SNOWY THE FESTIVE SNOWMAN

Complete Digital Knitting Pattern



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Skill level: confident beginner to intermediate

1. Digital Download Notice

This file is a **digital knitting pattern**, not a finished plushie. No physical item will be shipped. The measurements in this pattern are design targets and can vary with yarn choice, tension, stuffing, needle size and blocking.

Use the reference silhouette as your visual goal: a slightly larger lower body, a round head, horizontal arms with red mittens, two green front buttons with red X stitches, a red scarf with fringe, and a black top hat with a red band.

Safety eye note: If the finished item is intended for a child under 3, use the embroidered-eye alternative instead of detachable safety-eye components, and follow applicable local safety requirements.

Pattern at a glance

Item	Plan
Craft	Knitting
Main construction	Stockinette in the round; scarf worked flat
Difficulty	Confident beginner / intermediate
Main pieces	Body, head, 2 arms/mittens, nose, 2 buttons, hat, scarf
Seaming	Head-to-body neck seam plus attached features
Orientation	BOR is kept at centre back; right/left are the plushie's own right/left

2. Finished Measurements

Approximate targets when worked to the stated gauge. Measure the finished piece after stuffing and gentle shaping.

Feature	Target size
Overall height, including hat	Approx. 23-25 cm / 9-10 in
Body	Approx. 10-12 cm high x 11-12 cm wide
Head	Approx. 8-9 cm high x 10-11 cm wide
Hat	About 5.5-6 cm crown height; about 11-12 cm across brim
Scarf	Approx. 32-34 cm long x 3 cm wide, before fringe
Arm projection	About 3.5-4.5 cm from body on each side
Nose	About 2-2.5 cm long
Button discs	Approx. 1.8-2.0 cm diameter

3. Materials and Tools

Material	Amount / specification
Yarn	Worsted / aran weight (#4), smooth plied yarn recommended
Cream / white	Approx. 90-110 g / 165-200 m for body, head and arms
Red	Approx. 35-45 g / 65-85 m for scarf, mittens and hat band
Black	Approx. 25-30 g / 45-55 m for hat and smile embroidery
Green	Approx. 5-8 g / 10-15 m for 2 buttons
Orange	Approx. 3-5 g / 6-10 m for nose
Needles	4.0 mm DPNs or long circular for magic loop; 4.0 mm straight/circular for scarf
Eyes	Two 9 mm black safety eyes OR black yarn for embroidered eyes
Stuffing	Approx. 90-120 g polyester toy stuffing
Notions	Tapestry needle, stitch markers, removable contrast thread, pins, scissors, measuring tape

Yarn substitution: Choose one main yarn family and keep all colours at a similar thickness. A slightly smaller needle than the yarn label suggests helps create a dense plush fabric that hides stuffing.

4. Gauge

20 sts x 28 rnds = 10 cm / 4 in in stockinette stitch worked in the round, lightly relaxed and measured without stretching.

For the scarf worked flat, aim for approximately **20 sts x 28 rows = 10 cm / 4 in** in the stated stockinette-with-garter-edge fabric. Exact gauge changes the final size, so use a needle size that gives a firm, stuffing-resistant fabric.

5. Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Meaning
BO	bind off
BOR	beginning of round
CB	centre back
CF	centre front
CO	cast on
DPN	double-pointed needle
k	knit
k2tog	knit 2 stitches together; decreases 1 st
kfb	knit into front and back of same stitch; increases 1 st
p	purl
rnd(s)	round(s)
RS	right side
st(s)	stitch(es)
WS	wrong side

6. Orientation System

Right and left always mean the plushie's own right and left. Keep the BOR marker at the physical centre back (CB) on the body and head. The physical centre front (CF) is directly opposite BOR.

At the key stitch counts used here, CF is half a round from BOR: 72 sts -> 36 sts; 64 -> 32; 56 -> 28; 48 -> 24; 40 -> 20; 32 -> 16. After each shaping section, fold the piece with BOR at the back and refresh the removable CF guide if needed.

7. Construction Overview

The snowman is built as separate knitted components and assembled after the main pieces are stuffed. The body is knitted from the bottom upward and ends with a 32-st neck opening. The head begins with a matching 32-st neck edge, grows to a round face, then closes at the crown. This gives a clean one-to-one neck seam that is hidden by the scarf.

