Izzy Teddy Bear Dolls

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Begin Shaping for Top of Head

Row 43 K1, *Knit 4 K2tog, repeat from * to last stitch, K1.

Row 44 (and alternate even rows) Knit

Row 45 K1, * Knit 3 K2tog, repeat from * to last stitch, K1.

Row 47 K1, * Knit 2, K2 tog, repeat from *to last stich, K1.

Row 49 K1, * Knit 1, K2 tog, repeat from *to last stich, K1.

Row 50 K1, * K2 tog, repeat from *to last stich, K1.

Draw yarn through remaining stitches and pull to close. Secure yarn.

Materials

Model is knit in KnitPicks Brava Sport on 2.75mm dpns

Basic Body (work in stocking stitch throughout)

Cast on 32 stitches with long-tail cast on method. Leaving an 8 inch tail for finishing. Arrange evenly on 4 needles. Join for working in the round.

Refer to chart or knit from pattern as follows:

LEGS

Rows 1-18 Knit in body colour

PLAIN SHIRT (or see cable and stripe options below)

Rows 19-30 Knit in contrast colour

FACE

Rows 31-42 Knit in body colour

To Finish Doll

Refer to chart for seam placement.

Stuff head. Sew a running of matching yarn across the first face row. Draw up to form neck and knot securely. Use ends to define arms as noted below.

Stuff body. Using long tail from cast on, sew a running stitch around first row of feet. Draw up to close doll.

Define legs. Using long tail from cast on, define legs with tiny backstitches through all layers - from bottom to beginning of bodice. Secure yarn.
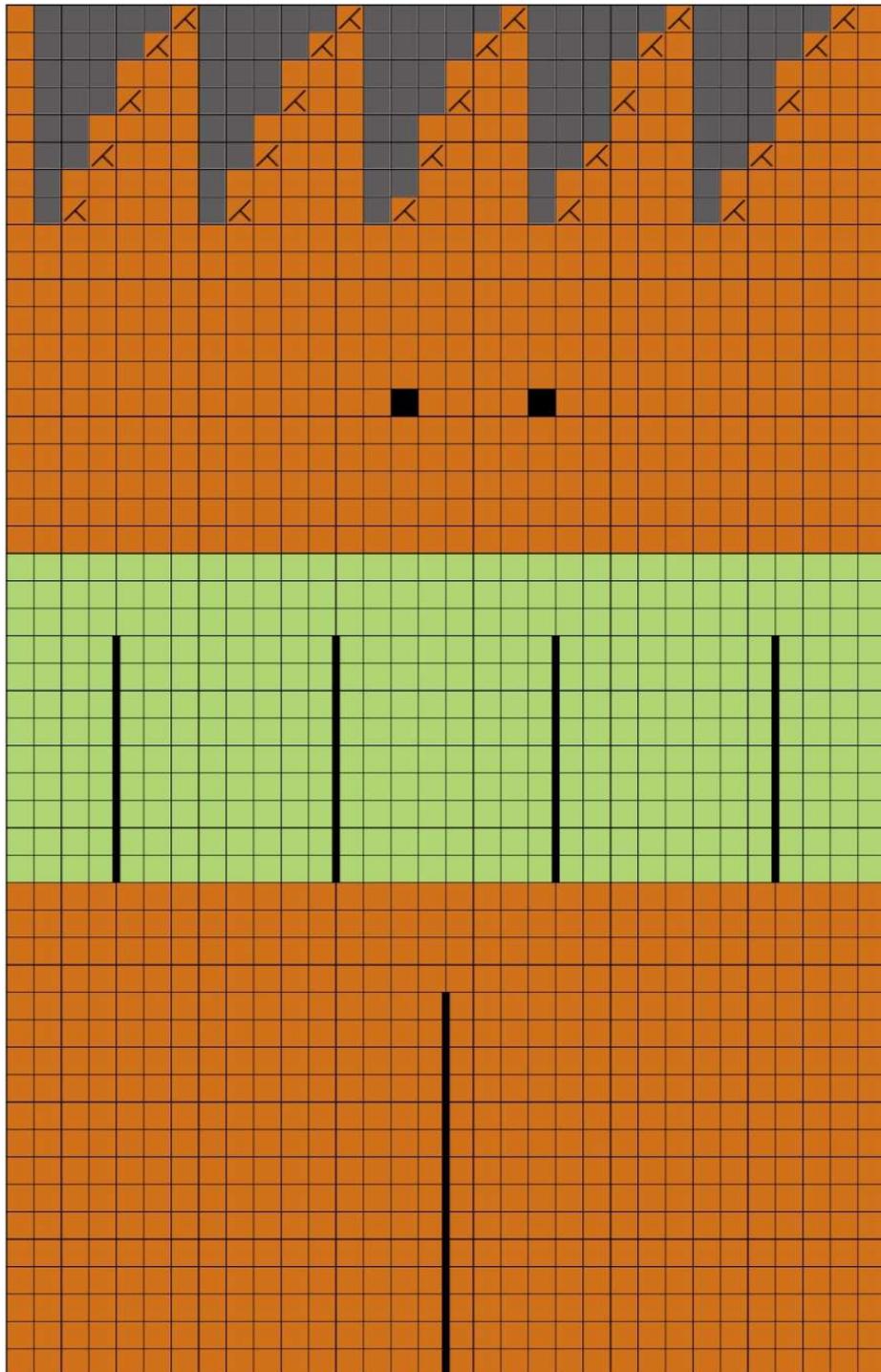
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<u>Define arms.</u> Using ends from neck seam, define arms with tiny backstitches through all layers - from 2 stitches below neck to waist. Secure yarn.

