

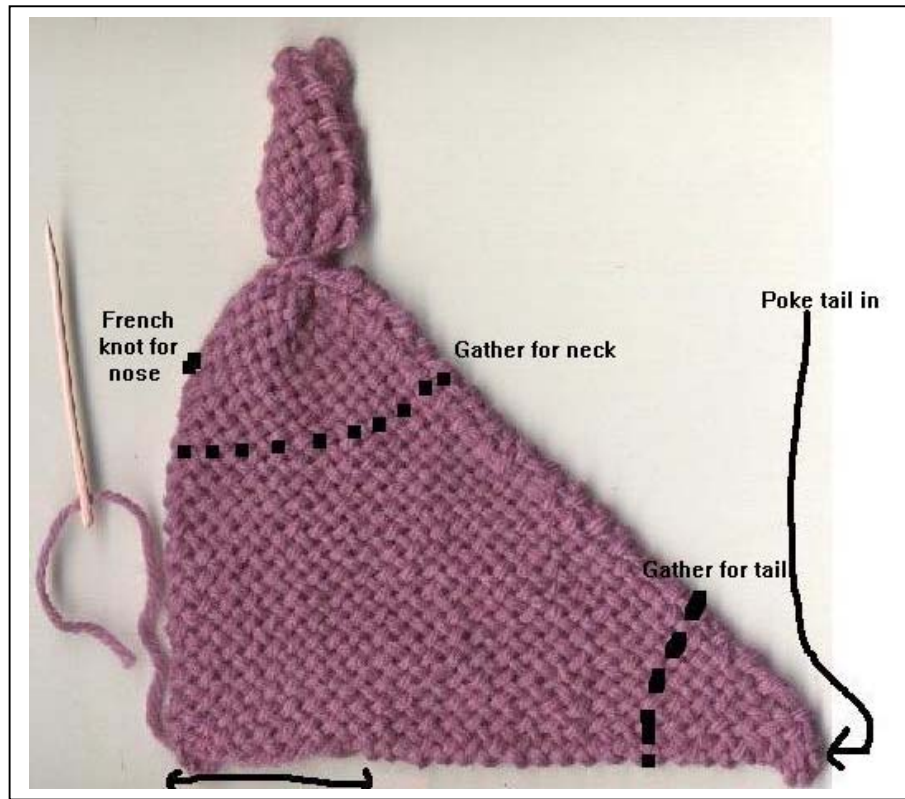
Happy Springtime

A last minute little bunny for you to make. This project is pretty simple, not much detail, but, of course, you can make it as fancy as you like. It can be made on the small tri or either of the two 12" looms. Maybe you could use the small square, if you want a tiny bunny and have nimble fingers!

You'll need two tri*s. Sew or weave them together along the hypotenuse stopping about two" (more for the big tri) from one end for the ears. Wrap the yarn around both tri*s at that point to gather in the bottom of the ears. Knot tightly and then stitch down the side (front) of the bunny. Leave an opening for stuffing just after the corner and sew the rest of the bottom shut.

Reach inside like you were going to turn him inside out and poke the tail in. You are just trying to get rid of the point. Stuff a bit of poly stuffing in and pull a gather stitch up tightly to form a tail. Alternately, you could poke it in and stitch it down then give him a white puff ball for a tail.





Follow the diagram above to form the head. Pull in enough to give him a bit of a neck, he doesn't need much. Stuff the body and sew the opening shut. I made a French knot for his nose and tied a piece of yarn under it and frayed the ends to make whiskers. His eye are wiggly eyes, but if this is for a child you may want to embroider them for safety. That's about it. He's a bunny.

I used one strand of acrylic yarn for him but you can see the stuffing showing thru here and there so I would recommend you use two strands. If you are using wool and are going to felt him, it's be a good idea to sew him together but don't run the gather stitches or stuff before felting. My experience with stuffing first is that the stuffing felts differently and just wads up. To make him with the square loom you'll fold the square into a triangle and then proceed basically the same way. His ears will be one inside the other so you'll have to pull them apart and arrange them as you tie them so that they'll stay in place.

Hope you are all enjoying your looms. I do like to hear from you and learn what you are making. Some are making blankets, a couple have said they are making vests and scarves. Some of you seem to be just enjoying weaving without particular plans for using it just yet. I have a stack of those myself.

Those of you who know about our grandmother breaking her leg know that we are really hopping these days. She's doing fine and is still as independent as can be but she does need some help now. I am going to try to get at least one summer project up, tho. It will be using cotton. I think it will be useful to most all of us.

Hope you all have a sunny and warm springtime!
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