- **Body:** worked in the round from the bottom centre upward; neck left open at 32 sts.
- **Head:** worked in the round from the neck upward; crown closed; safety eyes installed through the open neck before stuffing.
- **Arms/mittens:** two identical pieces, worked from mitten tip to upper arm and sewn to mirrored side positions.
- **Nose:** a small orange knitted cone, lightly stuffed and sewn to CF.
- **Buttons:** two small green knitted discs with red embroidered X stitches.
- **Hat:** worked in one piece from crown top downward; red band is knitted in; brim changes to garter texture so it lies flatter.
- **Scarf:** worked flat, then wrapped around the neck seam; fringe added last.

Recommended assembly order

Step	Sequence
1	Knit body; stuff through neck opening.
2	Knit head; install eyes; add preliminary face guides; stuff through neck opening.
3	Seam head to body one stitch to one stitch; adjust stuffing before closing final gap.
4	Attach nose and embroider smile; add buttons.
5	Attach both arms symmetrically.
6	Fit and tack hat.
7	Wrap scarf, arrange tails on plushie's left/front-left, add fringe.
8	Check symmetry, stable base and hidden yarn tails.

8. Complete Written Pattern - Body

Body - make 1. Use cream/white. Work in the round. Place BOR marker at CB. The cast-on centre becomes the bottom of the snowman.

Round	Instruction	Count
CO	CO 8 sts using a closed-centre/pinhole cast-on suitable for DPNs or magic loop; join without twisting. If using a standard cast-on instead, leave a 20 cm tail and draw the CO edge fully closed before stuffing.	8
Rnd 1	Knit all sts.	8
Rnd 2	kfb in every st around.	16
Rnd 3	(k1, kfb) x 8.	24
Rnd 4	Knit all sts.	24
Rnd 5	(k2, kfb) x 8.	32
Rnd 6	Knit all sts.	32
Rnd 7	(k3, kfb) x 8.	40
Rnd 8	Knit all sts.	40
Rnd 9	(k4, kfb) x 8.	48
Rnd 10	Knit all sts.	48
Rnd 11	(k5, kfb) x 8.	56
Rnd 12	Knit all sts.	56
Rnd 13	(k6, kfb) x 8.	64
Rnd 14	Knit all sts.	64
Rnd 15	(k7, kfb) x 8.	72
Rnds 16-31	Knit every st on every rnd.	72 each rnd
Rnd 32	(k7, k2tog) x 8.	64
Rnds 33-34	Knit every st on both rnds.	64 each rnd
Rnd 35	(k6, k2tog) x 8.	56
Rnds 36-37	Knit every st on both rnds.	56 each rnd
Rnd 38	(k5, k2tog) x 8.	48
Rnds 39-40	Knit every st on both rnds.	48 each rnd
Rnd 41	(k4, k2tog) x 8.	40
Rnd 42	Knit all sts.	40
Rnd 43	(k3, k2tog) x 8.	32
Rnds 44-45	Knit every st on both rnds.	32 each rnd
BO	BO all 32 sts loosely. Keep neck opening accessible for stuffing.	32 edge sts

Stuffing pause: Fill the lower body firmly enough to hold a rounded pear shape, but do not stretch the stitches. Keep the top 2-3 cm only moderately stuffed so the 32-st neck edge remains easy to seam. Flatten the bottom gently by pressing it on a table and redistributing stuffing rather than over-packing the centre.

8. Complete Written Pattern - Head

Head - make 1. Use cream/white. Work from the neck upward. CO edge remains open for eye access and stuffing. BOR is CB.

