck.

Join the head to the body: Sew the cast off edge of the body to the underside of the dark pink head.

Legs: Note that the cast on sts are the front of the foot. Sew the side edges of the foot together, then add a little stuffing to the inside of the foot. Note that this seam runs down the inside edge. Sew the cast on edges together to finish the foot.



side edge

cast on edge

Then sew the top of the i-cord legs to the underside of the body.



bottom

Knees: Wrap the knitted knee piece around the middle of the i-cord leg, and sew the side edges together to make a little tube around the leg. Sew onto the leg to keep it in place.

Wings: Sew the side edges together to make an almost circular shape. Fold the circle in half and sew the cast on edges together to make a semi-circle shape, adding a little stuffing to the inside as you sew. Sew half of the length of the folded edge onto the side of the body.



cast on edge

Sew half of the straight edge of the wing onto the side of the body (between the two dots)

MAKING UP

Tail: Note that the cast off sts are the tip of the tail. Sew the side edges together. This seam runs down the centre underside of the tail. Add a little stuffing, then sew the cast on edge closed. Sew this edge onto the bottom back of the body.

Finishing: Knot a few strands of dark pink yarn to the top of the head, and trim so that each strand is 3cm long.



Stork



Head, Eyes, Body, Legs, Knees and Tail: Make up as per the flamingo instructions.



Wings: Note that the cast off sts are the tip of the wing. Fold in half, and sew the side edges together, adding a little stuffing inside as you sew. Sew the cast on edge together to finish the front of the wing. Note that the folded edge is at the top of the wing. Sew half of the folded edge onto the side of the body, with the grey tip facing the back.



Sew half of the folded edge of the wing onto the side of the body (between the two dots)