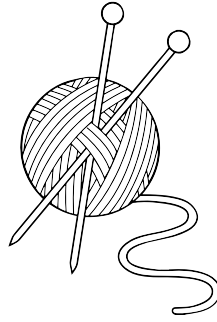




Knit a Frog for *Anatomy Lessons*

A participatory knitting project



Knit a Frog for Anatomy Lessons

Artist Michele Beevors has included several black and white frogs in the exhibition, *Anatomy Lessons*, on display at the Museum at Inveresk.

We'd love for you to contribute your own knitted frog to the exhibition made in any colour you like.

Using the following pattern, created by Edwina Brown, QVMAG Friends Committee Member, and based on instructions provided by Michele Beevors, knit a frog at home or join us in the QVMAG Friends Lounge, where yarn and knitting needles are available every day (except Friday's).

Feel free to dive into your yarn stash and use any scrap wool you have on hand. Spots, stripes, neon brights, deep greens, rainbow chaos: your frog's personality is entirely up to you.

The pattern uses a simple stocking stitch (one row knit, one row purl) suitable for novice knitters.

For those knitters with a bit more experience, please try fur stitch or bobble stitch to create more texture on your frog.

Advanced knitters or crocheters could also create their own frog based on the proportions in the pattern provided.

We can't wait to meet your creature!

Tiny Knitting Circles

Need a little help with your frog? Edwina will be available in the Friends of QVMAG Lounge to provide a little guidance between 11am and 12:30pm on:

- Wednesday 6 May
- Saturday 16 May
- Wednesday 20 May

Register your interest in these free sessions at <https://www.qvmag.tas.gov.au/Whats-on/Museum-at-Inveresk/Anatomy-Lessons>

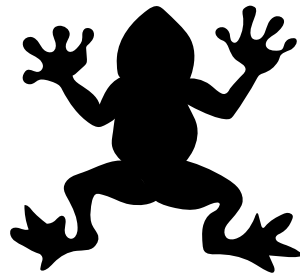
Include your frog in the exhibition. Once your amphibious creation is finished, drop your frog into the "Completed Frogs" basket in the Friends Lounge.

You're welcome to join us on Friday 22 May at 11am, when all the frogs will be added to the display.

Your frog will also travel with the exhibition as it hops to future venues.

If you would prefer for your frog to remain in Tasmania, write your name on the cotton tape available from the Lounge, and stitch it to your frog before dropping it in the basket.

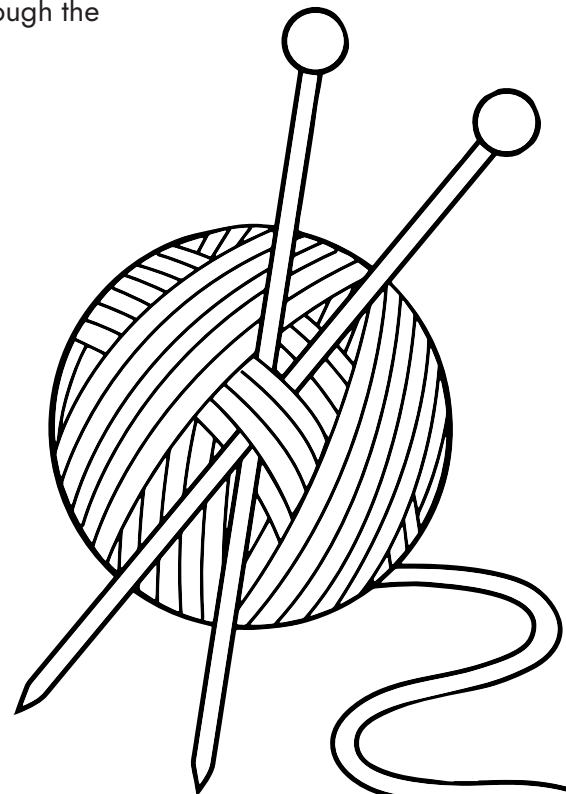
Please collect your amphibian masterpiece by Sunday 13 June 2026 from the Museum Welcome Desk.



