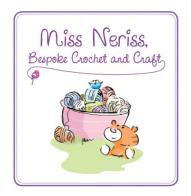
Flopsy Bunny



I'm very excited to be able to share this pattern with you, it's a project that I've loved making and I hope that you do too.

Before we start, I want to mention a couple of important things. This is a design that I've created for you for free, so do share as you like, but please respect me as a designer and not claim it or resell it as your own. I wish I didn't have to write that sentence, but pattern stealing is a huge problem in our lovely little industry. You are more than welcome to sell the end results in your Etsy store or at your local craft fair or to order if you like; whatever your selling style is, but if you would like to create and sell yarn kits bundled with this design, please contact me for my permission first. And this design is definitely not for mass-production.

Ok, now with the awkward discussion out of the way, let's get to it.





What You'll Need

3 x mini skeins of Scheepjes Catona 25g in colour 101. Or you can use 1 50g skein and one mini.

A 2mm and a 3mm crochet hook.

2 x 8mm safety eyes. If you're making this design for children, please be very aware that eyes can be a safety hazard.

Scrap pink yarn to make the nose. I'm using Scheepjes Softfun Denim as that's what was to hand.

Filling to stuff your bunny

Stitch markers to remind yourself where the start of your row is.

A tapestry needle to assemble the parts.

Cute scissors (one can never have cute enough scissors).

Notes

I'm using US terms for this pattern, so if you're in the UK, bear in mind that my Single Crochet is your Double Crochet.

The way each round is written is a bit like an algebra problem, but once you understand, it's super simple. The instruction is like this: Row 4: (INC, 2SC) x 6. What this means is, you are expected to repeat what is inside the parentheses 6 times. So you will increase in one stitch, then single crochet into the next two stitches. You'll do this 6 times to complete your row. We are working in the round, with no joining so you will need to use your stitch marker. What I tend to do is use the tail of the yarn from when I made my magic ring. I also keep count of my rows that way.

Gauge is not important for this design, but do make sure you use a smaller hook than the yarn recommended keeping your stitches as tight as possible. The Catona yarn recommends using a 3mm hook, so we are using a 2mm for the majority of this project.

Stitches and Abbreviations Used (US Terms)

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MR (Magic Ring)
SC (Single Crochet)
INC (Increase = 2 SC into the same SC)
DEC (Decrease = 1 SC into 2 stitches, creating 1SC; otherwise known as 2SCTog)
SS (Slip Stitch)
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Head

Using the 2mm crochet hook

- 1. MR6 = 6
- 2. INC X 6 = 12
- 3. (INC, 1SC) $\times 6 = 18$
- 4. (INC, 2SC) X 6 = 24
- 5. (INC, 3SC) $\times 6 = 30$
- 6. (INC, 4SC) $\times 6 = 36$
- 7. (INC, 5SC) $\times 6 = 42$
- 8. (INC, 6SC) X 6 = 48
- 9. (INC, 7SC) $\times 6 = 54$
- 10. (INC, 8SC) $\times 6 = 60$
- 11. (INC, 9SC) X 6 = 66
- 12. (INC, 10SC) X 6 = 72
- 13. (INC, 11SC) X 6 = 78
- 14. (INC, 12SC) X 6 = 84
- 15. SC X 84 = 84
- 16. SC X 84 = 84

- 17. $SC \times 84 = 84$
- 18. SC X 84 = 84

Insert safety eyes between rows 17 and 18, 24 stitches apart. Because the eyes are quite big and the stitches are so tight, you might find it easier to insert the eyes and crochet around them instead of leaving it until later when you'll

have to fight to get the eyes Inserted.



19. SC X 84 = 84

20. (DEC, 12SC) X 6 = 78

21. (DEC, 11SC) X 6

22. (DEC, 10SC) X 6

23. (DEC, 9SC) X 6

24. (DEC, 8SC) X 6

25. (DEC, 7SC) X 6

26. (DEC, 6SC) X 6

27. (DEC, 5SC) X 6

28. (DEC, 4SC) X 6

Sew the nose on, using the pink thread; make an "x" with a line down right in the middle of the space between the eyes, at the same height.

Start stuffing the head and continue to add more stuffing as you finish the decreases.

29. (DEC, 3SC) X 6

30. (DEC, 2SC) X 6

31. (DEC, 1SC) X 6

32. DEC $\times 6 = 6$

Close the hole and tie off, hiding the tail in the bunny's head

Body

Using the 2mm crochet hook

1. MR6 = 6

2. INC $\times 6 = 12$

3. (INC, 1SC) $\times 6 = 18$

4. (INC, 2SC) $\times 6 = 24$

5. (INC, 3SC) $\times 6 = 30$

6. (INC, 4SC) X 6 = 36

7. (INC, 5SC) X 6 = 42

8. (INC, 6SC) $\times 6 = 48$

9. SC X 48 = 48

10. SC X 48 = 48

11. SC X 48 = 48

12. SC X 48 = 48

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13. SC X 48 = 48

14. SC X 48 = 48

15. (DEC, 6SC) X 6 = 42

16. SC X 42 = 42

17. SC X 42 = 42

18. (DEC, 5SC) $\times 6 = 36$

19. SC X 36 = 36

20. SC X 36 = 36

21. (DEC, 4SC) X 6 = 30

22. $SC \times 30 = 30$

23. $SC \times 30 = 30$

Start stuffing the body, and continue stuffing as you finish the decreases.

