Knit Marie Antoinette Doll Pattern

A pattern by Amy Gaines

Measurements: Doll measures 14 inches long and 5 inches wide.

Materials:

Worsted Weight yarn: Cream (skin), White (hair- I use Lion's Brand Wool-Ease, White Frost #501), White (skirt), Light Blue, Medium Blue, and scraps of pink (mouth) and Black (eyes and choker)
Poly-fill stuffing
Pair of size 4 (U.S.) knitting needles
Yarn Needle
Felt- White and light blue
Thread
Blush and Q-tip (optional- for cheeks)

Abbreviations:

K2tog	Knit 2 stitches together
Inc	Increase in the stitch and knit the stitch from which you increased in.
P2tog	Purl 2 stitches together

Head and Body:

Start with Cream yarn- Cast on 6 stitches. Working from the top of the head down to the bottom of the body:

Row 1: (wrong side) Purl across (6)
Row 2: Inc in each stitch knitwise (12)
Row 3: Purl (12)
Row 4: Inc in each stitch knitwise (24)
Row 5: Purl (24)
Row 6: Inc in each stitch knitwise (48)
Row 7: Purl (48)
Row 8: Knit (48)
Row 9: Purl (48)

Repeat rows 8 and 9, 7 more times- ending with:
Row 22: Knit (48)
Row 23: Purl (48)
Row 24: *K2tog* repeat across (24)
Row 25: Purl (24)
Row 26: *K2tog* repeat across (12)
Row 27: Purl (12)
Row 28: Knit (12)
Row 29: Purl (12)
Row 30: Knit (12)
Row 31: Purl (12)
Row 32: Knit (12)
Row 33: Purl (12)
Row 34: Knit (12)
Row 35: Purl (12)
Row 36: Inc in each stitch knitwise (24)
Row 37: Purl (24) **Change to Medium Blue Yarn.**
Row 38: Inc in every other stitch knitwise (36)
Row 39: Purl (36) **Change to Light Blue Yarn.**
Row 40: Knit (36)
Row 41: Purl (36)
Repeat rows 40 and 41, 4 more times- ending with:
Row 48: Knit (36)
Row 49: Purl (36) **Change to White Yarn.**
Row 50: Knit (36)
Row 51: Purl (36)
Repeat rows 50 and 51, 4 more times- ending with:
Row 58: Knit (36)
Row 59: Purl (36)
Row 60: *K2tog, knit the next stitch* repeat between the *'s around (24)
Row 61: Purl (24)
Row 62: *K2tog* repeat between the *'s across (12)
Row 63: Purl (12)
Row 64: *K2tog* repeat between the *'s across (6)
Do not cast off- instead cut yarn leaving a 12 inch tail and thread tail with a yarn needle and thread tail through remaining 6 stitches. Use coordinating yarns to sew body together at side seams. Stuff as you work, making sure to stuff the neck firmly.

Hair:

Large Bottom Piece:
With White Yarn- I like to use Lion's Brand Wool- Ease White Frost #501 for the hair. Cast on 48 stitches.
Row 1: (wrong side) Purl across (48)
Row 2: Inc in every other stitch knitwise (72)
Row 3: Purl (72)
Row 4: Inc in each stitch knitwise (72)
Row 5: Purl (72)
Row 6: Knit (72)
Row 7: Purl (72)
Row 8: Knit (72)
Row 9: Purl (72)

Row 10: Knit (72)
Row 11: Purl (72)
Row 12: Knit (72)
Row 13: Purl (72)
Row 14: Knit (72)
Row 15: Purl (72)
Row 16: *K2tog, knit the next stitch* repeat between the *'s around (48)
Row 17: Purl (48)
Row 18: *K2tog* repeat across (24)
Row 19: Purl (24)
Row 20: *K2tog* repeat across (12)
Row 21: *P2tog* repeat across (6)
Do not cast off- instead cut yarn leaving a 12 inch tail and thread tail with a yarn needle and thread tail through remaining 6 stitches.

Step 1: Using tail yarn, sew side seams:

Step 2: Stuff Hair piece and arrange onto head and pin in place:

Step 3: Sew hair piece to head using the tail yarn, all around the piece at the cast on round, weave in tail once you have sewn hair completely around head.

