



Ella & Eric Elephants

by Janice Anderson



YARN

Rowan Cotton Glace

A Heather	828	2	x 50gm
B Whey	834	1	x 50gm
C Sky	749	1	x 50gm

NEEDLES

1 pair 3¼mm (no 10) (US 3) needles

EXTRAS – Washable toy filling.

TENSION

25 sts and 34 rows to 10 cm measured over st st using 3¼mm (US 3) needles.

FINISHED SIZE

Completed toy is approx 25 cm (10 ins) tall.

Elephant

BODY (make 2 pieces)

Using 3¼mm (US 3) needles and yarn A cast on 5 sts.

Row 1 (RS): Knit.

Row 2: K1, P to last st, K1.

These 2 rows set the sts – first and last st of every row worked as a K st and all other sts in st st.

Keeping sts correct as now set throughout, cont as folls:

Row 3: K1, M1, K to last st, M1, K1. 7 sts.

Working all increases as set by last row, inc 1 st at each end of 6th and foll 6th row, then on 4 foll 4th rows, then on 3 foll 6th rows, then on foll 2 alt rows. 29 sts.

Work 1 row, ending with RS facing for next row.

Divide for legs

Next row (RS): K1, M1, K13 and slip these 15 sts onto a holder for second leg, cast off 1 st, K to last st, M1, K1.

Work on this last set of 15 sts only for first leg.

Next row: K1, P to last 3 sts, P2tog tbl, K1. 14 sts.

Inc 1 st at end of next and foll 6 alt rows. 21 sts.

Work 2 rows, ending with **WS** facing for next row.

Next row (WS): K1, P2tog, P to last st, K1. 20 sts.

Work 1 row.

Next row: K1, P2tog, P to last st, K1.

Next row: K to last 3 sts, K2tog, K1.

Rep last 2 rows 3 times more. 12 sts.

Next row (WS): K1, P2tog, P to last 3 sts, P2tog tbl, K1.

Cast off rem 10 sts.

With **WS** facing, rejoin yarn to 15 sts on holder for 2nd leg, K1, P2tog, P to last st, K1. 14 sts.

Inc 1 st at beg of next and foll 6 alt rows. 21 sts.

Work 2 rows, ending with **WS** facing for next row.

Next row (WS): K1, P to last 3 sts, P2tog tbl, K1. 20 sts.

Work 1 row.

Next row: K1, P to last 3 sts, P2tog tbl, K1.

Next row: K1, sl 1, K1, pssso, K to end.

Rep last 2 rows 3 times more. 12 sts.

Next row (WS): K1, P2tog, P to last 3 sts, P2tog tbl, K1.

Cast off rem 10 sts.

Sew sections together around entire outer edge, leaving an opening to insert filling. Insert toy filling so that body is quite softly filled, then sew opening closed.

ARMS (make 2)

Using 3¼mm (US 3) needles and yarn A cast on 7 sts.

Row 1 (RS): Knit.

Row 2: K1, P to last st, K1.

These 2 rows set the sts – first and last st of every row worked as a K st and all other sts in st st.

Keeping sts correct as now set throughout, cont as folls:

Work 2 rows.

Row 5: K1, M1, K to last st, M1, K1. 9 sts.

Working all increases as set by last row, inc 1 st at each end of 6th and 4 foll 4th rows, then on foll 6th row. 21 sts.

Work 5 rows, ending with RS facing for next row.

Cast off.

Fold arm in half and join cast-off and row-end edges, leaving cast-on edge open. Insert toy filling so that arm is quite softly filled, then sew cast-on edge closed. Attach arms to side of body as in photograph, positioning arms approx 3 cm down from top edge of body.

HEAD AND EARS (make 2 pieces)

Trunk and head

Using 3¼mm (US 3) needles and yarn A cast on 5 sts.

Row 1 (RS): Knit.

Row 2: K1, P to last st, K1.

These 2 rows set the sts – first and last st of every row worked as a K st and all other sts in st st.

Keeping sts correct as now set throughout, cont as folls:

Work 4 rows.

Row 7: K1, M1, K to last st, M1, K1. 7 sts.

Work 5 rows.

Row 13: K2, P3, K2. (For second section, work this row as K7.)

Work 1 row.

Row 15: As row 7. 9 sts.

Work 1 row.

Row 17: K3, P3, K3. (For second section, work this row as K9.)

Work 3 rows.

Rep last 4 rows once more.

Row 25: As row 17.

Work 3 rows, placing markers at both ends of 2nd of these rows.

Row 29: K1, sl 1, K1, pssso, K to last 3 sts, K2tog, K1. 7 sts.

