

Amigurumi
pattern

Ballerina mouse

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Skill level - intermediate

Finished size – Ballerina Mouse is about 35 cm tall (if using similar yarn).

Supplies

1. Yarn – the example is crocheted with Katia *Pima Cotton* (100% Pima cotton; 50g = 105m).
Color A – gray (2 skeins)
Color B – light pink (1 skein)
Color C – pink (1 skein)
Color D – white (1 skein)
2. Polyester fiberfill
3. Safety eyes (Ø 8 mm)
4. Crochet hook 3,5 mm (or in accordance with the yarn you use)
5. Stitch marker
6. Darning and embroidery needles
7. Piece of felt (or fabric) and some thread for the cheeks

Abbreviations

sl st = slip stitch

ch = chain

sc = single crochet

hdc = half double crochet

dc = double crochet

st(s) = stitch(es)

rep = repeat

About the pattern

Work in continuous rounds. Do not join or turn unless otherwise instructed.

It would be wise to use a stitch marker and place it in the first stitch of the round to mark the beginning of it. Move the marker up to the first stitch of the next round after finishing the previous one.

If you need to change color, do it always at the end of the previous round. Start the last stitch of the round with the old color. Change the color right before you draw through all loops on hook to complete stitch.

You can easily sew the toy together when you leave each piece a long yarn tail.

Stitch explanation

Decrease (sc2tog) - Insert hook into st and draw up a loop. Insert hook into next st and draw up a loop. Yarn over, draw through all 3 loops on hook.

Hdc2tog – yarn over, insert hook into next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop. Insert hook into next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop. Yarn over and draw through all four loops on hook.

Comments

In this pattern every detail starts with a magic ring. If you don't want to use that, you can easily start like this:

Chain 2. Work 6 sc in first ch.

Continue to round 2.

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PATTERN

HEAD

Crocheted from back to front.

1: **Color A.** Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]

2: Work 2 sc in each st around [12]

3: (sc in next st, 2 sc in next st) rep 6 times [18]

4: (sc in each of next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st) rep 6 times [24]

5: (sc in each of next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st) rep 6 times [30]

6: (sc in each of next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st) rep 6 times [36]

7: (sc in each of next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st) rep 6 times [42]

8: Sc in each st around

9: (sc in each of next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st) rep 6 times [48]

10: Sc in each st around

11: (sc in each of next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st) rep 6 times [54]

12-16: Sc in each st around

17: (sc in each of next 7 sts, sc2tog) rep 6 times [48]

18: (sc in each of next 6 sts, sc2tog) rep 6 times [42]

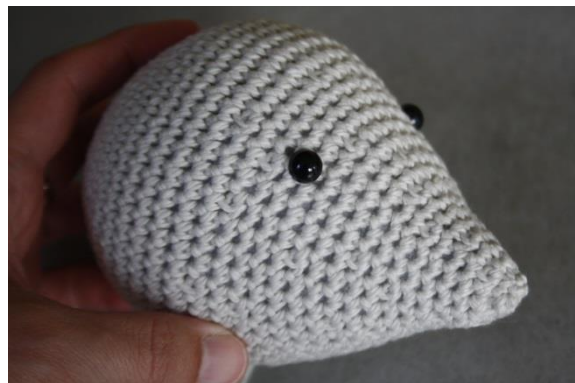
19: (sc in each of next 5 sts, sc2tog) rep 6 times [36]
20-21: Sc in each st around
22: (sc in each of next 4 sts, sc2tog) rep 6 times [30]
23: Sc in each st around

Now it is time to fasten the safety eyes. Find the rows 20 and 21. Insert the first eye between them, then count 8 holes to the left and insert the second eye in the next hole. Close the washers. It is also proper time to start filling the head. Add stuffing as the work progresses and make sure it's filled quite heavily.



24: (sc in each of next 8 sts, sc2tog) rep 3 times [27]
25: (sc in each of next 7 sts, sc2tog) rep 3 times [24]
26: (sc in each of next 6 sts, sc2tog) rep 3 times [21]
27: (sc in each of next 5 sts, sc2tog) rep 3 times [18]
28: (sc in each of next 4 sts, sc2tog) rep 3 times [15]
29: Sc in each st around
30: (sc in each of next 3 sts, sc2tog) rep 3 times [12]
31: Sc in each st around
32: (sc in each of next 2 sts, sc2tog) rep 3 times [9]
33: (sc in next st, sc2tog) rep 3 times [6]

Leave a yarn tail about 15 cm long and cut the yarn. Close the hole by leading the yarn through all 6 sts, pull tight.



