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Hedley the Hedgehog

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
skip		miss	

Abbreviations & Symbols

cm	centimeters
g	grams
invdec	invisible decrease
mm	millimeters
Rnd(s)	Round(s)
st(s)	stitch(es)
()	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.

Loop 1 (For additional guidance see figs 1-6, page 3)

Insert hook into next sc, form loop of yarn around first finger, draw this loop out to approx. 1½" (4 cm), now draw both strands of this looped yarn through sc, wrap yarn round hook and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

Loop 2

Make 2 loops (as described above) in next single crochet.

Loop Stitch Pictures (Shown in Orange yarn for clarity. Use **Multi Tone Light/Dark Brown** yarn for this pattern)



Fig.1 Insert hook into st, draw loop over finger.



Fig.2 Pull both strands of loop through st.



Fig.3 You now have 3 loops on hook.



Fig.4 Hold loop at back of work.



Fig.5 Wrap yarn round hook.



Fig.6 Draw yarn through all 3 loops on hook.

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 Hedley measures approximately 10" (25 cm) tall.

Materials for each

1	Light worsted weight, (DK/8 ply) yarn in the following colors: Beige (50g), Light Brown (25g), Black, Cream and a Scarf color of your choice. Bulky (Chunky) weight yarn in Multi Tone Light/Dark Browns (120g) (Wendy Tweed effect Chunky, shade 2768 was used in this example) (Weights are approximate and may vary from those quoted depending on the individual yarns you choose).
2	9mm toy safety eyes.
3	Polyester toy stuffing.
4	Brown Pencil Crayon. (For shading around eyes)

Equipment

1	Size D (3.25mm) crochet hook.
2	Scissors.
3	Yarn needle.
4	Stitch marker.
5	Large headed pins. (For placing parts prior to assembling)
6	Tweezers. (For stuffing small or narrow parts)

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★The Pattern



Head

Make 1 piece starting at nose. Working in continuous spiral rounds.

With **Black** 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 [Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st] 3 times. (9 sts)

Change to **Light Brown** yarn.

Rnd 3 Sc in each st around.

Rnd 4 [Sc in each of next 2 st, 2 sc in next st] 3 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 5 [Sc in each of next 3 st, 2 sc in next st] 3 times. (15 sts)

Rnd 6 [Sc in each of next 4 st, 2 sc in next st] 3 times. (18 sts)

Rnd 7 [Sc in each of next 5 st, 2 sc in next st] 3 times. (21 sts)

Rnd 8 [Sc in each of next 6 st, 2 sc in next st] 3 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 9 [Sc in each of next 7 st, 2 sc in next st] 3 times. (27 sts)

Change to **Beige** yarn.

Rnd 10 [Sc in each of next 8 st, 2 sc in next st] 3 times. (30 sts)

Rnd 11 [Sc in each of next 4 st, 2 sc in next st] 6 times. (36 sts)

Rnd 12 [Sc in each of next 5 st, 2 sc in next st] 6 times. (42 sts)

Rnd 13 [Sc in each of next 6 st, 2 sc in next st] 6 times. (48 sts)

Rnds 14-20 Sc in each st around. (7 rounds)

Insert **9mm** safety eyes between rounds **11** & **12** spacing them **11** stitches apart.

Rnd 21 [Sc in each of next 6 st, invdec] 6 times. (42 sts)

Rnd 22 [Sc in each of next 5 st, invdec] 6 times. (36 sts)

Rnd 23 [Sc in each of next 4 st, invdec] 6 times. (30 sts)

Rnd 24 [Sc in each of next 3 st, invdec] 6 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 25 [Sc in each of next 2 st, invdec] 6 times. (18 sts)

Stuff head.

Rnd 26 [Sc in next st, invdec] 6 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 27 [Invdec] 6 times. (6 sts)

Fasten off, leaving a long yarn 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.

With a strand of Black yarn sew a vertical running stitch below nose for the mouth.

Shade around eyes with a brown pencil crayon, build up color slowly with the flat side of the point.