Work 5 rows.

Row 35: As row 29. 5 sts.

Work 9 rows, ending with RS facing for next row.

Cast off.

First ear

With RS facing, using 3¼mm (US 3) needles and yarn A, pick up and knit 18 sts along row-end edge of trunk and head from end of cast-off edge to marker along row-end edge.

Row 1 (WS): K1, P to last st, K1.

Row 2: Knit.

Row 3: K1, M1, P to last st, M1, K1. 20 sts.

Row 4: K1, M1, K to last st, M1, K1. 22 sts.

Row 5: K1, M1, P to last st, K1. 23 sts.

Row 6: K1, M1, K to end. 24 sts.

Row 7: As row 5. 25 sts.

Row 8: Knit.

Row 9: As row 3. 27 sts.

Working first and last st of every row as a K st and sts between in st st as now set, work 7 rows.

Row 17: K1, P2tog, P to last 3 sts, P2tog tbl, K1. 25 sts.

Work 1 row.

Rep last 2 rows twice more. 21 sts.

Row 23: As row 17.

Row 24: K to last 3 sts, K2tog, K1. 18 sts.

Row 25: As row 17.

Row 26: K1, sl 1, K1, pssso, K to last 3 sts, K2tog, K1.

Row 27: As row 17.

Cast off rem 12 sts.

Second ear

With RS facing, using 3¼mm (US 3) needles and yarn A, pick up and knit 18 sts along row-end edge of trunk and head from marker along row-end edge to beg of cast-off edge.

Row 1 (WS): K1, P to last st, K1.

Row 2: Knit.

Row 3: K1, M1, P to last st, M1, K1. 20 sts.

Row 4: K1, M1, K to last st, M1, K1. 22 sts.

Row 5: K1, P to last st, M1, K1. 23 sts.

Row 6: K to last st, M1, K1. 24 sts.

Row 7: As row 5. 25 sts.

Row 8: Knit.

Row 9: As row 3. 27 sts.

Working first and last st of every row as a K st and sts between in st st as now set, work 7 rows.

Row 17: K1, P2tog, P to last 3 sts, P2tog tbl, K1. 25 sts.

Work 1 row.

Rep last 2 rows twice more. 21 sts.

Row 23: As row 17.

Row 24: K1, sl 1, K1, pssso, K to end. 18 sts.

Row 25: As row 17.

Row 26: K1, sl 1, K1, pssso, K to last 3 sts, K2tog, K1.

Row 27: As row 17.

Cast off rem 12 sts.

Make a second trunk, head and ears section in exactly the same way but noting bracketed exceptions – this section (without trunk “wrinkles”) will form back section.

Sew trunk, head and ear pieces together around entire outer edge. (Do NOT insert toy filling into these pieces.) Using photograph as a guide, sew back of head and ears to top of body. Using yarn B, embroider eyes onto head section as in photograph – each eye is made up of 3 small straight stitches.

Ella's tutu

BACK

Using 3¼mm (US 3) needles and yarn B cast on 5 sts.

Row 1 (RS): Knit.

Row 2: K1, M1, P to last st, M1, K1.

These 2 rows set the sts – first and last st of every row worked as a K st and all other sts in st st.

Keeping sts correct as now set throughout, cont as folls:

Row 3: K1, M1, K to last st, M1, K1. 9 sts.

Rep rows 2 and 3, 4 times more. 25 sts.

Row 12: As row 2. 27 sts.

Work 2 rows.

Place markers at both ends of last row to denote position for skirt.

Row 15: K1, sl 1, K1, pssso, K to last 3 sts, K2tog, K1. 25 sts.

Work 2 rows.

Row 18: K1, P2tog, P to last 3 sts, P2tog tbl, K1. 23 sts.

Work 2 rows.

Rep last 6 rows once more. 19 sts.

Row 27: As row 15. 17 sts.

Work 3 rows.**

Rep last 4 rows once more. 15 sts.

Row 35: As row 15. 13 sts.

Work 1 row.

Cast off.

FRONT

Work as given for back to **.

Divide for neck

Next row (RS): K1, sl 1, K1, pssso, K3 and slip these 5 sts onto a holder for 2nd side of neck, cast off next 5 sts, K to last 3 sts, K2tog, K1. Work on this set of 5 sts only for first side of neck.

Next row (WS): K1, P1, P2tog tbl, K1. 4 sts.

Next row: K1, sl 1, K1, pssso, K1. 3 sts.

Next row: K1, P1, K1.

Next row: sl 1, K2tog, pssso.

Next row: P1 and fasten off.

