# Amigurumi Bunny

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## Abbreviations

ch - chain sl st - slip stitch sc - single crochet hdc - half double crochet inc - single crochet increase dc inc - double crochet increase dec - single crochet decrease dc dec - double crochet decrease st(s) - stitch(es) Rnd(s) - round(s)

## **Finished size**

If done with sport-weight yarn and a 2.mm hook, your bunny will be around 18 cm/7" tall (with ears).

#### **Materials**

- 2 mm crochet hook
- sport-weight cotton yarn (100g/250m/273yd): white, less than half a skein some scraps in pink, grey and blue
- a piece of black embroidery thread for nose
- soft stuffing
- a pair of 10 mm black sew-on eyes
- 2 small beads for shoes (optional)
- a piece of satin ribbon for bow (optional)
- stitch marker, a long tapestry needle, scissors and sewing pins

#### Gauge

11 stitches x 13 rows = 2" (5 cm) square with 2 mm hook

### Stitches and crochet techniques used

#### Slip stitch

Insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and draw through all loops.

#### Single crochet

Insert hook in next stitch and draw up a loop (2 loops on hook), yarn over, draw through both loops on hook.

#### Half double crochet

Yarn over, insert hook in next stitch and draw up a loop (3 loops on hook), yarn over, draw through all 3 loops on hook.

#### Single crochet increase (inc)

Work two single crochets into one stitch.

#### Double crochet increase (dc inc)

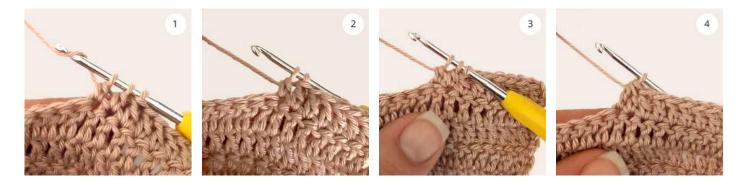
Work two double crochets into one stitch.

#### Single Crochet Decrease - Invisible decrease (dec)

Insert the hook in front loop of first stitch and in the front loop of the second stitch (3 loops on hook). Yarn over and draw up a loop through the first two front loops on hook, yarn over again and draw through remaining 2 loops on hook.

#### **Double Crochet Decrease (dc dec)**

Yarn over, insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and draw up a loop, yarn over (Fig 1) and draw through 2 loops on hook (Fig 2). Repeat these steps one more time. (Fig 3) Yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook. (Fig 4)



#### **Changing color**

To change color work to last 2 loops on hook. Drop the first color, yarn over with new color and draw through both loops on hook to complete stitch. Continue with new color.

#### Magic ring

Make a loop with yarn leaving 3" long tail. Insert the hook in the center of the loop, yarn over and draw up a loop. Yarn over and pull through to make your first chain. (Do not count this as your first stitch.) Continue to crochet over the loop and the yarn tail until you have the required number of stitches for your first round. For example, if the pattern calls for 5 stitches, sc 5 times into the ring (insert hook into the center of the ring and draw up loop, yarn over and pull through both loops). When you're finished, pull the tail to close the ring.

#### Fasten off with invisible join

What we're going to do here is to make a 'fake' stitch. We don't want to end up with an extra stitch so we skip the first stitch of the round and insert the needle into the second stitch. Pull the yarn. Next, insert the needle under the back loop of the last stitch of the round. Tighten it so the join looks like a regular stitch. Weave in yarn end! We've created a fake stitch on top of skipped stitch which is seen as a horizontal bar underneath.



## Miss Bunny

**NOTE:** Unless otherwise stated, all body parts are made by working in rounds without joining. Use a stitch marker to mark the end of each round so you know when you are starting another round. Move the marker up as your work progresses.

## Head and body

Starting at top of the head with magic ring and white yarn.

Rnd 1: 6 sc into the ring (6) Rnd 2: (inc) 6 times (12) Rnd 3: (Sc in next st, inc) 6 times (18) Rnd 4: (sc in 2 sts, inc) 6 times (24) Rnd 5: (sc in 3 sts, inc) 6 times (30) Rnd 6: (sc in 4 sts, inc) 6 times (36) Rnd 7: (sc in 5 sts, inc) 6 times (42) Rnd 8: (sc in 6 sts, inc) 6 times (48) Rnd 9: (sc in 7 sts, inc) 6 times (54) Rnd 10: (sc in 8 sts, inc) 6 times (60) Rnd 11: sc around (60) Rnd 12: (sc in 9 sts, inc) 6 times (66) Rnd 13 & 14: sc around (66) Rnd 15: (sc in 10 sts, inc) 6 times (72)

Rnd 16-18: sc around (72) (Image 3)

Start decreasing:

