



ORWELL THE ORANG- UTAN

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SKILL LEVEL: ***

SIZE: 16" / 40 cm tall when made with the indicated yarn.

MATERIALS:

- Light worsted weight yarn in furry orange, reddish brown and beige. (*this example is made with IceYarns Eyelash copper*)
- A length of black yarn and a length of black sewing cotton
- Size D-3 (3.25 mm) crochet hook
- Black safety eyes (15 mm)
- Fiberfill for stuffing
- Yarn needle
- Long doll jointing needle, large enough to use with furry yarn



NOTE: Is this your first time working with furry yarn? Read an introduction on how to work with this yarn on page 9.

EYE PATCH (*make 2, in beige yarn*)

Rnd 1: start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]

Rnd 2: inc 6 times [12]

Rnd 3: (sc, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [18]

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

HEAD (*start in reddish brown yarn*)

Rnd 1: start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]

Rnd 2: inc 6 times [12]

Rnd 3: (sc, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [18]

Rnd 4: (sc in next 2 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [24]

Rnd 5: (sc in next 3 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [30]

Rnd 6: (sc in next 4 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [36]

Rnd 7: (sc in next 5 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [42]

Rnd 8: (sc in next 6 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [48]

Rnd 9: (sc in next 7 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [54]

Rnd 10: (sc in next 8 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [60]

Rnd 11 – 13: sc in all 60 st [60]

Rnd 14: sc in next 59 st, slst in last st [60]

Change to furry orange yarn, turn your work and crochet the remaining rounds in the opposite direction (see instructions below).

Rnd 15 – 17: sc in all 60 st [60]

Insert safety eyes in between round 2 and 3 of the eye patches, then insert between round 5 and 6 of the face with an interspace of 11 stitches. Count the stitches in an arc between round 5 and 6, not straight across the face (see image below).

Rnd 18: (sc in next 8 st, dec) repeat 6 times [54]

Rnd 19: (sc in next 7 st, dec) repeat 6 times [48]

Rnd 20: (sc in next 6 st, dec) repeat 6 times [42]

Rnd 21: (sc in next 5 st, dec) repeat 6 times [36]

Rnd 22: (sc in next 4 st, dec) repeat 6 times [30]

Rnd 23: (sc in next 3 st, dec) repeat 6 times [24]

Rnd 24: (sc in next 2 st, dec) repeat 6 times [18]

Stuff the head.

Rnd 25: (sc in next st, dec) repeat 6 times [12]

Rnd 26: dec 6 times [6]

Fasten off, leaving a tail for sewing. Using your yarn needle, weave the yarn tail through the front loop of each remaining stitch and pull it tight to close the hole. Fasten off, weave in the yarn end. Sew the edges of the eye patches in place.



MUZZLE (in beige yarn)

Rnd 1: start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]

Rnd 2: inc 6 times [12]

Rnd 3: (sc, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [18]

Rnd 4: (sc in next 2 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [24]

Rnd 5: (sc in next 3 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [30]

Rnd 6: (sc in next 4 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [36]

Rnd 7 – 10: sc in all 36 st [36]

Fasten off, leaving a tail for sewing. Stuff the muzzle and sew to the bottom part of the orangutan's face just below the eye patches.

With a strand of black yarn, embroider a single long stitch across the muzzle for the mouth and two smaller stitches in an open V-shape for the nose. Thread a sewing needle with a strand of thin black cotton and backstitch along the black yarn to secure in place.

Optional: Use a soft shade of brown pencil crayon to shade around the eyes and on the nose.



EAR (*make 2, in beige yarn*)**Rnd 1:** start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]**Rnd 2:** inc 6 times [12]**Rnd 3:** (sc, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [18]

Flatten the ear, do not stuff.

Rnd 4: ch 1, crochet through stitches on both sides at once to join, sc in all 9 st [9]

Sew the ears to the sides of the orangutan's head just in front of the first furry round of the head. The tops of the ears should be roughly level with the tops of the eye patches.

