



Free Knitting Pattern
Lion Brand® Homespun®
Pond Alligator
Pattern Number: 50390



Not your typical stuffed animal! This guy has loads of personality!

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SKILL LEVEL: Intermediate (Level 3)

SIZE: One Size

35 inches [89 cm] long, approximately

CORRECTIONS: (applied Jun 15, 2005)

There are VERY extensive corrections to this pattern. Please [download a new free pattern](#)

MATERIALS

- 790-327 Lion Brand Homespun
Yarn: Plantation DISCONTINUED
2 Balls (A)
- 790-369 Lion Brand Homespun
Yarn: Florida Keys Green
1 Ball (B)
- Lion Brand Knitting Needles - Size
10 [6 mm]
- Lion Brand Large-Eye Blunt
Needles (Set of 6)
- Additional Materials
Two 1¼ inch [32 mm] black shank
buttons for eyes
Two ¾ inch [19 mm] black shank
buttons for nose
12 oz [340 g] fiberfill stuffing

**Homespun® (Article #790). 98% Acrylic, 2%
Polyester; package size: 6.00oz/170.00 gr.
(185yds/169m) pull skeins*



GAUGE:

9.5 sts + 15 rows = 4 inches [10 cm] in Stockinette st (k on RS, p on WS). When you match the gauge in a pattern, your project will be the size specified in the pattern and the materials specified in the pattern will be sufficient. The needle or hook size called for in the pattern is based on what the designer used, but it is not unusual for gauge to vary from person to person. If it takes you fewer stitches and rows to make your swatch, try using a smaller size hook or needles; if more stitches and rows, try a larger size hook or needles.

[Making a Gauge Swatch](#)

STITCH EXPLANATION:

FB Knit into front and back of st.

BF Knit into back and front of st.

FBF Knit into front, back, and front of st.

BFB Knit into back, front, and back of st.

ssk (slip, slip, knit) Slip next 2 sts as if to k, one at a time to right needle; insert left needle into fronts of these 2 sts and k them tog.

NOTES:

Alligator is knit in pieces – back, belly, and 4 legs. Both the back and belly pieces begin at the tail end, and work toward the head. Because the back is worked in garter stitch, and because it should be slightly rounded when stuffed, it has more rows than the belly piece, and is wider than the belly piece.

ALLIGATOR

BACK

Beginning at tail, with A, cast on 3 sts.

Row 1 (WS) Knit.

Row 2 FB, k 1, BF – 5 sts.

Row 3 Knit. Join B.

Row 4 With A, k 2; with B, FBF in next st; with A, k 2 – 7 sts.

Row 5 With A, k 2; with B, k 1; with A, k 1; with B, k 1; with A, k 2.

Row 6 With A, FB, k 5, BF – 9 sts.

Row 7 With A, knit.

Row 8 With A, k 3; with B, FBF; with A, k 1; with B, BFB; with A, k 3 – 13 sts.

Row 9 With A, k 3, k2tog, k 3, k2tog, k 3 – 11 sts.

Rows 10-11 With A, knit.

Row 12 With A, k 3; with B, FBF; with A, k 3; with B, BFB; with A, k 3 – 15 sts.

Row 13 With A, k 3, k2tog, k 5, k2tog, k 3 – 13 sts.

Rows 14-15 With A, knit.

Row 16 With A, k 3; with B, FBF; with A, k 5; with B, BFB; with A, k 3 – 17 sts.

Row 17 With A, k 4, k2tog, k 5, k2tog, k 4 – 15 sts.

Rows 18-19 With A, knit.

Row 20 With A, k 4; with B, FBF; with A, k 5; with B, BFB; with A, k 4 – 19 sts.

Row 21 With A, k 5, k2tog, k 5, k2tog, k 5 – 17 sts.

Rows 22-23 With A, knit.

Row 24 With A, k 5; with B, FBF; with A, k 5; with B, BFB; with A, k 5 – 21 sts.