TIP: Use invisible decrease method described on page 1

Rnd 19: (sc in 6 sts, dec) 9 times (63) Rnd 20: (sc in 5 sts, dec) 9 times (54) Rnd 21: (sc in 4 sts, dec) 9 times (45) Rnd 22: (sc in 3 sts, dec) 9 times (36) Rnd 23: (sc in 2 sts, dec) 9 times (27) Rnd 24: (sc in next st, dec) 9 times (18)

Stuff head! (Image 4)

Rnd 25: (sc in next st, dec) 6 times (12)



Image 3

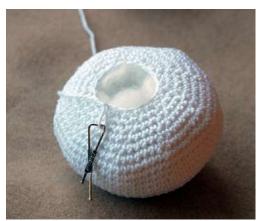


Image 4 - Stuffed head



Image 5 - Changing yarn to white



Image 6 - Head and body finished

Start making body:

**Rnd 26-28:** sc around (12)

Change yarn to grey:

**Rnd 29:** (sc in 2 sts, inc) 4 times (16) **Rnd 30:** (sc in 3 sts, inc) 4 times (20) **Rnd 31:** (sc in 4 sts, inc) 4 times (24) **Rnd 32:** (sc in 5 sts, inc) 4 times (28)

Change to white yarn: (Image 5)

**Rnd 33-35:** sc around (28) **Rnd 36:** (sc in 5 sts, dec) 4 times (24) **Rnd 37:** (sc in 4 sts, dec) 4 times (20) **Rnd 38:** (sc in 3 sts, dec) 4 times (16)

Stuff the body and put some more stuffing into head so it's round and firm! It's very important to stuff the neck area firmly so it can hold the head up!

**Rnd 39:** (dec) 8 times (8)

Cut yarn and pull it through last loop. With tapestry needle, weave the tail through the front loops of the remaining 8 stitches and pull it tight to close. Weave in yarn ends. (Image 6)



Image 7

#### Ear - make 2

to start - use magic ring and white yarn

Rnd 1: 6 sc into the ring (6) Rnd 2: 2 (inc) 6 times (12) Rnd 3: (Sc in next st, inc) 6 times (18) Rnd 4: (sc in 2 sts, inc) 6 times (24) Rnd 5-7: sc around (24) Rnd 8: (sc in 2 sts, dec) 6 times (18) Rnd 9: sc around (18) Rnd 10: (sc in next st, dec) 6 times (12) Rnd 11-13: sc around (12)

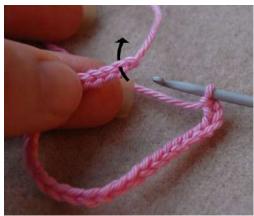
Fasten off leaving tail long enough to sew to the head. (Image 7)



Image 8 - Arms



Image 9 - Legs



*Image 10 - Be careful not to twist the chain* 



Arm - make 2

Starting at tip of the arm with magic ring and white yarn

**Rnd 1:** 5 sc into the ring (5) **Rnd 2:** (inc) 5 times (10) **Rnd 3 -8:** sc around (10)

Put a bit of stuffing into tip of the arm (leave the upper part empty).

**Rnd 9:** (dec) 5 times (5)

Fasten off! With tapestry needle, weave the tail through the front loops of the remaining 5 stitches and pull it tight to close. Weave in yarn end. (Image 8)

### Leg - make 2

to start - use magic ring and white yarn

**Rnd 1:** 5 sc into the ring (5) **Rnd 2:** (inc) 5 times (10) **Rnd 3:** (sc in 4 sts, inc) 2 times (12) **Rnd 4 - 10:** sc around (12)

Cut yarn and pull it through the last loop leaving tail long enough to sew leg to the body. (Image 9)

Fasten off with invisible join as described on page 2.

## Skirt

Working with pink yarn and leaving a long tail to sew skirt to the body:

Rnd 1: ch 28; sl st to first st (Image 10) to make a ring and sc in next 27 sts (28) Rnd 2: sc around (28) Rnd 3: (inc) 28 times (56) Rnd 4: (inc) 56 times (112)

Fasten off with invisible join as described on page 2. Weave in yarn ends. (Image 11)

Image 11 - Skirt finished



Image 12



Image 13 - Show finished



Image 14 - Sewing ears



Image 15

#### Shoe - make 2

to start - use magic ring and pink yarn

**Rnd 1:** 6 sc into the ring (6) **Rnd 2:** (inc) 6 times (12) **Rnd 3:** (sc in next st, inc) 6 times (18) **Rnd 4 - 8:** sc around (18)

Fasten off with invisible join as described on page 2.

Cut a piece of white yarn and thread tapestry needle. Insert the needle from front between Rnds 7 and 8 of the shoe and bring it out 2 sts away. (Image 12) Tie a knot with yarn ends and embellish ends with beads. At each end tie a knot to prevent beads from slipping off. (Image 13)

## Assembling

After you made all the parts, you may want to pin them together to see how they fit together.

