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Pocket Pets

Amigurumi Crochet Pattern

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★Pattern Notes

Terminology

This pattern is written in American crochet terminology, which differs from British terminology in some instances. The following table of terms used in this pattern will help should you wish to translate one to the other.

American (US)		British (UK)	
ch	chain	ch	chain
Sl st	slip stitch	ss	slip stitch
sc	single crochet	dc	double crochet
hdc	half double crochet	htr	half treble crochet
dc	double crochet	tr	treble crochet

Abbreviations & Symbols

mm	millimetres
Rnd(s)	Round(s)
st(s)	stitch(es)
invdec	invisible decrease
()	Round brackets indicate: A group of stitches to be worked into the same stitch or space, or The amount of stitches you should have on completion of the round or row it follows, or Explanatory notes within the pattern.
[]	Square brackets contain a group of stitches to be worked the amount of times indicated after the brackets
*	Asterisks indicate a point of repeat.

Special Stitch Explanations

Invdec

This is a good way of decreasing in amigurumi when you need a tight, smooth fabric as this technique will eliminate bumps and holes in the fabric and will, as its name suggests, be almost completely invisible.

Insert hook into front loop only of first stitch, do not wrap yarn, insert hook into front loop only of next stitch. You will now have a total of three loops on your hook. Wrap your yarn around hook and pull through both of the 2 front loops on the hook, wrap yarn around hook again and pull through last 2 loops on hook. You have now 'invisibly' decreased by one stitch.

Color Change Ends

Tie off and trim your color change ends as you go. Tie securely on the inside of your work. With amigurumi crochet it can be difficult to reach the ends once you have crocheted too many rows above.

Embroidered Stitches

To hide the starting and fastening off ends of the embroidered stitches on the face, first thread your yarn needle with the appropriate yarn. Tie a knot in the end of your yarn and push needle into and out of toy between crochet stitches, coming out where you want the first embroidery stitch to be. As you pull on the yarn the polyester toy filling will catch the knot securely inside the toy. When you have worked the required embroidery stitches you can finish off by passing the needle in and out between different crochet stitches a few times until the yarn is securely caught up in the polyester filling. When secure, pull on end of yarn and snip off close to toy.

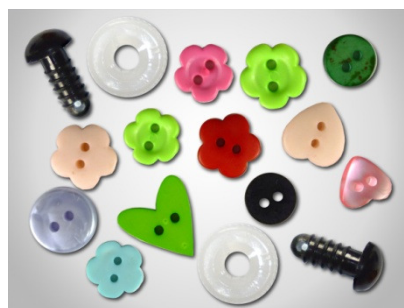
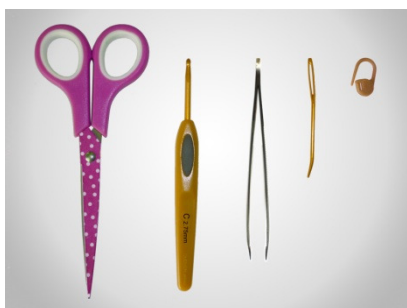
Gauge (Tension)

Exact gauge is not crucial for this pattern. Just make sure your crochet hook is small enough to create a tight fabric that the stuffing can't poke through.

With the yarn and hook specified above dolls measure approximately 6" (15 cm) tall when standing, including ears.

Materials for each Pocket Pet

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| 1 | Light Worsted Weight, (DK/8 ply) yarn in the following colours:
C1 = White/Beige/Gray, C2 = Pale Pink.
Outfit colors of your choice, C3 =Body Color, C4 = Tutu Color,
C5 = Pink/Brown/Black (for nose and mouth) |
| 2 | 6mm toy safety eyes. (Or beads or yarn instead) |
| 3 | Small buttons, approx ½" (1cm) diameter (1 per doll) |
| 4 | Polyester toy stuffing (approx 10g per doll) |
| 5 | Pink Pencil Crayon (for coloring rosy cheeks) |



Equipment

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| 1 | Size C/2 (2.75mm) Crochet Hook |
| 2 | Scissors |
| 3 | Large yarn needle |
| 4 | Small sewing needle |
| 5 | Stitch marker |
| 6 | Tweezers (for stuffing arms and legs) |

