

'COMFORT DOLLS'

Further information on these lovely little dolls can be found at:

<http://www.squidoo.com/african-knit-dolls#module3332911>



The basic method for making each doll is the same. Begin at the feet and knit a rectangle, and change yarn colours for each body segment.

The number of rows in each part of the doll can be increased or decreased depending on the individual design. Finished height of each doll is approx. 5 inches.

You need:

Small quantities DK yarn, 1 pair of 3.5 mm needles, Tapestry needle, Polyester fibrefill

- To make:

- *Work in stocking stitch throughout
- *Cast on 32 Sts
- *Work four rows for feet - change yarn
- *Work 14 rows for pants - change yarn
- *Work 12 rows for sweater - change yarn
- *Work 8 rows for face - change yarn
- *Work 11 rows for hat as follows:
 - *Row 1 - 4: Work evenly in stocking stitch
 - *Row 5: Decrease 5 Sts evenly in stocking stitch across row
 - *Rows 6, 8 and 10: Knit across row in stocking stitch
 - *Row 7: Decrease 5 Sts evenly across row
 - *Row 9: Decrease 5 Sts evenly across row (17 Sts)
 - *Row 11: (K.1, K2 together) 9 times
- *Draw yarn through remaining Sts and pull up.



- To finish:

- *Sew sides together to form a centre back seam
- *stuff body.
- *Weave a strand of matching yarn across the first face row. Draw up to form neck and secure ends.
- *Repeat for body, drawing in at the feet bottom -
- *With matching yarn, form arms with small backstitches through all layers from waist to 2 rows beneath the neck.
- *Define the legs in same way from bottom to a little below the waistline.
- *Embroider facial features as desired