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CUDDLY BUNNY PATTERN

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ABOUT THIS PATTERN

A great size for a little one to take with them wherever they go. This big-eared floppy bunny will make a super cool best friend.

SIZE

- **Height = 19 inches**
(from top of the head to bottom of the feet)
- **Width = 6.5 inches (body not inc arms)**
This may vary depending on how much stuffing you use.



Cuddly Bunny Pattern

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YOU WILL NEED

Yarn

- 5 x La Mia Mohair Boucle Yarn - 50g (50m) in the colour grey L031
- 1 x La Mia Mohair Boucle Yarn - 50g (50m) in the colour cream L193
- Scraps of pink yarn (worsted or Aran) for the nose.
- It is possible to make the bunny with other yarn weight/types and needles that can be used with your preferred yarn choice. But if you use a lighter weight yarn than suggested the bunny will be smaller than the size given. The La Mia Boucle yarn is suggested for the texture it has, which will make the bunny very fluffy, large and floppy. But any yarns you have in your stash can also be substituted.

Needles

- 7mm (US 6.5) Knitting needles

Notions

- Tape measure
- Scissors
- Darning needle

Other Materials

- Pom Pom Maker - Clover Large - 2-1/2 inches
- Toy safety eyes
- Toy stuffing (polyester fibre or similar) - Please note, Operation Christmas Child are only able to send stuffed items using proper toy stuffing and not other materials e.g. newspaper or dried beans.

Gauge

- 7 sts in 7 rows in 2 inches

ABBREVIATIONS

- Approx = Approximately
- Beg = Begin(ning)
- Cont = Continue(ing)
- Dec = Decrease
- Inc = Increase
- K = Knit
- KFB - Knit into the front and back of the stitch (to increase)
- K2tog = Knit 2 sts together
- M1 – Make one st
- P = Purl
- Rem = Remaining
- Rep = Repeat
- St(s) = Stitch(es)
- St St = stocking stitch – knit 1 row, purl 1 row

YARN A - GREY / YARN B - CREAM

LEGS - MAKE 2

1. With Yarn A – Cast on 12 sts
2. Purl 1 row
3. K1, M1, - rep to the end of row (23 sts)
4. P row
5. K1, M1, cont to knit row (24 sts)
6. P1, M1, cont to P row (25 sts)
7. K1, M1, cont to knit row (26 sts)
8. P1, M1, cont to P row (27 sts)
9. K1, M1, cont to knit row (28 sts)
10. P1, M1, cont to P row (29 sts)
11. *K7, M1* rep from * to * to end of row, K1 (33 sts)
12. P row
13. K row
14. P row
15. K13, K2tog, K3, K2tog, K13 (31sts)
16. Purl row.
17. K12, K2tog, K3, K2tog, K12 (29 sts)
18. Purl row
19. K7, cast off the rem sts until you have 7 sts left to knit on the left needle, K those 7 sts (You should have 14 sts left with a gap in between).
20. P row
21. Inc 1 st at each end of the row (K the row) (16sts)
22. Cont in st, st for 13 rows (Starting with a P row and ending with a P row)
23. K1, K2tog, K1, K2tog, K3, K2tog, K1, K2tog, K2 (12 sts)
24. Purl row
25. K2tog, K1, rep to the end of row. (8 sts)
26. P2tog - rep to the end of row.
27. Cut a length of yarn around 8" and thread through the rem sts, stitch the leg seam and leave an opening at the bottom of the foot for stuffing.
28. Stuff the leg with toy stuffing and stitch closed.
29. Weave in any loose ends.

ARMS — MAKE 2

1. With Yarn A – Cast on 6 sts
2. Purl 1 row.
3. K1, M1 - rep to the end of row. (11 sts)
4. Purl 1 row.
5. K1, M1, K4, M1, K1, M1, K4, M1, K1. (15 sts)
6. Work 7 rows in st st (Starting with a P row and ending on a P row).
7. K1, K2tog, K2, K2tog, K1, K2tog, K2, K2tog, K1. (11 sts)
8. Work 3 rows, inc 1 st at each end of next row. (13 sts) (Starting with a P row and ending on a P row)
9. Work 10 rows in st st - ending on a P row.
10. K1, K2tog, K1, K2tog, K1, K2tog, K1, K2tog, K1. (9 sts)
11. Purl 1 row.
12. K1, K2tog - rep to end of row (6 sts)
13. Cut a length of yarn around 8" and thread through the rem sts, stitch the arm seam and leave an opening at the top of the arm for stuffing.
14. Stuff the arm with toy stuffing and stitch closed.
15. Weave in any loose ends.