Medium Middle Piece:

With White Yarn- I like to use Lion's Brand Wool- Ease White Frost #501 for the hair. Cast on 48 stitches.
Row 1:   (wrong side) Purl across (48)
Row 2:   Knit (48)
Row 3:   Purl (48)
Row 4:   Knit (48)
Row 5:   Purl (48)
Row 6:   Knit (48)
Row 7:   Purl (48)
Row 8:   Knit (48)
Row 9:   Purl (48)
Row 10: *K2tog* repeat across (24)
Row 11: Purl (24)
Row 12: *K2tog* repeat across (12)
Row 13: *P2tog* repeat across (6)
Do not cast off- instead cut yarn leaving a 12 inch tail and thread tail with a yarn needle and thread tail through remaining 6 stitches.

Step 1: Using tail yarn, sew side seams just like large bottom piece.

Step 2: Stuff Hair piece and arrange onto head and pin in place:

Step 3: Sew hair piece to head using the tail yarn, all around the piece at the cast on round, weave in tail once you have sewn hair completely around head.

Small Top Piece:

With White Yarn- I like to use Lion's Brand Wool- Ease White Frost #501 for the hair. Cast on 24 stitches.

Row 1:   (wrong side) Purl across (24)
Row 2:   Knit (24)
Row 3:   Purl (24)
Row 4:   Knit (24)
Row 5:   Purl (24)
Row 6:   *K2tog* repeat across (12)
Row 7:   *P2tog* repeat across (6)

Do not cast off- instead cut yarn leaving a 12 inch tail and thread tail with a yarn needle and thread tail through remaining 6 stitches.

Step 1: Using tail yarn, sew side seams just like large bottom piece.

Step 2: Stuff Hair piece and arrange onto head and pin in place:

Step 3: Sew hair piece to head using the tail yarn, all around the piece at the cast on round, weave in tail once you have sewn hair completely around head.

Curls:

Large Curls: make 3.

With White Yarn- I like to use Lion's Brand Wool- Ease White Frost #501 for the hair. Cast on 30 stitches LOOSELY.
Row 1:   (wrong side) *P2tog* repeat across (15)

Cast off the remaining 15 stitches knitwise, leaving a 10 inch tail of yarn to use for sewing onto hair.

Step 1: The curl will naturally curl up, using a pin, pin the curl in place in the center:

Step 2: Using the yarn tail, tack the curl into place in the center.

Do not cut the yarn tails, you will use those to sew curls onto hair.

Small Curls: make 8.

With White Yarn- I like to use Lion's Brand Wool- Ease White Frost #501 for the hair. Cast on 20 stitches LOOSELY.
Row 1:   (wrong side) *P2tog* repeat across (10)

Cast off the remaining 10 stitches knitwise, leaving a 10 inch tail of yarn to use for sewing onto hair.
Follow steps 1 and 2 as for large curls- tacking the curls into shape, and keeping yarn tails to use to sew onto hair.

Arranging Curls to Hair:

Step 1: Pin 2 large curls to the large bottom piece of hair on each side of head, and 1 large curl to the center of the middle hair piece:

Step 2: Sew the 3 large curls into place- weave in all yarn tails.

Step 3: Pin 2 small curls to either side of the large curls on the bottom piece of hair on each side of head (using 4 of the small curls):

Step 4: Sew the small curls into place- weave in all yarn tails.

Step 5: Pin 2 small curls to either side of the large curl in the center of the middle piece of hair:

Step 6: Sew the small curls into place- weave in all yarn tails.

Step 7: Pin 2 small curls to each side of the small top hair piece:

Step 8: Sew the small curls into place- weave in all yarn tails.