Knitting Instructions: Overview

Abbreviations:

- **K** – Knit
- **K2tog** – Knit 2 sts together to form one stitch
- **K3tog** – Knit 3 sts together to form one stitch
- **KFB** – Knit into the front of the stitch and then into the back of the stitch to increase one stitch to two
- **KFS** – Knit into the front of the stitch, before completing the stitch, twist the needle and put it through the loop then slipping the new 'stitch' onto the right needle to increase one stitch to two
- **M1** – Increase 1 st in your preferred way – KFB or KFS works well
- **P** – Purl
- **P3tog** – Purl 3 sts together
- **SSK** – Slip first stitch knitwise, slip second stitch knitwise, knit the two stitches together through the back loops to form one stitch
- **SSSK** – slip first stitch knitwise, slip the next two stitches individually in order knitwise and then knit the three stitches together through the back loops to form one stitch
- **WS** – Wrong side



Frog 1: Living

Body - front or underside

Cast on 3 sts
 WS Purl 3 sts
 Row 1 (K1, M1) 3 times (6 sts)
 Row 2 Purl and purl all even numbered rows
 (wrong side rows)
 Row 3 K1, M1, K1, M1, K2, M1, K1, M1, K1 (10 sts)
 Row 5 K
 Row 7 K
 Row 9 K
 Row 11 K - add a stitch marker at both ends of row
 Row 13 K5, M1, K5 (11 sts)
 Row 15 K
 Row 17 K
 Row 19 K
 Row 21 K1, M1, K9, M1, K1 (13 sts)
 Row 23 K1, M1, K11, M1, K1 (15 sts)
 Row 25 K1, SSK, K9, K2tog, K1 (13 sts)
 Row 27 K1, SSK, K7, K2tog, K1 (11 sts)
 Row 29 K1, SSK, K5, K2tog, K1 (9 sts)
 Row 31 K1, SSK, K3, K2tog, K1 (7 sts)
 Row 33 K1, SSK, K1, K2tog, K1 (5 sts)
 Row 35 K1, K3tog, K1, (3 sts)
 Row 37 K3tog (1 st) Cast off and break yarn with a
 long enough tail to sew front and back together

Front legs (make 4)

Cast on 4 sts
 WS Purl 4 sts
 Row 1 K2, M1, K2 (5 sts)
 Row 2 Purl and purl all even numbered rows
 (wrong side rows) except Row 10
 Row 3 K
 Row 5 K
 Row 7 K1, K2tog, K2 (4 sts)
 Row 9 K1, P1, K1, P1
 Row 10 K1, P1, K1, P1
 Row 11 K
 Row 13 K
 Row 15 K
 Row 17 K2, M1, K2 (5 sts)
 Row 19 K1, M1, K3, M1, K1 (7 sts)
 Row 20 purl

On the two 'top sides' parts of the front legs,
 shape four toes. On the two 'under sides' of the
 front legs, cast off after completing Row 20

To shape toes on 'top sides'

Row 21 (K2tog) 3 times, K1
 For first toe: Row 22 K1 first stitch only
 * Turn, KFB
 Turn K2tog
 Cast off
 Repeat from * for each subsequent stitch, starting
 on the wrong side (Row 22)

Frog 1: Living

Hind legs (make 4)

Cast on 4 sts

WS Purl

Row 1 (k1, M1) 4 times (8 sts)

Row 2 Purl and purl all even numbered rows
(wrong side rows) unless noted otherwise

Row 3 K1, M1, K6, M1, K1 (10 sts)

Row 5 K5, M1, K5 (11 sts)

Row 7 K1, M1, K9, M1, K1 (13 sts)

Row 9 K1, SSK, K2, K2tog, K3, K2tog, K1 (10 sts)

Row 11 K1, SSK, K4, K2tog, K1 (8 sts)

Row 13 K1 SSK, K2tog, K2tog, K1 (5 sts)

Row 15 K1, SSK, K2 (4 sts)

Row 16 P1, K1, P1, K1

Row 17 K2tog, P1, K1 (3sts)

Row 18 Purl

Row 19 K1, M1, K2 (4 sts)

