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Easter SWAG BAGS

USE BRIGHTLY COLOURED YARN TO CREATE
CUTE TOTES WITH DELIGHTFUL ANIMAL MOTIFS

An Easter egg hunt is sure to have your little ones excitedly leaping around like spring bunnies! Now they can keep their chocolate safe with these boldly coloured knitted bags by Nicola Valiji. The adorable chick and bunny are knitted separately and stitched to the bags to create a fabulous 3D effect. These cute makes are quick to whip up, leaving you plenty of time to hide the tasty eggs!



PERFECT FOR
BEGINNERS



DK YARN



3.25MM

MEASUREMENTS & SIZES

17cm x 17cm

KNIT KIT

Yarn: King Cole Dolly Mix DK, shades (A) 046 Natural, (B) 144 Orange, (C) 055 Gold, (D) 059 Peach, (E) 265 Grape, (F) 017 Lilac, (G) 1836 Kingfisher, one 25g ball of each, (H) 05 Sky, (I) 06 Pink, (J) 275 Spring Green, two 25g balls of each, oddment of black yarn

Needles: 3.25mm

Tape measure

Pins

Safety toy stuffing

Tapestry needle

TENSION SQUARE

- 26 sts x 32 rows
- 10cm x 10cm
- Stocking stitch
- 3.25mm needles

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ABOUT THE YARN

King Cole Dolly Mix DK is an acrylic yarn available in a huge range of colours. The smaller size balls are perfect for creating mini projects like toys. They cost 79p per 25g (73m) ball from purpleindacrafts.co.uk

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Start knitting here...

Bunny bag

Using 3.25 mm needles and yarn H, cast on 37 sts

- Rows 1-5: k to end
- Row 6: k12, cast off 13 sts, k12. 24 sts
- Row 7: k12, cast on 13 sts, k12. 37 sts
- Rows 8-56: k to end
- Change to yarn J
- Rows 57-90: k to end
- Change to yarn H
- Rows 91-138: k to end
- Row 139: k12, cast off 13 sts, k12. 24 sts
- Row 140: k12, cast on 13 sts, k12. 37 sts
- Rows 141-145: k to end
- Cast off

BUNNY FACE

Using 3.25mm needles and yarn A, cast on five sts

- Row 1 and all WS rows: p to end
- Row 2 (RS): (kfb) twice, k1, (kfb) twice. Nine sts
- Row 4: k1, (kfb) eight times. 17 sts
- Row 6: k1, (kfb, k1) to end. 25 sts
- Row 8: k1, (kfb, k2) to end. 33 sts
- Row 10: k1, (kfb, k3) to end. 41 sts
- Row 12: k1, (kfb, k4) to end. 49 sts
- Row 14: k1, (kfb, k5) to end. 57 sts
- Row 16: k1, (kfb, k6) to end. 65 sts
- Row 17: p
- Cast off

OUTER EARS (make two)

Using 3.25mm needles and yarn A, cast on nine sts

- Rows 1-8: beg with a k row, work in st st
- Row 9: k1, k2tog, k3, k2tog, k1. Seven sts
- Row 10-12: beg with a p row, work in st st
- Row 13: k1, k2tog, k1, k2tog, k1. Five sts
- Rows 14-17: beg with a p row, work in st st
- Row 18: p2tog, p1, p2tog. Three sts
- Cast off

INNER EARS (make two)

Using 3.25mm needles and yarn I, cast on eight sts

- Rows 1-8: beg with a k row, work in st st
- Row 9: k1, k2tog, k2, k2tog, k1. Six sts
- Rows 10-12: beg with a p row, work in st st
- Row 13: k1, (k2tog) twice, k1. Four sts
- Rows 14-16: beg with a p row, work in st st
- Row 17: (k2tog) twice. Two sts
- Cast off

BUNNY NOSE

Using 3.25mm needles and yarn I, cast on five sts

- Row 1: k to end
- Row 2: p to end
- Row 3: k2tog, k1, k2tog. Three sts
- Row 4: p to end
- Row 5: sl 1, k2tog, pssso. One st
- Fasten off

CARROTS (make five)

Using 3.25mm needles and yarn B, cast on eight sts

- Row 1: k to end
- Row 2: p to end
- Row 3: k5, turn
- Row 4: p to end
- Row 5: k to end
- Cast off

Chick bag

Using 3.25mm needles work as for Bunny Bag using yarn I in place of yarn H

CHICK

Using 3.25mm needles and yarn C, cast on 11 sts

- Row 1: k1, kfb, k to last two sts, kfb, k1. 13 sts
- Row 2: p to end
- Rep last two rows four more times. 21 sts
- Rows 11-16: beg with a k row, work in st st
- Row 17: k2tog, k to last two sts, k2tog. 19 sts
- Row 18: p to end
- Rep last two rows twice more. 15 sts
- Row 23: k1, kfb, k to the last two sts, kfb, k1. 17 sts
- Row 24: p to end
- Row 25: as Row 23. 19 sts
- Rows 26-30: beg with a p row, work in st st
- Row 31: k2tog, k to last two sts, k2tog. 17 sts



Perfect for Easter egg hunts!

- Row 32: p to end
- Row 33: k2tog, k to last two sts, k2tog. 15 sts
- Cast off

WINGS (make two)

Using 3.25mm needles and yarn C, cast on six sts

- Rows 1-12: k to end
- Row 13: k1, sl 1, k1, pssso, k2tog, k1. Four sts
- Row 14: k
- Row 15: (k2tog) twice. Two sts
- Row 16: k2tog. One st
- Fasten off

BEAK

Using 3.25mm needles and yarn B, cast on five sts

- Row 1: k to end
- Row 2: p to end
- Row 3: k2tog, k1, k2tog. Three sts
- Row 4: sl 1, p2tog, pssso. One st
- Fasten off

EGGS (make one each in yarns E, B, C, G, H)

Using 3.25mm needles, cast on three sts

- Row 1: (kfb) three times. Six sts
- Rows 2-4: beg

with a p row, work in st st

- Cut yarn leaving a tail, thread through rem sts, pull tight and fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Fold bags in half and sew up row edges on WS, turn RS out. For Bunny Bag gather Bunny Face cast-on stitches, sew up row edges to make a circle. Stitch two ear pieces together on WS and turn out. Sew on nose and embroider eyes, whiskers and mouth with black yarn. Fold Carrots in half lengthways, stitch lengths of yarn J to top and sew to secure. Sew all pieces to bag using photo as a guide. Place stuffing behind bunny's face and sew into place. For Chick Bag, add stuffing behind Chick and stitch to bag. Sew Wings and Beak in place and embroider eyes with black yarn. For Eggs, using tail of yarn that gathered the top, sew from top to cast-on edge. Place a small amount of toy stuffing in Egg. Gather up the cast-on stitches and secure. Sew Eggs to bag **LK**

