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#### You will need:

- Small amount 4-ply yarn and a length faux fur (or similar) yarn/ trimming
- Set 4 x 2¼mm (US size 1) dpns
- 2 tiny seed beads, black or white thread and sewing needle for eyes

# Horsey pen topper sock stuffer!

### Neck

- 1 Cast on 12 sts.
- 2 Slip sts p-wise, equally over 3 dpns.
- 3 Work in rnds of st st (therefore knit every rnd) for an inch.
- ... work increases to shape neck...
- 4 inc) K1, kfb, k8, kfb, k1. 14sts
- 5 inc) Kfb k12, kfb. 16sts
- 6 inc) K1, kfb, k12, kfb, k1. 18sts
- 7 inc) Kfb k16, kfb. 20sts

#### Muzzle

- 8 inc) Cast on 5 sts, k25, turn, cast on 5 sts, p30. 30sts
- 9 K30 then join in the rnd.
- 10 K 1 rnd.
- 11 dec) K1, skpo, k24, k2 tog, k1. 28sts
- 12 dec) K13, k2 tog, k3. 27sts
- 13 K27.
- 14 dec) K1, skpo, k21, k2 tog, k1. 25sts
- Slip stitches over onto two dpns 13 on front needle, 12 on back.

15 dec) Knit next stitch and the stitch opposite to it on the back needle together to graft, \*repeat with the next pair of opposite sts on front and back needles - two stitches on RH needle, bind off leaving one stitch on the RH needle\*, rep from \* to \* four times. K next 14sts. 15sts. Join in rnd.

16 dec) K7, skpo, k6. 14sts

- 17 K14.
- 18 dec) K1, skpo, k8, k2 tog, k1. 12sts
- 19 dec) Skpo, k8, k2 tog. 10sts

#### Ears

- 1 dec) Skpo, k3, turn-and work back along last 4 sts.
- 2 P4, turn.
- 3 dec) Skpo, k2, turn.
- 4 P3, turn.
- 5 dec) Skpo, k1, turn.
- 6 dec) P2 tog, cut yarn, fasten off.
- ... other side ...
- 1 dec) Knit side (RS) facing rejoin yarn, k3, k2 tog. 4sts
- 2 P.
- 3 dec) K2, k2 tog. 3sts
- 4 P.
- 5 dec) K1, k2 tog. 2sts
- 6 dec) P2 tog, cut yarn, fasten off.
- Sew across top of head, between the ears.

Sew mattress seam along the muzzle row ends. Stuff the head with a little spare yarn to pad it out a little - if you push in the stuffing well it won't fall through the neck.

Sew a length of faux fur yarn or similar over the head and down the back of the neck.

Sew on two seed beads - or embroider on as French knots - for eyes.

## abbreviations

cont continue
dec decrease
dpn double pointed needle
inc increase
k knit/ knitting
kfb knit into front, then back
LH/ RS left hand/ left side
mc main colour
mm millimetre

p purl
rep repeat
rem remaining
RH/RS right hand/ right side
skpo slip next stitch, knit the next stitch pass
slipped stitch over the knitted stitch
st/sts stitch/es
tog together
WS wrong side