Mother Nature Standing Doll Clothes

Needles:

3.25 mm (US size 3) double pointed needles, set of 5

Yarn:

Any fingering or sport weight yarn. It is recommended that you have at least a 25g ball of yarn for each garment, though it is possible to use less. This is a great way to use up odds and ends in your stash!

Embroidery thread or spare yarn for embellishments.

Notions:

Darning or tapestry needle for embroidery and for weaving in ends.

Waste yarn or stitch holders.

Lace-weight stitch markers.

Abbreviations:

k Knit p Purl

st/sts Stitch/stitches

k2tog Knit two stitches together as one p2tog Purl two stitches together as one

co Cast on

m1 Make one: insert right needle into yarn between the next two stitches, and place onto left needle. Knit picked-up stitch through the back

pm Place marker sm Slip marker

tbl Knit/purl through the back loop(s)
tfl Knit/purl through the front loop(s)

ssk With the right needle, slip next two stitches as if to knit, knit the two

stitches together

cdd Slip next two stitches as if to knit, knit the next stitch, pass two slipped

stitches over

Shift:

Cast on 3 sts

Row 1: sl1, k2, turn. Row 2: sl1, p2, turn.

Repeat these two rows for 18 cm. Seam the two ends together to create a circle. With right side facing outwards, pick up and knit 36 sts along outer edge. Arrange the sts on 4 needles as follows; 12 sts, 6 sts, 12 sts, 6 sts (the 12 sts will make up the front and back, the 6 sts the sleeves).

Knit the 12 sts on the first needle, turn to continue working on first needle only:

Row 1: purl

Row 2: k1, m1, k10, m1, k1 (14 sts)

Row 3: purl

Row 4: k1. m1, k12, m1, k1 (16 sts)

Row 5: purl

Row 6: k1, m1, k14, m1, k1 (18 sts)

Row 7: purl. Cut yarn, leaving 18 sts on needle, and a 6 cm long tail.

Pick up opposite needle with 12 sts, and continue:

Row 1: purl

Row 2: k1, m1, k10, m1, k1 (14 sts)

Row 3: purl

Row 4: k1. m1, k12, m1, k1 (16 sts)

Row 5: purl

Row 6: k1, m1, k14, m1, k1 (18 sts)

Row 7: purl

Row 8: k1, m1, k16, m1, k1. Pick up the opposite needle containing 18 sts, and k1, m1, k16, m1, k1 along it. You'll now be knitting in the round. (40 sts)

Knit one round.

Next round: k1, m1, k18, m1, k2, m1, k18, m1, k1 (44 sts)

Round 2: knit

Round 3: k1, m1, k20, m1, k2, m1, k20, m1, k1 (48 sts)

Continue knitting in the round until the shift measures 12 cm from bottom of neckline to base. Cast off in knit.

Create sleeves

Pick up and knit the 6 sts on one of the remaining needles. Pick up and knit 6 stitches along first side of shift, and 6 sts along the second side. (18 sts). Join to knit in the round. Knit for 4 cm, then cast off in knit. Repeat for second sleeve.

To finish, weave in ends.

Petticoat

Co 60 sts, join to knit in the round.

Knit 2 rounds in stockinette.

Round 3: *k2, p2 *to end of round.

Round 4: *p2, k2 *to end of round.

Round 5: *k2, p2 *to end of round.

Continue knitting in stockinette until petticoat measures 8 cm.

Form the waist

Knit 30 sts, and place the remaining 30 sts on waste yarn. Turn work. You are now going to be knitting as if you were using straight needles. Starting with the purl row, knit 7 more rows in stockinette, always slipping the first st of each row purl-wise.

Next round, sl1, *k2tog *until last st, k1. (16 sts)

Purl one more row, then cast off in knit.

Pick up the 30 sts on waste yarn, and repeat the above instructions for the second side. Weave in ends to finish, then cut two lengths of yarn 20 cm each. With a darning needle, thread through the tops of the waist (to create the drawstrings). The ties attach together at the sides of the doll.

Moss stitch variation

Co 60 sts, join to knit in the round.

Round 1: *k1, p1, k1, p1, k1, p1* to end of round.

Round 2: *p1, k1, p1, k1, p1, k1* to end of round. You'll be repeating these two rounds to create moss stitch. Knit until petticoat measures 8 cm.

In pattern, knit 30 sts, and arrange remaining 30 sts on waste yarn. Turn work. You are now going to be knitting as if you were using straight needles. Knit in pattern for 7 more rows, always slipping the first stitch. Cast off in pattern.

Pick up remainincoat the same as the original pattern.

Jacket/Gown:

The jacket bodice is knit in three pieces, with the sleeves and skirt knit on after the bodice is complete.

Back:

Cast on 20 sts.

Starting with a knit row, knit 6 rows in stockinette.

Cast off 2 sts in knit, knit to end of row. (18 sts)

Cast off 2 sts in purl, purl to end of row. (16 sts)

Knit 4 more rows in stockinette.

Begin sholder decrease

Row 1: k1, k2tog tbl, k10, k2tog, k1 (14 sts)

Row 2: purl

Row 3: k1, k2tog tbl, k8, k2tog, k1 (12 sts)

Row 4: purl

Row 5: k1, k2tog tbl, k6, k2tog, k1 (10 sts)

Row 6: cast off in purl

Right side

Cast on 16 sts.

Starting with a knit row, knit 6 rows of stockinette.

Cast off 6 sts in knit; knit to end of row. (10 sts)

Starting with a purl row, knit 4 more rows in stockinette.