Legs: (make 2)

Start with Cream yarn- Cast on 12 stitches.
Row 1:   (wrong side) Purl across (12)
Row 2:   Knit (12)
Row 3:   Purl (12)
Repeat rows 2 and 3, 4 more times- ending with:
Row 10: Knit (12)
Row 11: Purl (12) Change to White Yarn
Row 12: Knit (12)
Row 13: Purl (12)
Repeat rows 12 and 13, 10 more times- ending with:
Row 32: Knit (12)
Row 33: Purl (12)
Row 34: Knit the next 4 stitch, Inc in each of the next 4 stitches, knit the last 4 stitches (16) **Change to Medium Blue Yarn.**
Row 35: Purl (16)
Row 36: Knit the next 7 stitch, Inc in each of the next 2 stitches, knit the last 7 stitches (18)
Row 37: Purl (18)
Row 38: *K2tog, Knit the next stitch * repeat around (12)
Row 39: *P2tog* repeat across (6)
Do not cast off- instead cut yarn leaving a 12 inch tail and thread tail with a yarn needle and thread tail through remaining 6 stitches. With tail sew side seams together and stuff as you sew.

Attach a scrap of medium blue yarn to the outside of each leg at the color change (cream/ white):

Tie a bow with the scrap yarn on each leg:

Sew legs to bottom of body with a scrap of Cream yarn:

Inside Skirt:

Start with White yarn- Cast on 36 stitches LOOSELY .
Row 1:   (wrong side) Purl across (36)
Row 2:   *Inc in the first stitch, knit the next 5 stitches* repeat between the *'s across (42)
Row 3:   Purl (42)
Row 4:   *Inc in the first stitch, knit the next 6 stitches* repeat between the *'s across (48)
Row 5:   Purl (48)

Row 6:   *Inc in the first stitch, knit the next 7 stitches* repeat between the *'s across (54)
Row 7:   Purl (54)
Row 8:   *Inc in the first stitch, knit the next 8 stitches* repeat between the *'s across (60)
Row 9:   Purl (60)
Row 10:   Knit (60)
Row 11:   Purl (60)
Repeat rows 10 and 11, 13 more times- ending with:
Row 36:   Knit (60)
Row 37:   Purl (60)
Row 38:   Knit (60)
Row 39:   Knit (60) **Change to Medium Blue Yarn.**
Row 40:   Knit (60)
Row 41:   Knit (60)
Row 42:   *Slip the first stitch knit wise, Knit in the front and back of the next 2 stitches * repeat between the *'s across
Row 43:   *Purl the first 4 stitches, Slip the next stitch purl wise, * repeat between the *'s across
Cast off all the remaining stitches.

To arrange skirt: the side seams are to be joined in the back of the doll, so pin the middle of the skirt to your doll's tummy area just above the white color change:

Pin back of skirt were side seams join. With white yarn, sew skirt to body first- then sew side seams together to close skirt using a scrap of medium blue to close at end: Weave in tails.

Outside Skirt:

Start with White yarn- Cast on 36 stitches LOOSELY.
Row 1:   (wrong side) Purl across (36)
Row 2:   K2tog, knit the next 2 stitches once each, Inc in each of the next 10 stitches, knit the next 8 stitches once each, Inc in each of the next 10 stitches, knit the next 2 stitches once each, K2tog (54)
Row 3:   Slip the 1st stitch purl wise, and then Purl across the row (54)
Row 4:   K2tog, knit the next stitch once, *Inc in the first stitch, then knit the next stitch* repeat between the *'s 10 times total, knit the next 8 stitches once each, *Inc in the first stitch, then knit the next stitch* repeat between the *'s 10 times total, knit the next stitch once, K2tog (72)
Row 5:   Slip the 1st stitch purl wise, and then Purl across the row (72)
Row 6:   K2tog, *Inc in the first stitch, then knit the next 2 stitches once each* repeat between the *'s 10 times total, knit the next 8 stitches once each, *Inc in the first stitch, then knit the next 2 stitches once each* repeat between the *'s 10 times total, K2tog (90)
Row 7:   Slip the 1st stitch purl wise, and then Purl across the row (90)
Row 8:   K2tog, knit the next 86 stitches once each, K2tog (88)
Row 9:   Slip the 1st stitch purl wise, and then Purl across the row (88)
Row 10: K2tog, knit the next 84 stitches once each, K2tog (86)
Row 11: Slip the 1st stitch purl wise, and then Purl across the row (86)
Row 12: K2tog, knit the next 82 stitches once each, K2tog (84)
Row 13: Slip the 1st stitch purl wise, and then Purl across the row (84)
Row 14: K2tog, knit the next 80 stitches once each, K2tog (82)
Row 15: Slip the 1st stitch purl wise, and then Purl across the row (82)
Row 16: K2tog, knit the next 78 stitches once each, K2tog (80)