★The Pattern



Head and Body

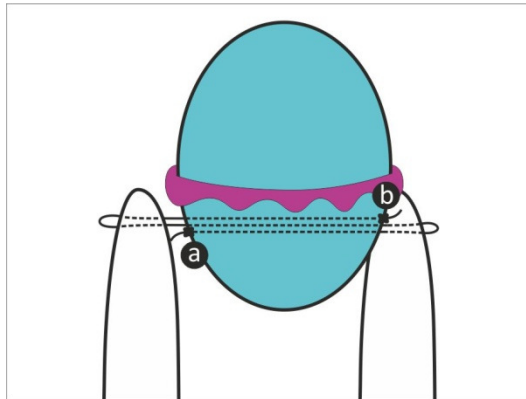
Colors	C1 = White/Beige/Gray, C3 = Body Color, C5 = Pink/Brown/Black
	Make 1 piece starting at crown of head. Working in continuous spiral rounds.
	With C1 make 2 ch.
Rnd 1	6 sc in second ch from hook. (6 sts)
	Place marker at beginning of next round, move marker up with each completed round.
Rnd 2	2 sc in each of next 6 sc. (12 sts)
Rnd 3	[Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] 6 times. (18 sts)
Rnd 4	[Sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 6 times (24 sts)
Rnd 5	[Sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 6 times. (30 sts)
Rnds 6-11	Sc in each sc around. (6 rounds)
Rnd 12	[Sc in each of next 3 sc, invdec] 6 times. (24 sts)
Rnd 13	[Sc in each of next 2 sc, invdec] 6 times. (18 sts)
	If using safety eyes they will need to be attached now before the head is stuffed as the backs will need to be fixed inside the head. Place 8 rows down from crown of head and 7 stitches apart. Alternatively bead or yarn eyes may be sewn on once the doll is finished and stuffed.
Rnd 14	[Sc in next sc, invdec] 6 times. (12 sts)
	Stuff head at this point
Rnd 15	Invdec 6 times. (6 sts)
	Change to C3
Rnd 16	2 sc in each sc around (12 sts)
Rnd 17	[Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] 6 times. (18 sts)
Rnds 18-24	Sc in each sc around. (7 rounds)
Rnd 25	[Sc in next sc, invdec] 6 times. (12 sts)
	Stuff body at this point.
Rnd 26	Invdec 6 times. (6 sts)
	Thread yarn tail onto yarn needle, pick up remaining 6 stitches. Pull tight to close the hole. Fasten off.
	Use 1 strand of C5 to make nose and mouth. Sew three running stitches horizontally in center, underneath eyes, making each running stitch 2 sc wide. Sew mouth with a single vertical running stitch. (See notes on starting and finishing embroidered stitches on page 2).
	Apply rosy cheeks with a pink pencil crayon. Build up color using the flat side of the pencil point either side of mouth, underneath eyes.

Arms

Color	C1=White/Beige/Gray
	Make 2 pieces alike, starting at hand. Working in continuous spiral rounds.
	With C1 make 2 ch.
Rnd 1	6 sc in second ch from hook. (6 sts)
	Place marker at beginning of next round, move marker up with each completed round.
Rnds 2-9	Sc in each sc around. (8 rounds)
	Fasten off. Stuff arms. Oversew top of arms flat with a few stitches. Sew to sides of body 2 rounds down from neck.

Legs

Color	C1=White/Beige/Gray
	Make 2 pieces alike, starting at foot. Working in continuous spiral rounds.
	With C1 make 2 ch.
Rnd 1	6 sc in second ch from hook. (6 sts)
	Place marker at beginning of next round, move marker up with completed each round.
Rnd 2	2 sc in each of next 6 sc. (12 sts)
Rnds 3-4	Sc in each sc around. (2 rounds)
Rnd 5	Invdec 6 times. (6 sts)
Rnds 6-11	Sc in each sc around. (6 rounds)
Rnd 12	[Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] 3 times. (9 sts)
Rnds 13-14	Sc in each sc around. (2 rounds)
	Stuff leg. Thread yarn tail onto yarn needle, pick up remaining 9 stitches. Pull tight to close the hole. Fasten off.
	Using a strand of C1 , sew legs to side of body as indicated below. With starting knot at position (a) and finishing knot at position (b). Pull tightly to form shaping and make firm joints, fasten off securely. The legs will now articulate from standing to sitting as required.



