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SIZE: About 8½" tall.

MATERIALS: Knitting worsted weight yarn—about 6 ozs. tan; 2 ozs. off-white; small amount dark brown. Crochet hook size H, OR SIZE NEEDED TO OBTAIN GAUGE. Polyester fiberfill. Yarn needle. One yard ⅞"-wide green ribbon.

GAUGE: 5 sc = 1".

NOTE I: Work in continuous rnds, unless otherwise specified. In other words, do not join end of each rnd with sl st to first st, rather work first sc of next rnd directly into first sc of previous rnd. Place a marker of contrast color thread to mark end of each rnd and transfer it up at end of each rnd.

NOTE II: Stuff each piece as the work progresses.

HEAD: Be sure to read Notes I and II above. Beg at top of head with tan, ch 2. **Rnd 1:** Work 6 sc in second ch from hook. **Rnd 2:** Work 2 sc in each sc around—12 sc. **Rnd 3:** * Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—18 sc. **Rnd 4:** * Sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—24 sc. **Rnd 5:** * Sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—30 sc. **Rnds 6 through 9:** Sc in each sc around. **Rnd 10:** Work 2 sc in each of next 9 sc, sc in each remaining sc around—39 sc. **Rnd 11:** Sc in each sc around. **Rnd 12:** Sc in each of next 8 sc, 2 sc in each of next 2 sc, sc in each remaining sc around—41 sc. **Rnd 13:** (Sc in each of next 6 sc, 2 sc in next sc) twice, sc in each remain-

ing sc around—43 sc. **Rnd 14:** Sc in each of next 9 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 7 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 6 sc, 2 sc in each of next 3 sc, sc in each of last 16 sc—48 sc. **Rnd 15:** Work 2 sc in each of first 3 sc, sc in each st around—51 sc.

Rnd 16: Sc in each of next 10 sc, (2 sc tog) 6 times, sc in each remaining sc around—45 sc. **Rnd 17:** Work (2 sc tog) 3 times, sc in each of next 18 sc, (2 sc tog) 3 times, sc in each remaining sc around—39 sc. **Rnd 18:** Sc in each of next 3 sc, (2 sc tog) 3 times, sc in each of next 3 sc, (2 sc tog) 3 times, sc in each of next 10 sc, (2 sc tog) twice, sc in each remaining sc around—31 sc. **Rnd 19:** Sc in each sc around. **Rnd 20:** Sc in first sc only, (2 sc tog) 15 times—16 sc. **Rnd 21:** * Sc in next sc, 2 sc tog; repeat from * around, end sc in last sc—11 sc. **Rnd 22:** Sc in first sc, (2 sc tog) 5 times—6 sc. **Rnd 23:** Sl st in every other st around. Fasten off.

NOSE: (Worked back and forth in rows.) Starting at top of nose with tan, ch 5. **Row 1:** Starting in second ch from hook, sc in each ch across—4 sc. Ch 1, turn. **Row 2:** Sc in each sc across. Ch 1, turn. **Row 3:** Work 2 sc in first sc, sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in last sc—6 sc. Ch 1, turn. **Rows 4 through 6:** Sc in each sc across. Ch 1, turn. Change to off-white on last st of Row 6. **Row 7:** Working in back loops only, work 2 sc tog, sc in each of next 2 sc, work 2 sc tog—4 sc. Ch 1, turn. **Row 8:** Sc in first sc, 2 sc tog, sc in last sc—3 sc. Ch 1, turn. **Row 9:** Skip first sc, work 2 sc tog. Fasten

off. Sew nose in place on head, centering it on shaped portion, from Rows 6 down to Row 13, stuffing lightly underneath nose.

EAR: Make two. Work in joined rnds. With tan, leaving a 10" yarn end at beg of work for sewing ear to head, ch 13. **Rnd 1:** Starting in second ch from hook, sc in each ch around, join with sl st to first sc—12 sc. **Rnd 2:** Ch 1, * sc in each of next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st; repeat from * around—16 sc, join with sl st to first sc. **Rnd 3:** Ch 1, sc in each sc around. **Rnd 4:** Ch 1, * sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—20 sc, join with sl st to first sc. **Rnds 5 through 7:** Sc in each sc around, join with sl st to first sc. **Rnd 8:** Work first 2 sc tog, sc in each of next 6 sc, (2 sc tog) twice, sc in each of next 6 sc, 2 sc tog—16 sc, join with sl st to first sc. **Rnd 9:** Folding ear so that seam is on one side, skip first st and working through both thicknesses, work 6 sc across, sl st in last st. Fasten off. Sew ear in place between Rnds 6 and 13 of head.

