

# Dexter Dog

This loveable pooch is quick to knit or crochet and will make a cute canine companion...

## Knitting & Crochet



### KNITTED DOG: Measurements

Approximately 8cm/3in high.

### Materials

Small amount of DK yarn in each of Beige and Brown

Pair of 3mm (No. 11) knitting needles

Washable toy stuffing

Length of narrow ribbon

### CROCHET DOG: Measurements

Approximately 8cm/3in high.

### Materials

Small amount of DK yarn in each of Beige and Brown

Size 3.00 crochet hook

Washable toy stuffing

Length of narrow ribbon

### Abbreviations

**K**, knit; **p**, purl; **st**, stitch; **tog**, together; **inc**, increase (by working twice into same st); **dec**, decrease (by working 2 sts tog); **ss**, stocking st (k on right side and p on wrong side).

### Note

Yarn amounts are based on average requirements and are therefore approximate. Instructions in square brackets are worked as stated after 2nd bracket.

### Skill Level

Beginner

## KNITTED DOG

### Body

With 3mm needles and Beige, cast on 10 sts for base edge.

P 1 row.

**1st inc row:** [Inc kwise in next st] to end – 20 sts. P 1 row.

**2nd inc row:** [Inc in next st, k1] to end – 30 sts. P 1 row.

**3rd inc row:** [Inc in next st, k2] to end – 40 sts. Ss 5 rows.

**1st dec row:** [K2, k2tog] to end – 30 sts. Ss 7 rows.

**2nd dec row:** [K1, k2tog] to end – 20 sts. Ss 7 rows.

**3rd dec row:** [K2tog] to end – 10 sts. Break off yarn and thread end through remaining sts, pull up tightly and secure. Gather cast-on edge, pull up tightly and secure. Join row-ends, leaving an opening. Stuff and close opening.

### Head

With 3mm needles and Beige, cast on 8 sts for back of head. P 1 row.

**1st inc row:** [Inc kwise in next st] to end – 16 sts. P 1 row.

**2nd inc row:** [Inc in next st, k1] to end – 24 sts. P 1 row.

**3rd inc row:** [Inc in next st, k2] to end – 32 sts. Ss 7 rows.

**1st dec row:** K8, [k2tog] 8 times, k8 – 24 sts. Ss 3 rows.

**2nd dec row:** [K2, k2tog] to end – 18 sts. Ss 2 rows.

**3rd dec row:** [P2tog, p1] to end – 12 sts. Break off yarn and thread end through remaining sts, pull up tightly and secure, then join last 8 row-ends.

Gather cast-on edge, pull up tightly and secure, then join first 6 row-ends. Stuff and sew open edge to top of body.

### Legs

**Front legs (make 2):** With 3mm needles and Brown, cast on 12 sts. P 1 row. Join in Beige.

Beginning with a k row, ss 4 rows.

**Dec row:** K3, [k2tog] 3 times, k3 – 9 sts. Ss 6 rows.

Break off yarn and thread end through remaining sts, pull up tightly and secure.

**Back legs (make 2):** With 3mm needles and Brown, cast on 14 sts. P 1 row. Join in Beige.

Beginning with a k row, ss 4 rows.

**Dec row:** K4, [k2tog] 3 times, k4 – 11 sts. Ss 8 rows.

Break off yarn and thread end through remaining sts, pull up tightly and secure.

Gather cast-on edge on each leg, then join



row-ends, leaving an opening. Stuff and close opening. Sew legs in position.

### Ears

**(make 2)**

With 3mm needles and Brown, cast on 16 sts. Beginning with a p row, ss 5 rows.

**Dec row:** [K2, k2tog] to end. Ss 5 rows.

Work dec row again – 9 sts. P 1 row.

Break off yarn and thread end through remaining sts, pull up tightly and secure. Fold ear in half and join cast-on edge and row-ends. With the seam at back, sew ears to sides of head.

### Tail

With 3mm needles and Brown, cast on 8 sts.

Beginning with a p row, ss 5 rows.

**Dec row:** [K2tog] to end – 4 sts. P 1 row.

Break off yarn and thread end through remaining stitches, pull up tightly and secure. Join row-ends and sew cast-on edge to back of body.

### Face features

**Eyes (make 2):** With 3mm needles and Brown, cast on 3 sts. Break off yarn and thread end through stitches on needle, pull up tightly and secure. Join short ends.

Position and sew eyes to head.

