

H'elegant Hedgehog



Materials:

- Bulky weight, brown or other color for main body (this uses Ozark Opulent for the hedgehogs, but any thick novelty yarn will do, the nubbier, the better.)
- Bulky weight, light color for face (this uses a nubby handspun bulky, but you can substitute a smooth bulky weight as desired.)
- Small amount of worsted yarn to match hedgehog body
- Knitting needles US size 15
- Sewing needle
- Large eye needle (for sewing body seams)
- Polyester stuffing
- Three round buttons

Gauge: Not important for this pattern.

Hedgehog is approximately 12 inches in length, nose to bottom.

Body:

Cast on 24 stitches (sts) with main body color.

Work 18 rows in garter stitch (knit every row).

Face:

Row 19: Switch to light colored yarn (k2, k2tog) repeat to end of row (18 sts)

Row 20: Purl across row

Row 21: (K2, k2tog) repeat to end of row (14 sts)

Row 22: Purl

Row 23: K2, k2tog, k1, k2tog, k2tog, k1, k2tog, k2 (10 sts)

Row 24: Purl

Row 25: (K2, k2tog) across row (8 sts)

Row 26: Purl

Row 27: (K2, k2tog) across row 6 sts

Row 28: Purl

Row 29: (K2 tog) three times

Row 30: Purl

Row 31: K2tog, k1, cut and pull yarn through 2 sts and end.

Ears:

Make 2

CO 4 sts with face color

Row 1: Knit

Row 2: (K2tog) twice

Row 3: K2tog; pull yarn through to end.

To assemble:

1. Stitch up snout and weave in ends.
2. Stitch up the side of body and weave in ends.
3. Stuff hedgehog, and with worsted, do a running stitch at the top of the row on the back end of hedgehog. Carefully pull the running stitches to tighten and close the back opening. Knot, and bury yarn ends. Tack on ears, and add button eyes and nose, using photo as placement guide.

