



LW3924



knitting

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### What you will need:

RED HEART® Super Saver®: 1 skein each of 672 Spring A, 964 Primary (m) B, 254 Pumpkin C, and a small amount of 319 Cherry Red D

Susan Bates® Double Pointed Knitting Needles: 4 mm [US 6]

Stitch marker, stitch holder, fiberfill, yarn needle, sewing needle, black embroidery floss, 2- 18 mm safety eyes or buttons, knee-high stocking (optional)

GAUGE: 18 sts = 4" (10 cm); 34 rows = 4" (10 cm) in Stockinette Stitch. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.

### Buy Yarn



RED HEART® Super Saver®, Art. E300 available in solid color

7 oz (198 g), 364 yd (333 m); multicolor, heather and print 5 oz (141 g), 244 yd (223 m), flecks 5 oz (141 g), 260 yds (238 m) skeins



## Friendly Snake

*Colorful knit stripes are a sure sign that this is a playful snake. For a smoother snake skin, stuff a knee-high stocking and then insert into the snake.*

*For additional Safari Play Set projects see LW3916*

### Notes

1. Stuff body components firmly with fiberfill as they are worked.
2. Snake Body is worked by following the color sequence indicated.
3. Optional knee-high stocking may be stuffed with fiberfill and inserted into piece to give finished piece a smoother appearance.

### Special Stitch

**Knit Increase** – Knit into the front and the back of the next stitch (1 stitch increase).

**Finished Size:** 5½" (14 cm) stuffed Body circumference x 36" (91.5 cm) long

### SNAKE

#### HEAD

With **A**, cast on 12 sts evenly over double pointed needles. Join, being careful that sts are not twisted, and begin working in the round. Place marker for beginning of round.

**Round 1 (Right side):** (K1, Knit increase) around: 18 sts.

**Round 2:** (K2, Knit increase) around: 24 sts.

**Round 3:** (K3, Knit increase) around: 30 sts.

**Rounds 4-11:** Knit around.

**Round 12:** (K4, Knit increase) 3 times, knit around: 33 sts.

**Round 13:** Knit around.

**Round 14:** (K2, Knit increase) 6 times, knit around: 39 sts.

**Rounds 15-17:** Knit around.

**Round 18:** Knit around to last 13 sts, with contrasting waste yarn K11, slip 11 sts just worked back onto left needle, K11 from left needle with working yarn (Mouth opening made), knit last 2 sts.

**Rounds 19-23:** Knit around.

**Round 24:** (K2, K2tog) 6 times, knit across: 33 sts.

**Round 25:** Knit around.

**Round 26:** (K4, K2tog) 3 times, knit around: 30 sts.

**Round 27:** (K3, K2tog) around: 24 sts.

**Round 28:** Knit around.

Place working sts onto stitch holder.

### MOUTH

Remove waste yarn and slip live sts onto needles. Join, being careful that sts are not twisted, and begin working in the round. Place marker for beginning of round.

**Round 1 (Right side):** With **A**, pick up and knit 1 st, K11, pick up and knit 1 st, knit around: 24 sts.

**Rounds 2 and 3:** Knit around.

**Round 4:** (K2 tog, K 10) around: 22 sts.

**Rounds 5-13:** Knit around.

**Round 14:** (K2 tog, K9) around: 20 sts.

**Round 15:** (K2 tog, K8) around: 18 sts.

**Round 16:** (K2, K2 tog) 4 times, knit around: 14 sts.

**Round 17:** (K2, K2 tog) 3 times, knit around: 11 sts.

Bind off all sts in knit.

### HEAD FINISHING

Thread sewing needle with embroidery floss. Using photo as a guide, embroider nose, eye brows, and sew eyes to Head. Firmly stuff Head with fiberfill.

### BODY

Slip sts off holder and onto needles. Join, being careful that sts are not twisted, and begin working in the round. Place marker for beginning of round.

**Round 1 (Right side):** With **B**, knit around: 24 sts.

Continue knitting around following Color Sequence indicated and stuffing Body as it worked. Cut **B** and **C** after last repeat.

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**Color Sequence:** \*5 rows of **B**, 3 rows of **C**, 5 rows of **B**, 3 rows of **A**; repeat from \* 14 times.

### TAIL

**Round 1 (Right side):** (K2, K2tog) around: 18 sts.

**Round 2:** Knit around.

**Round 3:** (K1, K2tog) around: 12 sts.

**Rounds 4-6:** Knit around.

**Round 7:** (K1, K2tog) around: 8 sts.

**Rounds 8-10:** Knit around.

Stuff Tail with fiberfill. Cut yarn, leaving an 8" (20.5 cm) end. Thread yarn needle with the end and weave through remaining stitches, draw up firmly; fasten securely.

### TONGUE

With **D**, cast on 5 sts, leaving a long end for sewing.

**Row 1 (Right side):** Knit across, slide sts to opposite end of needle, do not turn.

**Rows 2-11:** Repeat Row 1.

### FORK

**Row 1:** P2, turn: 2 sts.

**Row 2 (Right side):** K2, turn.

Bind off 2 sts in knit.

**Row 3:** With **D**, knit 2 remaining sts: 2 sts.

**Row 4:** P2.

**Row 5:** K2.

Bind off all sts in knit.

### TONGUE FINISHING

Thread yarn needle with long end. Using photo as a guide, sew Tongue to center of Mouth.

### ABBREVIATIONS

**A, B, C, etc** = Colors A, B, C, etc; **cm** = centimeter; **K** = knit; **mm** = millimeter; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **tog** = together; **()** = follow instructions in parentheses as indicated; \* = repeat instructions that follow \* as indicated;



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