## Astro-penguin

### Instructions

#### Body

Using yarn A, cast on 10 sts. Row 1 (WS): purl. Row 2: (kfb) to end (20 sts). Row 3: purl. Row 4: p for edge. Rows 5–9: st st. starting with a purl (WS) row. Row 10: (k2, k2tog) to end (15 sts). Rows 11 and 12: st st, starting with a purl (WS) row. Break yarn A. Join yarn B. Rows 13–17: st st. starting with a purl (WS) row. Row 18: (k2, k2tog) to last 3 sts, k3. (12) Break yarn, draw through sts, pull tightly and fasten off.

#### Wings: make two

Using yarn A, cast on 6 sts. Rows 1–3: st st, starting with a purl (WS) row. Row 4: (k2tog) to end (3 sts). Break yarn, draw through sts, pull tightly and fasten off.

#### Collar

Using yarn C, cast on 3 sts and work an i-cord for 18 rows (see page 23 for the i-cord technique). At the end of the last row, turn and cast off purlwise.

#### Beak

Using yarn D, cast on 4 sts. Row 1: purl. Row 2: skpo, k2tog, pass the first st over the second and fasten off.

#### Oxygen pack

Using yarn A, cast on 8 sts. Rows 1–7: st st, starting with a purl (WS) row. Row 8: p for edge. Rows 9–15: st st, starting with a purl (WS) row. Row 16: p for edge. Cast off.

#### To make up

Seam the body and stuff. Thread a length of yarn A and insert a needle from the centre of the base, take the needle out from the back of the body and repeat. Pull the thread gently to flatten the base. Seam the wings and beak without stuffing and attach their cast-on edges to the body. Attach the collar. Using yarn E, work French knots for the eyes. Fold the oxygen pack at the edge lines, sew all around and attach it to the body.

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#### Materials

Small amounts of DK (8-ply) yarn in white (A), black (B), blue/red (C) and yellow (D)

Small amount of 4-ply (fingering) yarn in white (E)

Toy stuffing

#### Additional tools 3mm (UK 11, US 2 or 3) DPN

#### Size

 a needle
 4cm (1½in) tall

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 Difficulty level

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 Beginner



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