Round	Instruction	Count
CO	CO 32 sts; join in the round without twisting. Place BOR at CB.	32
Rnd 1	Knit all sts.	32
Rnd 2	(k3, kfb) x 8.	40
Rnd 3	Knit all sts.	40
Rnd 4	(k4, kfb) x 8.	48
Rnd 5	Knit all sts.	48
Rnd 6	(k5, kfb) x 8.	56
Rnd 7	Knit all sts.	56
Rnd 8	(k6, kfb) x 8.	64
Rnds 9-22	Knit every st on every rnd.	64 each rnd
Rnd 23	(k6, k2tog) x 8.	56
Rnd 24	Knit all sts.	56
Rnd 25	(k5, k2tog) x 8.	48
Rnd 26	Knit all sts.	48
Rnd 27	(k4, k2tog) x 8.	40
Rnd 28	Knit all sts.	40
Rnd 29	(k3, k2tog) x 8.	32
Rnd 30	Knit all sts.	32
Rnd 31	(k2, k2tog) x 8.	24
Rnd 32	Knit all sts.	24
Rnd 33	(k1, k2tog) x 8.	16
Rnd 34	k2tog x 8.	8
Close	Cut yarn leaving 20 cm tail. Thread through remaining 8 sts twice, draw closed, secure and bury tail inside through the open neck.	0 live sts

Before stuffing: Use the open 32-st neck to install safety-eye washers. **Eye centres sit between Head Rnds 21 and 22, 5 stitch columns to each side of CF; 10 stitch columns centre-to-centre.** If using embroidered eyes, skip the hardware and embroider after the head is stuffed.

Stuff the head moderately firm, adding small tufts evenly around the cheeks and crown. Keep the CO neck edge flexible. Do not distort the eye spacing by packing a hard lump directly behind either eye.

8. Complete Written Pattern - Arms, Nose and Buttons

Arms with red mittens - make 2

Both knitted pieces are identical. Their placement is mirrored on the finished body. Begin with red for the mitten, then change to cream/white for the arm.

Round	Instruction	Count
CO	With red, CO 8 sts using a closed-centre/pinhole cast-on; join in the round. If using a standard cast-on, leave a 20 cm tail and draw the mitten-tip CO edge fully closed before stuffing.	8
Rnd 1	Knit all sts.	8
Rnd 2	kfb in every st around.	16
Rnds 3-6	Knit every st on every rnd.	16 each rnd
Rnd 7	(k2, k2tog) x 4.	12
Rnd 8	Change to cream/white; knit all sts.	12
Rnds 9-11	Knit every st on every rnd.	12 each rnd
BO	BO all 12 sts loosely, leaving a 35 cm sewing tail.	12 edge sts

Cuff embellishment: Before stuffing and attaching the arms, thread a tapestry needle with cream/white yarn. Work an evenly spaced running stitch around Red Rnd 7, immediately below the change to cream/white at Rnd 8, creating a visible dashed line around the mitten cuff. Repeat identically on both mittens. Secure and bury the yarn ends inside the arm.

Stuff only the red mitten moderately. Add a very small amount of stuffing to the first 1-2 cream rounds, then leave the remaining cream section only lightly filled so the arm can angle naturally away from the body.

Orange nose - make 1

Round	Instruction	Count
CO	With orange, CO 4 sts using a closed-centre/pinhole cast-on; join in the round. If using a standard cast-on, leave a 15 cm tail and draw the nose tip fully closed before stuffing.	4
Rnd 1	Knit all sts.	4
Rnd 2	kfb in every st around.	8
Rnd 3	Knit all sts.	8
Rnd 4	(k1, kfb) x 4.	12
Rnds 5-6	Knit every st on both rnds.	12 each rnd
BO	BO all 12 sts loosely, leaving a 30 cm sewing tail.	12 edge sts

Place a tiny amount of stuffing inside the nose so it stays softly rounded but does not become a ball.

Green buttons - make 2

Round	Instruction	Count
CO	With green, CO 6 sts using a closed-centre/pinhole cast-on; join in the round. If using a standard cast-on, leave a 15 cm tail and draw the centre fully closed before flattening the disc.	6
Rnd 1	Knit all sts.	6
Rnd 2	kfb in every st around.	12
Rnd 3	Knit all sts.	12
Rnd 4	Purl all sts to form a firm outer ridge.	12
BO	BO all 12 sts loosely. Leave a 25 cm sewing tail.	12 edge sts

Flatten each disc with your fingers. With red yarn, embroider one centred X using two diagonal stitches. Secure ends on the back of the disc before sewing it to the body.

8. Complete Written Pattern - Top Hat

Top hat - make 1. Worked in one piece from the centre of the crown top down to the brim. Use black unless a colour change is stated.

