

GIFTING OUR COLOURFUL BEATRIX BUNNY

will bring a smile to someone's face

Choose our brilliant bunny if you're looking for more of a challenge than your usual amigurumi make. The legs and body are made in one piece, then the dress is worked straight into place. Working three double crochet stitches into the previous round creates a delicate frill round the edge of her dress. To finish Beatrix, the arms, head and ears are all worked separately before being stitched on.

ESSENTIAL KIT

MILKY, POPCORN,
SLUSHY, LIMEADE,
CITRON, FAB, CALYPSO

FROM YOUR *Make it Today!*

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PLUS:

BLACK YARN,
STUFFING, TAPESTRY
NEEDLE [CARD,
PATTERED PAPER,
HOLE PUNCH –
BUNNY TAGS]

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MEASUREMENTS:

BEATRIX: 18CM X 27CM

CARROT: 4CM X 12CM

TAG: 8.5CM DIAMETER,
BUNNY: 5CM X 6CM

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BEATRIX BUNNY

Note: when instructed to change colour, change during last st of prev rnd

Leg

Make two

Using 4mm hook and Limeade make 2ch

Rnd 1: 7dc into second ch from hook. Seven sts

Rnd 2: 2dc in each st to end. 14 sts
Rnd 3: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 21 sts
Rnds 4-7: 1dc in each st to end
Rnd 8 (sole): (dc2tog, 1dc) six times, dc2tog, turn, work in rows as follows: miss st at base of loop on hook, 8dc, miss next st, 1dc, turn, miss st at base of loop on hook, 6dc, miss next st, 1dc, turn, miss st at base of loop on hook, 4dc, miss next st, 1dc, turn, miss st at base of loop on hook, 2dc, miss next st, 1dc, pm
Rnd 9: 14dc evenly around foot. 14 sts
Rnds 10-15: 1dc in each st to end
Change to Milky
Rnd 16: working in back

loops only 1dc in each st to end
Rnds 17-24: 1dc in each st to end
Change to Fab
Rnds 25: 1dc in each st to end, join with a sl st to first st
Fasten off
Boot cuff
Make two
Using 4mm hook and Limeade make a slip knot on hook, turn Leg upside down with back facing you and feet pointing away
Rnd 1: one sl st in any front loop of Rnd 16 of Leg, (2ch [counts as 1htr], 1htr) in same st, 1htr in each front loop to end, join with a sl st to second of first 2ch. 15 sts
Rnd 2: (1ch, 1dc) in same st,

1dc in each st to end, join with a sl st to first st
Fasten off

Body

Hold Legs upright with feet pointing away, squeeze top of Legs flat so seven sts sit on each side (seven sts for front and seven sts for back) Using 4mm hook and Fab join with a sl st to leftmost st of back seven sts of first Leg
Rnd 1: (1ch, 1dc) in same st, 1dc in rightmost st on back of second Leg, 1dc in each of rem 13 sts of second Leg, 1dc in rightmost st of front of first Leg, 1dc in each of rem 12 sts of first Leg, pm. 28 sts
Rnd 2: 1dc in each st to end
Use yarn ends to close any

gaps between Legs by weaving them into WS
Rnd 3: (3dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 35 sts
Rnd 4: (4dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 42 sts
Rnds 5-8: 1dc in each st to end
Rnd 9: (4dc, dc2tog) to end. 35 sts
Rnds 10-11: 1dc in each st to end
Rnd 12: (3dc, dc2tog) to end. 28 sts
Change to Citron
Rnd 13: rep Rnd 2
Rnd 14: working in back loops only 1dc in each st to end
Rnds 15-19: 1dc in each st to end
Stuff feet, Legs and lower Body firmly
Change to Slushy

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{TOP TIPS FOR A PERFECT BUNNY:}

1 Beatrix Bunny is worked in spirals as opposed to rounds that are joined, so its always handy to use a removable stitch marker to denote the start of the round. Place the marker in the first stitch, then move it to the beginning of the next round once the previous one has been completed.

2 To minimise the visible effect when changing colour, replace the first dc of the following round with a slip stitch instead. Also, working the tail ends of yarn into your stitches as you go will save you time as it removes the need to weave them in at the end. When changing colour, work over the tail ends of yarn to avoid having to weave them in at the end.

3 Toys can take a lot of filling. Remember to stuff as you go, as it's easier to reach. If you feel that your toy isn't stuffed enough, use a pencil or the blunt end of a crochet hook to push more toy filling into the small gap of the last round.



"Beatrix Bunny would make a wonderful gift for a new baby or small child. You could add their date of birth and name to the tag, making an extra special handmade gift that will be treasured for years to come"



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BEATRIX BUNNY



Rnds 20-21: rep Rnd 2 twice

Change to Citron

Rnd 22: rep Rnd 2

Rnd 23: (2dc, dc2tog) to end. 21 sts

Rnd 24: rep Rnd 2

Rnd 25: (1dc, dc2tog) to end. 14 sts

Stuff Body firmly

Rnd 26: (dc2tog) to end, join with a sl st to first st.