EYES: Make two. Work in rnds. With dark brown, ch 2. **Rnd 1:** Work 6 sc in second ch, change to off-white and work 2 sc in each of first 2 sc, sl st in next st. Fasten off. Sew to head as shown in photo. Sew three straight stitches with dark brown above each eye for eyelashes.

CHIN: Worked in rows. Starting at bottom edge of chin, with tan, ch 7. **Row 1:** Starting in second ch from hook, sc in each ch across—6 sc. Ch 1, turn. **Rows 2 and 3:** Sc in each st across. Ch 1, turn. **Row 4:** Work 2 sc in first sc, sc in each of next 4 sc, 2 sc in last sc—8 sc. Ch 1, turn. **Rows 5**

and 6: Sc in each sc across. Ch 1, turn. Change to off-white on last sc of Row 6. **Row 7:** Working through back loops only, work 2 sc tog, sc in next sc, 2 sc tog, sc in next sc, 2 sc tog—5 sc. Ch 1, turn. **Row 8:** Work 2 sc tog, sc in next sc, 2 sc tog—3 sc. Ch 1, turn. **Row 9:** Work 2 sc tog, sc in last sc. Fasten off, leaving 12" length of yarn to sew chin below nose. After sewing chin in place and stuffing lightly underneath, as shown in photo, do not fasten off, but, make a small straight stitch in the fourth row under the eye; make another stitch at the corner of the mouth (at top of chin piece) in the same way ("dimple" formed) and pull tightly. Repeat on opposite side of face to make an identical indentation and secure. With dark brown, work two $\frac{3}{4}$ " straight stitches under nose for mouth (see photo). With off-white, make a straight stitch from center bottom of nose to center of mouth.

BODY: Work in continuous rnds. Starting at neck with tan, ch 2. **Rnd 1:** Work 6 sc in second ch from hook—6 sc. **Rnd 2:** Work 2 sc in each sc around—12 sc. **Rnd 3:** * Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—18 sc. **Rnd 4:** * Sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—24 sc. **Rnd 5:** Sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—30 sc. **Rnd 6:** Sc in each of next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—36 sc. **Rnd 7:** Sc in each of next 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—42 sc. **Rnds 8 through 23:** Sc in each sc around. **Rnd 24:** * Sc in each of next 5 sc, work 2 sc tog; repeat from * around—36 sc. **Rnd 25:** * Sc in each of next 4 sc, 2 sc tog; repeat from * around—30 sc. **Rnd**

26: * Sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc tog; repeat from * around—24 sc. **Rnd 27:** Sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc tog; repeat from * around—18 sc. **Rnd 28:** * Sc in next sc, 2 sc tog; repeat from * around—12 sc. **Rnd 29:** Work (2 sc tog) around—6 sc. **Rnd 30:** Sl st in every other st around. Fasten off. Sew Head in place at top of Body.

TUMMY: Worked in rows. **Row 1:** With off-white, ch 5. **Row 1:** Starting in second ch from hook, sc in each ch across—4 sc. Ch 1, turn. **Row 2:** Sc in each sc across. Ch 1, turn. **Row 3:** Work 2 sc in first sc, sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in last sc—6 sc. Ch 1, turn. **Row 4:** Sc in each sc across. Ch 1, turn. **Row 5:** Work 2 sc in first sc, sc in each sc across to last sc, 2 sc in last sc—8 sc. Ch 1, turn. **Rows 6 through 11:** Sc in each st across. Ch 1, turn. **Row 12:** Work 2 sc tog, sc in each sc across to last 2 sc, 2 sc tog—6 sc. Ch 1, turn. **Row 13:** Sc in each sc across. Ch 1, turn. **Row 14:** Sc in each sc across. At end of row, do not turn. Work 1 rnd sc around piece, join with sl st to first sc. Fasten off, leaving a 14" yarn end to sew tummy piece in place on Body (see photo).

