

Brachiosaurus



FINISHED SIZE Approx. 24cm/ 9.5in tall and wide - from top of head to sole of feet / from front of nose to tip of tail

YARN Less than one 50g ball of the following yarn, the shades I used are written in italic:

Yarn A approx. half 50gm ball 4-ply/ fingering weight or 2-ply/ lace-weight in blue or similar *Holst Garn Coast Californian Blue (this is a 2-ply yarn)*

Yarn B (*belly*) approx. quarter 50gm ball 4-ply/ fingering weight or 2-ply/ lace-weight in grey or similar *Friends Sock Wool Anthracite shade 122 (this is a 2-ply yarn)*

KNITTING NEEDLES Pair size 2.5mm/ US size 2 and 2.5mm circular needle for holding stitches (*or you can use a yarn holder instead*)

GAUGE 8 stitches x 10.5 rows over 2.5cm/ 1in with 2.5mm/ US size 2 knitting needles and yarn B

EXTRAS Pair 4.5mm gold or brown Toy Safety Eyes with plastic (*or metal washer*)-type backs; lockable-style stitch markers in various colours (*see Page 2*); PLUS: If you want to add wire (*recommended!*) into the limbs and body you'll need four 10 inches long x 22 gauge armature wires and a little Washi or masking tape to make safe the pointed ends of the wires

SUPPLIERS

[Holst Garn](http://holstgarn.dk) I bought from here - holstgarn.dk

[Friends yarn](http://hobii.co.uk) I bought from here - hobii.co.uk

Toy Safety Eyes I buy from here - [Etsy](https://www.etsy.com/)

This is the website for the wire [Etsy.com](https://www.etsy.com/)

COLOURED MARKER GUIDE:

This guide is here to pull out and use together with the pattern should you wish to use similar coloured guides to mine for ease of following, especially at the making-up stage:

BABY PINK HEAD SIDE

GREEN FRONT

LIME GREEN INNER HIND LEG

PINK INNER BACK FORELEG

BLUE INNER FRONT FORELEG

ORANGE NECK FRONT

TURQUOISE TOP OF NECK

PATTERN NOTES & TIPS:

. I generally cast on with Cable Cast On unless it's casting on in the middle of a row then I use [Backward Loop Cast-On method](#)

**SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS**

W+Tk bring working yarn to the front of the work, slip next stitch purl-wise onto the RH needle, take working yarn to the back, slip the slipped stitch back onto the LH needle, turn the knitting = W+Tk (wrap and turn knit)

W+Tp take working yarn to the back of the work, slip next stitch knit-wise onto the RH needle, bring working yarn to the front, slip the slipped stitch back onto the LH needle, turn the knitting = W+Tp (wrap and turn purl)

GENERAL ABBREVIATIONS

k = knit

p = purl

inc = increase

dec = decrease

k2tog/ k3tog = knit two together/ knit three together

p2tog/ p3tog = purl two together/ purl three together

RH/LH = right hand/ left hand

RS/WS = right side/ wrong side

st/ sts =stitch/ stitches

skpo = slip one stitch, knit next stitch, pass slipped stitch over knit stitch to decrease by one stitch

kfb = knit into front then into back of stitch to increase by one stitch

plib = purl into front then knit into back of stitch to increase by one stitch

M1 = make one: with the right-hand needle point pick up the horizontal stitch that lies in-between two knitted stitches, place this picked up stitch onto the tip of the left-hand needle and knit it to increase by one

yo = bring yarn over the needle from back to front to make a stitch

Head

Beginning with the **Head Front** with yarn **A** cast on 10 sts

Work short rows for Head Front as follows:

Short Row 1. P9, W+Tp (*Wrap and Turn Purl, see Page 3*)

Short Row 2. K8, W+Tk (*Wrap and Turn Knit, see Page 3*)

Short Row 3. P7, W+Tp

Short Row 4. K6, W+Tk

Short Row 5. P8 sts to end of row

Row 1. Knit

Row 2. Pfb, p8, pfb - 12sts. **PM** (*place marker*) on first and last stitch of last row for Left and Right **Head Side Markers**

Work Left Side of Head to Create the Forehead follows:

Row 3. K6, Turn (*turn the work over so that purl-side faces*)

Row 4. Pfb, p4, pfb - (8 Left Side of Head sts)

Row 5. K8, Turn

Row 6. Pfb, p7 to end of row - (9 Left Side of Head sts)

Row 7. K9, Turn

Row 8. [Pfb] twice, p7 to end of row - (11 Left Side of Head sts)

Cut yarn, slip all 11 Left Head Side sts onto the circular needle or yarn holder for now.