<u>Embroider face.</u> Using picture for reference, embroider face features in black yarn.

<u>Attach Ears</u>

Pick up 4 stitches from top of finished head. Join body colour.

Row 1-2 Knit

Row 3-4 Kfb, knit to end.

Row 5-6 K2tog, knit to end.

Thread working yarn through 4 live stitches and continue down ear through three edge stitches. Draw up yarn gently and tack to base of ear to 'curve.'

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Legend:

- ⬛ No stitch
- ◸ Tog/K2 Tog

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Fishbone Cable Sweater (Option A)

Row 19 Knit

Row 20 Knit 12, Purl 2, Knit 4, Purl 2, Knit.

Row 21 Knit 12, Purl 2, Sl1 to CN, hold in back, K1, K1 from CN, Sl1 to CN, hold in front, K1, K1 from cable needle. Purl 2, Knit to end.

Row 22-23 (repeat Row 20)

Row 24 (repeat cable Row 21)

Row 25-26 (repeat Row 20)

Row 27 (repeat cable Row 21)

Row 28-29 (repeat Row 20)

Row 30 (repeat cable Row 21)

Cable Sweater (Option B)

Row 19 Knit

Row 20 Knit 12, Purl 2, Knit 4, Purl 2, Knit to end.

Row 21 Knit 12, Purl 2, Sl1 to CN, hold in front, K3, K1 from CN, Purl 2, Knit to end.

Row 22-24 (repeat Row 20)

Row 25 (repeat cable Row 21)

Row 26-28 (repeat Row 20)

Row 29 (repeat cable Row 21)

Row 30 (repeat Row 20)

Chunky Cable Sweater (Option C)

Row 19 Knit

Row 20 Knit 12, Purl 1, Knit 6, Purl 1, Knit to end.

Row 21 Knit 12, Purl 1, Sl3 to CN, hold in front, K3, K3 from CN, Purl 1, Knit to end.