Round	Instruction	Count
CO	With black, CO 8 sts using a closed-centre/pinhole cast-on; join in the round.	8
Rnd 1	Knit all sts.	8
Rnd 2	kfb in every st around.	16
Rnd 3	Knit all sts.	16
Rnd 4	(k1, kfb) x 8.	24
Rnd 5	Knit all sts.	24
Rnd 6	(k2, kfb) x 8.	32
Rnd 7	Knit all sts.	32
Rnd 8	(k3, kfb) x 8.	40
Rnd 9	Knit all sts.	40
Rnd 10	(k4, kfb) x 8.	48
Rnds 11-22	Knit every st on every rnd in black.	48
Rnd 23	Change to red; knit all sts.	48
Rnds 24-25	Knit every st on both rnds in red.	48
Rnd 26	Change to black; knit all sts.	48
Rnd 27	(k5, kfb) x 8.	56
Rnd 28	Purl all sts.	56
Rnd 29	(k6, kfb) x 8.	64
Rnd 30	Purl all sts.	64
Rnd 31	(k7, kfb) x 8.	72
Rnd 32	Purl all sts.	72
BO	BO all 72 sts loosely knitwise.	72 edge sts

Shape the crown by smoothing it into a short cylinder. If your yarn is very soft, place only a whisper of stuffing inside the crown after it is attached; do not pack the hat. The brim should remain unstuffed. The alternating knit/purl brim rounds form garter ridges that help it lie flatter.

Fit check: Centre the hat over the top of the head so the inner edge of the brim/crown junction sits around Head Rnds 25-26, where the 48-st head circumference matches the 48-st hat crown. Keep the forehead and eyes fully visible. Pin at front, back and both sides before sewing.

8. Complete Written Pattern - Scarf

Scarf - make 1. Worked flat in red. The 1-st garter edges reduce curling while the centre keeps the knitted stockinette look seen in the design.

Rows	Instruction	Count
CO	CO 6 sts.	6
Rows 1-92, odd-numbered rows	RS: k6.	6 each odd row
Rows 2-92, even-numbered rows	WS: k1, p4, k1.	6 each even row
BO	BO all 6 sts loosely.	6 edge sts

Fringe

Cut 24 red strands about 10 cm / 4 in long. Use 12 strands at each short end. Divide each end into 6 fringe groups of 2 strands, fold each pair in half, pull the fold through an edge space, pass the ends through the loop and tighten. Trim the finished fringe to approximately 3.5 cm / 1.4 in.

Wrap the scarf around the neck seam once. Let the crossing point sit on the plushie's left/front-left so the two ends fall down that side of the body, matching the reference silhouette. Tack the scarf discreetly at CB and under the front crossing so it cannot rotate.

9. Placement Maps

Use the physical CF/CB guides rather than relying on whichever stitch happens to be at the edge of a needle. Pin all parts first and view the snowman from the front, both sides and back before sewing permanently.

Hat brim: Head Rnds 25-26 Eyes: Head Rnds 21-22 Nose: CF at Head Rnd 19
Arms: centre at Body Rnd 39 Buttons: Body Rnds 23 & 34 Scarf tails: plushie's left/front-left

Front placement table

Feature	Vertical placement	Horizontal placement	Check
Eyes	Between Head Rnds 21-22	5 stitch columns each side of CF; 10 columns centre-to-centre	Level and symmetrical
Nose	Centre around Head Rnd 19	Exactly on CF	Base sits below eye line
Smile	Head Rnds 15-17	Ends about 6 columns each side of CF	Lowest point at CF around Rnd 15
Upper button	Body Rnd 34	Centred on CF	Green disc, red X
Lower button	Body Rnd 23	Centred on CF	Vertical line with upper button
Arms	Attach over approx. Body Rnds 36-42	Centre each arm at Body Rnd 39, 12 sts from CF in opposite directions on the 48-st section	True side positions; mirror angles
Hat brim	Around Head Rnds 25-26	Centred on head	Keep face unobstructed
Scarf	Around neck seam	Cross at plushie left/front-left	Tails hang down left/front-left

9. Face and Hat Placement Detail

Face placement

BOR = centre back (CB). CF is directly opposite BOR.

