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hook (size F)

Tilly

Gauge is not crucial with this pattern, however it will impact the size of the eyes you choose. I find that a worsted weight yarn, and a size F hook, gives consistent results for a 6 inch doll that pairs well with 12mm glass or safety eyes. HINT: This doll is assembled from the top down in a continuous spiral, however I like to start with the ears, legs and arms... that way they're ready to attach when the head is done. Tilly is from my Dumpling collection, and prefers to remain in a seated pose.





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EARS & TAIL: (make 2 ears, 1 tail) Working in a continuous spiral, with color B.

Row 1: The ears start with a magic circle into which 6 SC are made. Pull tail to close loop on magic circle. (6 stitches)

Row 2: *2 SC in next stitch*, repeat* 5 more times. (12 stitches)

Row 3-4: SC across.

Bind off.

ARM (make 2) Working in a continuous spiral

Row 1: The arms start with a magic circle (color B), into which 6 SC are made. Pull tail to close loop on magic circle. (6 stitches)

Row 2: *2 SC in next stitch*, repeat* 5 more times. (12 stitches)

Row 3: *1 SC in next stitch, 2 SC in next stitch*, repeat* 5 more times. (18 stitches)

Row 4: *1 SC each in next 2 stitches, 2 SC in next stitch*, repeat* 5 more times. (24 stitches)

Row 5-7: SC across. (24 stitches)

Rows (even rows) 8-20: DCR2 evenly over row**

Rows (odd rows) 9-21: SC in every stitch**

After Row 21 there should be 10 stitches. Continue working in SC until arm measures about 4.5 inches. Bind off and stuff.

LEG (make 2) Working in a continuous spiral

Row 1: The legs start with a magic circle (color B), into which 6 SC are made. Pull tail to close loop on magic circle. (6 stitches)

Row 2: *2 SC in next stitch*, repeat* 5 more times. (12 stitches)

Row 3: *1 SC in next stitch, 2 SC in next stitch*, repeat* 5 more times. (18 stitches)

Row 4: *1 SC in next 2 stitches, 2 SC in next stitch*, repeat* 5 more times. (24 stitches)

Row 5: *1 SC in next 3 stitches, 2 SC in next stitch*, repeat* 5 more times. (30 stitches)

Row 6-7: SC in next 30 stitches.

Rows (even rows) 8-22: DCR2 evenly over row**

Rows (odd rows) 9-23: SC in every stitch**

After Row 23 there should be 14 stitches. Bind off and stuff.

HEAD Working in a continuous spiral

Row 1: The main body starts with a magic circle (color A), into which 6 SC are made. Pull tail to close loop on magic circle. (6 stitches)

Row 2: *2 SC in next stitch*, repeat* 5 more times. (12 stitches)

Row 3: *1 SC in next stitch, 2 SC in next stitch*, repeat* 5 more times. (18 stitches)

Row 4: *1 SC each in next 2 stitches, 2 SC in next stitch*, repeat* 5 more times. (24 stitches)

Row 5-14: INCR 3 stitches evenly over each of the next 10 rows, trying not to place increases in the same place row over row. Use a stitch marker to indicate the beginning/end of each row. (54 stitches)

Row 15: SC across.

Row 16-19: DCR 6 stitches evenly over each of the next 4 rows, trying not to place decreases in the same place row over row. (30 stitches)

Row 20: *SC in next stitch, DCR 1*, repeat until there are 15 stitches.

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If you are using safety eyes, it's time to stuff the head and place the eyes. If you are using glass eyes on loops you can place the eyes after the doll is complete. Eye size and placement is personal and can dramatically effect the look of your doll. For the eye details, trace eye details (figure C, 1&2) onto your felt and cut out carefully. I prefer very small spring loaded snips for this job. If using eyes with posts or on loops, make a small slit in your eye details just large enough to fit the post or loop through. Now you can begin positioning your eyes. Once you have choosen the best position, attach firmly. Eyes on loops are best attached by threading a doll needle with yarn (color A) and going through the back of the head at what would be considered the base of the neck, coming out at the spot you want the eye to be. Place the eye loop through the felt detail, and thread the needle through the eye loop. Now pass the needle back through the front of the doll head to the base of the neck (needle entry point) and knot to secure.

figure C.