With Brown, embroider tip of nose and mouth as shown in photo.

Place ribbon around neck and tie into a bow at front.

### CROCHET DOG

#### Body

**1st round:** With 3.00 hook, wind Beige round index finger of left hand to form a slip ring, insert hook into ring, yarn round hook and

pull through, 1ch (does not count as a st), 8dc into ring, pull end of yarn tightly to close ring. Mark end of last round and move marker at end of every round.

**2nd round:** [2dc in next st] 8 times – 16 sts.

**3rd round:** [1dc in each of next 2 sts, 2dc in next st] 5 times, 1dc in last st – 21 sts.

**4th to 12th rounds:** [1dc in next st] 21 times.

**13th round:** [1dc in each of next 2 sts, dc2tog] 5 times, 1dc in last st – 16 sts.

**14th round:** [1dc in next st, dc2tog] 5 times, 1dc in last st – 11 sts. Stuff firmly.

**15th round:** [Dc2tog] 5 times, 1dc in last st – 6 sts.

**16th round:** [Dc2tog] 3 times – 3 sts.

Fasten off for neck edge.

Run yarn through top of last round, pull up tightly and fasten off securely.

## Head

**1st round:** With 3.00 hook and Beige, make a slip ring as on body, 1ch (does not count as a st), 5dc into ring, pull end of yarn tightly to close ring.

Mark end of last round and move marker at end of every round.

**2nd round:** [2dc in next st] 5 times – 10 sts.

**3rd to 5th rounds:** [1dc in next st] 10 times.

**6th round:** 3dc in each of next 3 sts, 1dc in each of last 7 sts – 16 sts.

**7th round:** 2dc in each of next 9 sts, 1dc in each of last 7 sts – 25 sts.

**8th to 12th rounds:** [1dc in next st] 25 times.

**13th round:** [1dc in each of next 3 sts, dc2tog] 5 times – 20 sts.

**14th round:** [1dc in each of next 2 sts, dc2tog] 5 times – 15 sts.

**15th round:** [1dc in next st, dc2tog] 5 times – 10 sts.

Stuff snout and head firmly.

**16th round:** [Dc2tog] 5 times – 5 sts.

**17th round:** [Dc2tog] twice, 1dc in last st – 3 sts. Fasten off for back of head.

Run yarn through last round, pull up tightly and fasten off securely. Sew head to body.

Embroider eyes, tip of nose and mouth with Brown as shown in photo. Place ribbon around neck and tie into a bow at front.

## Legs

**(make 4)**

**1st round:** With 3.00 hook and Brown, make a slip ring as on body, 1ch (does not count as a st), 6dc into ring, slst in first dc, pull end of yarn tightly to close ring.

Fasten off.

Join in Beige.

**2nd round:** 1ch (does not count as a st), [2dc in next st] 6 times – 12 sts.

Mark end of last round and move marker at end of every round.



**3rd round:** [1dc in each of next 2 sts, dc2tog] 3 times – 9 sts.

**4th to 8th rounds:** [1dc in next st] 9 times.

Fasten off.

Stuff firmly and sew fastened off edge to underside of body in desired position.

## Ears

**(make 2)**

**1st round:** With 3.00 hook and Brown, make a slip ring as on body, 1ch (does not count as a st), 8dc into ring, pull end of yarn up tightly to close ring.

Mark end of last round and move marker at end of every round.

**2nd round:** [2dc in next st] 8 times – 16 sts.

**3rd to 5th rounds:** [1dc in next st] 16 times.

**6th round:** [1dc in each of next 2 sts, dc2tog] 4 times – 12 sts.

**7th round:** [1dc in each of next 2 sts, dc2tog] 3 times – 9 sts.

**8th to 11th rounds:** [1dc in next st] 9 times.

Fasten off.

Flatten and sew fastened off edge at each side of top of head.

## Tail

**1st round:** With 3.00 hook and Brown, make a slip ring as on body, 1ch (does not count as a st), 4dc into ring, pull end of yarn tightly to close ring.

Mark end of last round and move marker at end of every round.

**2nd round:** [1dc in next st] 4 times.

**3rd round:** 2dc in next st, 1dc in each of last 3 sts – 5 sts.

**4th round:** 2dc in next st, 1dc in each of last 4 sts – 6 sts.

**5th to 8th rounds:** [1dc in next st] 6 times.

Fasten off.

Sew fastened off edge to back of body.

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