Row 25 With A, k 6, k2tog, k 5, k2tog, k 6 – 19 sts.

Rows 26-27 With A, knit.

Row 28 With A, k 6; with B, FBF; with A, k 5; with B, BFB; with A, k 6 – 23 sts.

Row 29 With A, k 7, k2tog, k 5, k2tog, k 7 – 21 sts.

Rows 30-31 With A, knit.

Row 32 With A, k 6; with B, BF next 2 sts; with A, k 5; with B, BF next 2 sts; with A, k 6 – 25 sts.

Row 33 With A, FB, k 5, k2tog twice, k 5, k2tog twice, k 5, BF – 23 sts.

Rows 34-35 With A, knit.

Row 36 With A, k 7; with B, BF next 2 sts; with A, k 5; with B, BF next 2 sts; with A, k 7 – 27 sts.

Row 37 With A, FB, k 6, k2tog twice, k 5, k2tog twice, k 6, BF – 25 sts.

Rows 38-39 With A, knit.

Row 40 With A, k 8; with B, BF next 2 sts; with A, k 5; with B, BF next 2 sts; with A, k 8 – 29 sts.

Row 41 With A, FB, k 7, with B, k2tog twice, with A, k 5, with B, k2tog twice, with A, k 7, BF – 27 sts.



Rows 42-43 With A, knit.

Row 44 With A, k 9; with B, FB next 2 sts; with A, k 5; with B, BF next 2 sts; with A, k 9 – 31 sts.

Row 45 With A, k 9, with B, k2tog twice, with A, k 5, with B, k2tog twice, with A, k 9 – 27 sts.

Rows 46-47 With A, knit.

Rows 48-63 Repeat Rows 44-47 for 4 times.

Row 64 Repeat Row 44 – 31 sts.

Row 65 With A, FB, k 8; with B, k2tog twice; with A, k 5; with B, k2tog twice; with A, k 8, BF – 29 sts.

Rows 66-67 With A, knit.

Row 68 With A, k 10; with B, FB next 2 sts; with A, k 5; with B, BF next 2 sts; with A, k 10, – 33 sts.

Row 69 With A, k 10; with B, k2tog twice; with A, k 5; with B, k2tog twice; with A, k 10 – 29 sts.

Rows 70-71 With A, knit.

Row 72 Repeat Row 68 – 33 sts.

Row 73 With A, FB, k 9; with B, k2tog twice; with A, k 5; with B, k2tog twice; with A, k 9, BF – 31 sts.

Rows 74-75 With A, knit.

Row 76 With A, k 11; with B, FB next 2 sts; with A, k 5; with B, BF next 2 sts; with A, k 11 – 35 sts.

Row 77 With A, k 11; with B, k2tog twice; with A, k 5; with B, k2tog twice; with A, k 11 – 31 sts.

Rows 78-79 With A, knit.

Rows 80-127 Repeat Rows 76-79 for 12 times.

Row 128 With A, k2tog, k 9; with B, FB next 2 sts; with A, k 5; with B, BF next 2 sts; with A, k 9, k2tog – 33 sts.

Row 129 With A, k 10; with B, k2tog twice; with A, k 5; with B, k2tog twice; with A, k 10 – 29 sts.

Rows 130-131 With A, knit.

Row 132 With A, k 10; with B, FB next 2 sts; with A, k 5; with B, BF next 2 sts; with A, k 10 – 33 sts.

Row 133 Repeat Row 129.

Rows 134-135 Knit.

Rows 136-139 Repeat Rows 132-135.

Row 140 With A, k2tog, k 8; with B, FB twice; with A, k 5; with B, BF twice; with A, k 8, k2tog – 31 sts.

Row 141 With A, k 9; with B, k2tog twice; with A, k 5; with B, k2tog twice; with A, k 9 – 27 sts.

Row 142 With A, k 9; with B, k2tog; with A, k 5; with B, k2tog; with A, k 9 – 25 sts.

