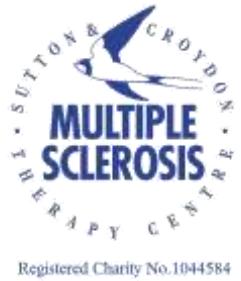


Easter chicks knitting pattern



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Will you please help us raise over £1000 for our Centre by knitting these cute Chicks.

We've gone back to this old favourite which you've told us is quick to do! We hope it's true, as we have lots of stores who want them.

A huge thank you from Dawn and Bonnita
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To make a chick you will need...

Small amount of yellow DK yarn or *any other colour you fancy* – the more exotic the better!

A pair of needles UK size 3.75mm / 9 / US 5

Small amount of stuffing for the head

Small piece of felt for the beak

Chocolate egg, plastic or hard boiled!

Body

Cast on 26 stitches.

Row 1: K1, increase 1, K to the end.

Repeat first row until you have 36 stitches on the needle (10 rows)

Knit four rows. (14 rows)

Shape the tail

Row 1: K3, bring yfwd, slip next stitch, yarn to the back of your work, move slip stitch back to left needle.

Turn

Row 2: K3 to end

Row 3: K2, bring yfwd, slip next stitch, yarn to the back of your work, move slip stitch back to left needle.

Turn

Row 4: K2 to end

Row 5: Cast off 10 stitches, K to end

Repeat last five rows for the other side to shape tail.

You will have 16 stitches left in the centre of your knitting.

Head

Rows 1-4: Knit

Row 5: K1, K2tog, K to last three stitches, K2tog, K1.

Rows 6-8: Same as row 5

Rows 9-10: Knit

This will leave you with 8 stitches. Cut the yarn leaving a length 30cm (12") long. Thread a needle with the 30cm length and run it through the 8 remaining stitches, pull them tight. Continue with the yarn to sew up the head, back and side leaving a hole big enough to insert an egg. Stuff the head lightly. Insert the egg, this will give you the body shape making it easy to see where the neck should be. With a needle threaded with the yarn, do a running stitch to cinch the neck (not too tight) fasten off securely. The eyes are french knots made from black yarn. Sew on a beak made from red felt.