Row 17: Slip the 1st stitch purl wise, and then Purl across the row (80)
Row 18: K2tog, knit the next 76 stitches once each, K2tog (78)
Row 19: Slip the 1st stitch purl wise, and then Purl across the row (78)
Row 20: K2tog, knit the next 74 stitches once each, K2tog (76)
Row 21: Slip the 1st stitch purl wise, and then Purl across the row (76)
Row 22: K2tog, knit the next 72 stitches once each, K2tog (74)
Row 23: Slip the 1st stitch purl wise, and then Purl across the row (74)
Row 24: K2tog, knit the next 70 stitches once each, K2tog (72)
Row 25: Slip the 1st stitch purl wise, and then Purl across the row (72)
Row 26: K2tog, knit the next 68 stitches once each, K2tog (70)
Row 27: Slip the 1st stitch purl wise, and then Purl across the row (70)
Row 28: K2tog, knit the next 66 stitches once each, K2tog (68)
Row 29: Slip the 1st stitch purl wise, and then Purl across the row (68)
Row 30: K2tog, knit the next 64 stitches once each, K2tog (66)
Row 31: Slip the 1st stitch purl wise, and then Purl across the row (66)
Row 32: K2tog, knit the next 62 stitches once each, K2tog (64)
Row 33: Slip the 1st stitch purl wise, and then Purl across the row (64)
Row 34: K2tog, knit the next 60 stitches once each, K2tog (62)
Row 35: Slip the 1st stitch purl wise, and then Purl across the row (62)
Row 36: K2tog, knit the next 58 stitches once each, K2tog (60)
Row 37: Knit (60)
Cast off all 60 stitches knit wise.

To arrange top skirt: Pin the skirt in place as in photo:
Making sure that the increases on the sides of the skirt are at the dolls hips.

With a scrap of light blue yarn, sew the top of the skirt around the body. Weave in tails.

Arms: (make 2)

Start with Medium Blue yarn- Cast on 10 stitches.
Row 1: (wrong side) Purl across (10) **Change to Light Blue Yarn.**
Row 2: Knit (10)
Row 3: Purl (10)
Repeat rows 2 and 3, 6 more times- ending with:
Row 14: Knit (10)
Row 15: Purl (10) **Change to Cream Yarn.**
Row 16: Knit (10)
Row 17: Purl (10)
Row 18: Knit the next 3 stitch, Inc in each of the next 4 stitches, knit the last 3 stitches (14)
Row 19: Purl (14)
Row 20: Knit (14)
Row 21: Purl (14)
Row 22: K2tog, Knit the next stitch, *K2tog* repeat 4 times, knit the next stitch, K2tog (8)
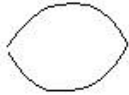Row 23: *P2tog* repeat across (4)
Do not cast off- instead cut yarn leaving a 12 inch tail and thread tail with a yarn needle and thread tail through remaining 4 stitches. With corresponding yarn, sew side seams together and stuffing as you sew. Sew arms to sides of body, and weave in tails.

Face:

To make Eyes:

Cut out 2 of white felt

Cut out 2 of Light Blue felt

With a scrap of black yarn, make a French knot thru both pieces for each eye. Tie in back and cut.

Stack the light blue circles on top of the white eye piece- make 2.

Using white thread, embroider a line through each of the black French knots as in Photo:

With Light Blue thread, sew around Light Blue circles.

Arrange and pin eyes to doll's face. With white thread, sew eyes to face.

With a scrap of pink yarn, embroider smile.

With Blush and Q-tip, apply blush lightly to cheeks.

With a scrap of black yarn, embroider mole making a French knot.

Next, thread 2 strands of black thread, or use a scrap of black yarn: with this you will embroider over each eye and make the eyelashes:

Optional: with light brown thread embroider nose. Also, with a scrap piece of black yarn, tie a "choker" around the neck and tie a bow in the back.

See photo for finished face:

I hope you have enjoyed my pattern!
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