## Berner Bear Sweater Kit

Pullover for 12" Bear Boat Neck–Kimono Sleeve Length 6" Designer Peggy Gaffney 1557 stitches per piece

Gauge: 5 stitches to the inch -6 rows to the inch

## Back:

Cast on 32 stitches. Work in stockinette stitch (knit one row purl the next row and repeat these two rows) till you complete purling row 12. Cast on 9 stitches at the beginning of row 13. Knit across this row. Cast on 9 stitches at the beginning of row 14 and purl across the row. This has now added the sleeves. Continue working in stockinette till you reach row 36. Bind off all stitches.

## Front

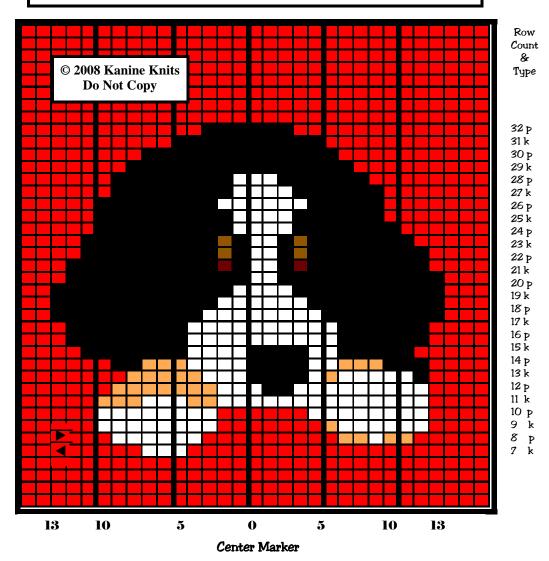
Before you begin, wind 9 bobbins with yarn, 3 main color, 2 white, 2 russet and 2 black for the Berner Puppy Head study. When you work the design on the chart, you will pick up and begin knitting with a new bobbin of the appropriate color when indicated. This will mean that you might have up to 8 bobbins dangling from your needle at any given time. At the end of each row, shake them loose and make sure that they are hanging straight and not tangled. Always pick up the new color from behind the one on which you have been working. This keeps holes from appearing in your work. When you no longer need that color, break the yarn leaving about 5 inches. Note: On chart the knit rows are worked from right to left and the purl rows from left to right.

Cast on 32 stitches in main color. Work in stockinette stitch. On row 6, work until you complete purling 16 stitches, place a stitch marker on your needle, and complete the row. This marker will be your guide that your stitches are in the correct place. It equals "0" on the chart. At the end of each row, check to make sure your stitches are in the correct place in relation to the center marker.

Begin chart using a main color bobbin. On row 7 knit across 20 stitches, pick up a white bobbin, knit 3 stitches in white, pick up a main color bobbin and complete the row breaking off yarn. On row 8, purl 7 stitches, and pick up the white yarn and purl 6, pick up the main color and purl 9, pick up russet and purl 2, pick up white and purl 1, using the same russet, purl 2, pick up new main color bobbin and purl to end of row. You should now have 6 bobbins dangling from your needle. Shake loose any tangles and turn your work.

You will now continue to follow the chart, changing color as indicated and knitting the knit rows and purling the purl rows till you reach row 13. At the beginning of row 13, you will cast on 9 stitches. Knit across these stitches and then continue across the row changing colors as indicated. At the beginning of row 14, cast on 9 stitches. Purl across these stitches and then continue the pattern as indicated working to the end of the row. You have now added the sleeves. Work the pattern till it ends on row 32.

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Work only in main color on the following rows till you have 36 rows and then bind off. Finish by either sewing or crocheting your seams together leaving the neck open as indicated on the schematic. Work all loose pieces of yarn neatly into the back of the nearby stitches.