Work from top of the head to the bottom - sew on ears, then eyes, and last of all the nose. It will ensure symmetrical facial features. Leave the pins for eyes and nose in place while sewing ears.

Experiment with the position of ears and eyes and see what looks best for you. Your bunny might look much nicer with eyes placed one or two rows higher or lower than indicated in the pattern.

#### Sew ears

Sew ears to the head using yarn tail and large tapestry needle. Sew between Rnds 2 & 6 on each side of the head, leaving very small space in between the ears. (Image 14)

#### Attach eyes

Attach eyes 14 sts apart, between Rnds 15 and 16. Sew them using a long needle and white yarn. Insert the needle through the bottom back of the head (leaving tail for securing), coming out on the spot where the first eye should appear, through the eye, back through the same spot (Image 15) and then coming out where the second eye should appear, through the eye and then back to the bottom of the head - the needle should come out on exactly same place as where you inserted it.

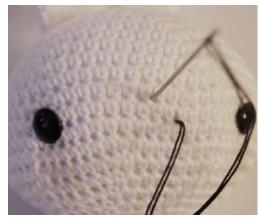


Image 16

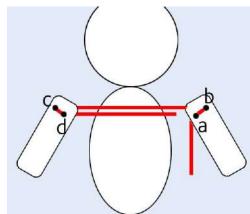


Image 17



Image 18



Image 19

Tie a strong knot or even better tie a surgeon's knot. To make a surgeon's knot, make a knot as usually, but loop the yarn one more time before tightening. Hide ends inside the head.

## **Embroider nose**

With tapestry needle and double strand of black embroidery thread cross-stitch X for nose. (Image 16)

## Sew Arms

Sew arms to body as follows (Image 17):

With long tapestry needle and white yarn, leaving long tail for securing, insert the needle into the top, inner side of the arm (point a) and through to the outer arm. Insert needle one stitch away from the place it came out (point b), back through the arm, through the body and through the second arm to the other side (point c). On the way back, again take the needle one stitch away from the place it came out (point d), through the arm and again through the body.

Take two yarn ends and knot them together. Use at least 2 tight knots. Go several times through the body with yarn ends to secure and to hide them. Cut off excess yarn.

## Sew Legs

With yarn ends whipstitch the last round of each leg to the body. Stuff each leg then sew them to the body. Sew halfway, add some more stuffing (Image 18) making sure the legs are firm and finish sewing.

Put shoes on legs.

## Sew Skirt

With yarn end whipstitch the first round of the skirt to 33rd round of the body. (Image 19)



Image 20 - Working just in back loops

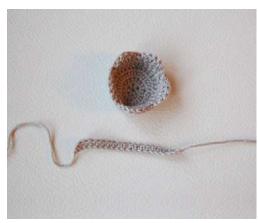


Image 21 - Basket



Image 22 - Basket finished



Basket

to start - use magic ring and grey yarn

Rnd 1: 5 sc into the ring (5) Rnd 2: work 3 sc in each st around (15) Rnd 3: (inc) 15 times (30) Rnd 4: sc around (30) Rnd 5: working just in back loops, sc around (30) (Image 20) Rnd 6-8: sc around (30) Rnd 9: (sc in 4 sts, dec) 5 times (25) Rnd 10: [sc, (dc inc in next st) 2 times, sc, sl st) 5 times] (35)

Fasten off and weave in yarn ends!

## Handle

Leaving a long tail, ch 21. Sc in second ch from the hook and in each ch across (20). Fasten off leaving a long tail! Weave in yarn end and bring it to the other side of the handle. (Image 21)

Using yarn tails, sew ends of the handle to each side of the basket. (Image 22)

## Egg

to start - use magic ring and blue yarn

Rnd 1: 5 sc into the ring (5) Rnd 2: (inc) 5 times (10) Rnd 3: (sc in next st, inc) 5 times (15) Rnd 4: (sc in 2 st, inc) 5 times (20) Rnd 5&6: sc around (20) Rnd 7: (sc in 3 sts, dec) 4 times (16) Rnd 8: (sc in 2 sts, dec) 4 times (12) Rnd 9: sc around (12)

Stuff the egg! **Rnd 10:** (sc in next st, dec) 4 times (8) **Rnd 11:** (sc in 2 sts, dec) 2 times (6)

Image 23 - Egg finished

Fasten off! With tapestry needle, weave the tail through the front loops of the remaining 6 stitches and pull it tight to close. Weave in yarn ends. (Image 23)

Make satin ribbon bow and sew it to the base of bunny's left ear. Add a bit of blush on bunny's cheeks and ... voilà! Your bunny girl is finished!

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