Row 143 With A, k 9; with B, FB; with A, k 5; with B, BF; with A, k 9 – 27 sts.

Row 144 With A, k 9, k2tog, k 5, k2tog, k 9 – 25 sts.

Row 145 Knit.

Row 146 With A, k2tog, k 7; with B, FB; with A, k 5; with B, BF; with A, k 7, k2tog – 25 sts.

Row 147 With A, k 8, k2tog, k 5, k2tog, k 8 – 23 sts.

Row 148 With A, knit.

Row 149 With A, k2tog, k to last 2 sts, k2tog – 21 sts.

Row 150 With A, k 7; with B, FB; with A, k 5; with B, BF; with A, k 7 – 23 sts.

Row 151 With A, k 7, k2tog, k 5, k2tog, k 7 – 21 sts.

Row 152 With A, knit.

Row 153 Repeat Row 149 – 19 sts.

Row 154 With A, k 6; with B, FB; with A, k 5; with B, BF; with A, k 6 – 21 sts.

Row 155 With A, k 6, k2tog, k 5, k2tog, k 6 – 19 sts.

Row 156 With A, knit.

Row 157 With A, repeat Row 149 – 17 sts.

Row 158 With A, k 5; with B, FB; with A, k 5; with B, BF; with A, k 5 – 19 sts.

Row 159 With A, k 5, k2tog, k 5, k2tog, k 5 – 17 sts.

Row 160 With A, repeat Row 149 – 15 sts.

Row 161 With A, knit.

Row 162 With A, k 4; with B, FB; with A, k2tog, k 1, k2tog; with B, BF; with A, k 4 – 15 sts.

Row 163 Cut B. With A, k 4, k2tog, k 3, k2tog, k 4 – 13 sts.

Row 164 With A, k 1, k2tog, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k 1 – 11 sts.

Row 165 With A, knit.

Row 166 With A, k 1, k2tog, k 5, k2tog, k 1 – 9 sts.

Rows 167-170 With A, knit.

Bind off.

BELLY

With B, cast on 4 sts.

Row 1 Purl.

Row 2 FB, k 2, BF – 6 sts.

Row 3 Purl.

Row 4 Change to A, knit.

Row 5 Change to B, purl.

Rows 6 and 8 FB, k to last st, BF – 10 sts at end of Row 8.

Rows 7 and 13 With B, purl.

Row 9 Change to A, purl.

Row 10 Change to B, FB, k to last st, BF – 12 sts.

Row 11 With B, purl.

Row 12 FB, k to last st, BF – 14 sts.

Row 14 Change to A, knit.

Row 15 Change to B, purl.

Row 16 Knit.

Row 17 Purl.

Row 18 FB, k to last st, BF – 16 sts.



Row 19 Change to A, purl.

Row 20 Change to B, knit.

Rows 21 and 23 Purl.

Row 22 FB, k to last st, BF – 18 sts.

Row 24 Change to A, knit.

Row 25 Change to B, purl.

Rows 26 and 28 Knit.

Row 27 Purl.

Row 29 Change to A, purl.

Row 30 Change to B, knit.

Rows 31 and 33 Purl.

Row 32 Knit.

Rows 34-48 Repeat Rows 24-33 once, then Rows 24-28 once more.

Row 49 Change to A, purl.

Row 50 Change to B, FB, k to last st, BF – 20 sts.

Rows 51 and 53 Purl.

Row 52 Knit.

Row 54 Change to A, knit.

Row 55 Change to B, purl.

Row 56 FB, k to last st, BF – 22 sts.

Row 57 Purl.

Row 58 Knit.

Row 59 Change to A, purl.

Row 60 Change to B, knit.

Row 61 Purl.

Row 62 FB, k to last st, BF – 24 sts.

Row 63 Purl.

Row 64 Change to A, knit.

Row 65 Change to B, purl.