Rejoin yarn A to 6 sts on left hand knitting needles, continue as follows:

Work Right Side of Head to Create the Forehead follows:

Row 3. Knit across all 6 sts

Row 4. Pfb, p4, pfb - (8 Right Side of Head sts)

Row 5. Knit

Row 6. P7, pfb - (9 Right Side of Head sts)

Row 7. Knit

Row 8. P7, [pfb] twice - (11 Right Side of Head sts)

Cut Yarn

Row 9. Return to the 11 Left Head Side sts, rejoin yarn and knit across all 11 sts (*OR slip the 11 Left Side of Head off the yarn holder and onto a knitting needle and knit across*), then knit across all 11 Right Head Side sts - 22sts

Row 10. Purl across all 22 sts

Row 11. Cast off 6 sts for Left Head Side, knit next 9 sts, cast off last 6 sts for Right Head side - 10 sts

Rejoin yarn **A** to the 10 Head Back sts, continue as follows:

Row 12. P2tog, p6, p2tog - 8sts

Rows 13-16. Beginning with a knit row work four rows stocking stitch

Row 17. K2tog, k4, k2tog - 6sts

Rows 18-24. Beginning with a purl row work seven rows stocking stitch
Cut yarn, leave all 6 Head Back stitches on the knitting needle.

Join Nose Seam

With RS together fold the Head Front Cast-On Edge in half and work back-stitch to join the small seam that forms the front of the nose, so joining the two halves of the cast-on edge. - See Fig. 1, join Nose Seam as dotted lines A to B

Join Forehead Seam

With RS together match the row ends from the Forehead and join with back stitch. - See Fig. 1, join Forehead Seam as dotted lines C to D

Turn out to RS. - See Fig. 2



FIG. 1



FIG. 2

Neck

Joining Left Side of head - With yarn A and begin at the Left Head Side

Marker, RS facing, pick up and knit 4 sts evenly along row ends to the left-side corner of the Left Head Side Cast-Off Edge; knit across all 6 Head Back stitches

- **Joining Right Side of Head:** Continue to pick up across the right side of the head, all onto the same needle as follows: Pick up and knit 4 sts evenly along row ends from right corner of Right Head Side Cast-Off Edge to Right Head Side Marker - 14sts. - See Fig. 3, Pick up and knit from A to B; knit across from C to D; pick up and knit from E to F

