

## A short tutorial on how to make knitted Easter bunnies.



Finished bunnies in various sizes.



Requirements -Double knitting yarn in main colour and a small amount in white, Knitting needles size 4mm (Size 8), Darning needle, 2 small buttons, scissors, ribbon, toy stuffing and cardboard circle (optional).



Knit a square in main colour in garter stitch (knit each row). I had 30 stitches and it made a 6inch square. You can make them bigger or smaller. It's up to you.



Fold top to bottom and find the centre, mark with pins. Fold in half widthways and find the centre top, mark with pin.



Cut a length of yarn at least 3 times as wide as the knitting and using a darning needle sew running stitches from right to left at centre marked line. Then sew up to the centre top and back down to the right centre where you started. Pull both ends of yarn and the centre will start to bulge. This is the head. Turn over and stuff the head.



Back view. Tie the two ends of the yarn as tightly as you can and then thread your needle with the shorter length and sew up the back of the head enclosing the stuffing. Fasten off. Then thread your needle with the remaining yarn and sew down the back to the bottom edge and stuff the body.



Sew bottom of bunny closed. You can add a small circle of card if you wish which helps it to stand.



Sew a white pom-pom for the tail about 1 cm from the back bottom edge.



Sew on buttons for eyes pulling them into the face to get the correct shape of the head, finish off all loose ends and add a ribbon bow around the neck. You should now have a finished bunny.

Happy Easter from Pauline Boler