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# Mini Menagerie

**Experience Level: Advanced beginner**

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*A child's imagination will soar as he or she plays with these three delightful toy animals. Make one or all three for hours of playtime fun!*

## Size

**Teddy Bear:** 5¼" tall

**Mouse & Elephant:** 4¼" tall

## Materials

- Worsted weight yarn: ¼ oz each tan, dark gray and light gray and small amounts dark brown, dark red, pink, bright red and black
- Size G/6 crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Fiberfill
- 4 (2") pieces black broom bristle
- Tapestry needle

## Gauge

9 sc and 9 sc rows = 2"

To save time, take time to check gauge.

## Pattern Notes

Toys not recommended for children under two years of age.

Join rnds with a sl st unless otherwise stated.

## Teddy Bear

### Head & Body

**Rnd 1:** With tan, ch 2, 6 sc in 2nd ch

from hook. (6 sc)

**Rnd 2:** 2 sc in each sc around. (12 sc)

**Rnd 3:** [Sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc] rep around. (15 sc)

**Rnds 4–6:** Sc in each sc around. (15 sc)

**Rnd 7:** [Sc in each of next 3 sc, sc2tog] rep around. (12 sc)

**Rnd 8:** [Sc in each of next 2 sc, sc2tog] rep around, sl st in next sc. (9 sc)

**Rnd 9:** Rep Rnd 4.

**Rnd 10:** 2 sc in each sc around. (18 sc)

**Rnds 11–14:** Rep Rnd 4. (18 sc)

**Rnd 15:** [Sc in next sc, sc2tog] rep around. (12 sc)

Stuff firmly.

**Rnd 16:** Sc2tog around, sl st in next sc, fasten off, leaving strand. (6 sc)

Weave strand through top of sc on Rnd 16, stuff more if needed, pull closed and secure.

## Arms & Legs

### Make 4

**Rnd 1:** With tan, ch 2, 5 sc in 2nd ch from hook. (5 sc)

**Rnd 2:** 2 sc in each of next 5 sc. (10 sc)

**Rnds 3–5:** Sc in each sc around. (10 sc)

Stuff firmly.

**Rnd 6:** Sc2tog around, sl st in next sc, fasten off, leaving strand for sewing. (5 sc)

Weave strand through top of sc on Rnd 6, stuff more if needed, pull closed, secure and sew in place over Rnds 11 and 12 and Rnd 16.

## Muzzle

**Rnd 1:** With tan, ch 2, 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook. (6 sc)

**Rnd 2:** [Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] 3 times. (9 sc)

**Rnd 3:** Sc in each sc around, sl st in next



sc, fasten off, leaving strand for sewing.

Stuff. Sew to front of head over Rnds 4–6.

## Ears

### Make 2

**Rnd 1:** With tan rep Rnd 1 of muzzle.

**Rnd 2:** Sc in each sc around.

**Rnd 3:** Sc in each sc around, sl st in next sc, fasten off, leaving strand.

Flatten ear and sew to side of head over Rnds 3–5.

## Hat

**Rnd 1:** With dark red, rep Rnd 1 of muzzle.

**Rnd 2:** Sc in each sc around. (6 sc)

**Rnd 3:** [Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] rep around. (9 sc)

**Rnd 4:** [Sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc] rep around. (12 sc)

**Rnd 5:** [Sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc] rep around. (15 sc)

**Rnd 6:** Working in front lps only, rep Rnd 4. (20 sc)

**Rnd 7:** Rep Rnd 3, sl st in next sc, fasten off leaving 12" strand for sewing. (30 sc)

Weave strand through Rnds 7 and 6. Sew back lps of Rnd 5 over Rnd 2 of head.

## Bow Tie

**Row 1:** With dark brown, ch 4, sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each of next 2 chs, ch 1, turn. (3 sc)

**Row 2:** Sc2tog, sc in last sc, ch 1, turn. (2 sc)

**Row 3:** Sc2tog, ch 1, turn. (1 sc)

**Rows 4 & 5:** Sc in sc, ch 1, turn. (1 sc)

**Row 6:** 2 sc in sc, ch 1, turn. (2 sc)

**Row 7:** Sc in sc, 2 sc in next sc, fasten off leaving 24" length. (3 sc)

Weave 24" length through Rows 7–5, join in back of Row 4, ch 12, fasten off.

Place ch around neck; tack end of ch to back of tie.

## Face

With black and tapestry ndl, wrap yarn around ndl twice to make French knots for

eyes on Rnd 3 of head with 3 sts between.

With fly st and black, embroider mouth between Rnds 1 and 2 of muzzle, straight st from middle of Rnd 1 through middle of fly st.

