

# Cuddles Georgie the Bunny INTERMEDIATE KNIT

Crafted from our incredibly soft and snug Cuddles yarn, this bunny is the perfect present for a newborn or a great alternative to giving a child chocolate for Easter. Knitted flat and seamed together, Georgie the bunny is a great pattern for first time toy knitters to sink their teeth into.

#### **MEASUREMENTS**

One Size			
Height	cm	40	
Yarn Required: Makr Cuddles (M)	100g balls	3	
Makr Cuddles (C1)	100g balls	1	

Please use only the yarn specified. Another yarn is likely to yield different results. Quantities are approximate as knitting styles may vary between knitters. Check the ball bands to ensure all yarn is from the same dye lot.

#### **DIFFICULTY** •••

#### **NEEDLES & EQUIPMENT:**

A pair of 3.50mm knitting needles.

**Optional:** A 4.00mm crochet hook.

Stitch Markers

Wool needle for sewing in ends.

Small amount of brown yarn for face.

Tapestry Needles.

Stuffing.

**Optional:** A short length of dowel for neck.

Optional: Safety eyes.

#### **TENSION:**

23.5 sts and 32 rows to 10cm over stocking st, using 3.50mm needles.

# **KNITTING ABBREVIATIONS:**

K: knit

**K2tog:** knit two stitches together, right slanting decrease

**Kfb:** knit front back

**SSK:** slip, slip, knit, left slanting decrease

P: purl

**P2tog:** purl two stitches together, right slanting decrease **P2togtbl:** purl two stitches together through the back loop.

Sl1: slip one stitch purl-wise PSSO: pass slip stitch over

#### **HEAD**

### **Right Side:**

Using 3.50mm needles and M, cast on 20 sts.

Work in stocking stitch for 4 rows.

Row 5 (RS): K2, Kfb twice, knit to end of row .. 22 sts.

Work in stocking stitch for 3 rows.

Row 9: K2, Kfb, K1, Kfb, K12, Kfb, K1, Kfb, K2 ... 26 sts\*\*\*

Work in stocking stitch for 2 rows.

**Row 12:** Cast on 4 sts at the beginning of the row and purl to end ... 30 sts Work in stocking stitch for 3 rows.

**Row 16:** Cast on 4 sts at the beginning of the row and purl to end ... 34 sts Work in stocking stitch for 1 rows.

Row 18: P2, Pfb, Purl to end ... 35 sts

Row 19: K2, Kfb, knit to last three sts, Kfb, K2 ... 37 sts

Row 20: P2, Pfb, purl to last three sts, Pfb, P2 ... 39 sts

Work in stocking stitch for 2 rows.

Row 23: Knit to last three sts, Kfb, K2 ... 40 sts

Work in stocking stitch for 11 rows, placing a marker at the end of the last row

Row 36: Cast off 12 sts, purl to end.

Row 37: K2, SSK, knit to four stitches before end, K2tog, K2.

Work 3 rows stocking st.

Repeat these four rows until 16 sts remain. Cast off.

#### **Left Side:**

Work as for the Right Side Head until \*\*\*

Work in stocking stitch for 1 row.

**Row 11:** Cast on 4 sts at the beginning of the row and knit to end ... 30 sts Work in stocking stitch for 3 rows.

**Row 15:** Cast on 4 sts at the beginning of the row and knit to end ... 34 sts Work in stocking stitch for 2 rows.

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Row 18: Purl to last three sts, Pfb, P2 ... 35 sts

Row 19: K2, Kfb, knit to last three sts, Kfb, K2 ... 37 sts

Row 20: P2, Pfb, purl to last three sts, Pfb, P2 ... 39 sts

Work in stocking stitch for 2 rows.

Row 23: K2, Kfb, knit to end ... 40 sts

Work in stocking stitch for 12 rows, placing a marker at the end of the last

**Row 35:** Cast off 12 sts, knit to end.

Work one row stocking st.

Row 37: K2, SSK, knit to four stitches before end, K2tog, K2.

Work 3 rows stocking st.