Ears - Rabbit

Colors	C1=White/Beige/Gray, C2 = Pale Pink
	Inner Ear/Outer Ear
	Make 2 pieces alike with C2 (Inner ear) and 2 pieces alike with C1 (Outer Ear), starting at center of ear. Working in continuous spiral rounds.
	With C2/C1 make 7 ch.
	Place marker in first sc of Rnd 1. Move marker up with each completed round.
Rnd 1	3 sc in second ch from hook, sc in back loop only of each of next 4 ch, 3 sc in last ch, now working back along opposite side of ch, sc in left over loop of each of next 4 ch. (14 sts)
Rnd 2	2 sc in each of next 3 sc, sc in each of next 4 sc, 2 sc in each of next 3 sc, sc in each of next 4 sc. (20 sts)
	Fasten off. Weave in ends.
	Align stitches of back and front part of ear with right sides facing outwards. With pink inner ear facing towards you, and making sure hook goes through both layers, rejoin C1 and sc in each sc around edge. (20 sts)
	Fasten off. Weave in ends.
	Pinch bottom of ear together and sew in shape with a few stitches. Sew to top of head, 3 rounds apart.

Ears - Mouse

Colors	C1=White/Beige/Gray, C2 = Pale Pink
	Inner Ear/Outer Ear
	Make 2 pieces alike with C2 (Inner ear) and 2 pieces alike with C1 (Outer Ear), starting at center of ear. Working in continuous spiral rounds.
	With C2/C1 make 2 ch.
Rnd 1	6 sc in second ch from hook. Place marker at beginning of next round, move marker up with each completed round.
Rnd 2	2 sc in each of next 6 sc. (12 sts)
Rnd 3	[Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] 6 times. (18 sts)
	Fasten off. Weave in ends.
	Align stitches of back and front part of ear with right sides facing outwards. With pink inner ear facing towards you, and making sure hook goes through both layers, rejoin C1 and sc in each sc around edge. (18 sts)
	Fasten off. Weave in ends.
	Sew to top of head, 3 rounds apart.

Ears - Cat

Colors	C1=White/Beige/Gray, C2 = Pale Pink
	Make 2 pieces alike with C2 (Inner ear) and 2 pieces alike with C1 (Outer Ear), starting at base of ear. Working back and forth in rows.
	With C2 make 6ch, turn.
Row 1	Sc in second ch from hook, sc in each of remaining 4 sc, turn. (5 sts)
Row 2	1 ch (does not count as stitch), skip first sc, sc in each of remaining 4 sc, turn. (4 sts)
Row 3	1 ch (does not count as stitch), skip first sc, sc in each of remaining 3 sc, turn. (3 sts)
Row 4	1 ch (does not count as stitch), skip first sc, sc in each of remaining 2sc, turn. (2 sts)
Row 5	1 ch (does not count as stitch), skip first sc, sc in remaining sc, turn. (1 st)
	Fasten off. Weave in ends.
	Align stitches of back and front part of ear with right sides facing outwards. With pink inner ear facing towards you, and making sure each stitch goes through both layers, rejoin C1 to right hand ch at base of ear, 2 sc in this ch, sc in each of next 3 ch, 2 sc in last ch, sc in each of next 4 row edges, 3 sc in ear tip, sc in each of next 4 row edges, Sl st to first sc of this round. (18 sts)
	Fasten off. Weave in ends.
	Sew to top of head, 3 rounds apart.

Tail - Rabbit

Color	C1=White/Beige/Gray
	Make 1 piece. Working in continuous spiral rounds.
	With C1 make 2 ch.
Rnd 1	6 sc in second ch from hook.
Rnd 2-3	Sc in each sc around. (2 rounds)
	Thread yarn tail onto yarn needle, pick up remaining 6 stitches. Pull tight to close the hole. Fasten off.
	Sew to back of rabbit, 8 rounds down from neck.

Tail – Mouse/Cat

Color **C1=White/Beige/Gray**

Make 1 piece

With **C1** make 12 ch.

Row 1 Sc in second ch from hook, sc in each of next 6 ch, Sl st in each of next 5 ch.

Fasten off.

Sew to back of mouse/cat, 8 rounds down from neck.

Tutu

Color **C4 = Tutu Color**

Make 1 piece

With **C1** make 24 ch, join with a Sl st to make a ring.

Place marker at beginning of next round, move marker up with each completed round.

Rnd 1 Sc in same ch as Sl st, sc in each of next 23 ch. (24 sts)

Rnd 2 Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 3 *(Sc, hdc, dc, hdc, sc] in next sc, Sl st in next sc, repeat from * to end of round. (12 scallops)

Fasten off.

Sew tutu to waist of doll with back stitch, 6 rounds down from neck.

Finish doll by wrapping a length of C4 twice around neck to form a collar. Tie off at back of doll and weave in ends.