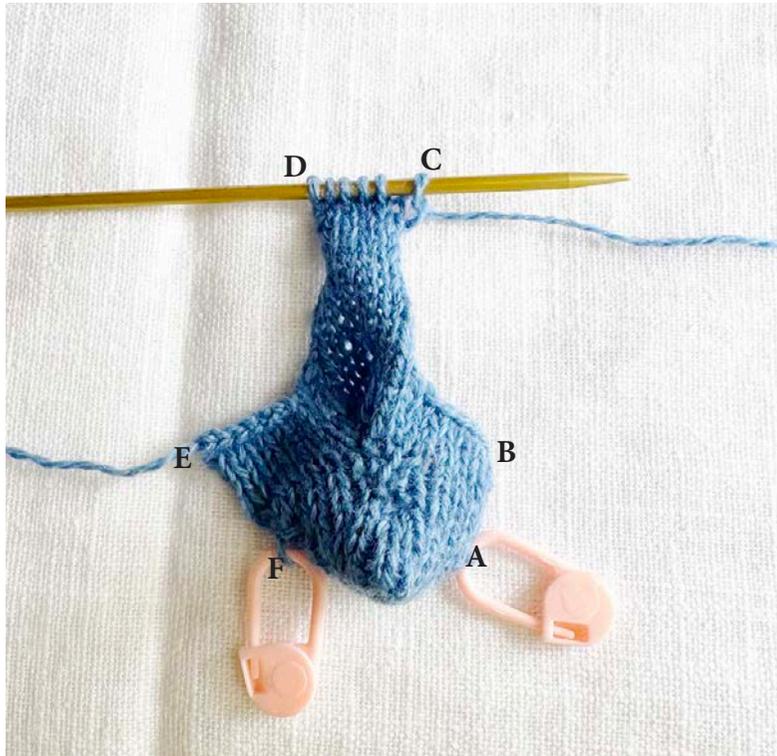


FIG. 3

Row 1. Purl all 14 sts

Row 2. Kfb, knit to last st, kfb - 16sts

Row 3. Pfb, purl to last st, pfb - 18sts

Row 4. Kfb, k6, kfb, k2, kfb, k6, kfb - 22sts

Row 5. Purl

Row 6. K2tog, k7, kfb, k2, kfb, k7, k2tog

Rows 7-10. Repeat last 2 rows twice

Rows 11-25. Beginning with a purl row work 15 rows stocking stitch

Row 26. Kfb, k8, kfb, k2, kfb, k8, kfb - 26sts

Rows 27-37. Beginning with a purl row work 11 rows stocking stitch

Row 38. Kfb, knit to last st, kfb - 28sts

Rows 39-49. Beginning with a purl row work 11 rows stocking stitch

Row 50. Kfb, k11, kfb, k2, kfb, k11, kfb - 32sts

Row 51. Purl

Row 52. Kfb, k13, kfb, k2, kfb, k13, kfb - 36sts

Row 53. Purl

Work short rows to shape Neck Left-Side as follows:

Short Row 1. K12, W+Tk

Short Row 2. P12

Short Row 3. K11, W+Tk

Short Row 4. P11

Short Row 5. K10, W+Tk

Short Row 6. P10

Short Row 7. K9, W+Tk

Short Row 8. P9

Row 54. K13, cast off next 10 sts for Neck Back, knit last 12 sts to end of row - 26sts

Work short rows to shape Neck Right-Side as follows:

Short Row 1. P12, W+Tp

Short Row 2. K12

Short Row 3. P11, W+Tp

Short Row 4. K11

Short Row 5. P10, W+Tp

Short Row 6. K10

Short Row 7. P9, W+Tp

Short Row 8. K9

Row 55. P13, pick up and purl 6 stitches into the 10 Neck Back cast-off sts, p13 to end of row - 32sts

Row 56. Cast on 6 sts for Left Front, **PM** for **Left Front**, knit all 38 sts to end of row

Row 57. Cast on 6 sts for Left Front, **PM** for **Right Front**, purl all 44 sts to end of row

Work short rows to shape Front of Left Foreleg as follows:

Short Row 1. Cast on 19 sts for Left Foreleg, k20, W+Tk

Short Row 2. P20

Short Row 3. K19, W+Tk

Short Row 4. P19

Short Row 5. K18. W+Tk

Short Row 6. P18

Short Row 7. K17, W+Tk

Short Row 8. P17

Short Row 9. K16, W+Tk

Short Row 10. P16

Row 58. K38, skpo, k2, k2tog, k19 to end of row - 61sts

Work short rows to shape Front of Right Foreleg as follows:

Short Row 1. Cast on 19 sts for Right Foreleg, p20, W+Tp

Short Row 2. K20

Short Row 3. P19, W+Tp

Short Row 4. K19

Short Row 5. P18, W+Tp

Short Row 6. K18

Short Row 7. P17, W+Tp

Short Row 8. K17

Short Row 9. P16, W+Tp

Short Row 10. K16

Rows 59-63. Beginning with a purl row work five rows stocking stitch

Row 64. K37, skpo, k2, k2tog, k37 to end of row - 78sts

Row 65. Purl

Left Foreleg Back

Row 66. K15, Turn (*turn work so that purl-side faces, these are NOT short rows*)

Row 67. P15

Rows 68-77. Repeat last 2 rows five times (*in other words work ten rows stocking stitch on just 15 Left Foreleg Back sts*)

Cast off all 15 Left Foreleg Back sts.

Rejoin yarn A to 63 sts on the knitting needle, continue as follows:

Row 66. K21, skpo, k2, k2tog, k36 to end of row - 61sts

Right Foreleg Back

Row 67. P15, Turn (*turn work so that knit-side faces, these are NOT short rows*)

Row 68. K15

Rows 69-76. Repeat last 2 rows four times (*in other words work eight rows stocking stitch on just 15 Right Foreleg Back sts*)

Row 77. Purl

Cast off all 15 Right Foreleg Back sts.