With WS facing, rejoin yarn to 5 sts on holder for 2nd side of neck, K1, P2tog, P1, K1. 4 sts.

Next row: K1, K2tog, K1. 3 sts.

Next row: K1, P1, K1.

Next row: sl 1, K2tog, pssso.

Next row: P1 and fasten off.

FRILL (make 2)

Using 3¼mm (US 3) needles and yarn B cast on 100 sts.

Beg with a K row, work in st st for 4 rows, ending with RS facing for next row.

Row 5 (RS): K2, *sl 1, K2tog, pssso, K1, rep from * to last 2 sts, K2. 52 sts.

Row 6: Purl.

Row 7: K1, *sl 1, K1, pssso, rep from * to last st, K1. 27 sts.

Cast off purlwise (on **WS**).

MAKING UP

Neatly sew cast-off edge of one frill to front along row indicated by markers. Sew 2nd frill onto back in same way. Using photograph as a guide and yarn C, embroidery flowers onto front just above frill. For large flower, work 5 lazy daisy sts radiating out from centre. For medium flower, work 4 lazy daisy sts radiating out from centre. For small flower, work 5 straight sts radiating out from centre. Join cast-on edges of back and front, then sew one side seam of tutu from last inc to cast-off edge. Slip tutu onto elephant, sew second side seam and secure in place with a few sts.

Bow

Using 3¼mm (US 3) needles and yarn B cast on 10 sts.

Row 1 (RS): Knit.

Row 2: K1, P8, K1.

Rows 3 and 4: As rows 1 and 2.

Row 5: As row 1.

Cast off (on **WS**).

Gather centre of bow and sew to top of head between ears as in photograph.

Eric's slipover

BACK

Using 3¼mm (US 3) needles and yarn C cast on 25 sts.

Rows 1 to 3: Knit.

Joining in and breaking off colours as required, cont in stripes as follows:

Row 4 (WS): Using yarn B, K1, P2tog, P to last 3 sts, P2tog tbl, K1. 23 sts.

Row 5: Using yarn B, knit.

Row 6: Using yarn C, K1, P to last st, K1.

Row 7: Using yarn C, K1, sl 1, K1, pssso, K to last 3 sts, K2tog, K1. 21 sts.

Row 8: As row 6.

Row 9: Using yarn C, knit.

Rows 10 and 11: As rows 4 and 5. 19 sts.

Row 12: Using yarn B, K1, P to last st, K1.

Row 13: Using yarn A, K1, sl 1, K1, pssso, K to last 3 sts, K2tog, K1. 17 sts.

Row 14: As row 6.

Rows 15 to 17: As rows 5 to 7. 15 sts.

Row 18: As row 6.

Row 19: As row 9.

Row 20: As row 12.

Row 21: Using yarn B, K1, sl 1, K1, pssso, K to last 3 sts, K2tog, K1. 13 sts.

Row 22: As row 12.

Row 23: As row 5.

Row 24: As row 6.

Row 25: As row 7. 11 sts.

Row 26: As row 6.

Cast off.

FRONT

Work as given for back to end of row 20.

Divide for neck

Row 21: Using yarn B, K1, sl 1, K1, pssso, K4 and slip these 6 sts onto a holder for 2nd side of neck, cast off 1 st, K to last 3 sts, K2tog, K1. Work on this last set of 6 sts only for first side of neck.

Row 22: Using yarn B, K1, P2, P2tog tbl, K1. 5 sts.

Row 23: Using yarn B, K1, sl 1, K1, pssso, K2. 4 sts.

Row 24: Using yarn C, K1, P2tog tbl, K1. 3 sts.

Row 25: Using yarn C, sl 1, K2tog, pssso.

Row 26: Using yarn C, P1 and fasten off.

With **WS** facing, rejoin yarn B to 6 sts on holder for 2nd side of neck, K1, P2tog, P2, K1. 5 sts.

Row 23: Using yarn B, K2, K2tog, K1. 4 sts.

Row 24: Using yarn C, K1, P2tog, K1. 3 sts.

Row 25: Using yarn C, sl 1, K2tog, pssso.

Row 26: Using yarn C, P1 and fasten off.

MAKING UP

Using photograph as a guide, embroider back and front as follows: On rows 7 and 8, embroider a line of zig zag straight sts using yarn A. On row 11, embroider a line of running st using yarn A. On rows 17 and 18, embroider a row of cross sts using yarn B. On rows 21 and 22, embroider a line of zig zag straight sts using yarn A. Join side seams, leaving open above row 14 for armholes. Slip slipover onto elephant, join shoulder seams and secure in place with a few sts.



Ella's tutu



Eric's slipover