

# Delicious Bradley

A charming amigurumi mushroom based off of [Adam Ellis' comics](#) of the same name! This friendly fungi requires knitting in the round in small circumferences, picking up stitches, and mattress stitching straight and round edges. Great grafting practice, this pattern is knit in separate pieces and assembled as-you-go.



## *Materials Needed*

- US Size 5 DPNS
- Worsted cream yarn (BC)
- Worsted red yarn (CC)
- Worsted mustard yellow yarn (CC1)
- Black embroidery thread
- Safety eyes
- Yarn needle
- Small crochet hook
- Poly-fil stuffing
- Scissors

## Glossary

CO: cast on

KFB: knit front & back

St. st: Stockinette stitch

K2tog: knit 2 together

P2tog: purl 2 together

WS: wrong side

RS: right side

BO: bind off

PU: pick up

## Body

Using BC, CO 4 st on US size 5 DPNS. Distribute amongst DPN and KFB to join round. (8 st.)

Row 1 and all odd rows: K

Row 2: \*KFB\* around (16 st.)

Row 4: \*KFB, K1\* around (24 st.)

Row 6: \*KFB, K2\* around (32 st.)

Row 8: \*KFB, K3\* around (40 st.)

Row 10: \*KFB, K4\* around (48 st.)

Row 11 - 22: K

Row 23: \*K2tog, K4\* around (40 st.)

Row 24 - 38: K

Row 39: BO all stitches

## Legs (make 2)

Using BC, CO 3 st. Distribute evenly amongst DPNS and K to join the round

Row 1: \*KFB\* around (6 st.)

Row 2 - 3: K

Row 4: \*KFB, K1\* around (8 st.)

Row 5: K

Row 6: BO all stitches

## Arms (make 2)

Using BC, CO 3 st. Distribute evenly amongst DPNS and K to join the round

Row 1: K

Row 2: \*KFB\* around (6 st.)

Row 3 - 4: K

Row 5: \*KFB, K1\* twice, k2 (8 st.)

Row 6 - 7: K

Row 8: K6, BO 2 st. Slip last stitch over the first st. of the new row. (6 st.)

Row 9: Working in St. st, turn and purl remaining 6 st.

Row 10: BO all stitches

## Mushroom Cap

CO 4 st in CC, distribute amongst DPN and KFB to join round. (8 st.)

Row 1 and all odd rows: Knit

Row 2: \*KFB\* around (16 st.)

Row 4: \*KFB, K1\* around (24 st.)

Row 6: \*KFB, K2\* around (32 st.)

Row 8: \*KFB, K3\* around (40 st.)

Row 10: \*KFB, K4\* around (48 st.)

Row 12: \*KFB, K5\* around (56 st.)

Row 14: \*KFB, K6\* around (64 st.)

Row 16: \*KFB, K7\* around (72 st.)

Row 17 - 24: Knit 8 rows

Row 25: \*KFB, K8\* around (80 st.)

Row 26 - 27: K

Row 28: \*KFB, K9\* around (88 st.)

Row 29 - 30: K

Row 31 - 36: \*P1, K10\* around

Row 37: Purling around, BO all stitches. To avoid leaving a gap between the first and last stitch, PU 1 st. before BO fully, leaving a long tail.



Thread the tail with a yarn needle.

Facing the WS, find the lines of knit stitches between every 10 stitches. Fold the cap's edge down until it aligns with the 31st row. Working down from the BO edge, sew the tail into the first knit stitch of the 31st row and cinch to create a slight scallop.

Continue whip stitching the edges closed in a line along the 31st row, repeating the top-to-bottom cinch with slightly tighter tension at each line of knit stitches to maintain the scallop. Once fully circled, knot the yarn and weave in ends.

## Spots (make 6)

CO 4 st in BC, distribute amongst DPN and KFB to join round. (8 st.)

Row 1: K

Row 2: KFB (16 st.)

Row 3: K

Row 4: K1, KFB (24 st.)

Row 5: K

Row 6: BO all stitches, leaving a long tail. Weave in CO tail, leaving BO tail free.





