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Froggy Friends

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
skip		miss	

Abbreviations & Symbols

cm	centimeters
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
"	Inches

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 below frogs measure approximately 11" (28 cm) tall.

Materials for each Frog

1	Light worsted weight, (D K/8 ply) yarn in the following color suggestion: Colorway 1 - Light Green, Dark Green, White, Pink, Black. Colorway 2 - Olive Green, Orange, Red, White, Pink, Black.
2	9mm toy safety eyes. (Or beads or yarn instead)
3	Polyester toy stuffing
4	Strand of thin black sewing cotton.

Equipment

1	Size D (3.25mm) crochet hook
2	Scissors
3	Large yarn needle
4	Smaller sewing needle
5	Stitch marker
6	Tweezers (for stuffing small pieces)

★The Pattern



Head and Body

	Make 1 piece starting at crown of head. Working in continuous spiral rounds. With Light Green yarn 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 st. (12 sts)
Rnd 3	[Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st] 6 times. (18 sts)
Rnd 4	[Sc in each of next 2 st, 2 sc in next st] 6 times. (24 sts)
Rnd 5	[Sc in each of next 3 st, 2 sc in next st] 6 times. (30 sts)
Rnd 6	[Sc in each of next 4 st, 2 sc in next st] 6 times. (36 sts)
Rnds 7-13	Sc in each st around. (7 rounds)

Rnd 14	[Sc in each of next 4 st, invdec] 6 times. (30 sts)
Rnd 15	[Sc in each of next 3 st, invdec] 6 times. (24 sts)
Rnd 16	[Sc in each of next 2 st, invdec] 6 times. (18 sts)
Rnd 17	[Sc in next st, invdec] 6 times. (12 sts)
Rnds 18-19	Sc in each st around. (2 rounds) Stuff head at this point.
Rnd 20	[Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st] 6 times. (18 sts)
Rnd 21	[Sc in each of next 2 st, 2 sc in next st] 6 times. (24 sts)
Rnds 22-27	Sc in each st around. (6 rounds)
Rnd 28	[Sc in each of next 3 st, 2 sc in next st] 6 times. (30 sts)
Rnds 29-31	Sc in each st around. (3 rounds)
Rnd 32	[Sc in each of next 3 st, invdec] 6 times. (24 sts)
Rnd 33	[Sc in each of next 2 st, invdec] 6 times. (18 sts)
Rnd 34	[Sc in next st, invdec] 6 times. (12 sts) Stuff body at this point.
Rnd 35	[Invdec] 6 times. (6 sts) Fasten off, leaving a long tail for finishing. Thread yarn tail onto yarn needle, pick up front loop only of remaining 6 stitches. Pull tight to close the hole. Fasten off. Weave in end.

Arms

	Make 2 pieces alike starting at top of arm. Working in continuous spiral rounds. With Light Green yarn, and leaving a long tail for sewing, make 7 ch, join with a Sl st to form a ring. (7 sts) Place marker at beginning of next round, move marker up with each completed round.
Rnds 1-21	Sc in each st around. (21 rounds) Change to Dark Green Yarn.
Rnd 22	3 sc in next st, 2 sc in each remaining st around. (15 sts) First Finger
Rnd 1	Sc in each of next 5 st, skip 10 st. (5 sts) Working in these 5 sts only:
Rnds 2-3	Sc in each st around. (2 rounds) Fasten off, leaving a long tail for finishing. Thread yarn tail onto yarn needle, pick up front loop only of these 5 stitches. Pull tight to close the hole. Fasten off. Second Finger
Rnd 1	Leaving a long cast on tail, re -join yarn in st immediately to left of first finger. 1 ch (does not count as st), sc in same st as rejoined yarn, sc in each of next 2 st, skip 5 st, sc in each of next 2 st. (5 sts) Working in these 5 sts only:
Rnds 2-3	Sc in each st around. (2 rounds) Fasten off, leaving a long tail for finishing. Thread yarn tail onto yarn needle, pick up front loop only of these 5 stitches. Pull tight to close the hole. Fasten off. Third Finger
Rnd 1	Leaving a long cast on tail, re -join yarn in sc immediately to left of second finger. 1 ch (does not count as st), sc in same st as rejoined yarn, sc in each of next 4 st. (5 sts) Working in these 5 sts only:
Rnds 2-3	Sc in each st around. (2 rounds) Fasten off, leaving a long tail for finishing. Thread yarn tail onto yarn needle, pick up front loop only of these 5 stitches. Pull tight to close the hole. Fasten off.

