# 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 |
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| | 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) K 16 – 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 | |
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| 1st dpn: PU 8 sts (1 for every *other* CO st) beg at 1st CO st | 14) K6 – K7, SSK, K1, K2tog, K7 – K6 |
| 2nd dpn: PU 16 sts (1 for every CO st) | 15) K all sts |
| 3rd dpn: PU 8 sts (1 for every *other* 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 1st 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 1st and 3rd needle. |

| End of Body and Start of Tail | Finishing Tail |
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| 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 |
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| 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 | 4)  *K2, Kfb, K2* rpt on each ndl.  K all sts for 1 inch |
| closed.  Insert needle down through center, pull tip inward to | 5)  *K1, K2tog, K2tog, K1* repeat on each needle |
| create a rounded paw.  Stuff about half of the leg lightly. Make | 6-7)  K all sts |
| another one exactly the same, and sew to bottom of body. | 8)  *K1, K2tog, K1* repeat on each needle |
| Legs should extend out about 1 inch from base of head, and lay | 9-10)  K all sts |
| side by side. | 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!**