Eyes: between Head Rnds 21 and 22, 5 stitch columns to either side of CF; 10 stitch columns centre-to-centre.
Nose: centre on CF around Head Rnd 19.
Smile: ends around Head Rnd 17, about 6 stitch columns to each side of CF; curve downward to the lowest point at CF around Head Rnd 15.
Hat: keep all facial features below the brim.

Embroidered-eye alternative

With black yarn and the head already stuffed, work a small satin-stitch oval at each safety-eye position. Build each eye with 4-6 short vertical stitches over about 2 stitch columns and 2 rows. Keep both eyes the same height and width. Bury yarn tails inside the head.

Smile embroidery

Thread black yarn. Bring the needle out about 6 stitch columns to one side of CF around Head Rnd 17. Work a gentle curved line down toward CF at about Rnd 15, then back up to the matching point around Rnd 17 on the other side. Use 4-5 short backstitches rather than one long floating strand. Add one tiny upward corner stitch at each end if desired.

Hat tacking points

After the brim is pinned level, take 4 main tacking stitches: CF, CB, plushie right side and plushie left side. Add 2-4 smaller tacks between them if the brim lifts. Catch only the underside of the brim so the stitches remain hidden.

10. Stuffing and Shaping

- **Body:** stuff moderately firm. The lower third should be the firmest area so the plushie sits upright. Keep the upper body slightly softer so the neck seam does not become rigid.
- **Head:** stuff evenly and moderately firm. Add small tufts around the cheeks rather than one large wad. Keep the eye area smooth.
- **Arms:** mitten moderately stuffed; cream upper arm lightly stuffed so it can angle outward without looking bulky.
- **Nose:** very lightly stuffed. It should project as a short rounded carrot nub, not a sphere.
- **Hat:** normally leave unstuffed. If needed, add only a thin cloud of stuffing after tacking the brim; never stuff the brim.
- **Scarf and buttons:** do not stuff.

Creating a stable seated base

Before the head is attached, place the stuffed body on a flat surface. Press the bottom gently into a broad oval footprint and redistribute stuffing upward if the centre is too rounded. If necessary, thread a long cream yarn tail from the bottom centre up through 2-3 cm of stuffing and back down nearby; tighten only enough to make a shallow dimple, knot securely and bury the ends.

Do not over-tighten the base shaping. The goal is a subtle flattened footprint, not a deep indentation.

11. Assembly Instructions - Part 1

Step	Instruction
1. Prepare the body	Confirm BOR/CB and CF guides are still visible. Finish body stuffing through the 32-st neck opening. Keep the neck edge flexible.
2. Prepare the head	Install safety eyes now if using them. Confirm both eyes are level before snapping washers fully into place. The crown is already closed; stuff through the 32-st neck opening.
3. Join head to body	Match head CO edge to body BO edge with CB to CB and CF to CF. Pin at four quarter points. Sew the 32 head edge stitches to the 32 body edge stitches one-to-one using mattress/whip stitch.
4. Final stuffing access	When about 4 cm / 1.5 in of the neck seam remains open, check head angle and firmness. Add or remove small tufts as needed. Only then close the final seam and bury the yarn tail.
5. Attach nose	Pin the 12-st nose opening on CF with its centre around Head Rnd 19. Sew around the full base, taking small even bites. Keep the nose pointing straight forward.
6. Embroider smile	Work the curved black smile across Head Rnds 15-17, with its lowest point at CF around Rnd 15. Recheck front symmetry before burying the yarn tail.

Access check: All safety-eye hardware must be installed before the head-to-body neck seam is permanently closed. If you use embroidered eyes, they may be added after closure because no internal washer is required.

