No-sew bunny

US terms



Finished size
About 10½ in (26.5 cm) tall with the ears and 4¾ in (12 cm) across

Skill
Beginner
Three pieces worked in rounds and sewn together.

Yarn
Bulky (5), 4 colors

Hook
5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge
14 stitches and 15.4 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet, in a spiral.

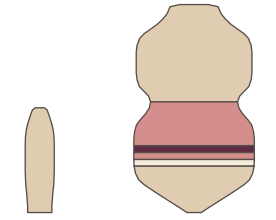
You will need

Yarn A: oat, ear and head and body	**about 130 yd (119 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: rose, head, body and the details	**about 50 yd (46 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: cream, head, body and the details	**about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: plum, head, body and the details	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: toy stuffing, a yarn needle, a stitch marker, pins and scissors.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. The estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

The pieces



Ear x 2 **Head and body**

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Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
sc2tog	single crochet 2 stitches together, through the front loops only: how is under “Before you start” (UK dc2tog, double crochet 2 stitches together)
MR	magic ring
RS	right side
Rnd	round
st	stitch
yo	yarn over (UK yrh, yarn round hook)

Special stitches

bobble: [yarn over, insert hook in the stitch, pull up a loop, yarn over, pull through 2 loops] 4 times in the same stitch, yarn over, pull through all 5 loops (United Kingdom: a bobble of 4 trebles). Push it out to the right side. It leaves 1 st for the next round.

Gauge

14 stitches and 15.4 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet, in a spiral.

To check it, work a flat circle: 6 sc in a magic ring, then 6 more sc in each round (12, 18, 24, 30, 36). After round 6 it should measure about 3¼ in (8.3 cm) across. The stitches should be tight enough that the stuffing does not show.

Use any hook that gives you this. If you count more stitches than this in 4 in (10 cm), change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, to a smaller one.

Before you start

- Every piece is worked in a continuous spiral with the right side facing you: do not join and do not turn. Put the marker in the first stitch of each round and move it up.
- Square brackets hold a repeat; work it as many times as the line says. The number in parentheses is the count at the end of the round.
- Right and left are as you look at the front of the bunny. Nothing is sewn on: the needle is for the face and for the ends.
- Magic ring: wrap the yarn round two fingers, work round 1 into the loop and pull the tail to close it. Or chain 2 and work round 1 into the first chain.
- Color change: where a line begins "With B," (or another letter), work the last pull-through of the round before it in B. Cut the old yarn and knot the ends on the wrong side.
- Center line: places on a piece are given by round and by stitches from a center line. It is half way round from where the rounds begin. Mark it with a pin or a scrap of yarn as listed here, run it straight from round 1 to the last round by eye, and count out from it along the round, in stitches and half stitches.
- Head and body: the center line runs between stitches 18 and 19 of round 18 (36 sts). It faces the front, round 1 at the top.
- Rounds are counted from the start of each piece.
- To work sc2tog, put the hook under the front loop only of each of the next 2 stitches, yarn over, pull through both loops, yarn over, pull through 2 loops.

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- No plastic eyes are used.
- One size, at the gauge above: about 10½ in (26.5 cm) tall with the ears and 4¾ in (12 cm) across. A thinner or a thicker yarn with a hook to suit makes it smaller or larger; every length then changes with it.

Instructions

Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a round is done. In UK terms sc is double crochet.

Ear: make 2

Yarn A, oat.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 2 times**	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts**] 2 times**	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 5 to 12**	Sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**

A box for each round, 5 to 12: tick them off as you go.

☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12

☐ **Rnd 13**	Sc in next 10 sts, sc2tog	**(11 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 14**	Sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 5 sts	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 15 to 16**	Sc in each st around	**(10 sc)**

A box for each round, 15 to 16: tick them off as you go.

☐ 15 ☐ 16

☐ **End**	Fasten off the first ear, leaving an 8 in (20 cm) tail. Do not fasten off the second ear: go on from it with the head and body. Do not stuff.	

Head and body

Yarns in order of use: A, oat; B, rose; D, plum; C, cream.

