

Knitted Easter Chicks (to fit over a creme egg)

To make the chicks you will need:

Yellow or Lemon Double Knit wool.

A pair of needles UK Size 11

Orange felt for the beaks Black felt or thread for eyes.

Cotton wool ball for the head

Coloured ribbon to finish off.

Chocolate creme egg (for size fit)

1. Cast on 26 stitches.
2. Knit 1 row.
3. Increase 1 st at the beginning of every row until 42 sts are on the needle.
4. Cast off 11 st. at the beginning of next 2 rows. [20 st].
5. Increase 1 st at the beginning of the next 4 rows [24st]
6. k4 rows
7. k2 then 2 together to last 2 st. k2. [14 stitches].
8. k4 rows.
9. k2 then 2 together to last 2 stitches. k2.
10. Draw wool through remaining stitches and pull tight.
11. Sew with that piece of wool round the edge of work to the beginning stitch leaving the cast on edge open so that egg can be inserted.
12. Stuff the head with a cotton wool ball and sew around the neck and gather in.
13. Sew 2 eyes with fine black wool and stick or sew a small diamond shaped piece of orange felt for the beak.
14. Tie a thin piece of ribbon around the neck and tie in a bow. Tip. Try one creme egg for size. You should be able to hold the chick by its head without the egg falling out!