

"Eleven in Eleven" (11 new ideas in 2011!)

January Concept #1: Knitting in the Round

Basically, you just cast on your starting stitches onto one needle and then divide them among three needles. On your first round, position your 3 needles so that the yarn is on the right needle and join the ring by starting to knit in the first cast on stitch and continue around. If you are new to knitting in the round, please look up the subject on the Internet, there are many videos there showing the technique!

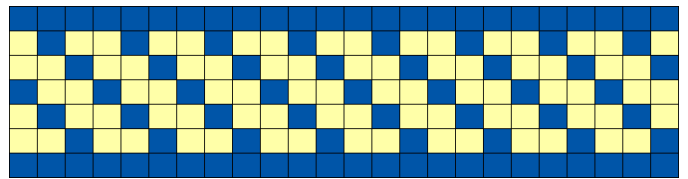
Teddy Bear Skirt Knit in the Round

Materials: Worsted weight yarn in ecru (A) and blue (B), needles to give gauge (try size 4 DP needles).

Gauge: 20 stitches = 4" in stockinette stitch (knit one row, purl one row)

Pattern: Use whatever pattern or length you wish for the skirt. The pictures show three versions.

Skirt is knit in the round using DP needles. Instructions are for (13" Bear / 11" Bear / 9" Bear).



Starting at hem of skirt:

- Using A, cast on (72 / 64 / 48) sts
- P (3 / 2 / 2) rows
- K remaining rows using pattern as shown in chart until desired skirt length to waist, about (2½" / 2" / 1½")
- (K2tog) across (36 / 32 / 24) sts
- Rib (4 / 3 / 3) rows
- Bind off
- Weave in loose ends using either a tapestry needle or a crochet hook



Size "small" also works for Beanie Babies®!