FRONT LEGS: Worked in rnds. With off-white, ch 2. **Rnd 1:** Work 6 sc in second ch from hook. **Rnd 2:** Work 2 sc in each sc around—12 sc. **Rnd 3:** * Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—18 sc. **Rnd 4:** * Sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—24 sc, change to tan on last sc of rnd. **Rnd 5:** Sc in each sc around. **Rnd 6:** * Sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc tog; repeat from * around—18 sc. **Rnds 7 through 24:** Sc in each sc around. **Rnd 25:** Fold piece in half at top, skip first sc,

working through both thicknesses, sc across next 8 sc, sl st in last sc. Fasten off. Sew to body at sides as shown in photo (top seam of leg is positioned vertically).

BACK LEGS: Make two. **Rnd 1:** With tan, ch 9, sc in second ch from hook and in each of next 6 ch across, in last ch work 3 sc; working along opposite side of foundation ch, sc in each of next 6 ch, 2 sc in last ch—18 sc. **Rnd 2:** Work 2 sc in first sc, sc in each of next 6 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 6 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in last sc—22 sc. **Rnd 3:** Work 2 sc in first sc, sc in each of next 8 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 8 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in last sc—26 sc. **Rnd 4:** Sc in first sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 8 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 8 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 2 sc—30 sc. **Rnd 5:** Working in back loops only on this rnd only, work sc in each sc around. **Rnds 6 and 7:** Sc in each sc around (through both loops). **Rnd 8:** Sc in each of next 8 sc, (2 sc tog) 7 times, sc in each of last 8 sc—23 sc. **Rnd 9:** Sc in each sc around. **Rnd 10:** Sc in each of next 7 sc, (2 sc tog) 5 times, sc in each of last 6 sc—18 sc. **Rnds 11 through 13:** Sc in each sc around. **Rnd 14:** * Sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—24 sc. **Rnd 15:** * Sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—30 sc. **Rnds 16 and 17:** Sc in each sc around. **Rnd 18:** Sc in each of next 12 sc, (2 sc tog) 3 times, sc in each of next 12 sc—27 sc. **Rnd 19:** Sc in each of next 10 sc, 2 sc tog, sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc tog, sc in

each of last 10 sc—25 sc. **Rnd 20:** Sc in each of next 10 sc, 2 sc tog, sc in next sc, 2 sc tog, sc in each of last 10 sc—23 sc. **Rnd 21:** Work 2 sc tog, sc in each of next 6 sc, 2 sc tog, sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc tog, sc in each of next 6 sc, 2 sc tog—19 sc. **Rnd 22:** Sc in each of next next 9 sc, 2 sc tog, sc in each of last 8 sc—18 sc. **Rnd 23:** Fold piece in half at top, skip first sc, working through both thicknesses, sc across next 8 sc, sl st in last st. Fasten off. Sew back legs in place as shown in photo (top seam is positioned vertically, toes are pointing upward).

BACK PAWS: Make two. With off-white, ch 2. **Rnd 1:** Work 6 sc in second ch from hook. **Rnd 2:** Work 2 sc in each sc around—12 sc. **Rnd 3:** * Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—18 sc. **Rnd 4:** Sc in

each sc around, sl st in next sc. Fasten off. Slip paw piece over foot portion of back leg and sew in place. With dark brown, sew four large straight stitches over top of paw to indicate "toes." (See photo.) Work toe embroidery on Front Paws also.

TAIL: With tan, ch 15. **Row 1:** Sl st in second ch from hook, sc in each of next 13 ch. Ch 1, turn. **Row 2:** Sc in each of next 12 sc, sl st in next st. Turn. **Row 3:** Skip sl st, sc in each of next 12 sc. Ch 1, turn. **Row 4:** Fold tail in half lengthwise; working through both thicknesses, sl st across to join the two long edges. Fasten off. Cut four 3" lengths of off-white. Knot them, doubled, into point of tail and tie in place. Sew tail to body.

FINISHING: Tie bow around neck.