Body

	Make 1 piece starting at base. Working in continuous spiral rounds. With Beige 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)
Rnd 7	[Sc in each of next 5 st, 2 sc in next st] 6 times. (42 sts)
Rnd 8	[Sc in each of next 6 st, 2 sc in next st] 6 times. (48 sts)
Rnd 9	[Sc in each of next 7 st, 2 sc in next st] 6 times. (54 sts)
Rnd 10	[Sc in each of next 8 st, 2 sc in next st] 6 times. (60 sts)
Rnds 11-17	Sc in each st around. (7 rounds)
Rnd 18	[Sc in each of next 18 st, invdec] 3 times. (57 sts)
Rnds 19-20	Sc in each st around. (2 rounds)
Rnd 21	[Sc in each of next 17 st, invdec] 3 times. (54 sts)
Rnds 22-23	Sc in each st around. (2 rounds)
Rnd 24	[Sc in each of next 16 st, invdec] 3 times. (51 sts)
Rnd 25	Sc in each st around.
Rnd 26	[Sc in each of next 15 st, invdec] 3 times. (48 sts)
Rnd 27	Sc in each st around.
Rnd 28	[Sc in each of next 14 st, invdec] 3 times. (45 sts)
Rnd 29	Sc in each st around.
Rnd 30	[Sc in each of next 13 st, invdec] 3 times. (42 sts)
Rnd 31	[Sc in each of next 12 st, invdec] 3 times. (39 sts)
Rnd 32	[Sc in each of next 11 st, invdec] 3 times. (36 sts) Fasten off, leaving a long yarn tail for sewing. Stuff body. Sew body to underside of head. (Fig. 7)

Head Prickles

	(For loop stitch see special stitch explanation on page 2 and Figs. 1-6 on page 3). Make 1 piece starting at center of prickles. Working in continuous spiral rounds. Note: Pull loops out to approx. 1½" (4cm) long. With bulky (chunky) Multi-Tone Brown 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	Loop 2 in each of next 6 st. (12 sts)
Rnd 3	[Loop 1 in next st, loop 2 in next st] 6 times. (18 sts)
Rnd 4	[Loop 1 in each of next 2 st, loop 2 in next st] 6 times. (24 sts)
Rnd 5	[Loop 1 in each of next 3 st, loop 2 in next st] 6 times. (30 sts)
Rnd 6	[Loop 1 in each of next 4 st, loop 2 in next st] 6 times. (36 sts)
Rnd 7	[Loop 1 in each of next 5 st, loop 2 in next st] 6 times. (42 sts)
Rnd 8	[Loop 1 in each of next 6 st, loop 2 in next st] 6 times. (48 sts)
Rnds 9	Loop 1 in each st around.
Rnd 10	[Loop 1 in each of next 6 st, invdec] 6 times. (42 sts)

Rnd 11	Loop 1 in each st around. Fasten off, leaving a long yarn tail for sewing. Sew to top and back of Hedgehog's head using back stitch around edge of prickles. (Fig. 8)
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Body Prickles

	(For loop stitch see special stitch explanation on page 2 and Figs. 1-6 on page 3). Make 1 piece starting at center of prickles. Working in continuous spiral rounds.
	Note: Pull loops out to approx. 1½" (4cm) long. With bulky (chunky) Multi-Tone Light/Dark Brown 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	Loop 2 in each of next 6 st. (12 sts)
Rnd 3	[Loop 1 in next st, loop 2 in next st] 6 times. (18 sts)
Rnd 4	[Loop 1 in each of next 2 st, loop 2 in next st] 6 times. (24 sts)
Rnd 5	[Loop 1 in each of next 3 st, loop 2 in next st] 6 times. (30 sts)
Rnd 6	[Loop 1 in each of next 4 st, loop 2 in next st] 6 times. (36 sts)
Rnd 7	[Loop 1 in each of next 5 st, loop 2 in next st] 6 times. (42 sts)
Rnd 8	[Loop 1 in each of next 6 st, loop 2 in next st] 6 times. (48 sts)
Rnd 9	[Loop 1 in each of next 7 st, loop 2 in next st] 6 times. (54 sts)
Rnd 10	[Loop 1 in each of next 7 st, loop 2 in next st] 6 times. (60 sts)
Rnds 11-19	Loop 1 in each st around. (9 rounds) Fasten off, leaving a long yarn tail for sewing. Sew to back and underside of body using back stitch around edge of prickles. (Fig. 9)



Fig. 7 Sew head and Body together.



Fig. 8 Sew around edge of head prickles, with back stitch.



Fig. 9 Sew around edge of body prickles, with back stitch.



Fig. 10 Sew on ears, tummy patch, arms and feet.

Ears

	Make 2 pieces starting at tip. Working in continuous spiral rounds. With Light Brown 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)
Rnds 3-4	Sc in each st around. (2 rounds)
Rnd 5	[Invdec] 6 times. (6 sts) Fasten off, leaving a long yarn tail for sewing. Do not stuff. Pinch bottom part of ear together and sew a few stitches through base of ear to secure shape. Sew ears to sides of head at place where the head prickles start, approx 18 sts apart.