Rows 66 and 68 Knit.

Row 67 Purl.

Row 69 Change to A, purl.

Row 70 Change to B, knit.

Row 71 and 73 Purl.

Row 72 Knit.

Rows 74-93 Repeat Rows 64-73 twice.

Row 94 Change to A, knit.

Row 95 Change to B, purl.

Row 96 Knit.

Row 97 Purl.

Rows 98 K2tog, k to last 2 sts, k2tog – 22 sts.

Row 99 Change to A, purl.

Row 100 Change to B, k2tog, k to last 2 sts, k2tog – 20 sts.

Row 101 With B, p 2; with A, p 1; with B, p to last 3 sts; with A, p 1; with B, p 2.

Row 102 With B, k2tog; with A, k 1; with B, k to last 3 sts; with A, k 1; with B, k2tog – 18 sts.

Row 103 With B, p 1; with A, p 1; with B, p to last 2 sts; with A, p 1; with B, p 1.

Row 104 With B, k 1; with A, ssk; with B, k to last 3 sts; with A, k2tog; with B, k 1 – 16 sts.

Row 105 Repeat Row 103.

Row 106 With B, k 1; with A, k 1; with B, k to last 2 sts; with A, k 1; with B, k 1.

Row 107 Repeat Row 103.

Row 108 Repeat Row 104 – 14 sts.

Row 109 Repeat Row 103.

Row 110 Repeat Row 106.

Row 111 Repeat Row 103.

Row 112 Repeat Row 106.

Row 113 Repeat Row 103.

Row 114 Repeat Row 104 – 12 sts.

Row 115 Repeat Row 103.

Row 116 Repeat Row 106.

Rows 117-122 Repeat Rows 105-106 for 3 times.

Row 123 With B, p 1; with A, p to last st; with B, p 1. Cut A.

Row 124 With B, k2tog, k to last st, k2tog – 10 sts.

Row 125 Purl.

Bind off.

LEGS – Make 4

Toe

With A, and leaving a long tail, cast on 3 sts.

Row 1 Knit.

Row 2 FB, k 1, BF – 5 sts.

Row 3 Knit.

Rows 4 and 8 FB, knit to last st, BF – 9 sts at end of Row 8.

Rows 5-7 Knit.

Rows 9-11 Knit.

Cut yarn, leaving these 9 sts on needle. Make 3 more Toes in same manner, leaving 36 total sts on needle.

Row 12 (Join toes) *K2tog, k 1; repeat from * across – 24 sts.

Row 13 Knit, k2tog between each Toe.

Knit 44 rows. Bind off.

FINISHING

Fold each ~~tee~~ Toe and use long tail to sew from cast-on edge to Row 11. Stuff each toe.

Underside Strip for Legs – Make 4

With B, cast on 8 sts. Beginning with a k row, work in St st for 10 rows.

Next Row K2tog, k to last 2 sts, k2tog. Continue in St st on 6 sts until piece measures same length as Leg from Toe joining to top of Leg. Bind off.

Pin Underside Strip for Legs between side edges of each Leg and sew into place. Lightly stuff Legs.

Place markers on each side of Belly, at 9½", 13", 18", and 21½ inches [24, 33, 45.5, and 54.5 cm]. Sew Belly to Back of Alligator, leaving seam open between first and 2nd markers and between 3rd and 4th markers on each side, and leaving an opening for stuffing. Sew Legs into marked openings. Stuff Alligator and finish sewing closed.

Sew on buttons for eyes and nose.

ABBREVIATIONS / REFERENCES	
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<u>k = knit</u>	<u>k2tog = knit 2 together</u>
<u>p = purl</u>	<u>RS = right side</u>
<u>St st = Stockinette stitch</u>	<u>st(s) = stitch(es)</u>
<u>tog = together</u>	<u>WS = wrong side</u>

Learn to knit instructions: <http://www.lionbrand.com/learn/how-to-knit>

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