

Measurements & Sizes

To fit UK adult shoe size: 5-6

Crochet Kit

Yarn: Debbie Bliss Cashmerino Aran, shades (A) 025 White, three 50g balls, (B) 009 Grey, (C) 048 Burnt Orange, two 50g balls of each

Hook: 5mm

Tension Square

- 10 sts x 20 rows
- 10cm x 10cm
- double crochet
- 5mm hook

For abbreviations see page 92

About the Yarn

Debbie Bliss Cashmerino Aran is a warm and cosy mix of 55% wool, 33% microfibre and 12% cashmere. It is machine washable and costs £4.95 per 50g (90m) ball from **01782 862332**, www.cucumberpatch.com

Need an Alternative?



You'll want a hardwearing fibre for durability and **West Yorkshire Spinners Aire Valley Aran** blends wool and nylon – and it's British too. A 100g (200m) ball has an RRP of £4.75, call **01535 664500** or visit www.wyspinners.com for stockists.

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meet our DESIGNER

"The slippers are firstly worked in continuous rounds of double crochet for the toe. The foot is then worked in rows, which means you can make your slippers longer or shorter to fit you perfectly. If making larger slippers, then you will need an extra ball of yarn."
SARAH SHRIMPTON

Paw Prints

Sarah Shrimpton's crochet slippers are cute and cosy!



Who says adult footwear has to be boring?

We just adore these fabulous animal slippers! They are super simple to make as they use the double crochet stitch which is usually one of the first ones you learn.

There's a bit of shaping for the toe area and the ears, but that's all. If you want them longer or shorter, just work more or fewer rows where instructed. Why not experiment with other animal designs? We'd love to see what you come up with, so share it with us using the details on page 51.

Start crocheting here..

SLIPPERS

(use yarn A for bunny, yarn B for cat and yarn C for fox)

Using 5mm hook, make 9ch

- Rnd 1: beg in second ch from hook, 7dc, 3dc in next st, turn to work along other side of ch, 6dc, 2dc in last st. 18 sts
- Rnd 2: 2dc in first st, 6dc, 2dc in each of next three sts, 6dc, 2dc in each of next two sts. 24 sts

- Rnd 3: 2dc in first st, 8dc, 2dc in each of next four sts, 8dc, 2dc in each of next three sts. 32 sts
- Rnd 4: 13dc, 2dc in each of next three sts, 13dc, 2dc in each of next three sts. 38 sts
- Rnds 5-16: 1dc in each st to end
- Row 17 (short row): 1dc in first five sts, turn
- Row 18: 1ch, 29dc, turn. 29 sts
- Rows 19-50: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end

NOTE: work more rows here if you want longer slippers

- Do not cut yarn, turn so RS is facing, fold sole in half and join back seam with sl sts (see Crochet Clever)
- Fasten off
- Weave in ends

RABBIT EARS

(make four pieces)

Using 5mm hook and yarn A, make a magic ring

- Foundation rnd: 5dc in ring
- Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. Ten sts
- Rnd 2: 1dc in each st to end
- Rnd 3: 2dc in each st to end. 20 sts
- Rnds 4-9: 1dc in each st to end
- Rnd 10: (1dc, dc2tog) six times, 1dc in each of last two sts. 14 sts
- Rnds 11-13: 1dc in each st to end
- Fasten off leaving a long tail

CAT EARS

(make four pieces)

Using 5mm hook and yarn B, make a magic ring

- Foundation rnd: 5dc in ring
- Rnd 1: (1dc, 2dc in next st) twice, 1dc. Seven sts
- Rnd 2: (1dc, 2dc in next st) three times, 1dc. Ten sts
- Rnd 3: 1dc in each st to end
- Rnd 4: 2dc in first st, 2dc, (2dc in next st, 1dc in next st) three times, 1dc. 14 sts
- Rnds 5-7: 1dc in each st to end
- Fasten off leaving a long tail

FOX EARS

(make four pieces)

Using 5mm hook and yarn C, rep Rnds 1-7 as for Cat Ears

- Rnd 8: 1dc in each st to end
- Fasten off leaving a long tail

TO MAKE UP

Sew two Ear pieces together to make one complete Ear, then stitch Ear to toe end of slipper. Repeat for other Ear. Cut eye pieces and fox face from felt, using image as a guide. Stitch to toe of slipper. Embroider whiskers for bunny and cat using straight stitches and sew noses for each using satin stitch. For bunny, make two 3.5cm pompoms and sew to heel of slipper **LK**

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"If you have laminate or wooden floors, use Rico Sock Stop to add grip to your slippers - see our info column for where to buy it"

LK Deputy Editor **Adrienne Chandler**



crochetclever

You can crochet the back of your slipper together using slip stitches. To do this, fold the sole of the slipper in half so the RS is facing inwards, then insert your hook through the innermost loops of both stitches. Wrap the yarn around the hook and pull through all the loops on your hook. Keep doing this until the seam is closed.