Using satin sts and black, embroider nose on top of Rnd 1 of muzzle.

## Mouse

### Head & Body

**Rnds 1–16:** With dark gray, rep Rnds 1–16 of head and body for Teddy Bear.

### Arms & Legs

#### Make 4

**Rnds 1–6:** With dark gray, rep Rnds 1–6 of arms for Teddy Bear.

Attach arms to body in same manner as for Teddy Bear.

### Tail

With dark gray, ch 11, sl st in 2nd ch from hook and in each of next 6 chs, sc in each of next 3 chs, fasten off.

Sew edge of last sc to back of body at Rnd 16.

### Muzzle

**Rnds 1–3:** With dark gray, rep Rnds 1–3 for Teddy Bear.

Sew to front of head over Rnds 4–7.

### First Ear Front

**Row 1:** With pink, ch 4, sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each of next 2 chs, ch 1, turn. (3 sc)

**Row 2:** 2 sc in first sc, sc in next sc, 2 sc in last sc, ch 1, turn. (5 sc)

**Row 3:** Sc in each sc across, ch 1, turn. (5 sc)

**Row 4:** Sc2tog, sc in next sc, sc2tog, ch 1, turn. (3 sc)

### Edging

**Rnd 5:** Sc in each sc, row end and ch around, join with sl st in beg sc, fasten off. (14 sc)

### Second Ear Front

**Rows 1–3:** Rep Rows 1–3 of first ear front.

**Row 4:** Sc2tog, sc in next sc, sc2tog, do not turn. (3 sc)

**Rnd 5:** Sc in each sc, row end and ch around, join with sl st in beg sc, fasten off. (14 sc)

## **Ear Back**

### **Make 2**

**Rows 1–4:** With dark gray, rep Rows 1–4 of ear front.

**Rnd 5:** Sc in each sc, row end and ch around, join with sl st in beg sc. (14 sc)

## **Joining Front & Back**

With ear front on top of ear back, front facing, working through front lps of front piece and back lps of back piece, sl st in each st around, join in beg sl st, fasten off. (14 sts)

Sew first or last 3 sts of ear edging to sides of head over Rnds 3–5.

## **Face**

With black, work same as for Teddy Bear.

## **Whiskers**

### **Make 2**

Fold 2 (2"-long) black broom bristles in half. Tie in middle with 12" piece of black yarn. Sew to side of muzzle; trim ends. Rep on other side.

# *Elephant*

## **Head & Body**

**Rnds 1–16:** With light gray, rep Rnds 1–16 of head and body for Teddy Bear.

## **Arms & Legs**

### **Make 4**

**Rnds 1–6:** With light gray, rep Rnds 1–6 of arms for Teddy Bear.

Attach arms to body in same manner as for Teddy Bear.

## **Tail**

With light gray, ch 6, sl st in 2nd ch from hook and in each of next 3 chs, sc in last

ch, fasten off.

Sew edge of sc to back of body at Rnd 16.

## **Trunk**

**Rnd 1:** With light gray, ch 2, 5 sc in 2nd ch from hook. (5 sc)

**Rnd 2:** Working in back lps only for this rnd, sc in each sc around. (5 sc)

**Rnds 3–7:** Sc in each sc around. (5 sc)

**Rnd 8:** 2 sc in each sc around, sl st in next sc, fasten off. (10 sc)

Stuff lightly. Sew to front of head over Rnds 5–8.

## **Ears**

### **Make 2**

**Row 1:** With light gray, ch 9, sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each of next 7 chs, ch 1, turn. (8 sc)

**Row 2:** Sc2tog, sc in each sc across to last 2 sc, sc2tog, ch 1, turn. (6 sc)

**Row 3:** Sc in each sc across, ch 1, turn. (6 sc)

**Rows 4 & 5:** Rep Rows 2 and 3, at end of Row 5 do not turn. (4 sc)

## **Edging**

**Row 6:** Working in row ends and free chs, sc around to other end of Row 5, join with sl st in first st of Row 5, fasten off. (18 sc)

Sew Row 5 of each ear to sides of head on Rnds 3–6.

## **Face**

With black and tapestry ntl, wrap yarn around ntl twice to make French knots for eyes on Rnd 4 of head with 2 sts between.

With black, embroider mouth with fly sts between Rnds 7 and 8 on bottom of trunk.

## **Tie**

Cut 2-yd length of bright red. Fold in half; knot ends tog.

Place folded end over hook and twist other end until cord is very tight. Keeping cord stretched, fold in half, placing finger

in middle. Slowly let cord twist tog by rotating finger.

Knot each end approximately 1" from end. Cut ends to separate. Brush ends out; trim to  $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Place cord around neck and tie in bow. ❖

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