Rejoin yarn A to 46 sts on the knitting needle, continue as follows:

Row 67. Purl all 46 sts

Row 68. Cast off 10 sts for Left Foreleg Crease, knit next 9 sts, skpo, k2, k2tog, k20 to end of row - 34sts

Row 69. Cast off 10 sts purl-wise for Right Foreleg Crease, purl to end of row - 24sts

Row 70. Cast on 12 sts for Left Foreleg Crease Seam, k21, skpo, k2, k2tog, k9 to end of row - 34sts

Row 71. Cast on 12 sts for Right Foreleg Crease Seam, purl to end of row - 46sts

Row 72. Kfb, k19, skpo, k2, k2tog, k19, kfb

Row 73. Purl

Row 74. [Kfb, k4] four times, skpo, k2, k2tog, [k4, kfb] four times - 52sts

Row 75. Purl

Row 76. Kfb, k22, skpo, k2, k2tog, k22, kfb

Rows 77-88. Repeat the last 2 rows six times

Rows 89, 91, 93 & 95 Purl

Row 90. K23, skpo, k2, k2tog, k23 to end of row - 50sts

Row 92. K22, skpo, k2, k2tog, k22 to end of row - 48sts

Row 94. K21, skpo, k2, k2tog, k21 to end of row - 46sts

Row 96. K20, skpo, k2, k2tog, k20 to end of row - 44sts

Row 97. Purl

Create Creases in the Left & Right Hind Legs as follows:

Row 98. Cast off 12 sts for Left Hind Leg Seam, knit next 6 sts, skpo, k2, k2tog, k19 to end of row - 30sts

Row 99. Cast off 12 sts purl-wise for Right Left Hind Leg Crease, purl to end of row - 18sts

Row 100. Cast on 11 sts for Left Hind Leg Crease Seam, k17, skpo, k2, k2tog, k6 to end of row - 27sts

Row 101. Cast on 11 sts for Right Hind Leg Crease Seam, purl to end of row - 38sts

Row 102. K16, skpo, k2, k2tog, k16 to end of row - 36sts

Row 103. Purl

Work short rows to shape Front of Left Hind Leg as follows:

Short Row 1. Cast on 12 sts for Left Hind Leg, k13, W+Tk

Short Row 2. P13

Short Row 3. K12, W+Tk

Short Row 4. P12

Short Row 5. K11, W+Tk

Short Row 6. P11

Row 104. K27, skpo, k2, k2tog, k15 to end of row - 46sts

Work short rows to shape Front of Right Hind Leg as follows:

Short Row 1. Cast on 12 sts for Right Hind Leg, p13, W+Tp

Short Row 2. K13

Short Row 3. P12, W+Tp

Short Row 4. K12

Short Row 5. P11, W+Tkp

Short Row 6. K11

Rows 105-109. Beginning with a purl row work five rows stocking stitch

Row 110. K26, skpo, k2, k2tog, k26 to end of row - 56sts

Row 111. Purl

Left Hind Leg Back

Row 112. K13, Turn (*turn work so that purl-side faces, these are NOT short rows*)

Row 113. P13

Rows 114-123. Repeat last 2 rows five times (*in other words work ten rows stocking stitch on just 13 Left Foreleg Back sts*)

Cast off all 13 Left Hind Leg Back sts.

Rejoin yarn A to 43 sts on the knitting needle, continue as follows:

Row 112. K12, skpo, k2, k2tog, k25 to end of row - 41sts

Right Hind Leg Back

Row 113. P13, Turn (*turn work so that knit-side faces, these are NOT short rows*)

Row 114. K13

Rows 115-122. Repeat last 2 rows four times (*in other words work eight rows stocking stitch on just 13 Right Hind Leg Back sts*)

Row 123. Purl

Cast off all 13 Right Hind Leg Back sts.

Rejoin yarn A to 28 sts on the knitting needle, continue as follows:

Row 113. Purl

Row 114. Cast on 3 sts for Tail Left-Underside, k14, skpo, k2, k2tog, k11 to end of row - 29sts

Row 115. Cast on 3 sts for Tail Right-Underside, purl to end of row - 32sts

Row 116. K13, skpo, k2, k2tog, k13 to end of row - 30sts

Rows 117, 119, 121, 123, 125, 127, 129, 131, 133, 135, 137 & 139. Purl

Row 118. K12, skpo, k2, k2tog, k12 to end of row - 28sts

Row 120. K11, skpo, k2, k2tog, k1 to end of row - 26sts

Row 122. K10, skpo, k2, k2tog, k10 to end of row - 24sts

Row 124. K9, skpo, k2, k2tog, k9 to end of row - 22sts

Row 126. K8, skpo, k2, k2tog, k8 to end of row - 20sts

Row 128. K7, skpo, k2, k2tog, k7 to end of row - 18sts

Row 130. K6, skpo, k2, k2tog, k6 to end of row - 16sts

Row 132. K5, skpo, k2, k2tog, k5 to end of row - 14sts

Row 134. K4, skpo, k2, k2tog, k4 to end of row - 12sts

Row 136. K3, skpo, k2, k2tog, k3 to end of row - 10sts

Row 138. K2, skpo, k2, k2tog, k2 to end of row - 8sts

Row 140. K1, skpo, k2, k2tog, k1 to end of row - 6sts

Rows 141-143. Beginning with a purl row work three rows stocking stitch

Work short rows to shape Tail Tip as follows:

