



My Basil is haunted by a little Ghost!  
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Materials needed:

Sz US 3 DPN's

Scrap worsted weight yarn (< 100 yards)

Polyfill stuffing

Black yarn for face and ribbon or yarn for neck  
(or fabric paint)

Tapestry Needle for finishing

I LOVE Halloween. I used to go nuts decorating but over the past years, not so much. So, as Halloween approaches, I've decided to try knitting my little scary friends. It was a really quick knit, and a great way to use up scrap yarn. I played around with casting on and off to create the curved top and bottom. This is what I came up with. I hope you enjoy!

Gauge: Not important! (which is great because I'm allergic to gauge)

Finished Ghost: ~7 inches

Yarn I used: Caron Simply Soft. I did it again in Bernat Glow in the Dark (72yds) and used less than 1 skein.

Abbreviations: KFB= knit into front and back of stitch

**DIRECTIONS:**

CO 6 sts. Divide onto 3 needles (2 sts each) and join into round.

Place marker to denote end of round.

Row 1&2 knit

Begin increasing

R3 (k1, kfb)x3 (9 sts total)

R4 knit

R5 knit

R6 (k1, kfb)x3, k3 (12 sts) \*at this point you will not have an equal number of sts on the needles.  
Leave it like this.

R7 knit

R8 knit

R9 (kfb, k1)x4, k4 (16sts)

R10 knit

R11 (k1,kfb)x6, k4 (22sts)

R12 knit

R13 (k1,kfb)x9, k4 (31sts)

R14 knit

R15 knit

R16 (k2, kfb)x9, k4 (40 sts)

\*at this point increasing is done. You should have: needle 1=24 sts, needle 2=13 sts and needle 3=3sts. Now you can divide sts evenly (or almost) 13-14-13.

R17 No need to count rows. Just continue knitting until piece measures 3 inches from beginning.

Decreasing for neck:

R1 (k1, k2tog)x13, k1 (27sts)

R2 knit

R3 (k1, k2tog)x9 (18sts)

\*the body is now done. Add some stuffing and make sure you poke a little into the pointy ghost tail. Do not over stuff.

Increasing for head:

R1 Kfb every st (36 sts)

Continue knitting in the round until piece measures 1.5 inches from neck.

Decreasing head:

R1 (k4, k2tog)x6

R2 knit

R3 (k4, k2tog)x2, k6, (k4, k2tog)x2 (26sts)

R4 (k2, k2tog)x3, k4, (k2, k2tog)x2, k2 (21sts)

R5 (k2tog)x5, k3, (k2tog)x4 (12 sts)

R6 knit

R7 knit

\*add stuffing for head

R8 (k2tog)x6 (6sts)

R9 (k2tog)x3 (3 sts)

Using tapestry needle, close off end and tie tightly.

Using tapestry needle, embroider on face. OR, if you are feeling lazy (like I was) and just want to be done, use fabric paint to add face!

Use scrap yarn or ribbon to tie around neck to help hide those ugly decrease stitches.

Enjoy, and Happy Halloween!!