BODY — MAKE 1

1. With Yarn A – Cast on 15 sts
2. Purl 1 row.
3. K1, M1 - rep to the end of the row. (29 sts)
4. Beg with a P row, work 5 rows in st st.
5. *K7, M1* – rep from * to * to the end of the row, K1. (33 sts)
6. Work 3 rows in st st.
7. K15, M1, K1, M1, K15. (35 sts)
8. Work 5 rows in st st. (Starting with a P row and ending on a P row).
9. K14, K2tog, K1, K2tog, K14. (33 sts)
10. Work 3 rows in st st. (Starting with a P row and ending on a P row).
11. K13, K2tog, K1, K2tog, K13. (31 sts)
12. Work 3 rows in st st. (Starting with a P row and ending on a P row).
13. K1, K2tog - rep to the end of the row, K2. (21 sts)
14. Purl 1 row.
15. K1, K2tog - rep to the end of the row, K2. (14 sts)
16. Purl 1 row.

BODY — MAKE 1 (CONT'D)

- Cut a length of yarn around 8" and thread through the rem sts, stitch the body seam and leave an opening at the top of the body for stuffing.
- Stuff the body with toy stuffing and stitch closed.
- Weave in any loose ends.

HEAD — MAKE 1

1. With Yarn A – Cast on 7 sts.
2. Purl 1 row.
3. K1, M1 - rep to the end of the row. (13 sts)
4. Rep the last two rows once more. (25 sts)
5. Work 3 rows in st st. (Starting with a P row and ending on a P row)
6. *K1, M1, K3* Rep from * to * till the end of the row. (31 sts)
7. Work 13 rows in st st. (Starting with a P row and ending on a P row)
8. K1, K2tog - rep to the end of the row. (21 sts)
9. Work 5 rows in st st. (Starting with a P row and ending on a P row)
10. K1, K2tog, rep to the end of the row. (14 sts)
11. Purl 1 row.
12. Cut a length of yarn around 8" and thread through the rem sts, stitch the head seam to the end of the nose.
13. Stitch the eyes into place and the mouth/nose.
14. Leave an opening underneath the head for stuffing.
15. Stuff the head with toy stuffing and stitch closed.
16. Weave in any loose ends.

EARS — MAKE 2

1. With Yarn A – Cast on 8 sts.
2. K 38 rows
3. Row 39 - K2tog, K to last 2 sts, K2tog (6 sts)
4. Row 40 - K row
5. Row 41 - K2tog, K to last 2 sts, K2tog (4 sts)
6. Row 42 - K row
7. Row 43 - K2tog, K2tog (2 sts)
8. Row 1 - (underside of ears) - Change to yarn B and K row
9. Row 2 - KFB, KFB (4 sts)
10. Row 3 - K row
11. Row 4 - KFB, K to last st and KFB (6 sts)
12. Row 5 - K row
13. Row 6 - KFB, K to last st and KFB (8 sts)
14. Row 7 - K row
15. Row 8 - K row
16. Cont to work in garter stitch (knit every row) for another 35 rows.
17. Cast off.
18. Cut a long length of yarn and start to stitch the ear seams together (using an invisible seam).
19. Once seamed, they will be ready to attach to the head.
20. Weave in any loose ends.

MAKING UP

1. To make up – Stitch the legs to the lower half of the body and the arms to the upper half.
2. Thread the darning needle and push through one leg, then through again and into the body, then through the other leg and back through.
3. Keep going until the legs are securely fastened.
4. Do the same for the arms.
5. Stitch the head into place – thread the needle through the body/neck first, then stitch through the head, keep doing this until the head is secure.
6. The ears should be stitched on to either side of the head.

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