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What you will need:

RED HEART® Amigurumi:
1 ball 9682 Dinosaur

Susan Bates® Knitting Needles: 2.25 mm [US 1] and 3.25 mm [US 3] needles for working small circumferences. Choose double pointed needles, 2 short circulars or 1 long circular, whichever you prefer.

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BUY YARN



RED HEART® Amigurumi, Art E885 available in 3.5 oz (100 g) 239 yds (219m) cakes



Chrissy Knit Chick & the Egg-stras

When this quartet gets together, they make beautiful chirping music! They are the perfect guests for your Easter brunch.

What you will need (continued):

Stitch marker, stuffing, eight 5mm safety eyes (two eyes for chick and each of 3 eggs), orange and yellow felt scraps, sharp scissors, yellow sewing thread and needle for attaching felt wings to chick and felt feet to egg, small amount of pink embroidery floss and embroidery needle, yarn needle.

Optional: Knee high stockings and plastic pellets for weighted stuffing, craft glue for attaching felt wings to chick and felt feet to egg, dark pink powder cheek blush and cotton swabs.

GAUGE: 28 sts = 4" [10 cm]; 40 rounds = 4" [10 cm] in Stockinette stitch worked in rounds (knit every round) with smaller needle(s). **EXACT GAUGE IS NOT CRITICAL TO THIS PROJECT. Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.**

Instructions

Chick measures: about 4" [10 cm] tall, not including hat.

Each egg measures: about 2½" [6.5 cm] tall, not including ears or feet.

Notes

1. Chick is made from 5 crochet pieces: Chick head and body, 2 feet, beak, and a bunny ear hat. The bunny ear hat is made from 3 pieces: Hat and 2 ears. Wings are cut from felt and sewn or glued to chick.
2. Each egg is made in one piece, changing color to form stripes and blocks of color. Eggs are customized by adding bunny ears, feet, or an embroidered mouth.
3. Pieces are sewn together using yarn tails or yarn scraps.
4. Before beginning, separate the different color sections of the yarn as follows: Pop the center color out by pushing gently on the center of the ball so that it comes out intact. Find

- the point where the color changes and cut the yarn. Repeat this process for the remaining yarn colors by carefully pushing the rings of color out of the larger ring and cutting. Roll each color into a separate ball to prevent tangling. In the pattern instructions, the yellow color is referred to as A, the orange as B, the green as C, and the blue as D.
5. When changing color, twist new color around old color to prevent holes forming. Do not cut old color until instructed. Carry color(s) not in use inside piece until next needed.
 6. Do not use safety eyes if toy is intended for a child 2 years of age or younger. Tip: If washers are too tight to snap onto post, hold them with tweezers and heat with hair dryer for about 15 seconds.

Special Stitch

kfb (knit into front and back) = Knit next stitch but do not remove from needle, knit into back loop of same stitch and remove from needle - 1 st increased.

Special Technique

I-Cord: Working with two double-pointed needles, knit all the sts, *do not turn work. Slide all the stitches to opposite end of needle. Carry yarn tightly across back of work, and knit all the stitches; repeat from * until the desired number of rounds have been worked or I-cord measures desired length.

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CHICK HEAD AND BODY

Head

Beginning at top of head, with smaller needle(s) and **A**, cast on 6 sts. Place marker for beginning of round. Taking care not to twist sts; prepare to work in rounds.

Round 1 (right side): [Kfb] 6 times—12 sts.

Round 2: Knit.

Round 3: [K1, kfb] 6 times—18 sts.

Round 4: Knit.

Round 5: [K2, kfb] 6 times—24 sts.

Round 6: Knit.

Round 7: [K3, kfb] 6 times—30 sts.

Round 8: Knit.

Round 9: [K4, kfb] 6 times—36 sts.

Rounds 10–20: Knit.

Weave beginning tail through cast-on edge and pull to close hole at top of head. Weave in and trim beginning tail.

Round 21: [K4, k2tog] 6 times—30 sts.

Round 22 (neck): Knit.

Body

Round 23: [K2, kfb] 10 times—40 sts.

Rounds 24–32: Knit.

Attach safety eyes, at or near Round 15 and about 8 or 9 stitches apart. Begin stuffing piece firmly and continue stuffing as work progresses.

Round 33: [K4, kfb] 8 times—48 sts.

Rounds 34–42: Knit.

Round 43: [K4, k2tog] 8 times—40 sts.