Short Row 1. P5, W+Tp

Short Row 2. K4, W+Tk

Short Row 3. P3, W+Tp

Short Row 4. K2, W+Tk

Short Row 5. P1, W+Tp

Short Row 6. K3 to the end of row

Row 144. P2tog, p2, p2tog - 4sts

Row 145. [K2tog] twice- 2sts

Cut yarn, thread end through 2 sts, pull up to gather for Tail Point.



FIG. 4

SEAMS

You'll now join a few seams before working on the Belly and then the Feet:

Join Tail Seam

With WS together begin by folding the dinosaur in half along its back and tail and pressing flat with an iron (*check the iron temperature compatibility with your yarn choice first*).

Then mattress stitch the Tail Seam from the Tail Point to the corners of the Tail Underside Cast-On Edges. - See Figs. 4 & 5, join two dotted lines to create the tail seam



FIG. 5

Join top of the Hind Leg Crease Seam

With RS together, working on one side at a time, match Hind Leg Crease Cast-On Edge to Hind Leg Crease Cast-Off Edge ease the edges together and work back stitch to join the cast-on/ cast-off edges so to create a valley-seam at the backs of the hind legs. - See Figs. 4 & 6, join dotted lines C to D to create the Hind Leg Crease Seam



FIG. 6

Join Foreleg Back Crease Seam

With RS together, working on one side at a time, match Foreleg Crease Cast-Off Edge to Foreleg Crease Cast-On Edge, ease the edges together and work back stitch to join the cast-on/ cast-off edges so to create a valley-seam at the backs of the forelegs. - See Figs. 4 & 7, join dotted lines E to F to create the Foreleg Back Crease Seam



FIG. 7

Join Head Sides Seams

With RS together, working on one side at a time, match Head Sides Cast-Off Edge to the Head Back row ends and back stitch to join the gaps at the sides of the head. - See Fig. 8, join Head Sides Seam as dotted lines A to B
Turn out to RS.



FIG. 8

FIG. 9

Add Eyes

Refer to the photo in Fig. 9 for eye placement and push the eyes into the side of the head making sure they are symmetrical and you are happy with the placement before securing the eyes permanently with the washer backs.

I've also added a little stuffing (*I used a tightly packed, tiny ball of felt top*) into the forehead to emphasize the forehead shape.

Join Hind Leg Seams

The Hind Leg seams sit at the fronts of the legs so, working on one leg at a time, fold the Hind Leg with WS together so that the Hind Leg Cast-On Edge and the Hind Leg Back Cast-Off Edge meet. Ease the Seam and work mattress seam to join each front of the leg seam. - See Figs. 4 & 10, join as dotted lines I and J for Hind Leg Front Seams



FIG. 10

Join Foreleg Seams

The Foreleg seams sit at the fronts of the legs so, working on one leg at a time, fold the Foreleg with WS together so that the Foreleg Cast-On Edge and the Foreleg Back Cast-Off Edge meet - **NOTE: You only join the the Foreleg Back Seam Cast-Off Edge to about 3/4 of the Foreleg Seam Cast-On Edge.**

Ease the Seam and work mattress seam to join each front of the leg seam. - See Figs. 4 & 11, join as dotted lines I and J for Hind Leg Front Seams. - See Figs. 4 & 11, join as dotted lines G and H for Foreleg Front Seams



FIG. 11

BELLY

The Belly is picked up and knitted across the Tail Underside Cast-On Edges as follows:

RS facing with the Tail Seam facing up and the Tail Point towards you, begin near the corner of the Tail Underside Cast-on Edge that's on your right (*start and end the pick-up sts slightly before the cast-on sts*) and with yarn **B** pick up and knit 10 sts evenly across the cast-on edges from right to left, 5 stitches either side of the Tail Seam. - See Fig. 12, pick up and knit from A to B; B to C

