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Knitting Pattern



BUNNY TEA COSY PATTERN

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Materials

2 x Sirdar softy 50g (cream or beige) chunky yarn

knitting needles: 9 mm (US – 13)

pom pom maker

scissors

darning needle

felt

sewing thread

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Pattern

Bunny body – make 2 pieces

Using 9 mm (Us 13) needles and your chunky yarn choice cast on 28sts.

Work in st st until piece measures 1 inch ending on a purl row.

Next row - K2Tog, K4 – repeat across row

Purl

K2tog, K3 – repeat across row

Purl

K2tog, K2 – repeat across row

Purl

K2tog across row

Break off yarn and bind off. Leave a 7 inch tail length.

Work the two fronts following the same pattern.

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EARS

Make 2 pieces

Using the same chunky yarn – cast on 6 sts (Leave a 7 or 8 inch length tail as you will need this later)

Knit 12 rows

Skpo knit to last 2 stitches K2tog

Knit

Repeat last 2 rows until you have 2 stitches left.

Cast off and secure.

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POM POM TAIL DECORATION

I used a pom pom maker to make the decoration, as it is an easy and fast way of making them.

If you want to make them the traditional way you will need to cut two cardboard circles. Cut a small round hole in the middle of each circle. Lay the circles together, without any overlap. Remember, the bigger the circles, the bigger your pom pom will be (and visa versa).

Wind the circles closely with yarn. Wrap the first round reasonably tightly around the circles and quickly hold in place with the next round (hold with your fingers until it is secure). Continue to wind the yarn around and around the circles, keeping the winding even and not leaving gaps.

Continue until the circles are covered completely. Put the scissors in between the two circles of cardboard and cut open the wound thread or yarn around the outer edge. Draw a long piece of thread between the two circles. Tie and knot it firmly around the stitches that meet in the centre hole. Leave sufficiently long ends of thread hanging to form a loop by which the ball can afterwards be fastened to the heading of the fringe. Cut and pull out the cardboard once the stitches have been knotted together. Snip the thread with scissors until it becomes quite fluffy. Once the pom poms have been made and you have enough to go around the funnel top of your tea cosy you can start to stitch them in place.

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MAKING UP

Cut eyes, a nose and mouth from felt and stitch into place on the front side of your tea cosy.

Stitch the pom tail onto the back.

Stitch the tea cosy body pieces together, leaving gaps in the side seams for the handle and spout of the teapot.

Attach the ears either side of the head at the top of the cosy.

ABBREVIATIONS

K – knit

P – purl

Sts – stitches

Garner stitch – every row knit

K2tog – knit 2 stitches together

Skpo – slip one stitch, knit one stitch, pass slipped stitch over knit st

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