Row 22-24 (repeat Row 20)

Row 25 (repeat cable Row 21)

Row 26-28 (repeat Row 20)

Row 29 (repeat cable Row 21)

Row 30 (repeat Row 20)

Striped Sweater (Option D)

Row 19-22 Knit in green

Row 23 Knit in white

Row 24 Knit in green

Row 25-26 Knit in white
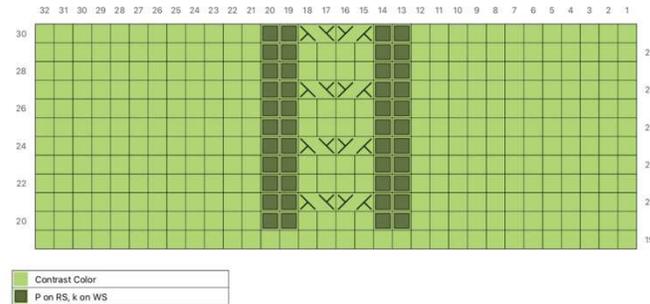
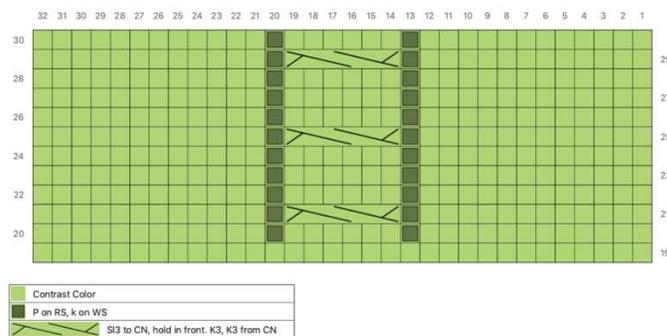Row 27 Knit in green

Row 28 Knit in white

Row 29-30 Knit in green.

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Cable Sweater Option A

| | Contrast Color |
| | P on RS, k on WS |

Cable Sweater Option C

	Contrast Color
	P on RS, k on WS
	Sl3 to CN, hold in front. K3, K3 from CN

Cable Sweater Option B

	Contrast Color
	P on RS, k on WS
	Sl1 to CN. Hold in front. K3, K1 from CN

Striped Sweater

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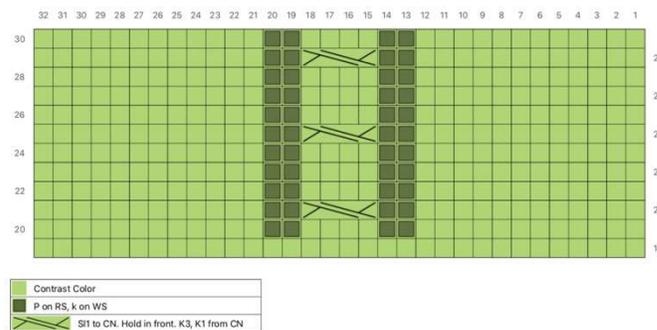a free knitting pattern by Esther Braithwaite
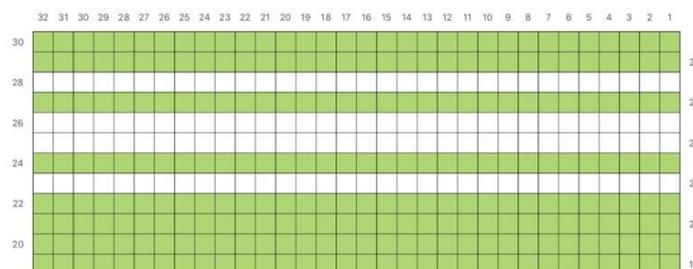www.stitchandshare.weebly.com

About the History of Izzy Dolls

In Canada, Izzy Dolls are knit in recognition and memory of Master Corporal Mark Isfeld, who lost his life to a landmine explosion in Croatia in 1994.

Mark's mother created the Izzy doll for his unit to share with children during their work in peacekeeping.

You can read more about his legacy here: https://www.hpicanada.ca/izzy-dolls/mark-isfeld/

Where to Donate

Variations of Izzy Dolls, sometimes called comfort dolls, are welcomed by many volunteer organizations both locally and overseas.

I support Health Partners International Canada with my dolls. HPIC uses the dolls instead of packaging material to protect medicines and medical supplies that are distributed to relief clinics in areas of need around the world. The dolls are then given to children who visit the clinics.

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