Sherrin's Bunny Hats

**needed:**
bulky weight yarn (pictured in panda soft crinkles)
5mm (us 8) straight needles (these could be easily done on dpn's)
a small amount of pink for the nose and dark blue for eyes

**gauge (using smaller needles) 15 st/23 rows = 4” (10 cm)**

Cast on 30 sts (I use 6mm to cast on so the edge is loose)

❤ Work in garter stitch (knit every row) for 10 rows

❤ Work K1 P1 rib for 12 cm (4 ¾”)

❤ Decrease row - K 2 tog, P 2 tog all across row.

❤ Rib one row

❤ Repeat decrease row

❤ Break off yarn, leaving a long thread. Thread through remaining stitches and secure.

**Ears**

❤ Cast on 1 stitch, turn

❤ inc 1 stitch, turn

❤ K 1 row

❤ inc 1 stitch at beginning and end of row

❤ Repeat last 2 rows until 5 increase rows have been completed

❤ Knit in garter stitch for 10cm (4” or until desired length for ears) ending on wrong side row

❤ K 2 tog at beginning and end of next row

❤ Knit 1 row

❤ Repeat prev two rows until 1 stitch

❤ Fasten off securely and weave in end of yarn

❤ Using the long thread from the top of hat, tightly gather the ears in the middle and sew to hat.

❤ Fasten off yarn, weave in ends

Embroider nose and mouth in pink yarn, sleeping eyes in blue.

**Another idea:**

This hat has more rounded ears, and could easily be made to look more like a dog or bear by just making the ears shorter. As pictured, it was created on 36 stitches, and just ribbed from cast on to the decreases at the crown.