

# KNITTED CATNIP MICE PATTERN

*Double knitting wool, kapok, dried catnip, size 3.25 (old size 10) knitting needles*

Worked in stocking stitch.

Abbreviations: k = knit, p = purl, m = make



## Body

Cast on 9 stitches

**Row 1:** Knit across

**Row 2:** Purl across

**Row 3:** K1, m1, k to last 2 stitches, k 1 m 1 k1 (11 stitches)

**Row 4:** P across

**Row 5:** K1, m1, knit to last 2 stitches k1, m1, k1 (13 sts)

**Row 6:** P across

**Row 7:** K1, m1, knit to last 2 stitches k1, m1, k1 (15 sts)

**Row 8:** P across

**Row 9:** K1, m1, knit to last 2 stitches k1, m1, k1 (17 sts)

**Row 10:** P across

Start alternate colours and use every two rows.

**Row 11:** K1, m1, knit to last 2 stitches, k1 m1, k1 (19 sts)

**Row 12:** P across

**Row 13:** K1, m1, knit to last 2 stitches k1, m1, k1 (21 sts)

**Row 14:** P across

**Row 15:** K1, m1, knit to last 2 stitches k1, m1, k1 (23 sts)

**Row 16:** P across

**Row 17:** K1, m1, knit to last 2 stitches k1, m1, k1 (25 sts)

**Rows 18 to 36:** Continue in stocking stitch changing colour every two rows and without increasing.

Cut about 15cm of yarn.

Thread yarn through remaining stitches and draw tight to make round 'tail end' of mouse.

## Ears x 2

Cast on 5 sts

Knit in stocking stitch for 5 rows. Cut about 10 cm of yarn, thread it through stitches and draw tight to make round part of ear. Darn in yarn end.

## Tail

Cast on 4 stitches and knit stocking stitch to the desired length. Cut off about 15cm of yarn, thread it through stitches and draw up tight to make round end of tail. Sew up long edges of tail using the cut yarn.

## Finishing

1. Sew two sides of mouse body together from 'tail end' to 'nose end' (making sure your stripes match up), leaving a hole for stuffing.
2. Insert stuffing (and optional catnip) into mouse body.
3. Finish sewing body right up to the tip of the nose.
4. Sew on ears and tail using yarn ends.
5. Embroider the nose and eyes.