

Baby's First Bunny Toy

Measures approximately 6 inches tall, with ears and legs.

Materials – Small amount of Red Heart Baby Soft yarn, a 3 ply sport weight yarn, and knitting needles, US # 8. Plus small amount of another color for eyes and nose, and pillow or toy stuffing.

Gauge – 5 sts = 1 inch

Directions.

Starting at body, cast on 28 sts.
K 1 row, P 1 row until 3 inches from beg, ending on a purl row.

Decrease to shape neck: * knit 2 together * across row. Purl next row.

Increase for head:

Knitting across, inc 1 st in first and last st of row. (to increase knit in front and back of st) . P 1 row, K 1 row, until head length is 1 inch from neck decrease row.

Top head shaping: * K 2 tog * across. Cut yarn, thread sewing needle with yarn end, and pull through remaining sts. Pull to close top, then sew down back seam of head and body. Stuff head and body, then sew bottom seam closed. Set aside.

Legs and arms worked the same (make 4). Cast on 7 sts. K 1 row, P 1 row until 1¼ inches from beg. Bind off. Fold in half (fold either way you wish) then sew seam.

Sew legs to bottom of body, sew arms to top sides of body.

Ears, (make 2) Cast on 4 sts. K 5 rows. Next row K 2 tog twice, then K 1 row. K 2 tog, then fasten off.

Sew wide end of each ear to top of head.

Embroider eyes and nose with different colored yarn.

With a scrap piece of yarn, tie a bow around the neck.

Very soft toy, good size for tiny hands to hold.

