



stitch Nation

BY DEBBIE STOLLER™



NUMMY bUNNY

Colorful stripings and easy-care wool yarn combine for the sweetest looking bunny to ever hop into a child's arms. Knit this bunny in colors that coordinate with the bedroom for a comforting bedtime companion.

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Designed by Nancy Anderson.

Bunny measures 16" tall.

Stitch Nation by Debbie Stoller™ "Washable Ewe™": 1 ball each 3706 Zinnia A, 3711 Icing B, 3215 Duckling C.

Knitting Needles: 3.5mm [US 4] double pointed needles or circular needle (magic loop technique).

Polyester fiberfill, 10mm safety eyes, stitch marker, brown embroidery floss, sharp embroidery needle, yarn needle.

GAUGE: 28 sts = 4"; 32 rows = 4" in St st worked in rounds.

CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.

SPECIAL STITCHES

kfb (Knit into front and back) = Knit next st but do not remove from needle, knit into back loop of same st and remove from needle.

NOTES: Head and Body are worked in the round from the top of the head downwards. Arms are worked from the paw upwards. Legs are worked from the top of the leg downwards. Ears are worked from the tip upwards.

BUNNY

Head

With A, cast on 6 sts. Place marker for beginning of round.

Round 1: Kfb in each st around—12 sts.

Round 2: *K1, kfb; repeat from * around—18 sts.

Round 3: *K2, kfb; repeat from * around—24 sts.

Round 4: With B, *k3, kfb; repeat from * around—30 sts.

Round 5: Knit.

Round 6: *K4, kfb; repeat from * around—36 sts.

Round 7: With C, *k5, kfb; repeat from * around—42 sts.

Round 8: Knit.

Round 9: *K6, kfb; repeat from * around—48 sts.

Round 10: With A, *k7, kfb; repeat from * around—54 sts.

Round 11: Knit.

Round 12: *K8, kfb; repeat from * around—60 sts.

Rounds 13 and 14: With B, knit.

Round 15: *K8, k2tog; repeat from * around—54 sts.

Rounds 16–18: With C, knit.

Continue to change color every 3 rounds, working 3 rounds with A, 3 rounds with B, and 3 rounds with C.

Rounds 19–22: Knit.

Shape Muzzle

Round 23: K20, [kfb in next 2 sts, k4] twice, kfb in next 2 sts, k20—60 sts.

Round 24: K28, kfb in next 4 sts, k28—64 sts.

Round 25: Knit.

Rounds 26–29: Knit.

Round 30: K28, [k2tog] 4 times, k28—60 sts.

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Round 31: [K2tog, k8] twice, [k2tog] twice, *k4, [k2tog] twice; repeat from * once more, k8 [k2tog] twice—50 sts.

Shape Eyes

Thread yarn needle with about 12" of matching yarn. Locate where eye will be placed. Attach yarn to this area. Make a stitch in place to anchor yarn. Insert needle in same area, bringing the yarn across the face to the other eye location. Pull tightly to create indentations. Repeat a couple of times and tie off securely. Place safety eyes in the sunken areas just created.

Round 32: Knit.

Shape Neck

Round 33: *K8, k2tog; repeat from * around—45 sts.

Round 34: *K7, k2tog; repeat from * around—40 sts.

Round 35: *K6, k2tog; repeat from * around—35 sts.

Round 36: *K5, k2tog; repeat from * around—30 sts.

Round 37: *K4, k2tog; repeat from * around—25 sts.

Round 38: Knit.

Round 39: *K3, k2tog; repeat from * around—20 sts.

Round 40: Knit.

Round 41: *K3, kfb; repeat from * around—25 sts.

Round 42: *K4, kfb; repeat from * around—30 sts.

Round 43: *K5, kfb; repeat from * around—35 sts.

Round 44: *K6, kfb; repeat from * around—40 sts.

Round 45: Knit.

Round 46: *K7, kfb; repeat from * around—45 sts.

Rounds 47–64: Knit.

Body

Round 65: *Kfb, k4; repeat from * around—54 sts.

Rounds 66–68: Knit.

Round 69: *Kfb, k5; repeat from * around—63 sts.

Rounds 70 and 71: Knit.

Round 72: *Kfb, k6; repeat from * around—72 sts.

Round 73: *Kfb, k7; repeat from * around—81 sts.

Rounds 74–83: Knit.

Round 84: *K7, k2tog; repeat from * around—72 sts.

Round 85: *K6, k2tog; repeat from * around—63 sts.

Round 86: Knit.

Round 87: *K5, k2tog; repeat from * around—54 sts.

