

QUICK AND EASY KNITTED BUNNY EARS



If you haven't started your Easter knitting, here's a cute and quick knitting pattern for bunny ears that you'll easily have done in time for the egg hunt.

Great for beginners and kids!

MATERIALS REQUIRED

- ♥ 50g ball of white or off-white wool (I use Robin FX Chunky in "Dolly Mix" which has a cute tweed effect)
- ♥ 2x 4mm needles
- ♥ Wool (yarn) needle
- ♥ Scissors
- ♥ Sewing pins (optional)

TECHNIQUES REQUIRED

- ♥ Casting on
- ♥ Knit stitch
- ♥ Purl stitch
- ♥ Decreasing stitches (Slk1 pss0 and K2 tog)
- ♥ Sewing (to sew the band together and to sew the ears onto the band)
- ♥ Weaving method to hide the loose wool ends

ABBREVIATIONS

K = Knit

P = Purl

Sts = Stitches

Slk1 pss0 = Slip one stitch onto the opposite needle without knitting it, knit the following stitch, then pass the slipped stitch over top the previous stitch and off the needle. Now you only have one stitch and you are creating a decrease that slants to the left.

K2tog = Knit two stitches

together at the same time. Now you only have one stitch and you are creating a decrease that slants to the right.

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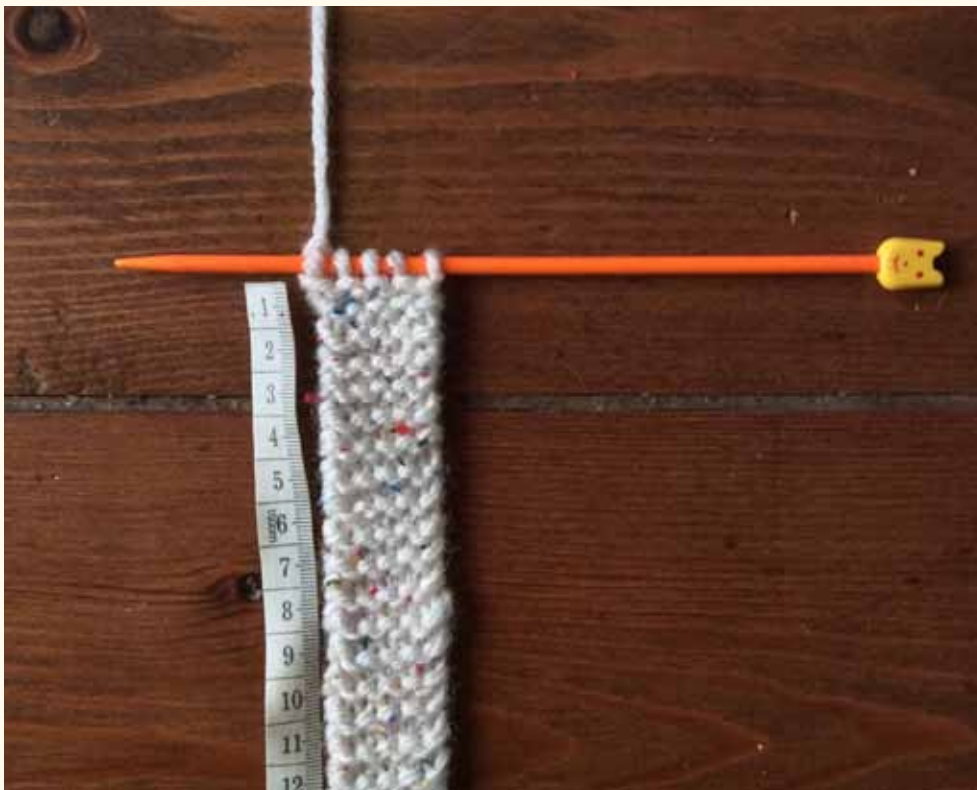


HEADBAND

Cast on 5 sts (3 sts if you are making for a toy).

Work in garter stitch (knit stitch every row) until the piece measures 36.5cm for child size, 38.5 for medium adult size, 40cm for large adult size, or 18cm for a toy with a 25cm head circumference.

NOTE I have based toy sizings on my toys in *Cute Knitted Toys* and *Little Land of Knitting*. If you are knitting for your own special toy the best thing to do is measure the knitting as you go around the toy's head until you think the band fits!



BUNNY EARS

Cast on 12 sts with the white wool (8 sts if you are making for a toy).

*Beginning with a purl row, work 7 sts stocking st (purl 1 row, knit 1 row).

8th row Slk1 pss0, work until the last 2 sts, k2 tog, now there are 10 sts left (6 if you are making for a toy) * *

Repeat * to * * until there are 4 sts left.

P1 row.

K2 tog, k2 tog, now there are 2 sts left.

Slip one stitch over the other, now there is 1 st left.

Cut the wool leaving around 30cm.

Pull this loose wool through the one remaining st.

Repeat this entire process to make a second ear.



MAKE UP

Fold the headband in half and then sew the two ends together. Folding in half prevents a twist in the headband when you sew together.

Weave to hide the loose ends at the top of each ear.

Sew the ears on flat to the front of the band with the “curl” (purl side) facing outwards (see photo below).

The easiest way to do this is to have someone try the band on and then gently pin the ears to where you would like them to go.

Don't sew entirely over the curl, sew middle securely just up to the curl on either side, this helps the ears keep their nice shape.



NOTES

I am using smaller needles than recommended for my type of wool - this is because I want the ears to be slightly stiffer, which gives them a nice shape and helps them stand up.

TIPS AND SUGGESTIONS

Make a big pompom for a tail that you can pin to the bottom of your shirt!

If you want to make a headband that can fit many people, make the largest recommended size, don't sew the ends together and instead sew on two small buttons: one around 2.5cm from one end and the second one 2.5cm from the first.

