



Knitted Easter Bunnies

(to fit over a Creme Egg)

You will need:

Double knitting wool
Pair of needles UK size 11
Black thread for eyes, nose & mouth
Length of wool for tail
Toy filling
Coloured ribbon to finish off



1. Cast on 26 sts
2. Knit 1 row
3. Increase in 1st st, K1, inc. in next st, then every 3rd st until 2sts, K1, inc in last st. (36st)
4. Knit 11 rows
5. Cast off 1st at beg of next 4 rows (32 sts)
6. Cast off 6sts at beg of next 2 rows (20 sts)
7. Increase 1 st at beg of next 4 rows (24 sts)
8. Knit 4 rows
9. K2 then K2tog to last 2sts, K2 (14 sts)
10. Knit 4 rows
11. K2 then K2tog to last 2sts, K2 (9 sts)
12. Draw wool through rem stitches and pull tight
13. Sew with that piece of wool round the edge of work to the beg stitch, leaving the cast on edge open so that egg can be inserted
14. Stuff the head with toy filling, sew around neck and gather in tight, fasten off

EARS (knit 2)

1. Cast on 8 sts (leaving a long length of wool to sew ear to head)

2. Knit 12 rows
3. K3 K2tog K3 (7 sts)
4. K3 K2tog K2 (6 sts)
5. K2 K2tog K2 (5 sts)
6. K2 K2tog K1 (4 sts)
7. K1 K2tog K1 (3 sts)
8. K1 K2tog (2 sts)
9. K2tog
10. Fasten off, cut wool and sew in end of yarn.
11. Fold ears in half lengthways and using the length of attached wool sew on towards back of head starting about 3-4 rows from the top and meeting down centre back of head
- TIP - Before cutting yarn from sewing on 2nd ear, sew a few stitches through both ears lengthways and pull tight. This helps to shape the bunny's head and hold ears together**
12. Embroider nose, mouth and eyes. Slightly pulling thread between the eyes helps to draw in and shape the head. Add a tail (lazy daisy stitch flower with a French knot centre works well)
13. Tie a ribbon around neck

Check your finished bunny with a Creme Egg – it shouldn't drop out when you pick up the bunny by the head! Add a couple of extra stitches if required.

Please send your creations to the below address by **5/3/18**, marking your parcel 'Easter Chick Appeal'.
Fundraising Office, Francis House Children's Hospice, 390 Parrswood Rd, Didsbury, Manchester, M20 5NA

Please complete the tear off slip below and enclose in your parcel

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Name: _____ Email address: _____

Address: _____

Number of bunnies enclosed: _____

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