



KNITTING PATTERN

# Bessie Bunny

Soft Toy

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## MATERIALS

### Daily Stitch Wool Blend

1 skein of col. 03 - Yarn A  
1 skein of col. 44 - Yarn B

Circular needles 4 mm / US 6

Stuffing

Blunt sewing needle

Leftover brown yarn for embroidered details

## YARN QUALITY

 **Daily Stitch Wool Blend**, Hobbii

80% Polyacryl, 20 % wool

100 g / 3.5 oz = 168 m / 183 yds

## GAUGE

18 sts x 26 rows = 10 cm x 10 cm / 4" x 4"  
in stockinette stitch

## SIZE

One size

## MEASUREMENTS

Height: 50 cm / 20" including the ears.

## PATTERN INFORMATION

This cute bunny has floppy ears and long limbs - easy for a small child to hold and cuddle.

Knitted flat and seamed this is a quick and easy project. Her dress has a textured pattern at the hem.

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## BUY THE YARN HERE

<https://shop.hobbii.com/bessie-bunny-soft-toy>



## QUESTIONS

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Happy Crafting!

# Pattern



## ABBREVIATIONS

CO = Cast on

k = knit

p = purl

Kfb = knit into front and then back of the same stitch (increase 1 stitch)

K2tog = knit the following 2 stitches together as one stitch (Decrease 1 stitch)

stst = stockinette stitch: knit 1 row, purl 1 row. (Makes 2 rows) Pattern indicates whether to start with a k or p row.

rep = repeat

BO = bind off (Cast Off)

C&T = cut yarn and thread through remaining stitches. Slide stitches off the needle.

beg = begin

## Head

Cast on 8 sts using 4 mm needles and Yarn A. Starting at the neck.

**Row 1** \*kfb, rep from \* to end of row [16 sts].

**Row 2** Purl.

**Row 3** \*K1, kfb, rep from \* to end of row. [24 sts]

**Row 4** Purl.

**Row 5** \*K2, kfb rep from \* to end of row. [32 sts]

**Rows 6-14** Beg with a P row, work in stst for 9 rows.

**Row 15** \*K4, k2tog, rep from \* to last 2 sts, k2. [27 sts]

**Rows 16** Purl.

**Row 17** \*K3, k2tog, rep from \* to last 2 sts, k2. [22 sts]

**Rows 18** Purl.

**Row 19** \*K2, k2tog, rep from \* to last 2 sts, k2. [17 sts]

**Rows 20** Purl.

**Row 21** \*K1, k2tog, rep from \* to last 2 sts, k2. [12 sts]

**Rows 22** Purl.

**Row 23** \*K2tog, rep from \* to end of row. [6 sts]

**Rows 24** C&T.

## Body

Cast on 15 sts using 4 mm needles and Yarn B. Starting at the neck.

**Row 1** Purl.

**Row 2** \*K2, kfb, rep from \* to end of row. [20 sts]

**Row 3** Purl.

**Row 4** \*K3, kfb, rep from \* to end of row. [25] sts

**Rows 5-7** Beg with a P row, work in stst for 3 rows.

**Row 8** \*K4, kfb, rep from \* to end of row. [30 sts]

**Rows 9-11** Beg with a P row, work in stst for 3 rows.

**Row 12** \*K5, kfb, rep from \* to end of row. [35 sts]

**Rows 13-17** Beg with a P row, work in stst for 5 rows.

**Row 18** \*K6, kfb, rep from \* to end of row. [40 sts]

**Rows 19-23** Beg with a P row, work in stst for 5 rows.

**Row 24** \*K7, kfb, rep from \* to end of row. [45 sts]

**Rows 25-29** Beg with a P row, work in stst for 5 rows.

**Rows 30-37** \*K1, p1, rep from \* to end of row.

**Row 38** BO.

## Ears (make two)

Use yarn A and 4mm needles CO 13sts.

**Rows 1-12** Knit 12 rows.

**Row 13** K1, k2tog, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 [11]

**Rows 14-16** Knit 3 rows.

**Row 17** K1, k2tog, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 [9]

**Rows 18-20** Knit 3 rows.

**Row 21** K1, k2tog, k3, k2tog, k1 [7]

**Rows 22-24** Knit 3 rows.

**Row 25** K1, k2tog, k1, k2tog, k1 [5]

**Rows 26-28** Knit 3 rows.

**Row 29** K1, Sl1, k2tog, pssso, k1. [3]

**Row 30** Sl1, k2tog, pssso [1]

Cut yarn and thread through remaining stitch, pull tight to fasten off.

### **Arms (make two)**

Use yarn A and 4mm needles CO 10sts. Starting at the shoulder.

**Rows 1-26** Beg with a K row, work in stst for 26 rows.

**Row 27** C&T.

### **Legs (make two)**

Use yarn A and 4mm needles CO 12sts. Starting at the top of the leg.

**Rows 1-30** Beg with a K row, work in stst for 30 rows.

Change to Yarn B.

**Rows 31-38** Beg with a K row, work in stst for 8 rows.

**Row 39** \*K1, k2tog, rep from \* to end of row. [8]

**Row 40** Purl.

**Row 41** C&T.

### **Making up**

All seams are mattress stitched with wrong sides together.

### **Head**



Use the yarn end at the neck to gather the CO on stitches, then mattress stitch the seam

stopping 2 cm / 0.75" from the C&T row at the head.

Stuff the Head firmly, paying attention to the shaping. Wider at the neck and narrower towards the top of the head.

Finish sewing the side seam, pull the C&T yarn to close the top of the head. Weave in the yarn end.

Use brown yarn to embroider the bunny's face.

Start the top of the nose halfway down the head (6cm / 2.25" from the C&T crown). Make four horizontal stitches, each 2 sts wide for the nose.

Embroider an upside-down capitol Y for the mouth. The stem of the Y is 3 rows long and the arms of the Y are each 2 sts wide.

Each eye consists of a vertical st 2 rows long, then a diagonal st over 1 st and 1 row, followed by a horizontal st, 2 sts wide, next a diagonal st over 1 st and 1 row, and finally a vertical st 2 rows long.

Position the eyes level with either side of the nose with the horizontal lower edge 1 row above the top of the nose.

### **Attach the head to the dress.**

Sew the dress seam leaving a gap for stuffing. Turn the dress inside out and position the dress BO neck hole centrally over the CO neck of the head. Line up the head and dress seams. and sew the neck opening onto the underside of the head.

Turn the dress right side out.

Fig 1: Dress inside out, placed over CO seam of head - ready to sew onto neck.

Fig 2: dress turned right side out. Attached to head.

Fig 1



Fig 2



## Ears



Fold each ear in half and sew along the CO edge. Position the ears either side of the C&T crown of the head and sew into place.

### Arms

For each arm, pull the C&T yarn to close the paw, secure the gather with 2 small stitches. Stitch the arm seam. Stuff the arm leaving 1cm / 0.5" at the top unstuffed. Fold the arm top flat with the seam at the centre back and sew the edges to close the top of the arm. Position the arms at the neck with the arm seams against the body and sew securely into place.

### Legs

Pull the C&T yarn to gather the foot, then seam the foot and leg, stuffing as you progress. Leave 1cm / 0.5" unstuffed at the top of the leg. Fold the leg top flat with the seam at the side, sew the edges to close the top of the leg. Pin each leg into place on the body. Encase the top of each leg between the front and back of the body. Sew through all 4 layers to secure the legs in place. Stuff the dress and finish the seam.







**Enjoy!**

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