Tummy Patch

	Make 1 pieces starting at neck edge. Working in back and forth in rows.
	With Cream yarn make 9 ch .
	(N.B. 1 ch at beginning of each row does not count as a stitch.)
Row 1	Sc in second ch from hook, sc in each remaining 7 ch, turn. (8 sts)
Row 2	1 ch, sc in each st to end, turn. (8 sts)
Row 3	1 ch, 2 sc in first st, sc in each of next 6 st, 2 sc in last st, turn. (10 sts)
Rows 4-5	1 ch, sc in each st to end, turn. (2 rows)
Row 6	1 ch, 2 sc in first st, sc in each of next 8 st, 2 sc in last st, turn. (12 sts)
Rows 7-8	1 ch, sc in each st to end, turn. (2 rows)
Row 9	1 ch, 2 sc in first st, sc in each of next 10 st, 2 sc in last st, turn. (14sts)
Rows 10-13	1 ch, sc in each st to end, turn. (4 rows)
Row 14	1 ch, invdec, sc in each of next 10 st, invdec, turn. (12 sts)
Row 15	1 ch, invdec, sc in each of next 8 st, invdec, turn. (10 sts)
Row 16	1 ch, invdec, sc in each of next 6 st, invdec, turn. (8 sts)
Row 17	1 ch, invdec, sc in each of next 4 st, invdec. (6 sts)
	Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.
	Sew edges of patch to tummy with the straight edge at the neck and the curved edge at the bottom.

Arms

	Make 2 pieces starting at hand. Working in continuous spiral rounds.
	With Light Brown 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)
Rnds 4-6	Sc in each st around. (3 rounds)
Rnd 7	[Sc in next st, invdec] 6 times. (12 sts)
Rnd 8	[Invdec] 6 times. (6 sts)
Rnd 9	2 sc in each of next 6 st. (12 sts)
Rnds 10-21	Sc in each st around. (12 rounds)
	Fasten off, leaving a long yarn tail for sewing. Stuff arm. Sew top of arm flat. With a strand of Black yarn sew three long running stitches through hand to flatten hand and form four fingers. (Figs. 11-12)
	Sew top of arms to sides of body at neck crease. Sew underside of arms and hands to body or leave free, as you prefer. See (Figs. 13-14)

Feet

	Make 2 pieces starting at heel. Working in continuous spiral rounds.
	With Light Brown 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	[Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st] 3 times. (9 sts)
Rnd 3	[Sc in each of next 2 st, 2 sc in next st] 3 times. (12 sts)
Rnd 4	[Sc in each of next 3 st, 2 sc in next st] 3 times. (15 sts)
Rnd 5	[Sc in each of next 4 st, 2 sc in next st] 3 times. (18 sts)

Rnds 6-8	Sc in each st around. (3 rounds)
	First Toe
Rnd 1	Sc in each of next 6 st, skip 12 st. (6 sts)
	Working in these 6 sts only:
Rnds 2-3	Sc in each st around. (2 rounds)
	Fasten off, leaving a long yarn tail for finishing. Stuff back of foot and toe using tweezers. Thread yarn tail onto yarn needle, pick up front loop only of these 6 stitches. Pull tight to close the hole. Fasten off. Weave in end.
	Second Toe
Rnd 1	Leaving a long yarn tail, pull up a loop of Light Brown 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 2-3	Sc in each st around. (2 rounds)
	Fasten off, leaving a long tail for finishing. Stuff toe using tweezers. Thread yarn tail onto yarn needle, pick up front loop only of these 6 stitches. Pull tight to close the hole. Fasten off. Weave in end.
	Third Toe
Rnd 1	Leaving a long yarn tail, pull up a loop of Light Brown yarn in st immediately to left of second 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 2-3	Sc in each st around. (2 rounds)
	Fasten off, leaving a long tail for finishing. Stuff toe using tweezers. Thread yarn tail onto yarn needle, pick up front loop only of these 6 stitches. Pull tight to close the hole. Fasten off. Weave in end.
	Use cast on tails to sew closed any gaps at base of toes. Weave in all ends. Sew feet to lower front of body. See photos for exact placing.



Fig.11



Fig.12



Fig.13



Fig.14

Scarf

	Make 1 piece. Working back and forth in rows.
	With your choice of light worsted weight (DK/8 ply) yarn make 7 ch .
	(N.B. 1 ch at beginning of each row does not count as a stitch.)
Row 1	Sc in second ch from hook, sc in each remaining 5 ch, turn. (6 sts)
Row 2	ch 1, sc in all 6 st, turn.
	Repeat Row 2 until the scarf measures approx. 24"(60 cm). Fasten off, weave in ends. Tie around neck with knot placed to side.