

Pattern for Knitted Easter Chick (containing creme egg)

Pattern from Anjie Davison, <http://www.pompomemporium.com>



To make a chick you will need..

1. Small amount of yellow DK yarn
2. A pair of needles UK size 3.75mm / 9 / US 5
3. Small amount of stuffing for the head
4. Small piece of felt for the beak
5. Chocolate egg, plastic or hard boiled!

Body:

Cast on 26 stitches.

1. Row 1: K1, increase 1, K to the end.
2. Repeat first row until you have 36 stitches on the needle (10 rows)
3. Knit four rows. (14 rows)

Shape the tail:* (abbreviations expanded to make it clearer)

1. Row 1: K3, bring yfwd, slip next stitch, ybk, move slip stitch back to left needle. Turn
2. Row 2: K3 to end
3. Row 3: K2, bring yfwd, slip next stitch, ybk, move slip stitch back to left needle. Turn
4. Row 4: K2 to end
5. Row 5: Cast off 10 stitches, K to end
6. Repeat last five row for the other side to shape tail.
7. You will have 16 stitches left in the centre of your knitting.

Head:

1. Rows 1-4: Knit
2. Row 5: K1, K2tog, K to last three stitches, K2tog, K1.
3. Rows 6-8: Same as row 5
4. Rows 9-10: Knit

This will leave you with 8 stitches. Cut the yarn leaving a length 30cm (12") long. Thread a needle with the 30cm length and run it through the 8 remaining stitches, pull them tight. Continue with the yarn to sew up the head, back and side leaving a hole big enough to insert an egg. Stuff the head lightly. Insert the egg, this will give you the body shape making it easy to see where the neck should be. With a needle threaded with the yarn, do a running stitch to cinch the neck (not too tight) fasten off securely. The eyes are french knots made from black yarn. Sew on a beak made from red felt

*Shape the tail, abbreviations expanded

Row 1: Knit 3 stitches, bring yarn to the front of the work, slip the next stitch onto your right needle, move yarn to the back of your work, move the slipped stitch back to the left needle. Turn

Row 2: Knit 3 stitches to end

Row 3: Knit 2 stitches, bring yarn to the front of the work, slip the next stitch onto your right needle, move yarn to the back of your work, move the slipped stitch back to the left needle. Turn

Row 4: Knit 2 stitches end

Row 5: Cast off 10 stitches, knit to end

Repeat the 5 rows for the other side to shape the tail

You should have 16 stitches left in the centre of your knitting

Fluffy Chicks

Try using Fancy Yarn (Fur) instead of the DK yarn and a pair of size 3.75mm (9 UK, 5 US) size needles, you may require larger or smaller size needles, depending on your knitting tension.

