

Garden Bunny

This friendly bunny is all ready for work with his overalls, complete with carrot motif. He is made mostly in stocking stitch and his overalls and shirt are an integral part of his body, so he is quite simple to knit.

Materials

50g (1¾oz) blue DK (8-ply) yarn (A)
50g (1¾oz) white DK (8-ply) yarn (B)
50g (1¾oz) cream DK (8-ply) yarn (C)
Small amount of denim blue and dark grey DK (8-ply) yarn
Small amounts of bright green and orange 4-ply (fingering) yarn
Safety stuffing

Needles

4.0mm (UK 8, US 6)
3.25mm (UK 10, US 3)

Tension (gauge)

24 sts x 32 rows measures 10 x 10cm (4 x 4in)
using 4.0mm (UK 8, US 6) needles over st st

Size

18cm (7in) wide, 39cm (15½in) tall

Head

Worked in st st.

Using 4.0mm (UK 8, US 6) needles and yarn C cast on 10 sts.

Purl 1 row.

Next row: inc in each st to end (20 sts).

Next row: purl.

Next row: * k1, inc in next st, rep from * to end (30 sts).

Next row: purl.

Next row: * k2, inc in next st, rep from * to end (40 sts).

Next row: purl.

Next row: * k3, inc in next st, rep from * to end (50 sts).

Beginning with a purl row, work 5 rows st st.

Next row: * k3, k2tog, rep from * to end (40 sts).

Beginning with a purl row, work 3 rows st st.

Next row: * k3, k2tog, rep from * to end (32 sts).

Beginning with a purl row, work 5 rows st st.

Shape top of head

Next row: * k2, k2tog rep from * to end (24 sts).

Next row: purl.

Next row: * k1, k2tog, rep from * to end (16 sts).

Next row: purl.

Next row: * k2tog, rep from * to end (8 sts).

Break yarn and run through stitches on needle, draw up tight and fasten off.

Ears

Make two alike, worked in garter stitch.

Using 4.0mm (UK 8, US 6) needles and yarn C cast on 3 sts.

Knit 1 row.

Inc 1 st at each end of the next and following alt rows to 9 sts.

Work 12 rows garter stitch.

Dec 1 st at each end of next and following alt rows to 3 sts.

K3tog and fasten off.

Body and legs

Make two pieces alike.

Using 4.0mm (UK 8, US 6) needles and yarn A cast on 10 sts.

Work 3 rows garter stitch.

Change to st st and work 24 rows.

Leave on stitch holder.

Work another leg to match.

Body

Worked in st st.

Using 4.0mm (UK 8, US 6) needles and yarn A cast on 10 sts.

Purl 1 row.

Next row: inc in each st to end (20 sts).

Beginning with a purl row, work 3 rows in st st.

Next row: * k1, inc, rep from * to end (30 sts).

Beginning with a purl row, work 3 rows in st st.

Next row: * k2, inc, rep from * to end (40 sts).

Beginning with a purl row, work 3 rows in st st.

Next row: * k3, inc, rep from * to end (50 sts).

Beginning with a purl row, work 11 rows.

Next row: * k3, skpo, rep from * to end (40 sts).

Beginning with a purl row, work 3 rows in st st.

Now work the front bib. You will need to join in separate balls of brown and cream and twist the yarns at the back of the work when changing colour to avoid holes.

Next row: k17 A, k6 B, k17 A.

Next row: p16 A, p8 B, p16 A.

Next row: k15 A, k10 B, k15 A.

Next row: p14 A, p12 B, p14 A.

Next row: k13 A, k14 B, k13 A.

Next row: p12 A, p16 B, p12 A.

Next row: k12 A, k16 B, k12 A.

Next row: p12 A, p16 B, p12 A.

Repeat last 2 rows 4 times more.

Next row: keeping bib pattern correct * k2, skpo, rep from * to end (30 sts).

Next row: p9 in A to bib, p12 B across bib, purl in A to end.

Next row: k11 A, k8 B, k11 A.

Next row: p11A, p8 B, p11 A.

Next row: k12 A, k6 B, k12 A.

Break B and spare ball A.

Continue in A only.

Next row: purl.

Next row: * k1, skpo, rep from * to end (20 sts).

Next row: purl.

Next row: (k2tog) across row, break yarn and run through sts on needle, draw up and fasten off.

Legs

Make two alike, worked in st st.

Using needles size 4.0mm (UK 8, US 6) and yarn A cast on 10 sts.



Purl 1 row.

Next row: inc in each st to end (20 sts).

Purl 1 row.

Next row: k1, inc in each of the next 18 sts, k1 (38 sts).

Beginning with a purl row, work 11 rows in st st.

Shape the foot

Next row: k9, (k2tog) 10 times, k9 (28 sts).

Next row: purl.

Next row: k9, (k2tog) 5 times, k9 (23 sts).

Beginning with a purl row, work 3 rows in st st.

Next row: k10, sl1, k2tog, pssso, k10 (21 sts).