Begin stuffing piece.

Round 88: *K4, k2tog; repeat from * around—45 sts.

Rounds 89–92: Knit.

Round 93: *K3, k2tog; repeat from * around—36 sts.

Round 94: *K2, k2tog; repeat from * around—27 sts.

Round 95: *K1, k2tog; repeat from * around—18 sts.

Round 96: *K2tog; repeat from * around—9 sts.

Finish stuffing piece. Cut yarn, leaving a long tail. Thread tail through remaining sts and pull tight to gather. Securely weave in end.

Arm (make 2)

Paw

With A, cast on 6 sts. Place marker for beginning of round.

Round 1: Kfb in each st around—12 sts.

Round 2: *K1, kfb; repeat from * around—18 sts.

Round 3: *K2, kfb; repeat from * around—24 sts.

Rounds 4–6: With C, knit.

Rounds 7–9: With B, knit.

Round 10: With A, knit.

Round 11: *K2, k2tog; repeat from * around—18 sts.

Arm

Round 12: Knit.

Rounds 13–15: With C, knit.

Rounds 16–18: With B, knit.

Begin stuffing arm firmly and continue to stuff as rounds are worked.

Continue to change color every 3 rounds, working 3 rounds with A, 3 rounds with C, and 3 rounds with B.

Rounds 19–45: Knit.

Round 46: *K1, k2tog; repeat from * around—12 sts.

Round 47: *K2tog; repeat from * around—6 sts.

Bind off. Do not close opening. Finish stuffing piece.

Leg (make 2)

With A, cast on 18 sts. Place marker for beginning of round.

Rounds 1–3: Knit.

Rounds 4–6: With B, knit.

Rounds 7–9: With C, knit.

Continue to change color every 3 rounds, working 3 rounds with A, 3 rounds with B, and 3 rounds with C.

Rounds 10–49: Knit.

Shape Foot

Round 50: K4, kfb in next 10 sts, k4—28 sts.

Rounds 51 and 52: Knit.

Round 53: K4, [K1, kfb] 10 times, k4—38 sts.

Rounds 54 and 55: Knit.

Round 56: K8, [k2, kfb] 7 times, kfb, k8—46 sts.

Rounds 57 and 58: Knit.

Round 59: K2tog, k2, k2tog, k14, kfb in next 6 sts, k14, k2tog, k2, k2tog—48 sts.

Round 60: Knit.

Round 61: *K2tog, k2; repeat from * around—36 sts.

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Rounds 62 and 63: Knit.

Round 64: *K2tog, k2; repeat from * around—27 sts.

Rounds 65 and 66: *K2tog, k1; repeat from * around—12 sts.

Round 67: *K2tog; repeat from * around—6 sts.

Cut yarn, leaving a long tail. Thread tail through remaining sts and pull tight to gather. Securely weave in end. Stuff piece firmly.

Ear (make 2)

With A, cast on 6 sts. Place marker for beginning of round.

Round 1: Kfb in each st around—12 sts.

Round 2: *K1, kfb; repeat from * around—18 sts.

Round 3: *K2, kfb; repeat from * around—24 sts.

Round 4: With C, knit.

Round 5: *K3, kfb; repeat from * around—30 sts.

Round 6: Knit.

Rounds 7–9: With B, knit.

Continue to change color every 3 rounds, working 3 rounds with A, 3 rounds with C, and 3 rounds with B.

Rounds 10–13: Knit.

Round 14: *K2tog, k13; repeat from * around—28 sts.

Rounds 15 and 16: Knit.

Round 17: *K2tog, k5; repeat from * around—24 sts.

Rounds 18–46: Knit.

Rounds 47 and 48: *K2tog; repeat from * around—6 sts.

Bind off. Do not close opening and do not stuff.

Tail

Hold strands of A, B, and C together and wrap around 3 fingers multiple times. Tie a length of yarn around the middle of the wraps. Cut the ends of the wraps and fluff pompom. Sew pompom to back of body. Trim pompom.

FINISHING

Using photograph as a guide, pin ears, arms and legs to head and body. With yarn tails, sew ears, arms and legs to head and body. Weave in ends.

With sharp embroidery needle and brown embroidery floss, embroider a satin stitch triangular nose.



Stitch Nation by Debbie Stoller™ “Washable Ewe™” Art. T103 available in 3.5 oz (100 g), 183 yd (167 m) balls.

ABBREVIATIONS: A, B, C = Color A, Color B, Color C; k = knit; k2tog = knit next 2 sts together; st(s) = stitch(es); [] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; * = repeat whatever follows the * as indicated.

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