

Henry's Rabbit



Henry's Rabbit is a simple pattern that knits up fast and is a joy to make and give. All pieces are knitted in the round, so there is very little seaming. Finishing touches (eyes, nose and whiskers) can be embroidered on, or embellished with buttons, pieces of felt, etc.

Materials Required

Worsted weight yarn – app. 150 yards in main color (for body), and 10 yards in secondary color (for tail)

Size 4 double pointed needles

Darning needle

Stuffing

Embroidery thread, scrap yarn, or other embellishments

Abbreviations

CO – cast on

dpn – double pointed needles

K – knit

Kfb – knit in the front and back of stitch

St – stitch; sts – stitches

rpt – repeat

K2tog – knit two stitches together

PU – pick up (create) a stitch from existing work

SSK – slip next two stitches knit-wise, place them back onto left needle, and then knit them together through the back loop

Special Notes

Pattern is written to be knitted using four double pointed needles. Each needle is separated within the rounds by a long dash (--). If using a circular needle instead of dpns, please use stitch markers to mark the places where the dpns would begin. It is especially important to maintain the point between the beginning of the 1st needle, and the end of the 3rd needle.

Body	39) K16 – K19, K2tog, K19 – K16
	40) K all sts
CO 48 sts on 3 dpns, 16 sts on each needle	41) K16 – K19, K2tog, K18 – K16
1-2) K all sts	42) K all sts
3) K16 – K3, *Kfb, K2* rpt 2 more times, Kfb, K3 – K16	43) K16 – K18, K2tog, K18 – K16
4-8) K all sts	44) K all sts
9) K16 – K5, *Kfb, K2* rpt 2 more times, Kfb, K5 – K16	45) K16 – K17, K2tog, K18 – K16
10-14) K all sts	46) K all sts
15) K16 – K7, *Kfb, K2* rpt 2 more times, Kfb, K7 – K16	47) K16 – K17, K2tog, K17 – K16
16-20) K all sts	48) K all sts
21) K16 – K9, *Kfb, K2* rpt 2 more times, Kfb, K9 – K16	49) K16 – K17, K2tog, K16 – K16
22-26) K all sts	50) K all sts
27) K16 – K11, *Kfb, K2* rpt 2 more times, Kfb, K11 – K16	51) K16 – K16, K2tog, K16 – K16
28-32) K all sts	52) K all sts
33) K16 – K13, *Kfb, K2* rpt 2 more times, Kfb, K13 – K16	53) K16 – K15, K2tog, K16 – K16
34-38) K all sts	54) K all sts
At this point there should be 72 sts: 16—40—16	At this point there should be 64 sts: 16—32—16
	Place all 64 live sts on scrap yarn. Measure off
	about 4 yards of the yarn for finishing the body later,
	then cut yarn.



Head	
1 st dpn: PU 8 sts (1 for every <i>other</i> CO st) beg at 1 st CO st	14) K6 – K7, SSK, K1, K2tog, K7 – K6
2 nd dpn: PU 16 sts (1 for every CO st)	15) K all sts
3 rd dpn: PU 8 sts (1 for every <i>other</i> CO st)	16) K2tog, K4 – K6, SSK, K1, K2tog, K6 – K4, SSK
1) K all sts	17) K all sts
2) K8 – K4, *Kfb, K1*, repeat 2 more times, Kfb, K5 – K8	18) K 5 – K15 – K4, K last st and 1 st st of next round
3) K all sts	together
4) K8 – K7, *Kfb, K1*, repeat, Kfb, K8 – K8	19-21) K all sts
5) K all sts	At this point there should be 24 sts: 4/15/5
6) K8 – K10, Kfb, K1, Kfb, K10 – K8	22) *K1, K2tog* repeat to end of round
7) K all sts	23) K all sts
8) K2tog, K6 – K10, SSK, K1, K2tog, K10 – K6, SSK	24) *K2tog* repeat to end of round
9) K all sts	25) K all sts
10) K7 – K9, SSK, K1, K2tog, K9 – K7	Cut yarn, thread through remaining live sts and pull
11) K all sts	tightly closed. Insert needle into center of nose and
12) K2tog, K5 – K8, SSK, K1, K2tog, K8 – K5, SSK	secure on inside of head. Use the long tail from PU
13) K all sts	sts to darn hole between 1 st and 3 rd needle.

End of Body and Start of Tail	Finishing Tail
After knitting the head, stuff it firmly along with 2/3 of the body	1) K2tog, K2tog, K8, SSK, SSK
that has already been knitted. Place live sts at end of body	2) K all sts
back onto 3 dpns as follows: 16—32—16	3) K2tog, K2tog, K4, SSK, SSK
1) *K2, K2tog* repeat to end	4) K all sts
2) K all sts	5) K2tog, K4, SSK
3) *K1, K2tog* repeat to end	Add small amount of stuffing to tail. Cut yarn and
4) K all sts	thread through remaining live sts, pull tightly closed.
5) *K2tog* repeat to end	Insert needle down through center of tail and up
6) K all sts	through work at spot where body and tail meet. Pull
At this point there should be 16 sts. Cut brown yarn, join white	slightly to bend tail upwards. Secure yarn to
yarn, and K all sts for 1 inch. Stuff the rest of the body firmly	underside.
through the open end of the tail. Yes, you can!	

Legs	Ears
CO 15 sts on 3 dpns, 5 sts on each ndl. K all sts for 3 inches.	CO 9 sts on 3 dpns, 3 sts on each needle.
1) *K1, K2tog* repeat to end	1) K all sts
2) K all sts	2) * K1, Kfb, K1* rpt on each ndl. K all sts for 1 inch
3) *K2tog* repeat to end	3) *K1, Kfb, K2* rpt on each ndl. K all sts for 1 inch
Cut yarn and thread through remaining live sts, pull tightly closed. Insert needle down through center, pull tip inward to create a rounded paw. Stuff about half of the leg lightly. Make another one exactly the same, and sew to bottom of body.	4) *K2, Kfb, K2* rpt on each ndl. K all sts for 1 inch
Legs should extend out about 1 inch from base of head, and lay side by side.	5) *K1, K2tog, K2tog, K1* repeat on each needle
	6-7) K all sts
	8) *K1, K2tog, K1* repeat on each needle
	9-10) K all sts
	11) *K2tog, K1* repeat on each needle
	12) K all sts
	Cut yarn and thread through remaining live stitches.
	Pull tightly and secure on outside of ear. Fold in half
	lengthwise, stitch together at bottom only, and sew to
	rabbit for 1 inch on each side of ear.

ENJOY!