Repeat these four rows until 16 sts remain. Cast off.

#### **Gusset:**

Cast on 11 sts.

Working in stocking st, increase by one st at each end of the 20th row and every following 12th row until there are 29 sts.

Work 10 rows stocking st even.

Decrease one st at each end of the next row and every 4th row until 11 sts remain.

Work 8 rows stocking st even.

Decrease one st at each end of next row.

Work one row.

Decrease one st at each end of next row ... 5 sts

Work 2 rows stocking st and cast off.

# **BODY** (MAKE TWO ALIKE) **Shoulders:**

Using M and 3.50mm needles, cast on 14 sts.

Working in stocking stitch, beginning with a knit row, cast on 2 sts at the beginning of the next 4 rows ... 18 sts.

Begin to increase by one st at each end of every row until there are 32 sts. Work one row stocking st.

Continue to increase on every alt row now until there are 48 sts, from here work straight without further increases until piece measures 25cm from the beginning ending with a WS row.

#### **Bottom Shaping:**

**Row 1 (RS):** K2, SSK, K18, K2tog, SSK, K18, K2tog, K2 ... 44 sts

Row 2: P2, P2tog, P16, P2togtbl, P2tog, K16, P2togtbl, K2 ... 40 sts.

Row 3: K2, SSK, K14, K2tog, SSK, K14, K2tog, K2 ... 36 sts

Row 4: P2, P2tog, P12, P2togtbl, P2tog, P12, P2togtbl, K2 ... 32 sts

Row 5: K2, SSK, K10, K2tog, SSK, K10, K2tog, K2 ... 28 sts

Row 6: P2, P2tog, P8, P2togtbl, P2tog, P8, P2togtbl, K2 ... 24 sts

Row 7: K2, SSK, K6, K2tog, SSK, K6, K2tog, K2 ... 20 sts

Row 8: P2, P2tog, P4, P2togtbl, P2tog, P4, P2togtbl, K2 ... 16 sts

Row 9: K2, SSK, K2, K2tog, SSK, K2, K2tog, K2 ... 12 sts

**Row 10:** P2, P2tog, P2togtbl, P2tog, P2togtbl, K2 ... 8 sts

**Row 11:** K2, SSK, K2tog, K2 ... 6 sts

Cast off remaining stitches purl-wise.

#### **EARS**

Outer Piece (Make two alike):

Using M and 3.50mm needles, cast on 14 sts.

Begin to work in stocking st increasing by one st at each end of the fifth row and each fourth row following until there are 36 sts.

Work even until piece measures 19cm from the beginning.

Decrease by one stitch at each end of every alt row until 26 sts rem, then decrease by one stitch at each end of every row until 6 sts rem.

Cast off remaining sts.

#### Inner Piece (Make two alike):

Using C1 and 3.50mm needles cast on 10 sts.

Begin to work in stocking st increasing by one st at each end of the fifth row and each fourth row following until there are 32 sts.

Work even until piece measures 18cm from the beginning.

Decrease by one stitch at each end of every alt row until 22 sts rem, then decrease by one stitch at each end of every row until 4 sts rem.

Cast off remaining sts.

# LEGS (MAKE TWO ALIKE)

Using 3.50mm needles and M, cast on 15 sts

Work in garter st for 28 rows.

Cast on 28 sts at the beg of the next two rows ... 71 sts Work in stocking st for 10 rows.

Decrease one st at ea end of the next 10 rows ... 51 sts

Work in stocking st without further shaping for 20 more rows.