Seven sts

Fasten off

Dress

Using 4mm hook and Citron make a slip knot on hook

Rnd 1: one sl st in centre back front loop of Rnd 14 of Body, (1ch, 1dc) in same st, 5dc, 2dc in next st, 14dc, 2dc in next st, 6dc. 30 sts

Rnd 2: (4dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 36 sts

Rnd 3: (5dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 42 sts

Rnd 4: (6dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 48 sts

Rnd 5: (7dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 54 sts

Work in foll two-row stripe sequence: Slushy, Limeade, Fab, Citron, Calypso, Slushy

Rnds 6-10: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 11: (8dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 60 sts

Rnds 12-16: 1dc in each st

to end

Rnd 17: (3dc) in each st to end, join with a sl st to first st. 180 sts

Fasten off

Arm

Make two

Using 4mm hook and Popcorn make 2ch

Rnd 1: 6dc in second ch from hook. Six sts

Rnd 2: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

Rnd 3: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts

Rnd 4: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 5: (1dc, dc2tog) to end. 12 sts

Rnds 6-7: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 8: dc2tog, 1dc in each st to end. 11 sts

Work in foll stripe sequence: 12 rows Milky, two rows Slushy, two rows Citron

Rnds 9-23: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 24: 1dc in each st to end, join with a sl st to first st

Fasten off, leaving a long tail

Head

Using 4mm hook and Milky make 2ch

* Rnds 1-3: rep Rnds 1-3 of

Arm. 18 sts

Rnd 4: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts *

Rnd 5: (3dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 30 sts

Rnds 6-7: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 8: (14dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 32 sts

Rnd 9: 7dc, 2dc in next st, 16dc, 2dc in next st, 7dc. 34 sts

Rnd 10: (16dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 36 sts

Change to Popcorn

Rnd 11: 8dc, 2dc in next st, 18dc, 2dc in next st, 8dc. 38 sts

Rnd 12: (18dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 40 sts

Rnd 13: (9dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 44 sts

Rnds 14-19: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 20: 2dc, dc2tog, (4dc, dc2tog) six times, 2dc, dc2tog. 36 sts

Rnd 21: (4dc, dc2tog) to end. 30 sts

Rnd 22: (3dc, dc2tog) to end. 24 sts

Rnd 23: 1dc in each st to end

Stuff Head firmly

Rnd 24: (2dc, dc2tog) to end. 18 sts

Rnd 25: (1dc, dc2tog) to end. 12 sts

Rnd 26: (dc2tog) to end, join with a sl st to first st. Six sts

Fasten off

Carrot

Using 4mm hook and Calypso make 2ch

Rnd 1: 4dc in second ch from hook. Four sts

Rnd 2: (2dc in next st, 1dc) to end. Six sts

Rnd 3 and every odd-numbered row: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 4: (2dc in next st, 2dc) to end. Eight sts

Rnd 6: (2dc in next st, 3dc) to end. Ten sts

Rnd 8: (2dc in next st, 4dc) to end. 12 sts

Rnd 10: (2dc in next st, 5dc) to end. 14 sts

Rnd 12: (2dc in next st, 6dc) to end. 16 sts

Rnd 14: (2dc in next st, 7dc) to end. 18 sts

Rnds 15-16: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 17: working into back loops only (1dc, dc2tog) to end. 12 sts

Stuff firmly

Rnd 18: (dc2tog) to end, join with a sl st to next st

Fasten off



Frond

Make three in Popcorn, two in Milky and two in Limeade

Using 4mm hook and chosen yarn make 8ch

Row 1: 1dc in second ch from hook, 1dc in each ch to end. Seven sts

Fasten off

To make up

Sew in ends. Stuff Feet and Legs. Push a little more

stuffing into top of Body using a pencil. Stuff Arm up to Slushy stripe then squeeze top of Arm flat and whip st seam closed. Sew Arms to sides of Body so Slushy stripes are aligned.

Push more stuffing into Head using pencil, then use tail to gather sts and close hole. Pin and sew Head to Body. Pull sts tight to create a firm neck. Pinch bottom of Ears tog and sew to top

of Head. Use spare black

yarn to embroider eyes on final Milky rnd, in line with

Ears. Use Fab to embroider an 'X'-shaped Nose. Tie two small bows from Slushy

and sew to front of boots. Use Milky to embroider

an 'X'-shaped tail on lower back. Push a little more

stuffing into carrot using a pencil, then use tail to gather sts and close hole. Pin out Carrot Tops straight

and spray with wool or spray starch. Leave to dry then sew to top of Carrot

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{FROM BUNNY WITH LOVE}

For those leftover pieces from your kit, make a bunny tag to add to your gifts to loved ones.



BUNNY TAG

Make two

Using 4mm hook and Slushy make 4ch, join with a sl st to form a ring

Rnd 1 (body): 3ch (counts as 1tr), 15tr into ring. 16 sts

Rnd 2 (head and ears): 3ch (counts as 1tr), 4tr in next st, 6ch, 1dc in second ch from hook, 1litr in each of

next three ch, one sl st in next ch, 1tr in same st as previous 4tr, 5ch, 1dc in second ch from hook, 1litr in each of next two ch, one sl st in next ch, one sl st around post of previous tr, one sl st in each

of next six sts around body, 3ch, one sl st in same st, one sl st in each rem st around body until head is reached

Fasten off

To make up

Sew in ends. Use spare black yarn to embroider a small eye on each Bunny. Cut two 8.5cm circles of card and four 8.5cm patterned paper circles. Stick paper discs to each side of card circles and punch a hole in top. Use PVA glue to stick a Bunny to centre

of one side of each tag. Thread a short length of contrast yarn through punched holes