



Easter Bunny Egg Cozy

Materials: we used a small amount of a fingering weight extrafine merino wool and a small amount of a fine mohair; 4.0mm double pointed needles (set of five); 3.5mm crochet hook; one wool needle and small amounts of coloured yarn for eyes and nose.

Directions:

Cast on 28 stitches and divide more or less evenly over three needles (e.g. 10/10/8). Place a marker to indicate the beginning of a round. Knit one round. Purl one round. This creates a garter stitch border.

Continue to work in stocking stitch (knit all rounds) until body of bunny measures 7 cm. Next round: decrease for top of head: *k2, k2tog* rep from * to * to end of round. (21 stitches remain)

Split for bunny ears: at the beginning of the next round, knit the next 10 stitches onto three needles (e.g. knit 3 sts, pick up empty needle and knit next 3 sts, pick up empty needle and knit next 4 sts) and place the next 11 sts on one dpn (these sts will be “resting” for a while).



Working just on the first 10 sts (split over three needles) continue to work in stocking stitch until ear measures 7cm. At the beginning of the next row, *k2tog* rep across rnd (you'll end up with 5 sts). Cut yarn leaving a 6" tail and thread tail through 5 rem stitches and pull tight.

Rejoin yarn and repeat above for the second bunny ear, except that you will decrease one stitch (k2tog) in the first round so that you have 10 stitches to work with. You may find that you have a small hole that appears between the ears – don't worry about it... you can close it up later with the tail of your yarn (where you joined for the second ear).

Make a bow: with a crochet hook and two strands of mohair held together make a chain that measures approximately 40cm. Tie the bow around the base of both ears. Or use a small bit of ribbon to tie up the ears.

Finishing: embroider 2 eyes with a contrasting colour: sew 3 vertical loops of yarn (side by side) for eye, then wrap yarn (thread around the vertical loops with yarn



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needle. Embroider whiskers: sew 3 horizontal loops for whiskers 1 loop in each of 3 rows). Bind together in centre with 2 loops of yarn and secure to knitted fabric. Weave in ends and make a little pom-pom tail if desired.

Knitting Abbreviations Explained:

dpn(s): double pointed needle(s)

k2tog: knit the next two stitches together.

rep: repeat

rem: remaining

sts: stitches

This egg cup cozy idea was heavily inspired by Garnstudio's Drops Easter Calendar. Visit the Drops website to see the original (knit flat and sewed up) version of the Easter Egg Cozy (<http://www.garnstudio.com/lang/us/pattern.php?id=4127&lang=us>) as well as hundreds of other beautiful patterns using Drops yarn (<http://www.garnstudio.com>).

Cynthia's Hard Boiled Egg "Recipe"

Did you know? Fresh eggs are harder to peel after they've been boiled. Let your eggs "age" in the fridge for a week or more before boiling them for easier peeling

- 1 Place your eggs in a saucepan and fully immerse them in cold water. Make sure that the water covers the eggs by a couple of centimeters.
- 2 Put the saucepan on your stove at a medium temperature, uncovered, and bring the water to a full boil, then remove the pot from the heat and cover it.
- 3 Let the pot stand for five minutes, then transfer your eggs to their cups and cover them with a cozy for ten minutes.
- 4 Uncover, eat and enjoy!