



knitted bunny

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st until there are 11 sts on right needle, cast off 3, moss st to end. Working on this second set of 11 sts for left leg, leave rem 11 sts on a spare needle. Moss st 36 rows. **** Next row (RS)** K1, p1, sk2togpo, p1, sk2togpo, p1, k1. 7 sts. Moss st one row. **Next row** K1, p2tog, p1, p2tog, k1. 5 sts. Break yarn, thread through rem sts, pull up and secure **. With RS facing, rejoin yarn to 11 sts on spare needle, moss st to end. Moss st 35 rows. Now rep from ** to **.

seam, leaving top open. Stuff arms and sew to body. Fold head so that row ends form the centre back and join seam, leaving neck edge open. Join cast off sts at row ends to centre cast off sts to form top of head between ears, then join ear seams. Stuff head lightly, leaving ears unstuffed, then close neck edge. Position head on front of body, and join neck edge of body to centre of head back, so leaving upper part of head and chin free. Using a length of embroidery thread, work small cross stitches for eyes and nose.

DRESS

(Make 2) With 3.25mm needles, cast on 25 sts. **Moss st row** K1, [p1, k1] to end. Moss st one more row. Beg with a k row, work 2 rows in st st. **Next row** K6, skpo, k to last 8 sts, k2tog, k6. 23 sts. Work 5 rows st st. **Next row** K6, skpo, k to last 8 sts, k2tog, k6. 21 sts. Work 3 rows st st. Rep the last 4 rows once more. 19 sts.

Shape armholes

Cast off 2 sts at beg of next 2 rows. 15 sts. **Next row** K1, skpo, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1. 13 sts. P one row. Rep last 2 rows once more. 11 sts.

Shape neck

Next 2 rows K1, skpo, k2, turn, p4. **Next row** K1, k2tog, k1. 3 sts. Work 4 rows st st. Cast off. With RS facing, slip centre st onto a safety pin, rejoin yarn to rem 5 sts, k2, k2tog, k1. P one row. **Next row** K1, skpo, k1. Work 4 rows st st. Cast off.

EMBROIDERY

With cream yarn, Swiss darn a small heart on dress front.

EDGINGS

Neck edging Join right shoulder. With RS facing and 2.75mm needles, pick up and k9 sts down left front neck, k1 st at centre front, pick up and k9 sts up right front neck, 9 sts down right back neck, k1 st at centre back, then pick up and k9 sts up left back neck. 38 sts. Cast off knitwise.

Armhole edging Join left shoulder and neck edging. With RS facing and 2.75mm needles, pick up and k24 sts evenly around armhole edge. Cast off knitwise.

TO MAKE UP

Join armhole edging and side seams.

SIZE

Height including ears: 20cm

MATERIALS

One 50g ball of Debbie Bliss baby cashmerino in each of Ecru 101 and Pale Blue 202.

Pair each 2.75mm and 3.25mm knitting needles.

Oddments of brown embroidery thread. Washable toy stuffing.

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TENSION

29 sts and 52 rows to 10cm square over moss st using 2.75mm needles.

ABBREVIATIONS

beg beginning; **cm** centimetres; **inc** increase; **k** knit; **kpk** [k1, p1, k1 tbl] all into next st; **p** purl; **pkp** [p1, k1, p1 tbl] all into next st; **rem** remaining; **rep** repeat; **RS** right side; **skpo** sl 1, k1, pass slipped st over; **sk2togpo** slip 1, k2tog, pass slipped st over; **st(s)** stitch(es); **st st** stocking stitch; **tog** together; **WS** wrong side

BODY

(Beg at neck edge)

With 2.75mm needles, cast on 17 sts.

Moss st row K1, [p1, k1] to end. **1st inc row (WS)** [K1, p1] twice, kpk, p1, [k1, p1] 3 times, kpk, [p1, k1] twice. 21 sts. Moss st 3 rows. **2nd inc row** K1, [p1, k1] twice, kpk, k1, [p1, k1] 4 times, kpk, [k1, p1] twice, k1. 25 sts. Moss st 3 rows. **3rd inc row** [K1, p1] 3 times, kpk, p1, [k1, p1] 5 times, kpk, [p1, k1] 3 times. 29 sts. Moss st 20 rows.

Shape crotch and legs

Next row (RS) Cast off 2 sts, moss st to end. **Next row** Cast off 2 sts, moss

HEAD

With 2.75mm needles, cast on 5 sts.

Moss st row K1, [p1, k1] twice. **1st inc row** K1, kpk, k1, kpk, k1. 9 sts. Moss st one row.

2nd inc row K1, p1, kpk, p1, k1, p1, kpk, p1, k1. 13 sts. Moss st 3 rows. **3rd inc row** K1, p1, k1, kpk, [k1, p1] twice, k1, kpk, k1, p1, k1.

17 sts. Moss st 5 rows. **4th inc row** [K1, p1] twice, kpk, [p1, k1] 3 times, p1, kpk, [p1, k1] twice. 21 sts. Moss st 5 rows.

Shape ears

Next row (RS) Cast off 1 st, moss st to end. **Next row** Cast off 1 st, moss st until there are 9 sts on right needle, cast off 1 st, moss st to end. Working on this second set of 9 sts for left ear, leave rem 9 sts on a spare needle. Moss st 17 rows. **** Next row** P1, k3tog, p1, k3tog, p1. 5 sts. **Next row** k2tog, p1, k2tog. Break yarn, thread through rem sts, pull up and secure **. With RS facing, rejoin yarn to 9 sts on spare needle, moss st to end. Moss st 16 rows. Now rep from ** to **.

ARMS (Make 2)

With 2.75mm needles, cast on 5 sts.

Moss st row K1, [p1, k1] twice. **1st inc row** K1, kpk, k1, kpk, k1. 9 sts. Moss st 25 rows.

Shape top

Next row P2tog, [k1, p1] twice, k1, p2tog. 7 sts. Moss st one row. **Next row** K2tog, p1, k1, p1, k2tog. 5 sts. Moss st one row.

Next row P2tog, k1, p2tog. 3 sts. Moss st one row. **Next row** P3tog and fasten off.

TO MAKE UP

Fold body so that row ends form the centre back and join seam, leaving neck edge open. Join cast off sts at row ends to centre cast off sts to form crotch seam, then join leg seams. Lightly stuff legs and body, then run a thread around neck edge, pull up and secure. Join arm