Row 21 K2, M1, K2 (5 sts)

Row 23 K1, K2tog, K2 (4 sts)

Row 25 K1, K2tog, K1 (3 sts)

Row 26 P1, K1, P1

Row 27 K1, M1, K2 (4 sts)

Row 29 K2, M1, K2 (5 sts)

Row 31 K1, M1, K3, M1, K1 (7 sts)

Row 32 Purl

To shape toes on 'top sides'

Row 33 First stitch KFB (2 sts on right needle)

Turn, P2tog

Turn, K1

Cast off (6 sts remaining)

Row 33 - work next 2 stitches

Join yarn KFB, K1 (3 sts on right needle)

Turn, P2tog, S1

Turn K2tog

Cast off (3 sts remaining)

Row 33 - work next 2 stitches

Join yarn, KFB, K1 (3 sts on right needle)

Turn, P2tog, S1

Turn, K2tog

Cast off and break yarn

Row 33 - work last 2 stitches

Join yarn K2

Turn P2tog

Turn K1

Cast off and break yarn

On the two 'top sides' parts of the hind legs, shape four toes. On the two 'under sides' of the hind legs, cast off after completing Row 32.

To Assemble: Frog 1

Start with legs:

- Using a tapestry or darning needle, weave in cast off tails on toes
- Assemble front and hind legs, sewing with wrong sides together, leaving a gap at the body joint to stuff
- Stuff with preferred filling – for example, Poly fill or wool scraps
- Sew front legs to top side of body starting at the stitch marker, making sure top sides match
- Sew hind legs to top side of the body, starting from the base/tail, and making sure top sides match

Complete with body:

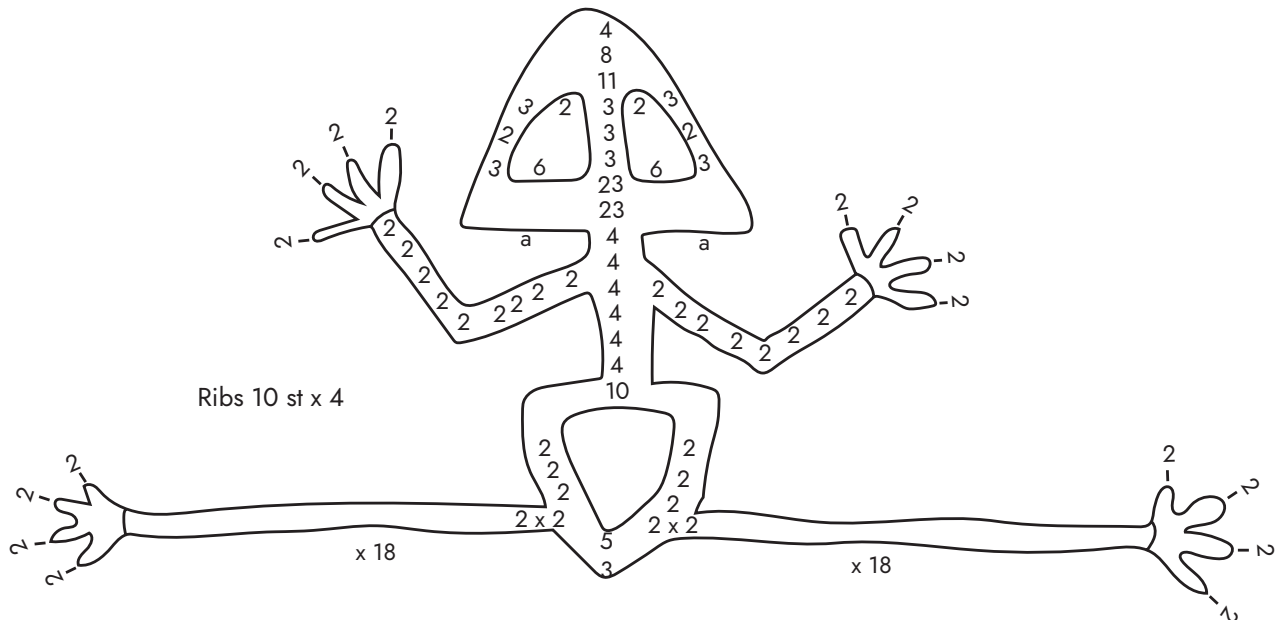
- Sew front and under sides of body together, where possible using cast off tails, leaving a gap for stuffing at the base/tail. Stitch securely at the leg joins
- Stuff with preferred filling – for example, Poly fill or wool scraps
- Close gap once stuffed as desired