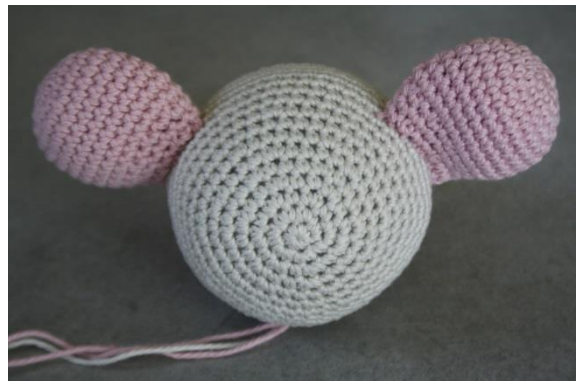
EAR (make 2)

1: **Color B.** Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]
2: Work 2 sc in each st around [12]

- 3: (sc in next st, 2 sc in next st) rep 6 times [18]
- 4: (sc in each of next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st) rep 6 times [24]
- 5: (sc in each of next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st) rep 6 times [30]
- 6-11: Sc in each st around
- 12: (sc in next st, sc2tog) rep 10 times [20]
- 13: Sc in each st around
- 14: (sc in each of next 2 sts, sc2tog) rep 5 times [15]

Leave a long yarn tail for sewing.

To avoid the ears becoming sprawled add just a tiny bit of stuffing. Sew them on the head using the long yarn tails you left for the ears.



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Cut out the pieces for cheeks and sew into place.



NOSE

- 1: **Color D.** Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]
- 2: Work 2 sc in each st around [12]
- 3: (sc2tog) rep 6 times [6]

Leave a yarn tail. Add some stuffing to the nose and sew it into proper place.



BODY

Crochet from the bottom up.

- 1: **Color C.** Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]
- 2: Work 2 sc in each st around [12]
- 3: (sc in next st, 2 sc in next st) rep 6 times [18]
- 4: (sc in each of next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st) rep 6 times [24]
- 5: (sc in each of next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st) rep 6 times [30]
- 6: (sc in each of next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st) rep 6 times [36]
- 7: (sc in each of next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st) rep 6 times [42]
- 8-12: Sc in each st around
- 13: Working in the back loops only, sc in each st around



- 14-15: Sc in each st around
- 16: (sc in each of next 5 sts, sc2tog) rep 6 times [36]
- 17-19: Sc in each st around
- 20: (sc in each of next 4 sts, sc2tog) rep 6 times [30]
- 21-23: Sc in each st around

Fill the body tightly with fiberfill. Add stuffing as the work progress.

- 24: (sc in each of next 3 sts, sc2tog) rep 6 times [24]
- 25-26: Sc in each st around
- 27: **Color A.** (sc in each of next 6 sts, sc2tog) rep 3 times [21]
- 28: Sc in each st around
- 29: (sc in each of next 5 sts, sc2tog) rep 3 times [18]

Leave a long yarn tail for sewing.



SKIRT

NB! The skirt is not crocheted in continuous rounds. Follow the precise instructions below.

Take the body upside down and find the last stitch of the 13th row. Work with the front loops only.

- 1: **Color D.** Bring the yarn through the first loop and ch 2. Starting with the first stitch make 2 dc in each st around. Sl st into the first dc [84].



- 2: Ch 2. Starting with the first stitch make 2 dc in each dc around. Sl st into the first dc [168].

3: **Color C.** Ch 1. Starting with the first stitch make 1 sc in each dc around. Sl st into the first sc.



Weave in ends.

After finishing the skirt sew the head to the body. Use the long yarn tail you left for the body for doing that.



ARM (make 2)

- 1: **Color A.** Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]
- 2: Work 2 sc in each st around [12]
- 3: (sc in next st, 2 sc in next st) rep 6 times [18]
- 4-5: Sc in each st around
- 6: (sc in each of next 4 sts, sc2tog) rep 3 times [15]
- 7: (sc in each of next 3 sts, sc2tog) rep 3 times [12]

Start filling the arm. Also add stuffing as the work progress.

- 8: (sc in each of next 2 sts, sc2tog) rep 3 times [9]
- 9-23: Sc in each st around
- 24: **Color B.** Sc in each st around
- 25: **Color C.** 3 sc in each st around [27]
- 26-28: Sc in each st around
- 29: (sc in each of next 7 sts, sc2tog) rep 3 times [24]
- 30: (sc in each of next 2 sts, sc2tog) rep 6 times [18]
- 31: (sc in next st, sc2tog) rep 6 times [12]
- 32: (sc in each of next 2 sts, sc2tog) rep 3 times [9]

Leave a long yarn tail for sewing.

