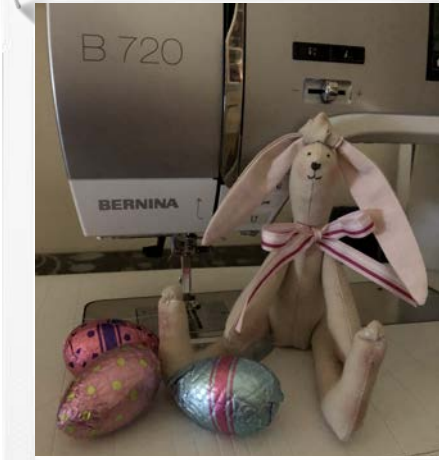


Jointed Bunny



This little jointed bunny can be so much fun as its personality comes alive with every stitch you take.

Materials List

- Bunny fabric - 30cm x 42cm
- Sewing thread to match fabric
- Pillow stuffing
- 4 x buttons for jointed arms and legs
- 1 x small heart shaped button for a nose
- 1 x 50cm piece of ribbon
- Bernina Universal needle #80
- Heavy thread for whiskers
- Fabric pen for face markings
- Hand sewing needle, long needle for joints
- Bernina ¼" Foot #37
- Craft forceps for stuffing

Method

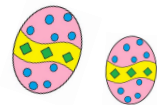
- Cut out the pattern pieces as directed on the pattern sheet. Two bodies, four legs, four arms and two ears. The under side of the ears can be substituted for a different colour such as a soft pink or a cute little spotted fabric. Have fun looking through your stash.
- Place matching fabric pieces, right sides together.
- Use a ¼" (6mm) seam allowance or the fabulous Patchwork Foot #37 that gives you the perfect ¼ seam every time. Make sure to secure at beginning and end.
- Sew around all pattern pieces, remembering to leave a small opening as directed on each pattern piece.
- Clip into seam allowance around curves with a sharp pair of scissors, being careful not to cut the stitching. This helps you achieve a nice smooth edge when you turn the pieces through.



- Turn all pieces through to the right side and stuff.

Note: To make stuffing easier, I use a few different tools, depending on the size of the piece that needs to be stuffed.

A small set of craft forceps are perfect for turning through small pieces and a great help when it comes to stuffing. They allow you to take a bit of stuffing and place it in the exact place you want it to go. Don't use anything with a sharp point.



- To make the body sit down, hand stitch the two corners in about 1.5cms to form a square base.



- Place an arm either side of the body, just below the neck. Using a long sewing needle and heavy thread, sew on one arm and pass the needle through the body into the other arm and button. Go back and forth several times pulling tightly, then secure. Add buttons for decoration.

Note: If you don't have any strong thread, use some dental floss. It's a wonderful alternative and it doesn't break when you pull hard on it.

- Attach the legs in the same way as the arms.
- Create fingers and toes by stitching long stitches several times on top of each other.



- Press the ears flat and hand sew the opening.

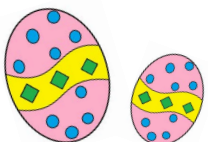
- Tie the ears in a knot so that the knot sits in the centre. Ears should hang evenly on either side.



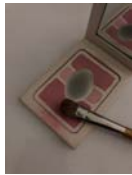
- Hand stitch ears in place at the top of the head, more towards the back so you have room for the eyes.



- Now you're ready to give your bunny a face.
- Mark in the eyes.
- If you have a little button for the nose, sew it into position, otherwise you can either draw or hand sew one on.
- Add a mouth just under the nose.
- A few whiskers can be sewn on the cheeks by securing tightly at both ends to pull the face in a little. This gives the bunny so much personality.



- Tie a bow around the bunny's neck.
- A little bit of blush on the cheeks, hands and feet will finish the bunny and bring it to life.



- A small pom pom can be stitched onto the bunny's butt to create a little cotton tale.



- Your bunny is now ready to bundle up with a few chocolate eggs and be the perfect Easter gift for someone special.

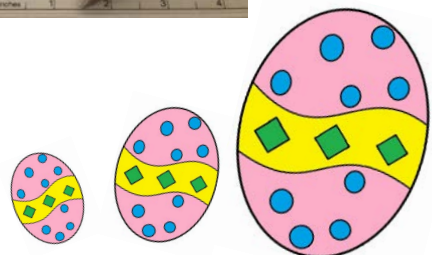


Your bunny may want to play dress ups so get creative and see what you can make with a few simple bits of material.

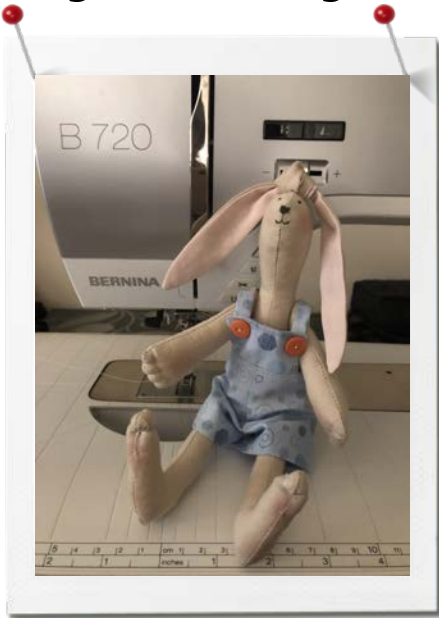
To make this dress, download the instruction for the Bouncing bunny, as it fits beautifully.

Need an outfit for a boy?

Try this little overall number that is quick and easy and free to download with the jointed bunny instructions.



Boy Bunny Overalls



Dressing up can be so much fun for everyone and this little bunny is no exception. He wants to be dressed up for the occasion in these cute little overalls.

Method

- Cut out the pattern pieces as directed on the pattern sheet.
- Fold bib in half, wrong sides together as directed on the pattern.
- Use a ¼" (6mm) seam allowance or the fabulous Patchwork Foot #37 that gives you the perfect ¼ seam, stitch side seams, make sure to secure at beginning and end.
- Turn through to the right side and press.
- Edgestitch around the 3 sides, the two side seams and the top edge, leaving the raw edges open.
- Turn under and press a 1.5cm hem on the bottom of both pant pieces.
- Sew hem on both pieces.
- Join both pant pieces together at inside leg and sew together.
- Press seam allowance to one side.
- Turn one leg through to the right side and insert into the other leg matching crotch seam. Make sure right sides of each leg are together.

Materials List

- Fabric piece 20cm x 40cm
- Sewing thread to match
- 2 x small buttons
- Bernina ¼" Foot #37
- Loop turner or safety pin

- Sew crotch seam.

Note: This will be a little tricky as it is such a small piece.

- Clip around the curve to make it easier to turn through.
- Turn legs through to the right side.
- Place right sided of strap together and sew down the full length, securing at beginning and end.
- Turn through to the right side using either a loop turner or a small safety pin.
- Press.
- Secure straps at top of bib on either side with small buttons.
- Turn over a ¼" hem around waist and press.
- Cross straps over to the back and position approx 1/4" either side of the centre back seam.
- Topstitch around waistline being very careful as it a very tight squeeze.
- Your bunny is now ready to dress and impress!

Get creative and share your wonderful creations with us on our Facebook page as we would love to see what you have been making.