Hold the two ears side by side. The yarn is still on the second ear: carry it straight across to the first one and begin round 1 there, in the stitch after its last stitch; when all 10 of its stitches are worked, go on round the second ear, beginning in the stitch after the one the yarn came from. When round 2 is done, close the small gap between the two from the inside with the tail of the first ear.

☐ **Foundation**	Hold the two ears side by side.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	With right sides facing out, sc in each of the 10 sts of one ear, then sc in each of the 10 sts of the other ear	**(20 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Sc in each st around	**(20 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**	**(25 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 5 times**	**(30 sc)**

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☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts**] 6 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 8 to 14**	Sc in each st around	**(48 sc)**

A box for each round, 8 to 14: tick them off as you go.

☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14

☐ **Rnd 15**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 6 sts**] 6 times**	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 16**	**[**sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 17**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts**] 4 times**	**(32 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 18**	With B, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts**] 4 times**	**(36 sc)**

Mark the center line now: a pin or a scrap of yarn between stitches 18 and 19 of round 18. It faces the front, round 1 at the top.

☐ **Rnd 19**	**[**sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 4 times**	**(40 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 20**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts**] 5 times**	**(45 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 21**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts**] 5 times**	**(50 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 22 to 24**	Sc in each st around	**(50 sc)**

A box for each round, 22 to 24: tick them off as you go.

☐ 22 ☐ 23 ☐ 24

☐ **Rnd 25**	With D, sc in each st around	**(50 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 26**	With B, sc in each st around	**(50 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 27**	With C, **[**sc in next st, bobble in next st**] 25 times**	**(50 sts)**
☐ **Rnd 28**	With A, sc in each st around	**(50 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 29**	**[**sc in next 23 sts, sc2tog**] 2 times**	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 30**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 31**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 32**	**[**sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 33**	**[**sc in next st, sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**

Stuff firmly now, and keep adding stuffing until the last round.

☐ **Rnd 34**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 35**	**[**sc in next st, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 36**	**[**sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(6 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an 8 in (20 cm) tail. Thread the tail through the front loop of each of the last 6 stitches, pull it tight to close the hole and bury the end inside.	

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Assembly

1. Press the two ears flat, one fold of each toward the middle and the other toward the side, so that they stand side by side on the head. Press the base (the last seven rounds) flat with the palm of your hand, so that the bunny stands.

2. Bow: with C, make a chain about 28 in (71 cm) long, fasten off and knot each end. Put the middle of the chain at the back of the neck, on round 17 of the head and body (the last round of oat before the rose), bring the two ends round to the front, pull them until the neck draws in a little, and tie them in a bow on the center line.

3. Face: embroider with one strand of yarn, and begin and end each strand inside the bunny. Satin stitch is straight stitches side by side until the shape is filled. Backstitch is a line of short stitches end to end: bring the needle up one stitch ahead, put it down at the end of the stitch before, and repeat. All rounds are rounds of the head and body. Eyes: with D, in satin stitch, two upright ovals about 7/16 in (11 mm) wide and ½ in (13 mm) tall, worked twice, the second layer over the first, the middle of each between rounds 10 and 11, one to each side, 4½ stitches from the center line (9 stitches apart). Nose: with B, in satin stitch, a triangle with its point down, about 7/16 in (11 mm) wide and 5/16 in (8 mm) tall, its middle on round 12, on the center line. Mouth: with D, in backstitch, a straight line down from the point of the nose, 1/8 in (3 mm) long, and from its lower end two small smile curves side by side, one to each side, about 11/16 in (17 mm) wide and 3/8 in (10 mm) tall in all. Cheeks: with B, in satin stitch, an oval about ½ in (13 mm) wide and 5/16 in (8 mm) tall, its middle on round 13, one to each side, 6½ stitches from the center line (13 stitches apart).

4. Ears: with B, in satin stitch, fill a long upright oval on the front of each ear, half way between its two folds, about 5/8 in (16 mm) wide and 2¼ in (57 mm) tall, its middle on round 8 of the ear. Put the needle through the front layer only.

Finishing

- Pull every end inside and trim it. Check the bow and the embroidery from time to time.

In all: 3 pieces; 1,750 stitches (173 in each ear, 1,404 in the head and body).

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