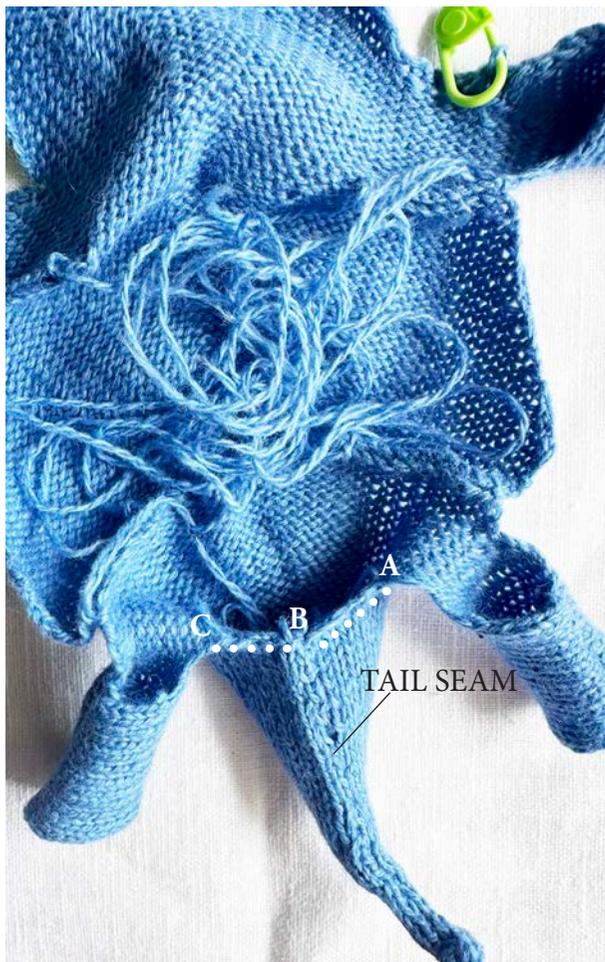


FIG. 12

Row 1. Purl

Row 2. Kfb, knit to last sts, kfb - 12sts

Rows 3-4. Repeat last 2 rows once - 14sts

Rows 5-11. Beginning with a purl row work seven rows stocking stitch, **PM** on first and last stitch of last row for Right & Left **Inner Hind Leg Markers**

Row 12-13. Beginning with a knit row work two rows stocking stitch

Row 14. (inc) Kfb, knit to last st, kfb - 16sts

Row 15-17. Beginning with a purl row work three rows stocking stitch

Row 18. (inc) Kfb, knit to last st, kfb - 18sts

Rows 19-29. Beginning with a purl row work 11 rows stocking stitch

Row 30. K2, skpo, k10, k2tog, k2 to end of row - 16sts

Rows 31-33. Beginning with a purl row work three rows stocking stitch

Row 34. K2, skpo, k8, k2tog, k2 to end of row - 14sts

Rows 33-45. Beginning with a purl row work 11 rows stocking stitch, **PM** on first and last stitch of last row for Left & Right **Inner Back Foreleg Markers**

Rows 46-53. Beginning with a knit row work eight rows stocking stitch, **PM** on first and last stitch of last row for Right & Left **Inner Front Foreleg Markers**

Row 54. Kfb, k4, kfb, k2, kfb, k4, kfb - 18sts

Row 55. Purl

Row 56. Kfb, k4, skpo, k4, k2tog, k4, kfb

Rows 57-60. Repeat last two rows twice

Row 61. Purl, **PM** on first and last stitch of last row for Right & Left **Throat Markers**

Row 62. K5, skpo, k4, k2tog, k5 to end of row - 16sts

Row 63-67. Beginning with a purl row work five rows stocking stitch, **PM** on first and last stitch of last row for Right & Left **Neck Front Markers**

Row 68. K4, skpo, k4, k2tog, k4 to end of row - 14sts

Row 69. Purl

Row 70. Kfb, k3, skpo, k2, k2tog, k3, kfb

Row 71-76. Repeat last 2 rows three times

Row 77. Purl

Row 78. K4, skpo, k2, k2tog, k4 to end of row - 12sts

Row 79. Purl

Row 80. Kfb, k2, skpo, k2, k2tog, k2, kfb

Row 81-92. Repeat last 2 rows seven times

Row 93. Purl

Row 94. K3, skpo, k2, k2tog, k3 to end of row - 10sts

Row 95. Purl

Row 96. Kfb, k1, skpo, k2, k2tog, k1, kfb

Row 97-110. Repeat last 2 rows seven times

Row 111. Purl

Row 112. K2, skpo, k2, k2tog, k2 to end of row - 8sts

Row 113. Purl

Row 114. Kfb, skpo, k2, k2tog, kfb

Row 115-122. Repeat last 2 rows four times

Row 123. Purl

Row 124. K1, skpo, k2, k2tog, k1 to end of row, **PM** on first and last stitch of last row for Right & Left **Top of Neck Markers** - 6sts

Row 125. Purl

Row 126. K2tog, knit to last 2 sts, k2tog - 4sts

Row 127. Purl

Row 128. Skpo, k2tog - 2sts

Row 129. P2tog, fasten off for Chin Point.