Beginning with a purl row, work 19 rows in st st.

Next row: (k2tog) to last st, k1 (11 sts).

Next row: purl.

Next row: (k2tog) across row, break yarn and run through sts on needle, draw up and fasten off.



Bride's skirt

Make two pieces alike.

Using 4.0mm (UK 8, US 6) needles and yarn E cast on 56 sts.

Commence lacy pattern as follows:

Row 1: knit.

Row 2: purl.

Row 3: k1, * (k2tog) 3 times, (yrn, k1) 6 times, (k2tog) 3 times, rep from * to last st, k1.

Row 4: knit.

These 4 rows form the pattern and are repeated throughout.

Repeat them 11 more times.

Next row: (k2tog) across row (28 sts).

Work 4 rows garter stitch.

Cast off.

Work another piece to match.

Bride's sleeves

Make two alike.

Using 4.0mm (UK 8, US 6) needles and yarn E cast on 34 sts firmly.

Row 1: * k2, p2, rep from * to last 2 sts, k2.

Row 2: p2, * k2, p2, rep from * to end.

Row 3: as row 1.

Row 4: as row 1.

Row 5: as row 2.

Row 6: as row 1.

Repeat rows 1–6 once more.

Cast off.

Repeat these 6 rows twice more.

Keeping pattern correct dec 1 st each end of next and following all rows until 14 sts remain. Cast off. This is the neck edge.

Bride's legs

Worked in garter stitch.

Using 4.0mm (UK 8, US 6) needles and D cast on 16 sts.

Knit 1 row.

Inc in every st to end (32 sts).

Work 12 rows garter stitch.

Next row: k11, (k2tog) five times, k11 (27 sts).

Knit 4 rows, break D and join in A.

Work a further 22 rows in garter stitch.

Next row: k2tog at each end of row (25 sts).

Next row: knit.

Next row: k1, (k2tog) across row (13 sts).

Cast off.



Baby Emma

Who will be able to resist this sweet little baby bunny complete with her own tiny onesie? She is made in simple stocking stitch and will only take an evening to knit. I have embroidered little flowers onto the onesie to make it extra special.

Materials

50g (1¾oz) cream DK (8-ply) yarn (A)
50g (1¾oz) sky blue DK (8-ply) yarn (B)
Small amount of black DK (8-ply) yarn
Oddments of pink and green yarn for flower embroidery
Safety stuffing
Small amount of narrow baby ribbon

Needles

4.0mm (UK 8, US 6)

Tension (gauge)

22 sts x 30 rows measures 10 x 10cm (4 x 4in)
using 4.0mm (UK 8, US 6) needles over st st

Size

12cm (5in) wide, 26cm (10½in) tall

Body and head

Make in one piece, worked in **st st.**

Using 4.0mm (UK 8, US 6) needles and yarn A cast on 10 sts.

Next row: purl.

Next row: inc in each st to end (20 sts).

Next row: purl.

Next row: * k1, inc in next st, rep from * to end (30 sts).

Next row: purl.

Work 30 rows in st st (mark this row as neck line).
Continue for a further 16 rows.

Shape top of head

Next row: * k1, k2tog, rep from * to end (20 sts).

Next row: purl.

Next row: (k2tog) across row (10 sts).

Next row: purl.

Next row: (k2tog) five times.

Break yarn, thread through sts on needle, draw up and fasten off.

Arms

Make two alike, worked in st st.

Using 4.0mm (UK 8, US 6) needles and yarn A cast on 7 sts.

Next row: purl.

Next row: inc in each st to end (14 sts).

Next row: purl.

Work 14 rows in st st.

Next row: * k1, inc in next st, rep from * to end (21 sts).

Next row: purl.

Work 4 rows in st st.

Next row: (k2tog) across to last st, k1 (11 sts).

Next row: purl.

Next row: (k2tog) across to last st, k1.

Break yarn and thread through sts, draw up and fasten off.



Legs

Make two alike, worked in **st st.**

Using 4.0mm (UK 8, US 6) needles and yarn A cast on 7 sts.

Next row: purl.

Next row: inc in each st to end (14 sts).

Next row: purl.

Work 16 rows in st st.

Break A and join in B.

Shape foot

Next row: k4, inc in each of next 6 sts, k4 (20 sts).

Next row: purl.

Work 4 rows in st st.

Next row: (k2tog) across row (10 sts).

Next row: purl.

Repeat last 2 rows once more (5 sts).

Next row: (k2tog) twice, k1 (3 sts).

Break yarn and run through sts on needle. Draw up and fasten off.

Ears

Make two alike, worked in garter stitch.

Using 4.0mm (UK 8, US 6) needles and yarn A cast on 6 sts.

Knit 2 rows.

Next row: inc at each end of row (8 sts).

Knit 9 rows.

Next row: k2tog at each end of row (6 sts).

Next row: knit.

Repeat last 2 rows once (4 sts).

Next row: (k2tog) twice.

Next row: k2tog and fasten off.

