

Teddy Bear Sweater- straight sleeves

FUN FUN FUN! The bears don't mind if your stitches are a little off. Don't sweat the pattern too much. This is a great project to play around with color or stripes or other fun things.

Worsted weight yarn (approximately 100 yards)
size 7 or 8 needles
approximately 4.5 stitches to the inch

Back:

Cast on 30 or 31 (if doing ribbing go with 30, if doing seed stitch do 31)

Work edging as desired for 4 rows.

Work in stockinette stitch until sweater measures 4 inches from cast on edge.

Knit across 10 stitches, bind off center 10 stitches, knit across last 10 stitches. Work across these 10 stitches, at neck edge knit 2 together 2times.

Bind off stitches. Pick up yarn on other side and repeat. Bind off all stitches.

Front:

Work as for the back until sweater measures 3 1/2 inches.

Knit across 10 stitches, bind off center 10 stitches, knit across last 10 stitches. Work across these 10 stitches, at neck edge knit 2 together 3times. Work until the front is the same length as the back.

Bind off stitches. Pick up yarn on other side and repeat. Bind off all stitches.

Sleeves: make 2

Cast on 20 (21 stitches)

Work edging as desired for 4 rows.

Work 4 row stockinette stitch (knit one row/ purl one row) on next row increase one stitch at each edge. Continue in this manner until sleeve measures 3 1/2 inches. Bind off all stitches.

Stitch shoulder seams together. Match sleeves to shoulders and stitch on. Stitch side seams together.

Neck: Pick up 16 stitches along front edge 2 at shoulder seams and 14 stitches along back edge and 2 more at opposite shoulder. Work in ribbing or edging of choice for 4 rows, bind off loosely.

Knitting Addiction donates teddy bears to the local EMS units for children who have been in accidents. Your local fire/ rescue or EMS might love the same thing.