Round 44: Knit.

Round 45: [K8, k2tog] 4 times—36 sts.

Round 46: Knit.

Round 47: [K4, k2tog] 6 times—30 sts.

Round 48: [K3, k2tog] 6 times—24 sts.

Round 49: [K2, k2tog] 6 times—18 sts.

Place optional knee high, filled with plastic pellets, into piece.

Round 50: [K1, k2tog] 6 times—12 sts.

Cut yarn, leaving a long tail. Thread

ending tail through stitches of last round and pull to close opening. Weave in and trim tails.

Shape Neck: Cut a 10" [25.5 cm] length of **A**. Wrap the length twice around neck of chick and tie snugly (but not too tightly) to shape neck.

CHICK FEET (make 4)

With smaller needle(s) and **B**, leaving a long beginning tail, cast on 3 sts.

Rounds 1–12: Using I-Cord technique, knit 12 rounds.

Cut yarn, leaving a long tail. Weave tail through stitches of last round and pull to close opening. Secure tails but do not weave in. Tails will be used later to sew I-cords into foot shape. Make all four I-cords before proceeding.

Form Foot

Two I-cords are needed to make each foot. Lay one I-cord straight and flat. Fold second I-cord in half and sew the fold to the first cord about $\frac{3}{4}$ " [19 mm] from tip of first cord. The two halves of the folded I-cord form two toes, the tip of the first cord forms the third toe, and the remaining end of the first cord forms the back toe. Repeat this process to make the second foot.

Using yarn tails or scraps, sew feet to bottom of chick, side by side, with the three-toe groupings pointing forward.

BEAK

With smaller needle(s) and **B**, leaving a long beginning tail, cast on 6 sts. Work back and forth in rows.

Row 1: Purl.

Row 2: K2tog, k1, lift k2tog st over k1 st and off right needle (1 st bound off), ssk, k1, lift ssk st over k1 st and off right

needle (1 st bound off)—2 sts.

Cut yarn, leaving a long tail. Thread ending tail through stitches of last row and pull to tighten. Then sew side edges together to cast-on edge. Tie beginning tail and ending tail together to complete cone-like shape. Sew beak to chick face, centered about 3 rounds below the eyes. Weave in and trim tails.

BUNNY EARS HAT

Hat

With larger needle(s) and **C**, cast on 30 sts. Place marker for beginning of round. Taking care not to twist sts; prepare to work in rounds.

Rounds 1–10: Knit.

Round 11: [K3, k2tog] 6 times—24 sts.

Round 12: Knit.

Round 13: [K2, k2tog] 6 times—18 sts.

Round 14: Knit.

Round 15: [K1, k2tog] 6 times—12 sts.

Round 16: [K2tog] 6 times—6 sts.

Cut yarn, leaving a long tail. Thread tail through stitches of last round and pull to close opening. Weave in and trim tails.

Ears (make 2)

With smaller needle(s) and **C**, cast on 6 sts.

Rows 1–7: Beginning with a wrong side row (purl), work in Stockinette stitch worked in rows (knit on right side, purl on wrong side) for 7 rows.

Row 8: K1, [k2tog] twice, k1—4 sts.

Cut yarn, leaving a long tail. Thread ending tail through stitches of last row and pull to tighten. Then thread ending tail along side to cast-on edge. Use tails to sew ears to top of hat about $\frac{1}{4}$ " [6 mm] apart. Weave in and trim tails.

BLUE-FACED EGG

Egg

Beginning at top of egg, with smaller needle(s) and **D**, leaving a long beginning tail, cast on 6 sts. Place marker for beginning of round. Taking care not to twist sts; prepare to work in rounds.

Round 1 (right side): [Kfb] 6 times—12 sts.

Round 2: [K1, kfb] 6 times—18 sts.

Round 3: Knit.

Round 4: [K2, kfb] 6 times—24 sts.

Round 5: Knit.

Round 6: [K7, kfb] 3 times—27 sts.

Round 7: Knit.

Round 8: [K8, kfb] 3 times—30 sts.

Rounds 9 and 10: Knit.

Round 11: [K9, kfb] 3 times—33 sts.

Weave beginning tail through cast-on edge and pull to close hole at top of egg. Weave in and trim beginning tail.

Rounds 12–14: Knit.

Round 15: [K10, kfb] 3 times—36 sts.

Round 16: Knit.