11. Assembly Instructions - Part 2

Step	Instruction
7. Sew on buttons	Pin the upper green button centred at Body Rnd 34 on CF and the lower green button centred at Body Rnd 23 on CF. Confirm they form one straight vertical line with a clear visible gap between the discs. Sew around each outer ridge with green yarn.
8. Position the arms	Confirm that the cream/white running-stitch cuff embellishment is complete on both mittens. At Body Rnd 39 on the 48-st section, locate the two true side points 12 sts from CF in opposite directions. Pin each 12-st arm opening over approximately Body Rnds 36-42. Both mittens should point slightly upward and forward by the same amount.
9. Sew the arms	Sew around each arm opening, catching one bound-off arm stitch and a small bite of body fabric at each step. Do not flatten the tubular arm. Recheck from front and back before burying tails.
10. Fit the hat	Place the inner edge of the brim/crown junction around Head Rnds 25-26. Centre it over the face and keep the eyes fully visible. Pin CF, CB and both sides. Tack securely at those four points, then add hidden tacks if needed.
11. Add the scarf	Wrap scarf once around the neck seam. Put the crossing point on the plushie's left/front-left. Arrange both ends down that side. Tack at CB and under the crossing.
12. Add and trim fringe	Attach 6 fringe groups to each scarf end. Comb with fingers and trim to an even 3.5 cm / 1.4 in.
13. Remove guides	Remove all temporary CF/CB contrast threads or placement markers that are no longer needed. Check that none are trapped under a seam.
14. Bury tails	Thread each remaining yarn tail through several centimetres of stuffed fabric, exit elsewhere, pull gently and snip close so the end retracts inside.

12. Final Visual Checklist

- Head is centred over the body and does not lean unintentionally.
- Eyes are level, evenly sized and approximately 10 stitch columns centre-to-centre.
- Orange nose is centred on CF and points straight forward.
- Smile is balanced beneath the nose and does not pull the face fabric into a pucker.
- Two green buttons are vertically aligned on CF with red X stitches centred and a clear visible gap between the discs.
- Arms are attached at mirrored side positions and project at matching angles.
- Mitten sizes and stuffing look equal from the front and back.
- Black hat crown is upright, red band is visible, and brim does not cover the eyes.
- Scarf wraps neatly around the neck seam; tails fall at plushie left/front-left; fringe is even.
- Bottom is broad enough for a stable seated position without a severe centre dimple.
- No visible stuffing, loose loops, trapped guide threads, open seams or unsecured yarn tails remain.

Reference silhouette check: From the front, the body should read as a rounded larger lower snowball beneath a round head. The hat, scarf, mittens and two front buttons should be immediately recognizable as the main colour accents.

13. Troubleshooting

Issue	Practical fix
Stuffing shows through	Your fabric is too loose or over-stretched. Redistribute stuffing first. If holes remain, use a smaller needle size for the next piece.
Body will not sit upright	Remove a little stuffing from the bottom centre and push it toward the lower side walls. Re-form a broad base; add the optional shallow base dimple.
Eyes look uneven	Before final closure, compare from straight front view. For safety eyes, correct placement before locking hardware if possible. For embroidered eyes, remove and restitch the higher/larger eye.
Head twists at the neck	Check CB-to-CB and CF-to-CF alignment. If the seam is already closed, unpick only the affected section, rotate to the correct landmarks, then resew one-to-one.
Arms look uneven	Measure both centres from CF and compare vertical round placement. Re-pin before sewing. Make sure one arm was not flattened while the other remained tubular.
Nose looks like a ball	Remove some stuffing and pinch the tip gently. Keep most of the volume near the 12-st base.
Hat brim curls upward	Finger-block the garter brim lightly. Add 2-4 hidden tacks around the underside. Avoid stuffing the brim.
Scarf rotates	Add one hidden tack at CB and one underneath the front-left crossing point.
Visible sewing holes	Use smaller seam bites, avoid pulling too tight, and massage neighbouring stitches after the seam is complete.

14. Printing and Customer Notes

- **Digital download only:** this document contains instructions; no physical item is included or shipped.
- **Printing:** A4 pages may be printed at 100% / actual size. No template pieces require exact scaling, so US Letter printing with fit-to-page is also acceptable for reading.
- **Measurements:** finished dimensions are design targets. Yarn, gauge, stuffing and blocking can change the final result.
- **Colour substitutions:** keep cream/white as the main body colour and preserve strong contrast between red accessories, black hat/face, green buttons and orange nose for the closest reference look.
- **Personal handmade creation:** this pattern is intended for personal handmade creation unless the seller's listing terms state otherwise.
- **Safety:** secure all sewn parts and yarn tails carefully. For items intended for children under 3, use the embroidered-eye alternative instead of detachable safety-eye components and follow local safety requirements.

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You are ready to cast on. Keep the CF/CB orientation markers in place until assembly is complete, and pin every major feature before permanent sewing.

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