Add a little bit of stuffing into the sleeve part and sew the arms to the body.
You will achieve the best height when sewing them onto the border of gray and pink.



LEG (make 2)

- 1: **Color A.** Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]
- 2: Work 2 sc in each st around [12]
- 3: (sc in next st, 2 sc in next st) rep 6 times [18]
- 4: (sc in each of next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st) rep 6 times [24]
- 5: (sc in each of next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st) rep 6 times [30]
- 6-8: Sc in each st around
- 9: (sc in each of next 8 sts, sc2tog) rep 3 times [27]
- 10: (sc in each of next 7 sts, sc2tog) rep 3 times [24]
- 11: (sc in each of next 6 sts, sc2tog) rep 3 times [21]
- 12: (sc in each of next 5 sts, sc2tog) rep 3 times [18]
- 13: Sc in each st around
- 14: Turn. Starting from the next st sc in each of next 12 sts (the rest of the sts are left out of the work at the moment)
- 15: Turn. Starting from the next st sc in each of next 10 sts
- 16: Turn. Starting from the next st sc in each of next 8 sts
- 17: Turn. Starting from the next st sc in each of next 6 sts
- 18: Turn. Starting from the next st sc in each of next 4 sts



19: Turn. Hereafter work in continuous rounds. Start from the next st and pick up 18 sts: 3 from behind, 5 from the side, 5 from the front part and 5 from the other side.

Fill the flat of the foot and continue adding the stuffing as the work progresses. You will have the best result if you stuff the upper part of the leg slightly softer.



20: (Sc in next st, sc2tog) rep 6 times [12]
21-40: Sc in each st around
41: (Sc in each of next 2 sts, sc2tog) rep 3 times [9]

Leave a long yarn tail for sewing.



BALLET SHOES (make 2)

NB! The shoes are not crocheted in continuous rounds. Follow the precise instructions below.

1: **Color B.** Ch 14.

2: 3 dc into third ch from hook. Dc in each of next 10 sts. 5 dc in the last st.



Continue work on the other side of the chain. Dc in each of next 10 sts. 2 dc in the first st of the row. Sl st in the first dc [30].



3: Ch 2. Dc in the current st. 2 dc in each of next 2 sts. Dc in each of next 10 sts. 2 dc in each of next 5 sts. Dc in each of next 10 sts. 2 dc in each of next 2 sts. Dc in the first st of the row. Sl st in the first dc [40].

4: Ch 2. Starting from the current st make 1 dc in each st of the row. Sl st in the first dc.

5: Ch 1. Starting from the current st make sc in each of next 8 sts, 1 hdc, dc in each of next 22 sts, 1 hdc, sc in each of next 8 sts. Sl st in the first sc.



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6: Ch 1. Starting from the current st make sc in each of next 7 sts, 1 hdc, (hdc2tog) rep 12 times, 1 hdc, sc in each of next 7 sts. Sl st in the first sc [28].

(hdc2tog – yarn over, insert hook into next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop. Insert hook into next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop. Yarn over and draw through all four loops on hook.)

Without cutting the yarn ch 36 for making a shoestring.



Starting from the second st from hook make 1 sl st in each st. Cut the yarn, but leave a long tail (about 80 cm) for sewing the shoe to the leg.



Following the photos below tie the shoestrings around the legs.



Using the long yarn tail fasten the string in the back. After that sew the shoe around the edge to the leg. Also fasten the shoestring with some stitches.



Sew the legs to the body. If you want your mouse to sit properly, you should attach the legs more to the front as you can see on the pictures below.



TAIL

1: **Color A.** Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]

Make 1 sc in each st around as long as the tail measures about 20 cm.

Leave a yarn tail for sewing and attach the tail into the proper place.



BOW

NB! The bow is not crocheted in continuous rounds. Follow the precise instructions below.

1: **Color C.** Ch 6. Starting from the second stitch from hook sc in each st [5]

2-10: Turn, ch 1. Sc in each st [5]



Without cutting the yarn sc in each st around the piece. Leave a long yarn tail and cut the yarn. Fold the piece into a bow and fix with some stitches.



Sew the bow to your mouses head.



And your Ballerina Mouse is ready!