Frog 2: Skeleton

Frog 2: Skeleton

Suggested materials

- 8 ply yarn
- 3.75 mm or 4.00 mm knitting needles



Body

Cast on 4 stitches

WS Purl

Row 1 K while increasing 4 sts across the row (8 sts)

Row 2 Purl every wrong side row unless instructed otherwise

Row 3 K1, M1, K2, M1, K1, M1, K1, M1, K2, M1, K1 (13 sts)

(See diagram)

Row 5 K3

Row 7 K2tog, K (2 sts)

Row 9 K1, M1, K1 (3 sts)

Row 10 Purl and then leave these 3 stitches on the needle or on waste yarn, break yarn

Continue with remaining stitches

Row 5 Join yarn. Cast off the next 2 sts of remaining 10 sts and continue by knitting the next 3 stitches

Row 7 K

Row 9 K

Row 10 Purl and then leave

these 3 stitches on the needle or on waste yarn, break yarn

Continue with remaining stitches

Row 5 Join yarn. Cast off the next 2 sts and continue on the last 3 stitches

Row 7 K2tog, K (2 sts)

Row 9 K1, M1, K1 (3 sts)

Row 10 Purl break yarn

Row 11 K3, using any method cast on 6 stitches, K3 from the middle section, cast on 6 sts K3 (21 sts)

Row 13 K1, M1, K19, M1, K1 (23 sts)

Row 15 Cast Off 9 sts, K2, M1, K1, Cast Off 9 sts (4 sts remain in the middle of the frog head to form the neck)

Row 17 Knit

Row 19 Knit

Row 21 Knit

Row 23 Knit

Row 25 Knit

Row 27 K4, cast on 3 sts (7 sts)

Row 28 P7, cast on 3 sts (10 sts)

Row 29 Knit 2, Cast Off 6, Knit 2 (put the first two stitches either on waste yarn or hold on working needle)

Continue on 2 sts with yarn attached

Row 32 Purl

Row 33 K2

Row 35 K2

Row 37 K2

Row 38 P2 – break yarn

Join yarn to first two stitches

Row 32 Purl

Row 33 K2

Row 35 K2

Row 37 K2

Row 38 P2

Row 39 Join the two pieces together, by K2,

Cast on one st, K2 (5 sts)

Row 40 Purl

Row 41 SSK, K1, K2tog (3 sts)

Row 42 K3tog and bind off

Frog 2: Skeleton

Front legs (knit 2)

Pick up 2 stitches on one side of the spine of the skeleton

WS Purl

Row 1 Knit

Row 2 Purl

Repeat rows 1 and 2 seven more times

Back legs (make 2)

Pick up 2 stitches on one side of the pelvis of the skeleton

WS Purl

Row 1 Knit

Row 2 Purl

Repeat rows 1 and 2 seventeen more times

To make the toes

RS Knit front and back in first knit stitch then knit first stitch again, turn and KFB, turn and K2tog

Cast off and break yarn

To make the toes

RS Knit front and back in first knit stitch then knit first stitch again, turn and KFB, turn and K2tog

Cast off and break yarn

Join yarn and K next stitch, turn and KFB, turn and K2tog cast off and break yarn

Join yarn and K next stitch, turn and KFB, turn and K2tog cast off and break yarn

Repeat two steps above to form the four toes

Repeat the two steps above to form the four toes

Then repeat whole front leg instructions on the other side of the frog skeleton.

Then repeat whole back leg instructions on the other side of the frog skeleton's pelvis.

This resource was proudly developed with the support of Friends of QVMAG.

We can't wait to meet your creature.
Thank you for contributing to *Anatomy Lessons* and helping bring the exhibition to life through making, memory, and care.

