

Loom knitting pattern

Mack the little raven



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Essentials

Soft (bulky) yarn



20 peg flower loom



Yarn

Soft bulky yarn (I used a mixture of 80% acrylic and 20% wool)

- Black (head & body, wings, tail)
- Grey (beak and claws)
- White (eye highlights)

Medium yarn for top hat

Choose your own color. I used a shiny yarn.

Tools/Supplies

- 20 peg flower loom (KnitUK)
- Loom hook
- Stitch marker
- Yarn needle
- Felting needle (fine)
- Small scissors.
- Polyfilling stuffing
- Safety eyes (8 mm)

Approximately 9 cm wide (3,54 inches)
and 10 cm (3,94 inches) tall

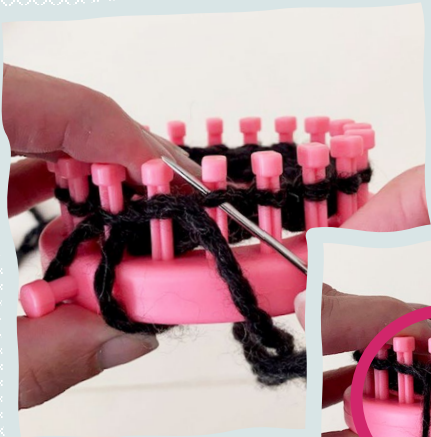


Instructions

- By default, this pattern utilises **the u-wrap stitch** (knit) and **drawstring cast-on/cast-off** unless specified otherwise.
- Remember to keep a **long tail string** both after casting-on and casting-off. Use these **tail strings for closing** the different parts of your project and sewing them together.
- **Knit to the right** (anti-clockwise) unless specified otherwise.
- To **close top and bottom parts** pull the tail string and feed it through the top loops. Then pull again and secure it on the inside.
- Mack consists of **six main parts**: the head & body (1), the beak (2), the wings (3), the claws (4), the tail (5) and the top hat (6).
- To give Mack a finishing touch, use a **felting needle** to felt the eyes and tidy up any loose ends in your creation.

Making the parts (1)

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Part 1 head & body

Head

- Start with casting-on 20 pegs of your black yarn.
- Knit 7 rows in the round.
- Take your yarn needle and feed a separate string through each peg, leaving two tails at each end. These tails help shape the head (picture 1, 2, 3).
- Knit 15 more rows in the round.
- Close the top of the head and add spiky hair (look at the picture for guidance).
- Attach two safety eyes.
- Stuff your part with filling.
- Then gently pull the two strings to shape the head, tie them together, and work away the ends.
- Add more filling at the bottom if needed and close the bottom.
- Finish off by adding some white yarn around the eyes and felt it in place to create eye highlights.

Making the parts (2)



Part 2 beak

- Begin by casting-on 2 pegs of your grey yarn.
- Knit 1 row left.
- Next, increase an extra peg to the left, then knit to the right, and increase an extra peg to the right. You now have 4 pegs with stitches.
- In the last row, knit back again, increase another peg to the left, knit to the right once more, and finish by increasing another peg to the right. You now have 6 pegs with stitches.
- Cast-off.
- Pull the bottom string and sew upward to close the beak.

Making the parts (2)



Part 3 Wings (make 2)

- Start by casting-on 8 pegs.
- Knit 9 rows back and forth.
- Purl pegs 9 and 8, and bind-off peg 9.
- Knit 1 row to the left and 1 row to the right.
- Purl pegs 8 and 7, and bind-off peg 7.
- Knit 1 row to the left and 1 row to the right.
- Repeat this pattern of purling, binding-off and knitting a row the left and right until all pegs are empty.
- Pull the top string and work away the bottom string by weaving it in.
- Create a second wing, but instead of starting at peg 1, begin at peg 20 and knit to the left. Basically, follow the same pattern but in the opposite direction.

Making the parts (2)

Tail



Tail knitted together



Claws



Claws knitted together and felted in shape



Part 4 Tail

- Take your grey yarn and cast-on 12 pegs.
- Knit 3 rows back and forth.
- Bind-off peg 12 and knit to the left, then bind-off peg 1 and knit to the right.
- Continue this pattern until all pegs are empty.
- Fold the part over and finish by knitting it together.

Part 5 Claws (make 2)

- Take your grey yarn, wrap one peg and knit it.
- Add a stitch marker to the peg and knit it another 10 times.
- Take the loop with the stitch marker and place it back on the loom, then knit it off and remove the stitch marker.
- Repeat this pattern for pegs 2 and 3.
- Finally, knit 4 rows back and forth to complete and cast-off.
- Take the tail string and use it to close the upper part of the claw.
- Use the bottom string to sew up/close the 3 claws.
- Use a felting needle to tidy up.

Final assembly

- **Assemble** all the parts together using the **tail strings**. In case the tail strings are not long enough, you can use additional string.
- Work away any **excess strings** by feeding them through your project several times.
- For a **neat and secure finish**, you can also use your **felting needle**. This will help in both tidying up and firmly securing the different parts of your project.



Finished!



Making the top hat



Part 6 top hat

- Begin by casting-on 15 pegs of your medium yarn.
- Knit 3 rows going back and forth.
- Purl the next row.
- Continue knitting for 10 rows, going back and forth.
- Finally, purl 3 rows and bind-off all the pegs.
- Pull the top string to close the top of the hat.
- Next, sew down along the side to close it.
- Finally, fold the bottom (the rows that you purl) to create the brim.





That's little Mack finished

Hope you enjoyed making Mack and it wasn't too difficult. If you have any questions please mail me on: lovelyloomies@hotmail.com.

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