

ROLY POLY CLOWN

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LK 150 – Knitting should not be too tight but not so loose that you will see the fiberfill.

Yarn:

Red Heart variegated yarn for body and hat or whatever you wish to use
White for face and hands - Red for neck ruffle - Yellow for hair



BODY:

COR Push 50 needles out to hold position (D) 25 – 0 – 25
Using your 1 x 1 pusher, push EON back to A position

Row 1: Thread carriage with body color - Knit to left – hang cast on comb
Push needles that were put back to A position up to B 25 – 0 – 25

Row 2: Knit to right. (RC 002)

Knit to (RC 032)

Starting with 3rd stitch from right edge transfer it and every third stitch one needle to the left.
Knit one row (RC 033)

Take off on waste yarn or garter bar, then rehang on 35 needles 18 – 0 – 17

Push all needles to D position, take a 20" piece of scrap yarn and weave it over and under the needles, push stitches and woven yarn to the back of needles, behind the latch

FACE

Set RC 000

Change to White yarn (face) Knot the body and the face yarn at the outer edge.

Knit 19 rows (RC 019) COL

Starting with 2nd stitch on right edge, transfer it and every other stitch one needle to the left.

Knit one row at your chosen tension plus 2 (mine was 5.5 + 2.0 = 7.5) (RC 019)

Cut yarn leaving a 20" tail –

Thread onto needle and pick up stitches. Pull tightly and secure.

Sew the seam at the back of the head (mattress stitch).

Stuff the head with fiberfill.

Take the scrap yarn you wove over and under the needles and pull both ends to close off the head section from the body section. I left a hole about $\frac{3}{4}$ to 1 inch inside. Tie and secure these ends. Clip and tuck inside.

Sew up the seam with the white or body color (mattress stitch)

Stuff the body.

Pull the cast on yarn to close the bottom of the body. Knot securely with the yarn you used to sew the body seam, thread and bury them into the filling.

ARMS & HANDS (Leave sewing tails at the beginning and end)

With Main Color – Main Tension

Cast on 12 stitches

Knit 18 rows

Change to white

Knit 10 rows

Change to main color

Knit 18 rows

Knit 1 row at tension 9

Crochet cast off

Sew white seams toward the center using white yarn ends (5 sts to the center each side)
Wrap one strand of the yarn around the center of the hands and knot. Do not cut yarn yet!

The arms will automatically roll under. Fold so seam is in center back and whip stitch the ends to flatten. Stitch the arm in place at the side and slightly to the back of the body, close to the head.

Repeat on the other side.

Using one of the white yarn ends to secure the hands to front of body and knot to other yarn end.

Sew in ends in seam underneath and lip ends.

RUFFLE

COR Main tension

Push 70 needles out to hold position (D) 35 – 0 – 35

Using your 1 x 1 pusher, push EON back to A position

Row 1: Thread carriage with frill color - Knit to left

Push needles that were put back to A position up to B 35 – 0 – 35

Row 2: Knit to right. (RC 002)

Rows 3 – 6: Knit ending with COR

Change to highest possible tension (LK 150 it is 9)

Knit to left and dribble yarn into carriage

Crochet cast off these stitches.

Place the knitted piece around the clown's neck; pull the cast on yarn until it is encircling the neck in a ruffle. Knot it to the cast off piece of yarn securely. Thread one of these yarns and take a couple of securing stitches at the back of the ruffle to make sure it wouldn't turn. Knot again with cast off yarn then bury the ends into the body of the clown.

HAT

Main Tension COR

Crochet cast on 41 stitches 20 – 0 – 21

Knit 3 rows – hang weights

Take off on waste yarn or garter bar

Turn work COR

Knit 10 rows (RC 013)

Starting with 2nd stitch in from right edge move EOS over one to the left

Knit one row and main tension plus 2

Take these stitches off the machine onto a double end or circular needle

Hand knit (sorry about this) the rest of the hat

Knit 2 tog across the row, K1

Purl across

Knit 2 tog across the row, K1 6 stitches remaining.

Purl across.

Cast off leaving a 20" tail for sewing the hat.

Sew from the top down about three stitches, and then weave the yarn around the hat where the larger stitches are then pull up and secure. This makes a little topknot on top of the hat.

Sew the seam (mattress stitch) with the same yarn and secure at bottom. Don't cut this yarn yet.

HAIR

Now you are really going to be mad at me. I used a crochet hook!

Chain 8

SC in 2nd chain from beginning

Chain 6

SC in chain beside last loop.

Continue until you have 14 loops or whatever you need to go around the clown's head from side to side. There is no hair over the face.

Sew this hair to the underside of the hat.

FACIAL FEATURES

At this point I put on the features.

Using the body/hat yarn I made the eyes. Feeding the yarn in through the top of the head and back out the same place, tie a knot and bury the yarn in the head.

Used the red for the nose, feeding it in the same as above. I did a French knot for the nose and just a straight line for the mouth. Finished it the same as above.

Used a permanent marker to rosy up the cheeks.

FINISHING

Stuff and attach the hat/hair combo to the head. Use yarn the left over from seam, bury ends.