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## Materials

- ✦ 10g (1/3oz) light brown 8-ply (DK) yarn
- ✦ Small amounts of cream 8-ply (DK) yarn
- ✦ 50cm (19 3/4in) 28 gauge black copper wire
- ✦ Black crochet cotton thread to wrap feet
- ✦ Two 3mm (1/8in) black beads
- ✦ Black cotton thread and sewing needle
- ✦ Small amounts of black and red felt, and matching cotton thread
- ✦ Toy stuffing

## Needles

- ✦ 4mm (UK 8, US 6) knitting needles

## Tension

- ✦ 6 sts and 7 rows per 2.5cm (1in)

## Size

- ✦ 10cm (4in) from top of head to tip of tail

## Notes

The colours in parentheses indicate the yarn you should use for the stitches that follow.

The pattern contains notes on working with two balls of yarn for certain sections. Doing so makes your working easier because you do not have to carry the yarn across the back of the section.

## Body and head (make one)

Worked in st st. Start knitting at the tail end. Using 4mm (UK 8, US 6) needles and light brown yarn, cast on 6 sts.

Rows 1–10: beginning with a knit row, work st st.

Row 11: inc 1, K to last st, inc 1 [8 sts].

Row 12: purl.

From row 13 onwards, work with two balls of cream yarn.

Row 13: (cream) inc 1, (brown) K2, inc 2, K2, (cream) inc 1 [12 sts].

Row 14: purl, keeping colour sequence.

Row 15: (cream) inc 1, K1, (brown) K3, inc 2, K3, (cream) K1, inc 1 [16 sts].

Row 16: purl, keeping colour sequence.

Row 17: (cream) inc 1, K2, (brown) K4, inc 2, K4, (cream) K2, inc 1 [20 sts].

Row 18: purl, keeping colour sequence.

Row 19: (cream) inc 1, K3, (brown) K5, inc 2, K5, (cream) K3, inc 1 [24 sts].

Row 20: purl, keeping colour sequence.

Row 21: (cream) K2tog, K3, (brown) K14, (cream) K3, K2tog [22 sts].

Row 22: purl, keeping colour sequence.

Row 23: (cream) K2tog, K2, (brown) K14, (cream) K2, K2tog [20 sts].

Row 24: purl, keeping colour sequence.

Work all in brown from this point to the end.

Row 25: K2tog, K16, K2tog [18 sts].

Row 26: purl.

Row 27: K2tog, K14, K2tog [16 sts].

Row 28: purl.

Row 29: K2tog to end [8 sts].

Row 30: purl.

Cut yarn, thread trailing end through remaining sts on needle.

## Wings (make two)

Using 4mm (UK 8, US 6) needles and light brown yarn, cast on 4 sts.

Row 1: K1, inc 2, K1 [6 sts].

Row 2: purl.

Row 3: K1, inc 1, K2, inc 1, K1 [8 sts].

Rows 4–8: beginning with a purl row, work st st.

Row 9: K1, K2tog, K2, K2tog, K1 [6 sts].

Row 10: purl.

Row 11: K1, K2tog, K2tog, K1 [4 sts].

Row 12: purl.

Row 13: K2tog to end [2 sts].

Cast off remaining sts.



## Making up

Pull the thread tight through the stitches at the top of the head and use this thread to sew up the front seam, changing to cream to sew up the breast seam. Leave a space at the bottom for stuffing. Stuff, then sew up the remainder of the seam. Sew up the tail seam and the tip of the tail. Do not stuff the tail.

Cut out a breast from red felt using the template and sew it into position using red thread. The tip of the felt shape should be aligned with where you have pulled the thread tight at the top of the head.

Using the template, cut out a beak from black felt. Fold in half and sew up the seam using black thread, then sew into position. Sew on two black beads for eyes. Sew the wings into position.

Follow the posable legs instruction on page 15 to create legs using 50cm (19¾in) of black copper wire, wrapped with black crochet cotton.

Robin templates