Use cast on tails to sew closed any gaps at base of fingers.

Stuff arms, using tweezers to insert stuffing to tips of fingers. Sew top of arms flat so palms will face towards the front. Sew top of arm in place at base of neck.

Legs

Make 2 pieces alike starting at top of leg. Working in continuous spiral rounds.

With **Light Green** yarn, and leaving a long tail for sewing, make 9 ch; join with a Sl st to form a ring. (9 sts)

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

Rnds 1-24 Sc in each st around. (24 rounds)

Change to **Dark Green** yarn.

Rnd 25 2 sc in each st around. (18 sts)

First Toe

Rnd 1 Sc in each of next 6 st, skip 12 st. (6 sts)

Working in these 6 sts only:

Rnds 2-4 Sc in each st around. (3 rounds)

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for finishing. Thread yarn tail onto yarn needle, pick up front loop only of these 6 stitches. Pull tight to close the hole. Fasten off.

Second Toe

Rnd 1 Leaving a long cast on tail, re-join yarn in st immediately to left of first toe.

1 ch (does not count as st), sc in same st as rejoined yarn, sc in each of next 2 st, skip 6 st, sc in each of next 3 st. (6 sts)

Working in these 6 sts only:

Rnds 2-4 Sc in each st around. (3 rounds)

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for finishing. Thread yarn tail onto yarn needle, pick up front loop only of these 6 stitches. Pull tight to close the hole. Fasten off.

Third Toe

Rnd 1 Leaving a long cast on tail, re-join yarn in st immediately to left of middle toe.

1 ch (does not count as st), sc in same st as rejoined yarn, sc in each of next 5 st. (6 sts)

Working in these 6 sts only:

Rnds 2-4 Sc in each st around. (3 rounds)

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for finishing. Thread yarn tail onto yarn needle, pick up front loop only of these 6 stitches. Pull tight to close the hole. Fasten off.

Use cast on tails to sew closed any gaps at base of toes.

Stuff legs, using tweezers to insert stuffing to tips of toes. Sew to bottom of body with flats of feet facing towards front.

Tummy Patch

Make 1 piece starting at center of patch. Working in continuous spiral rounds.

With **White** yarn 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 st. (12 sts)

Rnd 3 [Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st] 6 times. (18 sts)

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Sew to center of frog where tummy bulges out slightly.

Eyes

Make 2 pieces starting at front center of eye. Working in continuous spiral rounds.

With **White** yarn 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 st, Sl st to first st. (12 sts)

Join **Light Green** yarn in Sl st.

Rnd 3 Sl st in next st, 2 sc in next st, [Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st] 5 times. (18 sts)

Rnds 4-5 Sc in each st around.

Attach safety eyes at this point. You can place them anywhere on white center of eye, in the middle or to the side depending on your preference.

Rnd 6 [Sc in next st, invdec] 6 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 7 [Invdec] 6 times.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for finishing. Use tweezers to stuff eyes.

Thread yarn tail onto yarn needle, pick up front loop only of remaining 6 stitches. Pull tight to close the hole. Fasten off.

Sew to top of head, 3 rounds apart.

Blushing Cheeks and Mouth

Make 2 pieces alike starting at center.

With **Pink** yarn make 2 ch.

Rnd 1 6 sc in second ch from hook, Sl st to first st. (6 sts)

Fasten off. Sew either side of face about half way down.

With **Black** yarns sew a running stitch from cheek to cheek to create a smile. Oversew with a fine black cotton thread to secure in place.

Collar

Make 1 piece.

With **Dark Green** yarn make 14 ch.

(Make all sts in ch in back loops only).

Row 1 Sl st in second ch from hook, [4 ch, Sl st in second ch from hook, hdc in next ch, dc in next ch, Sl st in each of next 2 ch] 6 times. (6 points in total)

Fasten off. Sew in place around neck, pulling tightly to cinch in neck. Sew each point flat to body with a stitch.



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