24. (DEC, 3SC) X 6 = 24

25. SC X 24 = 24

26. SC X 24 = 24

27. (DEC, 2SC) X 6 = 18

28. SC X 18 = 18

Tie off and leave a long tail to attach the head later.

arm

Using the 2mm crochet hook, make two.

- 1. MR6 = 6
- 2. INC $\times 6 = 12$
- 3. (INC, SC) X 6 = 18
- 4. (INC, 2SC) $\times 6 = 24$
- 5. SC X 24 = 24
- 6. SC X 24 = 24
- 7. SC X 24 = 24 Stuff the hand, but do not stuff the arm
- 8. (DEC, 2SC) X 6 = 18
- 9. $(DEC, SC) \times 6 = 12$
- 10. -30 SCX 12 = 12



Close the open end with a row of SC across the top, tie off and leave a tail to attach to the body.



Using the 2mm crochet hook, make two.

- 1. MR6 = 6
- 2. INC $\times 6 = 12$
- 3. (INC, SC) X 6 = 18
- 4. (INC, 2SC) $\times 6 = 24$
- 5. (INC, 3SC) X 6 = 30
- 6. $SC \times 30 = 30$
- 7. $SC \times 30 = 30$
- 8. $SC \times 30 = 30$
- 9. (DEC, 4SC) X 5 = 25
- 10. (DEC, 3SC) X 5 = 20
- 11. (DEC, 2SC) X 5 = 15

 Stuff the foot, but do not stuff the leg.

12. (DEC, 3SC) X 3 = 12

13. - 36 SCX 12 = 12



Close the open end with a row of SC across the top, tie off and leave a tail to attach to the body.

Tail

Using the 3mm crochet hook.

- 1. MR6 = 6
- 2. INC $\times 6 = 12$

- 3. (INC, SC) X 6 = 18
- 4. (DEC, SC) X 6 = 12
- 5. DEC X 6 = 6

Ears

Using the 3mm crochet hook, make two.

- 1. MR6 = 6
- 2. INC $\times 6 = 12$
- 3. (INC, SC) X 6 = 18
- 4. SC X 18 = 18
- 5. (INC, 2SC) $\times 6 = 24$
- 6. $SC \times 24 = 24$
- 7. (INC, 3SC) $\times 6 = 30$
- 8. $SC \times 30 = 30$
- 9. $SC \times 30 = 30$
- 10. $SC \times 30 = 30$
- 11. SC X 30 = 30
- 12. SC X 30 = 30
- 13. (DEC, 13SC) X 2 = 28
- 14. SC X 28 = 28
- 15. (DEC, 12SC) X 2 = 26
- 16. SC X 26 = 26
- 17. (DEC, 11SC) X 2= 24
- 18. SSC X 24 = 24

- 19. (DEC, 10SC) X 2= 22
- 20. SC X 22 = 22
- 21. (DEC, 9SC) X 2 = 20
- 22. SC X 20 = 20
- 23. (DEC, 8SC) X 2 = 18
- 24. SC X 18 = 18
- 25. (DEC, 7SC) X 2 = 16
- 26. SC X 16 = 16
- 27. (DEC, 6SC) X 2 = 14
- 28. SC X 14 = 14
- 29. (DEC, 5SC) X 5 = 12
- 30. SC X 12 = 12
- 31. SC X 12 = 12
- 32. SC X 12 = 12
- 33. (DEC, 4SC) X 2 = 10
- 34. 40 SC X 10 = 10
- 35. Close the open end with a row of SC across the top, tie off and leave a tail to attach to the head.

assembly

First attach the arms to the top of the body, along the final row of SC on the body, ensuring they are equal distance apart.

Then you can sew the body (together with the already attached arms) to the head. Make sure that the head is straight, facing forward and level. Pull the stitches tight. The arms will be in between the head and the body.



The next step is to attach the legs. Sew them on a little to the front of the body so that you can get your bunny to sit.



Once the legs are on, you can attach the tail. Experiment so that the tail will help create a base for the bunny to be able to sit steadily.





Lastly, attach the ears along row 10 of the head, following the curve of the stitches, 7 stitches apart.



And you're finished!







I do hope you have great success with this design, and please share your results on social media and of course, <u>Ravelry</u>.

Don't forget to follow me on <u>Instagram</u>, <u>Pinterest</u>, <u>Ravelry</u> and <u>Facebook</u>. I will love seeing your finished results!

XO Nerissa