Join the remaining seams as follows:

Join Belly to Inner Hind Legs

With WS together, working on one side at a time, match the Inner Hind Leg Marker (*from the dinosaur's Belly*) to the top of the Hind Leg Seam (*the Hind Leg Seam sits at the front of the leg*) and work mattress stitch to join the belly row ends to the Hind Leg and Inner Hind Leg row ends from where you picked up for the Belly along to the Hind Leg Marker. - See Fig. 13, join as dotted lines show



FIG. 13

Join Belly to Back

With WS together, working on one side at a time, match the Inner Back Foreleg Marker (*from the dinosaur's Belly*) to the bottom of the Foreleg Crease Seam (*from the dinosaur's Back*), work mattress stitch to join row ends from the Belly to the row ends from the Back in between the Inner Back Foreleg Marker and the Inner Hind Leg Marker. - See Fig. 14, join as dotted lines show

Remove Inner Hind Leg Markers



FIG. 14

Join Belly to Inner Forelegs

With WS together, working on one side at a time, match the Inner Front Foreleg Marker (*from the dinosaur's Belly*) to the top of the Foreleg Seam (*the Foreleg Seam sits at the front of the leg*) and work mattress stitch to join the belly row ends to the Foreleg and Inner Foreleg row ends along to the Inner Back Foreleg Marker. - See Fig. 15, join as dotted lines show

Remove Inner Back Foreleg Markers

FIG. 15



FIG. 16

Join Front to Neck Front Seam

With WS together, working on one side at a time, match the Front Marker (*from the dinosaur's Back*) to the Neck Front Marker (*from the dinosaur's Belly*) and work mattress stitch to join the front row ends to the neck front row ends from the Neck Front/ Front Markers to the Inner Front Foreleg marker. - See Fig. 16, join as dotted lines show

Remove Inner Front Foreleg Markers and Neck Front Markers**Join Nose Seam to Chin Point and join Head Side Seam**

Before stuffing the body and joining the Neck Seam add a small ball of stuffing into the nose to create a nice muzzle shape, then, with WS together, match the Chin Point with the bottom of the Nose Seam and make a stitch or two to hold in place. Then, working on one side at a time, match the Head Side Marker to the Top of Neck Marker and work mattress stitch to join the tiny Head Side Seam from the stitch at the Neck Point/ bottom of Nose Seam to the Head Side/ Top of Neck Markers - See Fig. 17, join as dotted lines show

Remove Top of Neck and Head Sides Markers

FIG. 17

You can now stuff the dinosaur body and legs but if you want to add a wire armature do so as follows:

