

Emotional Support Chickie Pattern by Annette Corsino



You can put her in your pocket for support on the go!!

This pattern is a modification of a 1997 pattern by the late Bev Galaskas.

Materials: 25g/yds of heavy worsted/aran weight yarn, US7/4.5mm needles, 6 Locking stitch markers, 10mm safety eyes, tapestry needle, Polyfil stuffing

Stitches used:

K=knit, **P**=purl, **KFB**=knit same st through front and back loops, **K2tog**=knit 2 sts together, **ssk**=(slip 1 st as if to knit, sl the next st as if to purl, insert left needle in the front of the 2 slipped sts and knit them together), **sl2k1pss0**=(slip 2 sts as if to knit 2 together, K1, pass the slipped sts over the knit st), **PM**=Place marker, **W&T**=(slip next stitch on left needle to the right needle as if to purl, bring yarn between needles to the front, slip stitch back to the left needle, turn work to the other side and knit back), **CO**=Cast on

Instructions for Tail (make 2):

CO 12 sts

Tail Section 1

Step 1: Knit 3, PM just below stitch, Knit to end, PM just below last st.

Step 2: K2, w&t, K2

Step 3: K3, w&t, K3

Step 4: K4, w&t, K4

Step 5: K5, w&t, K5

Step 6: K6, w&t, K6

Step 7: K7, w&t, K7

Step 8: K8, w&t, K8

Step 9: K9, w&t, K9

Step 10: K10, w&t, K10



Knit across to other side.

Section 2

Step 1: K10, w&t, K10

Step 2: K8, w&t, K8

Step 3: K6, w&t, K6

Step 4: K4, w&t, K4

Step 5: K2, w&t, K2

Step 6: K2, (K2tog)4xs, K2 (8)

Steps 7-9: Knit

Bind off

Note: If you want to do a 3 needle bind off to join tail sections, put stitches on a holder



On 2nd tail piece end on step 8.

Bind off, or hold for 3 needle bind off.

Body

With wrong sides together, join using 3 needle bind off.

Alternatively, you can sc crochet, or sew tails together at bound off edges.



With right side facing (the one with the seam showing), pick up and knit 27 stitches along the top of "butterfly." 13sts on either side of the seam, and one at the middle seam.

Step 1: Knit

Step 2: K12, w&t, K12

Step 3: K9, w&t, K9

Step 4: K6, w&t, K6

Step 5: K3, w&t, K3

Step 6: Knit across row to opposite end.

Step 7: K12, w&t, K12

Step 8: K9, w&t, K9

Step 9: K6, w&t, K6

Step 10: K3, w&t, K3

Step 11: Knit across row to opposite end.



Chest Shaping:

Step 1(RS): K3, w&t, K3

Step 2: K4, w&t, K4

Step 3: K5, w&t, K5

Step 4: K6, w&t, K6

Step 5: K7, w&t, K7

Step 6: K8, w&t, K8

PM on edge, 1 row below.

Step 7: K1, ssk, K5, K2tog, K17

Shape 2nd half of chest

Step 1(WS): K3, w&t, K3

Step 2: K4, w&t, K4

Step 3: K5, w&t, K5

Step 4: K6, w&t, K6

Step 5: K7, w&t, K7

Step 6: K8, w&t, K8

PM on edge, 1 row below.

Step 7: K1, ssk, K5, K2tog, K15 (23)



Neck and Head

Step 1(RS): K1, ssk, K6, K2tog, K1, ssk, K6, K2tog, K1 (19)

Step 2: Knit

Step 3: K1, ssk, K12, w&t, K11, w&t, K9, w&t, K7, w&t, K5, w&t, K3, w&t, K8, K2tog, K1 (17)

Step 4: Knit

Step 5: K15, w&t, K13, w&t, K11, w&t, K9, w&t, K7, w&t, K5, w&t, K11 (17)

Step 6: Knit

Step 7: K1 (ssk)3xs, K3, (K2tog)3x's, K1 (11)

Step 8: Knit pulling sts tight

Beak

Row 1(RS): (ssk) 2x's, sl2k1pssso, (K2tog)2x's (5)

Row 2: Purl

Row 3: ssk, K1, K2tog

Fasten off, thread yarn onto tapestry and pull closed. Sew beak seam closed. With MC, sew neck seam down to markers.



Under belly:

Cast on 2 sts.

Row 1: Knit

Row 2: KFB, K1 (3)

Row 3: Knit

Row 4: KFB, KFB, K1(5)

Rows 5-7: Knit

Row 8: KFB, knit to 2 sts before end, KFB, K1 (7)

Rows 9-11: Knit

Row 12: KFB, knit to 2 sts before end, KFB, K1 (9)

Rows 13-15: Knit

Row 16: KFB, knit to 2 sts before end, KFB, K1 (11)

Rows 17-19: Knit

Row 20: KFB, knit to 2 sts before end, KFB, K1 (13)

Rows 21-25: Knit

Row 26: K1, ssk, Knit to last 3sts, K2tog, K1 (11)

Rows 27-29: Knit

Row 30: K1, ssk, Knit to last 3sts, K2tog, K1 (9)

Rows 31-33: Knit

Row 34: K1, ssk, Knit to last 3sts, K2tog, K1 (7)

Rows 35-37: Knit

Row 38: K1, ssk, Knit to last 3sts, K2tog, K1 (5)

Row 39: ssk, K1, K2tog (3)

Row 40: Knit

Row 41: Sl2k1pssso

Fasten off



Attach Eyes and if desired, 3 strands of red to top of head (knot together on the inside and pull through to top of head).



Seam underbelly to body, starting at back markers. End at front markers, leaving 2" open to stuff. Stuff generously and sew remaining seams closed.

