

Earless bunny

- 1 Mimi the tiny bunny is completely deaf and has only three legs. But thanks to a loving owner, neither of these things hold her back. Mimi's owner is Rodajia Welch, 22, who decided that she'd make her rabbit some woollen ears to stand in for her missing ones. The charity worker brought home Mimi, her mother, and the rest of the litter after their elderly breeder became too ill to care for them. Rodajia will take care of all the bunnies until they're old enough to be separated, then will keep Mimi as her pet.



- 2 Mimi looks a little different to her brothers and sisters. 'Deciding to make the ears all started with finding her a name – it obviously had to be ear-related,' said Rodajia. 'So while doing some research my boyfriend Josh came across Kemonomimi, which is a form of cosplay where the characters have animal ears. It was perfect because she didn't have any ears and she could be whatever she wanted to be.' On an average day the bunny will wear white knitted ears with a pink middle, but she sometimes experiments with knitted flower crowns and rounded mouse ears.



- 3 'Mimi was born with no ears and three legs – she's missing a front one,' she said. 'She's a lot smaller than the others so I believe that it was maybe a lack of oxygen or not enough nutrition for development. She only wears the ears after I've just made them for pictures, or when she's sitting with me. She lets me put them on her but for safety reasons I don't tie them in a knot so if she wanted to, she could just knock them off pretty easily.'

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