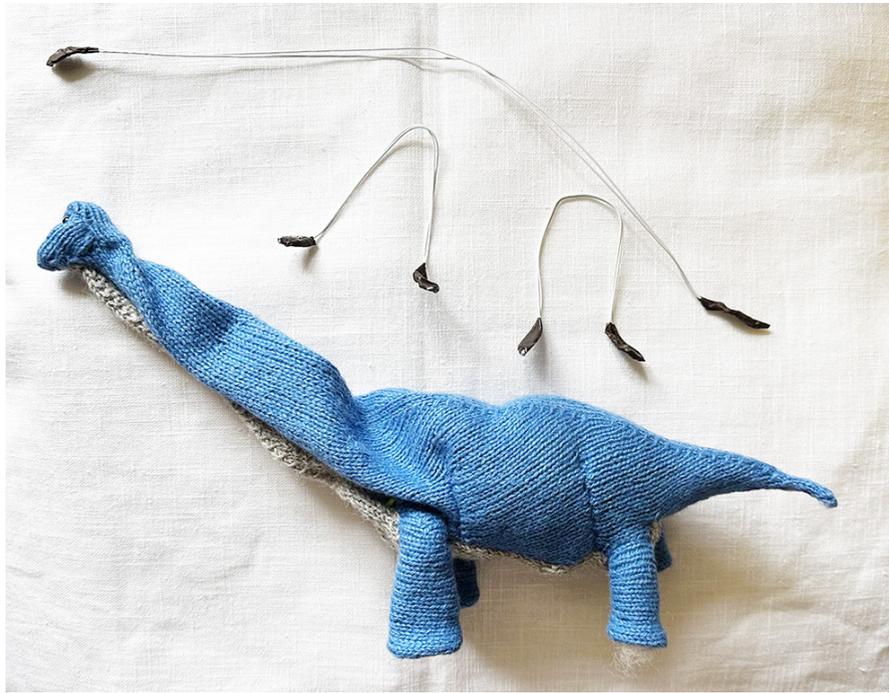


FIG. 18

Take two of the wires and twist the ends together at the ends. Wrap in Washi or masking tape to make safe the sharp ends. - See Fig. 18

For the legs bend one wire in half - one wire for a pair of legs, and again, secure the sharp ends with masking tape and then wrap tape around the bent end. - See Fig. 18

The body wire is then passed into the dinosaur - I pushed mine against the back to act like a kind of backbone. Stuff around the armature to hold the wire in place.

Before adding the leg armature, join the neck seam as follows:

Join Neck Seam

For this seam I found it best to join the yarn for the Neck Seam halfway along and join the top half before joining the bottom half, this way you can add stuffing as you join the neck seam. - See Figs. 19 & 20

Remove the final marker.



FIG. 19



FIG. 20

Add Leg Armature

Slip the leg armature into the legs - up and into one leg (*hind leg for example*) on one side and out the other (*hind*) leg and stuff all around. The little wire feet that are the ends that are wrapped in the Washi/ masking tape should be poking out at the bottoms of the legs - these will have the feet to cover them as follows:

FEET *Make 4 alike*

Both the Foreleg and Hind Leg Feet are knitted individually, before joining into the bottom of the legs, as follows:

With yarn **A** cast on 24 sts

Row 1. Purl

Row 2. K7, kfb, k4, m1, k4, kfb, k7 to end of row - 27sts

Rows 3-5. Beginning with a purl row work three rows stocking stitch

Row 6. [K7, k2tog] three times - 24sts

Row 7. Purl

Row 8. [K6, k2tog] three times - 21sts

Row 9. Purl

Row 10. [K5, k2tog] three times - 18sts

You will now work a knit row on the next row to create a garter stitch 'ridge' which marks the start of the Foot Sole, as follows:

Row 11. Knit

Row 12. Knit (*this is correct*)

Row 13. [P4, p2tog] three times - 15sts

Row 14. Knit

Row 15. [P3, p2tog] three times - 12sts

Row 16. [K2, k2tog] three times - 9sts

Row 17. [P1, p2tog] three times - 6sts

Cut yarn leaving a long tail end for sewing the foot seam, thread end through all 6 Foot Sole sts, pull up tight to gather the sts, secure the end.

Join Foot Seam

With WS together, match the row ends from the Foot Sole and mattress stitch together. Then match the row ends from the foot and mattress stitch the seam up to where you casted on. Leave the cast-on edge un-sewn.

The Seam will eventually sit at the back of the foot.

The foot sole will eventually be pushed upwards with a stitch to hold it in place. - See Fig. 21, the last of the four images.

Join Foot into the Leg

The Foot sits inside the edge of the leg and is then sewn in place.

The best way to do this is to first attach, with a stitch or two, the back of the foot (*where the seam lies*) to the back of the leg (*NOTE: the leg seam is at the front of the leg, not the back*).

Then attach the front of the foot to the front of the leg (*at the leg seam*).

After that, carefully join the edge of the leg over onto the foot with working the threaded-up needle into the top of the stitches at the end of the leg and drawing the needle out into the top of the foot - in effect joining the bottom of the leg over onto the foot - stuffing the foot at the same time. - See Fig. 21

Bony Detail at the Top of the Head

Thread up a longish length of yarn **B**.

Secure the end at the top of the head and work two straight stitches from the head back towards the nose. Work over the two straight stitches with over sew stitches to create two rounded bumps at the top of the head almost 'browing' the eyes. - See Figs. 22, 23 & 24

Teeth

Thread up a length of yarn **B**.

Secure the end near the nose and work the tiniest vertical stitches around the front of the nose for little teeth. - See Fig. 25

Toe Nails

Thread up a longish length of yarn **B**.

Secure the end near where the first Toe Nail is to be and work three over-sew stitches over and over each other for the first Toe Nail. - See Fig. 26



FIG. 21



FIG. 22



FIG. 23



FIG. 24



FIG. 25



FIG. 26

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