## **Hip Shaping:**

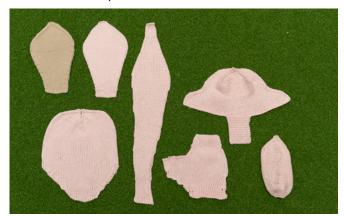
Next Row: P11, P2togtbl, P2tog, P21, P2tog, P2togtbl, P11 ... 47 sts

**Next Row:** K10, SSK, K2tog, K19, K2tog, SSK, K10 ... 43 sts **Next Row:** P9, P2togtbl, P2tog, P17, P2tog, P2togtbl, P9 ... 39 sts

Next Row: K8, SSK, K2tog, K15, K2tog, SSK, K8 ... 35 sts

Next Row: P7, P2togtbl, P2tog, P13, P2tog, P2togtbl, P7 ... 31 sts

## ITEM A: Pieces Required



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Next Row: K6, SSK, K2tog, K11, K2tog, SSK, K6 ... 27 sts
Next Row: P5, P2togtbl, P2tog, P9, P2tog, P2togtbl, P5 ... 23 sts
Next Row: K4, SSK, K2tog, K7, K2tog, SSK, K4 ... 19 sts
Next Row: P3, P2togtbl, P2tog, P5, P2tog, P2togtbl, P3 ... 15 sts
Next Row: K2, SSK, K2tog, K3, K2tog, SSK, K2 ... 11 sts
Next Row: P1, P2togtbl, P2tog, P1, P2tog, P2togtbl, P1 ... 7 sts

Next Row: SSK, Sl1, K2tog, PSSO, K2tog ... 3 sts

Cast off remaining sts.

# **ARMS** (MAKE TWO ALIKE) **Casting On:**

Using M and 3.50mm needles, cast on 6 sts

Row 1: Kfb, 6 times ... 12 sts

Work one row stocking st **Row 3:** Kfb 12 times ... 24 sts Work one row stocking st Row 5: Kfb, K1 ... 36 sts

Work one row stocking st

Row 7: \*Kfb, K3, repeat from \* to end of row ... 45 sts

Work in stocking st for 31 rows.

## **Shaping the Arm Socket:**

Row 39: K10, K2tog, SSK, K17, K2tog, SSK, K10 ... 41 sts Row 40: P9, P2togtbl, P2tog, P15, P2togtbl, P2tog, P9 ... 37 sts Row 41: K8, K2tog, SSK, K13, K2tog, SSK, K8 ... 33 sts Row 42: P7, P2togtbl, P2tog, P11, P2togbl, P2tog, P7 ... 29 sts

### **ITEM B:** Assembly of the bunny



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Row 43: K6, K2tog, SSK, K9, K2tog, SSK, K6 ... 25 sts

Row 44: P5, P2togtbl, P2tog, P7, P2togtbl, P2tog, P5 ... 21 sts

Row 45: K4, K2tog, SSK, K5, K2tog, SSK, K4 ... 17 sts

Row 46: P3, P2togtbl, P2tog, P3, P2togtbl, P2tog, P3 ... 13 sts

Row 47: K2, K2tog, SSK, K1, K2tog, SSK, K2 ... 9 sts

Row 48: P2togtbl, P2tog, P1, P2togtbl, P2tog ... 5 sts

**Row 49:** K2tog, K1, K2togtbl ... 3 sts Cast off remaining stitches and fasten off.

# FINISHING List of Parts:

Upon completing your knitting double check that you have all the parts listed below handy:

- Left and Right Head Pieces
- Head Gusset
- 2 x Arms
- 2 x Legs
- 2 x Outer Ear Pieces
- 2 x Inner Ear Pieces

### **Assembly:**

Join together, using mattress stitch or a crochet chain stitch, the two body pieces, leaving the cast on edges open for stuffing, Turn right side out and fill with stuffing taking care not to overfill as your bunny will become hard and the stuffing may poke through.

Sew the head piece to each side of the head gusset, taking care to join them symmetrically. If using safety eyes, fix in place now. Place the cast on edges at the base of the head and note the gusset finishes before the markers, this marks the bears nose. The cast on edge for the gusset forms part of the nose. Seam together under the nose. Stuff the head as well and join to body, using the dowel to stabilize the neck if necessary.

Seam arms and legs together, leaving an opening for the stuffing. Turn right side out and fill with stuffing. Close securely, attaching the legs and arms to the body.

With RS together, join outer edges of inner and outer ears, leaving the cast on seam unstitched. Turn right side out and sew in position along head gusset seam, taking care that the ears are balanced and symmetrical.

Embroider eyes and nose using yarn as shown in images.