

# Gleby Knit

knitted

Jesus



# Holy knit! A knitted Jesus

## Method

### Jesus him self from toe to arm pit

Take the double pointed needles. We knit in the round and start with the toes and work our way up. Take the skin coloured yarn.

Cast on 9 stitches, divide it over 3 or 4 needles, whatever works for you. Jesus can also be knitted with a circular needles using the magic loop method.

1. 9k (9)
2. 2k, M+, 2k, M+, 2k, M+ (12)
3. 3k, M+, 3k, M+, 3k, M+ (15)
- 4 -11. 15k (15)
12. 3k, M-, 3k, M-, 3k, M- (12)

We continue with the lower legs.

13. 5k, M+, 5k, M+ (14)
14. 6k, M+, 6k, M+ (16)
15. 7k, M+, 7k, M+ (18)
16. 8k, M+, 8k, M+ (20)
- 17-23. 20k (20)

We continue with the knees.

24. 9k, M+, 9k, M+ (22)
25. 10k, M+, 10k, M+ (24)
- 26 -27. 24k (24)
28. 6k, M-, 6k, M-, 6k, M- (21)
29. 5k, M-, 5k, M-, 5k, M- (18)

We continue with the upper legs. The legs will change over into the hips.

30. 8k, M+, 8k, M+ (20)
31. 9k, M+, 9k, M+ (22)
32. 10k, M+, 10k, M+ (24)
33. 11k, M+, 11k, M+ (26)
34. 12k, M+, 12k, M+ (28)
- 35- 41. 28k (28)
42. 7k, M-, 7k, M-, 7k, M-, 1k (25)

Here comes the waist.

43. 6k, M-, 6k, M-, 6k, M-, 1k (22)
- 44-47. 22k (22)
48. 9k, M-, 9k, M-(20)
49. 20k (20)

We continue with the chest.

50. 9k, M+, 9k, M+ (22)
51. 10k, M+, 10k, M+ (24)

## Tools

5 double pointed needles, size 2,5  
Tapestry needle  
Scissors  
Pliers  
Doll stuffing  
Very thin iron wire  
Firm cardboard

## Materials/Yarn size 3/4

Colour for the skin  
Medium brown for the beard  
Dark brown for the cross  
Red for the blood  
White or crème for the loincloth  
Little bit of pink for the nipples  
Yellow for the halo  
White for INRI

## Abbreviations

K= Knit  
P = Purl  
M+ = increase a stitch by knitting the stitch twice  
M- = decrease a stitch by knitting two stitched together  
( )= total amount of stitches at the end of the knitting row

- 52. 11k, M+, 11k, M+ (26)
- 53. 12k, M+, 12k, M+ (28)
- 54. 13k, M+, 13k, M+ (30)
- 55. 14k, M+, 14k, M+ (32)
- 56. 15k, M+, 15k, M+ (34)
- 57. 16k, M+, 16k, M+ (36)
- 58- 67. 36k (36)

Turn Jesus insideout and sew up the down side. Flip it back and fill him up with doll stuffing. From now on fill the body of Christ gradually.

### Jezus his arms

The 2 side seams of row 50-57 must be left and right of the torso. There are 18 stitches in the front and 18 stitches at the back of torso. Put the middle 6 stitches of the front and the middle 6 stitches of the back on a piece of extra yarn. Later on that will become the head.

The 6 most right stitches on the front and the 6 most right stitches on the back are put on 2 needles, this will become the right arm. The 6 most left stitches on the front and the 6 most left stitches on the back are put on 2 needles, this will become the left arm.

We start with the right arm

Take 2 needles and knit with the third. Divide the 12 stitches over 2 needles.

- 1-21. 12k (12)
- 22. M-, 2k, M-, M-, 2k, M- (8)
- 23. 8k (8)
- 24. M+, 2k, M+, M+, 2k, M+ (12)
- 25-27. 12k (12)
- 28. M-, 2k, M-, M-, 2k, M- (8)
- 29. M-, M-, M-, M- (4)

Cut of the yarn and pull the yarn through the last stitches. Pull it tight and cast off.

Repeat 1- 29 for the left arm.

### The head of Jesus

Take the 12 st off the extra yarn and put it on 2 of 3 needles.