Next row, cast off 6 in purl. Purl to end of row (4 sts).

Following row: Knit 1, k2tog, k1.

Purl the next row.

Knit 10 more rows in stockinette.

Cast off in knit.

Left side

Cast on 16 sts.

Starting with a knit row, knit 7 rows in stockinette.

Cast off 6 stitches in purl, purl to end of row (10 sts).

Starting with a knit row, k 4 more rows.

Cast off 6 sts, k to end of row (4 sts).

Next row, p1, p2tog tfl, p1 (3 sts).

Knit one row.

Starting with a purl row, knit 10 more rows in stockinette.

Cast off in purl

Make skirt and sleeves

Using mattrice stitch, seam together side and shoulder seams.

Pick up and knit 24 stitches along right armhole, and join to knit in the round. Continue to knit for 3 cm. Cast off.

Repeat for left arm.

Starting halfway along left front, pick up and knit 36 sts along bottom, ending halfway along right front.

Purl one row, slipping the first st.

Next row: s1, m1, *k2, m1 *until last st. k1. (54 sts)

Knit in stockinette (slipping the first st of each row) until jacket skirt measures desired length. For jacket, make skirt approximately 3 cm long. For gown, skirt should be almost to the base of the doll itself.

Cap:

Create brim

Cast on 6 sts.

Row 1: sl1, k4, p1

Row 2: sl1, p4, k1

Row 3: sl1, k4, p1

Row 4: sl1, p4, k1

Row 5: *Make a right leaning cable:* sl1, slip next two stitches from left to right needle. Leaving next two stitches in front, pass first two stitches back on to left needle. Replace front two stitches. K4, p1.

Row 6: sl1, p4, k1

Repeat these 6 rows 6 more times, for a total of 7 cables.

End cable pattern

Next row: sl1, k4, p1

Row 2: sl1, p4, k1

Row 3: sl1, k4,p1

Row 4: cast off in purl.

Create crown

With right side facing, pick up and knit 26 sts along side of cable. Starting with a purl row, knit 9 rows in stockinette.

Next row: knit 2, pm, k22, pm, k2

Begin shortrows

Row 1: p2, sm, p22, turn work.

Row 2: sl1, k21, turn work.

Row 3: sl1, p20, turn work.

Row 4: sl1, k19 turn work.

Row 5: sl1, p18 turn work.

Row 6: sl1, k17 turn work.

Row 7: sl1, p16 turn work.

Row 8: sl1, k15 turn work.

Row 9: sl1,p14, turn work.

Row 10: sl1, k15, turn work.

Row 11: sl1, p16, turn work.

Row 12: sl1, k17, turn work.

Row 13: sl1, p18, turn work.

Row 14: sl1, k19, turn work.

Row 15: sl1, p20, turn work.

Row 16: sl1, k20, remove marker, k2

Row 17: sl1, p24, remove marker, p2

Row 18: k2tog 13 times (13 sts)

Row 19: bind off in purl.

Shawl

Co 40 sts

Purl the first row.

Begin lace pattern.

Row 1: sl1, *yo, k1, *repeat until last st. k1

Row 2: sl1, purl to end of row

Row 3: sl1, *k2tog repeat until last st.

Row 4: sl1, purl

Row 5: sl1, *yo, k2tog, *repeat until last st. k1

Row 6: sl1, purl

Row 7: sl1, *yo, k1, *repeat until last st. k1

Row 8: sl1, purl to end of row

Row 9: sl1, *k2tog repeat until last st.

Row 10: sl1, purl

Row 11: sl1, *yo, k2tog, *repeat until last st. k1

Row 12: sl1, purl

Row 13: sl1, *yo, k1, *repeat until last st. k1

Row 14: sl1, purl to end of row

Row 15: sl1, *k2tog repeat until last st.

Row 16: sl1, purl

Cast off in knit. To finish, weave in ends.

Apron

Cast on 76 sts.

Row 1: cast off 30 in purl, purl to end of row. (46 sts)

Row 2: cast off in knit the first 30 sts of the next row, knit to end of row. (16 sts)

Row 3: slip the first st purl-wise, purl to end of row.

Row 4: sl1, m1, *k1, m1 * to last st, k1. (31 sts)

Row 5: sl1, k2, p1, pm, p8, pm, p8, pm, p8, pm, k3.

Begin lace pattern

Row 1 and 3: sl1, k2, (sm, k1, ssk, k1, yo, k1, yo, k1, k2tog) 3 times, sm, k4.

Row 2 and all even rows: sl1, k2, p1, sm, p8, sm, p8, sm, p8, sm, k3.

Row 5: sl1, k2, (sm, k1, yo, ssk, k3, k2tog, yo) 3 times, sm, k4.

Row 7: sl1, k2, (sm, k2, yo, ssk, k1, k2tog, yo, k1) 3 times, sm, k4.

Row 9: sl1, k2, (sm, k3, yo, cdd, yo, k2) 3 times, sm, k4.

Row 10: same as row 2.

Repeat previous 10 rows 3 times.

Knit entire next row, removing markers as you go along.

Knit 2 more rows, then cast off in knit. To finish, weave in ends.

Variation with embroidery

Follow the instructions above for the first four rows. Using the 31 stitches, knit in stockinette until apron measures 8 cm in length, ending with a purl row.

Cask off in knit., and weave in ends.

Embellish the apron with embroidery thread or spare yarn, keeping in mind the season (for example, snowflakes for Winter, leaves for Autumn, flowers for Summer and Spring).