On the RS of the cap, pin the 6 spots equal distances apart with alternating heights.

Thread the needle with spot's long BO tail and mattress stitch it onto the cap, gently stretching the spot out into a perfect circle as you go. Don't stretch spots completely flat, as you want a slight rise in the center.

If you've never mattress stitched in a circle before: [Mattress stitch](#) works by picking up a stitch on either side of your work, threading the needle through 2 legs of yarn each time. When working in a circle, try to pick up two legs of yarn rather than perfect stitches. When your spot is curving to the right, try entering your yarn needle at a diagonal, picking up one of the legs of a lower row & a leg just above and to the right.

Stitch all spots into place and weave in ends.

## Cap Lining

Facing the RS with the cap turned upside down, find where the scalloped edge meets the cap's purl side. Just above the seam of the scalloped edge, PU 10 st. in BC for every scallop around (80 st.)

Distribute evenly amongst 4 DPN.

Rows 1 - 3: \*P1, K4\* around

Row 4: \*P1, K1, K2tog\* around. (64 st.)

Row 5-6: \*P1, K3\* around

Row 7: \*P1, K1, K2tog\* around (48 st.)

Row 8-20: \*P1, K2 around\* for 12 rows

Lightly stuff the cap with a thin layer of polyfill, leaving it mostly hollow. Be careful not to overstuff.

Row 21: \*P1, K2tog\* around (32 st.)

Row 22: \*P2tog, K2tog\* around (16 st.)

Row 23: P2tog, K2tog\* around (8 st.)

Row 24: \*P2tog, K2tog\* around (4 st.)

Cut tail, run through st. and knot tail. Weave in ends.







Turn the lining inside out and press the knitting and polyfill gently into place, leaving a hollow space in the center. Thread a yarn needle with CC. Beginning at the center of the lining, stitch upwards into the top of the CC mushroom cap. Stitch back downwards, leaving a “bar” stitch on the top of the cap to hold the lining into place (you can see mine in white yarn on the top left of page 4). Knot and weave in ends.

## **Scarf**

In CC1, CO 8 st. onto a pair of DPNs or US size 5 straight needles.

Row 1: \*K2, P2\* twice

Repeat row until about 17” long. Working in K2, P2, BO all stitches. Weave in ends.

*Fringe:* Cut 2-3 pieces of yarn about 5” long. Loop them in half and, using a crochet hook, hook the pieces through one edge of the scarf and loop in a simple knot. Repeat twice more, then 3x on the opposite edge. Trim pieces to irregular lengths if preferred.



## Body Assembly

**Legs:** Using mattress stitch, attach the legs to the base of the body with the pointed edges oriented slightly outwards. Allow enough space between the legs for the base to “sit.”

If you'd like your Bradley to be free-standing, add a soft weight to the bottom of the body after adding legs and before stuffing.

**Arms:** On the torso, locate the final row of K2togs (row 23) before the body lengthens to a tube. You'll want a natural dip where the scarf will rest. Use the arms' longer BO edge as a shoulder facing outwards, with the shorter BO edge serving as the armpit underneath. Attach the arms on either side of the body, besides the final K2tog row, using mattress stitch.

**Face:** You'll want sufficient space below the face for the scarf, and sufficient space above the eyes for the brim of the mushroom cap.

I recommend placing the safety eyes, sans backing, in the center of the torso about 1 1/2 - 2" below the BO edge. Using the yarn needle and embroidery thread, embroider a smile roughly 1" or so above the shoulders.



If your yarn is light enough, you may wish to use a piece of white backing felt while embroidering to prevent the black thread from “bleeding” through. Once satisfied with the placement, secure the eyes and weave in any ends. Stuff the torso with polyfill, being careful not to overstuff.

**Cap:** Sit the completed cap onto the completed torso. On the cap’s lining, locate a row where the torso’s BO edge seems to naturally meet the inner lining — mine met the CC lining about 1 1/2” away from the cap’s edge.

Thread a yarn needle with BC, and use mattress stitch to secure the BO edge to your selected row. Weave in ends.



Knot the scarf around your new friend's shoulders, and go have some adventures!