- 1. 12k (12)
- 2. 12 x M+ (24)
- 3-11. 24k (24). Vul het hoofd.
- 12. \*2k, M-\*, herhaal \*-\* nog 5 x (18)
- 13. \*1k, M-\*, herhaal \*-\* nog 5 x (12)
- 14. 6 x M- (6)

Cut of the yarn and pull the yarn through the last stitches. Pull it tight and cast off.

Take the skin coloured yarn and cast on yarn on the tapestry needle. Check to which side the knees pop out, this will be the front. Bend the knees at the back and sew the knees thight at the back between rows 24 t/m 29. Cast off.

Cast on the yarn at row 14. Zigzag from front to back so to legs will pop out. Stop at row 37 or whenever you like.

### The hait off Jesus

Take 2 needles, the medium brown and cast on 26 stitches. We knit back and forth and not in the round.

- 1. 26k (26)
- 2. 26k (26)

3. 26p (26)
4. 26k (26)
- 5 -12. Repeat 1 - 4 twice
13. 26k (26)
14. 26k (26)

Cast off the yarn.

Fold the cloth so 13 stitches will be on both sides. Close the seam at the back. Sew the hair on the head like a hood.

### The beard of Jesus

Take 2 needles, the medium brown and cast on 6 stitches. We knit back and forth and not in the round.

1. 6k (6)
2. 6k (6)
3. M-, 2k, M- (4)
4. 4k (4)
5. M-, M- (2)

Cast off the yarn. Sew the beard on the chin of the head and embroider a mustache.

### Cross

Take 2 needles, the dark brown and cast on 12 stitches. We knit back and forth and not in the round.

1. 12k (12)
2. 12p (12)
- 3-16. Repeat 1 and 2
17. 12k and add 15 stitches using a backward loop cast on (27)
18. 27p and add 15 stitches using a backward loop cast on (42)
19. 42k (42)
20. 42p (42)
- 21 -31. Repeat 19 and 20
32. Cast off 15st purl wise, 27p (27)
33. Cast off 15st knit wise, 12r (12)
34. 12k (12).

Knit along until the cross is at a minimum of 3 to 4 cm under Jesus feet. Make 2, front and back.

Block the crosses and put them on the cardboard. Trace the crosses on the cardboard and cut them out, just a little bit smaller. Sew up the upper side of the crosses with the wrong sides on the inside. Turn inside out and add the cardboard cross. Sew up the rest of the seams.

### Jesus' loincloth

Take 2 needles, the white and cast on 9 stitches. We knit back and forth and not in the round.

1. 9k (9)
2. 9p (9)
3. 9k (9)
4. 9p (9)
5. M-, 7k, M- (7)
6. 7p (7)
7. 7k (7)
8. 7p (7)
9. M-, 5k, M- (5)
10. 5p (5)
11. 5k (5)
12. 5p (5)
13. M-, 3k, M- (3)
14. 3p (3)

15. 3k (3)
  16. 3p (3)
  17. M+, 1k, M+ (5)
  18. 5p (5)
  19. M+, 3k, M+ (7)
  20. 7p (7)
  21. M+, 5k, M+ (9)
  22. 9p (9)
  23. M+, 7k, M+ (11)
  24. 11p (11)
  25. M+, 9k, M+ (13)
  26. 13p (13)
  27. 13k (13)
  - 28 - 49. Repeat 26 and 27
  50. 11k (11)
  51. 11p (11)
  52. 9k (9)
  53. 9p (9)
  54. 7k (7)
  55. 7p (7)
  56. 5k (5)
  57. 5p (5)
  58. 3k (3)
  59. 3p (3)
- Cast off.

Sew the cloth around Jezus his loin.

### **Blood**

Take 2 red pieces of yarn and put it double through the eye of the tapestry needle. Put Jesus on the desired place on the cross and sew back and forth through the hand and the cross. End at the front of the hand. Make a knit of all 4 pieces of yarn. Cut the yarn. Repeat for the other hand and feet.

### **Halo**

Embroider simple sun beams on the cross behind the head.

### **INRI**

And embroider the letters INRI on the cross with white.

### **Nipples**

Take pink and embroider 2 dots on the chest. French knots are ideal.

### **Doornenkroon**

Neem het ijzerdraad en draai 2 draden om elkaar heen. Draai hierover heen nog een draad. Draai ze licht en pas tussen door even om het hoofd. Als het goed zit, knip dan de rest af en doe deze om het hoofd.

### **Lusje**

Maak een ophang lusje bovenaan het kruis. Bevestig het draadje, maak een lus en maak deze weer op de dezelfde plek vast.