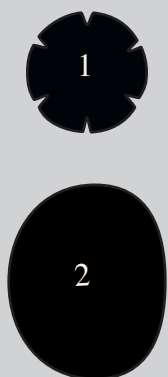
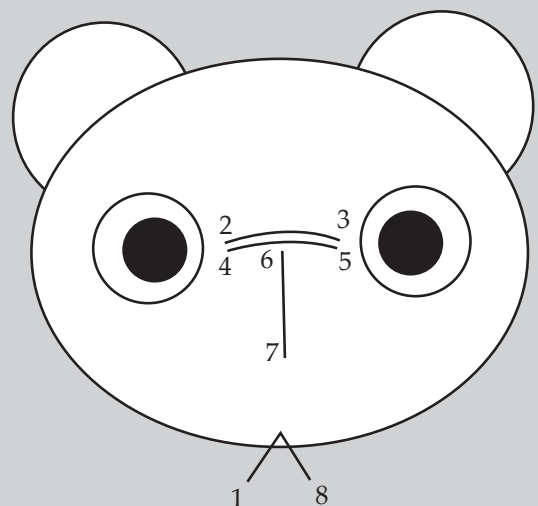


figure D.





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BODY: Working in a continuous spiral, continue from center back (Row 20) of the head. Switch to color B and work one round of slip stitch in front loops only (do not count as row). Work the next row in back loops skipped here.

Row 1: SC in each SC. (15 stitches)

Row 2: SC, INCR 3 evenly over row. (18 stitches)

Row 3: Starting at the center back of the head, *SC in next 2 SC, attach arm by aligning 5 stitches of arm with next 5 stitches of body, SC through both layers of those 5 stitches working in front loops only of pieces you are attaching, SC in next 2 SC* repeat* to attach second arm. (See figure A.) (18 stitches)

Row 4: *SC in next 2 SC, SC in the next 5 stitches of arm skipped in the previous row, SC in next 2 SC* repeat* to complete arm attachment, working in back loops only of pieces you are attaching (See figure B.) (18 stitches)

Row 5: SC, INCR 3 evenly over row. (21 stitches)

Row 6: SC in each SC. (21 stitches)

Switch to color A and work the next row in back loops only.

Row 7: SC, INCR 3 evenly over row. (24 stitches)

Row 8: SC in each SC. (24 stitches)

Row 9: SC, INCR 3 evenly over row. (27 stitches)

Row 10: SC in each SC. (27 stitches)

Row 11: SC, INCR 3 evenly over row. (30 stitches)

Row 12: SC in each SC. (30 stitches)

Row 13: SC, INCR 3 evenly over row. (33 stitches)

Row 14: SC in each SC. (33 stitches)

Row 15: Time to join the tail, starting at the center back (and using the same technique as arm attachment) attach tail by aligning 6 stitches of tail with next 6 stitches of body and SC through both layers (remember to work in front loops only of pieces you are attaching). SC across to end of row.

Row 16: SC in next 6 stitches (back loops only) of tail skipped in previous row. SC across to end of row.

Row 17: SC, INCR 3 evenly over row. (36 stitches)

Row 18: *SC in next 6 SC, attach leg by aligning 7 stitches of leg with next 7 stitches of body, SC through both layers of those 7 stitches (remember to work in front loops only of pieces you are attaching), SC in next 5 SC* repeat* to attach second leg (36 stitches)

Row 19: Following the same technique as arm attachment, SC across picking up stitches (back loops only) of legs skipped in previous row. (36 stitches)

Row 20&21: SC across, DCR 6 stitches evenly over each of the next 2 rows, trying not to place decreases in the same place row over row. (24 stitches)

Row 22: *SC in next 2 SC, DCR1* repeat 6 times. (18 stitches)

Row 23: *SC in next SC, DCR1* repeat 6 times. (12 stitches)

Row 24: *DCR1* repeat 6 times. (6 stitches)

Bind off with a long tail, stuff body, thread tail through the remaining stitches and pull to close.



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Additional details:

FEATURES: Facial features really make the personality of your doll. With a contrasting color yarn, embroider the “T” shape as indicated (figure D), entering through the chin, and exiting in the same spot. Freckles can be added with french knots in the same contrasting color.

ATTACHING EARS : Attach ears using whip stitch or ladder stitch and a single strand of yarn (color B).

figure A.

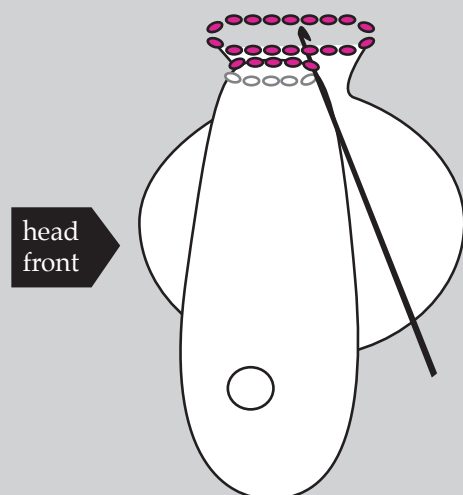


figure B.