Change to **C**. Cut **D**.

Rounds 17 and 18: With **C**, knit.

Change to **B**. Do not cut **C**.

Rounds 19 and 20: With **B**, knit.

Change to **C**. Do not cut **B**.

Round 21: With **C**, knit.

Round 22: With **C**, [k4, k2tog] 6 times—30 sts.

Change to **B**. Do not cut **C**.

Round 23: With **B**, knit.

Attach safety eyes at Round 12, about 5 or 6 stitches apart.

Round 24: With **B**, [k3, k2tog] 6 times—24 sts.

Place optional knee high, filled with plastic pellets, into piece.

Change to **C**. Do not cut **B**.

Round 25: With **C**, knit.

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Round 26: With **C**, [k1, k2tog] 8 times—16 sts.

Change to **B**. Cut **C**.

Round 27: With **B**, [k2tog] 8 times—8 sts.

Cut yarn, leaving a long tail. Thread tail through stitches of last round and pull to close opening. Weave in and trim tails.

Embroider Mouth: With embroidery needle and pink embroidery floss:

1. Insert needle from right side (outside) to wrong side (inside) of egg in place that will be side of mouth,
2. Bring needle straight across under about 4 sts to other side of mouth and insert back to right side of egg.
3. Insert needle back into egg, through initial insertion point, leaving floss slightly loose across face for mouth.
4. Bring needle to right side of egg again about one round below middle of mouth.
5. Insert needle back into egg, wrapping around the horizontal line of floss so that it forms a slightly bowed shape when pulled taught.
6. Bring needle back out through back of head. Knot and insert back into inside of egg to hide end.
7. Thread remaining floss end onto needle and insert into egg then out back of egg. Knot and insert back into inside of egg to hide end.

ORANGE-FACED EGG WITH BUNNY EARS

Egg

Make egg same as for Blue-Faced Egg, changing yarn color as follows: Work Rounds 1 and 2 with **C**, Rounds 3 and

4 with **D**, Rounds 5 and 6 with **C**, cut **C** at the end of Round 6, Rounds 7 and 8 with **D**, cut **D** at the end of Round 8, Rounds 9–27 with **B**.

Bunny Ears (make 2)

With smaller needle(s) and **C**, cast on 6 sts.

Rows 1–7: Beginning with a wrong side row (purl), work in Stockinette stitch worked in rows (knit on right side, purl on wrong side) for 7 rows.

Row 8: K1, [k2tog] twice, k1—4 sts. Cut yarn, leaving a long tail. Thread ending tail through stitches of last row and pull to tighten. Then thread ending tail along side to cast-on edge. Use tails to sew ears to top of egg with no space between ears. Weave in and trim tails.

GREEN-FACED EGG WITH FELT FEET

Egg

Make egg same as for Blue-Faced Egg, changing yarn color as follows: Work Rounds 1–6 with **B**, cut **B** at the end of Round 6, Rounds 7–9 with **D**, cut **D** at the end of Round 9, Rounds 10–19 with **C**, cut **C** at the end of Round 19, Rounds 20–22 with **D**, cut **D** at the end of Round 22, Rounds 23–27 with **B**.

Feet (make 2)

Using sharp scissors, cut two feet out of orange felt. Each foot is shaped like a "Y" with an additional line (toe) between the top two lines. With sewing needle and yellow thread sew feet to bottom of egg.

Note: Feet can be glued in place instead of sewn, if desired.

FINISHING

Wings (make 2): Cut two teardrop shapes out of yellow felt, about 1½" [4 cm] long and 1" [2.5 cm] wide at widest. With sewing needle and yellow thread sew wings to sides of chick, placing top edge (top end is wide end of teardrop) of wings on row just below neck indentation. Sew around curved top portion of teardrop shape, allowing the pointed tip to hang freely. Note: Wings can be glued in place instead of sewn, if desired.

Optional Cheeks: Using cotton swab, apply powder blusher to face, as follows: Load swab with blusher, tap to release excess powder. Apply powder in circular rubbing motion to form round cheeks. Using photograph as a guide to placement, apply ¼" [6 mm] round cheeks below eyes of chick and/or eggs.

Weave in and trim any remaining tails.

ABBREVIATIONS

A, B, C, and D = Color A, Color B, Color C, and Color D; **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.

Back View of Chick



Bottom View of Egg-stras



Back View of Egg with Bunny Ears