BODY (*in furry orange yarn*)**Rnd 1:** start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]**Rnd 2:** inc 6 times [12]**Rnd 3:** (sc, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [18]**Rnd 4:** (sc in next 2 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [24]**Rnd 5:** (sc in next 3 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [30]**Rnd 6:** (sc in next 4 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [36]**Rnd 7:** (sc in next 5 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [42]**Rnd 8:** (sc in next 6 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [48]**Rnd 9 – 11:** sc in all 48 st [48]**Rnd 12:** (sc in next 6 st, dec) repeat 6 times [42]**Rnd 13 – 14:** sc in all 42 st [42]**Rnd 15:** (sc in next 5 st, dec) repeat 6 times [36]**Rnd 16 – 18:** sc in all 36 st [36]**Rnd 19:** (sc in next 4 st, dec) repeat 6 times [30]**Rnd 20 – 31:** sc in all 30 st [30]**Rnd 32:** (sc in next 3 st, dec) repeat 6 times [24]

Fasten off, leaving a tail for sewing. Stuff the body and sew to the underside of the head.

ARM (*make 2, in furry orange yarn*)**Rnd 1:** start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]**Rnd 2:** inc 6 times [12]**Rnd 3 – 32:** sc in all 12 st [12]

Fasten off, leaving a tail for sewing. Stuff the arm.

Flatten the top and sew the arms closed. Sew them to the sides of the body 1 round below the neck.

HAND (*make 2, in beige yarn*)

We first make the fingers and then continue making the hand. Follow the complete pattern to make a first hand and then create a second hand.

Little finger (*make 1, in beige yarn*)**Rnd 1:** start 5 sc in a magic ring [5]**Rnd 2 – 5:** sc in all 5 st [5]

Fasten off, weave in the yarn end.

Middle finger and ring finger (*make 2, in beige yarn*)**Rnd 1:** start 5 sc in a magic ring [5]**Rnd 2 – 7:** sc in all 5 st [5]

Fasten off, weave in the yarn end.

Index finger (*make 1, in beige yarn*)

Follow the pattern for the middle finger above, but do not fasten off.



Palm of hand (*in beige yarn*)

Rnd 1: To join the fingers, sc in all 5 st on index finger, sc in next 2 st of the middle finger, sc in next 3 st of the ring finger, sc in all 5 st of the little finger, sc in remaining 2 st of the ring finger, sc in remaining 3 st of the middle finger [20]

Rnd 2: (sc in next 8 st, dec) repeat 2 times [18]

Rnd 3 – 4: sc in all 18 st [18]

Rnd 5: (sc in next 4 st, dec) 3 times [15]

Rnd 6: sc in next 3 st, ch 5, sc in next 12 st [20]

Rnd 7: sc in next 3 st, sc in BLO of next 5 ch, dec, sc in next 8 st, dec [18]

Rnd 8: (sc in next 4 st, dec) 3 times [15]

Rnd 9: (sc in next 3 st, dec) 3 times [12]

Stuff the hand only. Leave the fingers unstuffed.

Rnd 10: dec 6 times [6]

Fasten off, leaving a tail for sewing.

Using your yarn needle, weave the yarn tail through the front loop of each remaining stitch and pull it tight to close the hole. Fasten off, weave in the yarn end.





Thumb

Hold the hand so the fingers point upwards and leaving a long yarn tail at the beginning, pull up a loop of beige yarn in the first leftover loop of the 5 ch that make up the thumb hole.

Rnd 1: ch 1 (does not count as a st), sc in same loop as rejoined yarn, sc in next 4 st [5]

We continue on these 5 stitches only.

Rnd 2 – 6: sc in all 5 st [5]

Fasten off, leaving a tail for sewing. Do not stuff the thumb. Using your yarn needle, weave the yarn tail through the front loop of each remaining stitch of the thumb and pull it tight to close the hole. Fasten off, weave in the yarn end. Use the beginning yarn tail to sew the gap at the base of the thumb closed. Sew round 10 of the hand to the end of the arm, in line with the arm, with the thumbs facing forward.

LEG (make 2, in furry orange yarn)

Rnd 1: start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]

Rnd 2: inc 6 times [12]

Rnd 3: (sc in next 3 st, inc in next st) repeat 3 times [15]

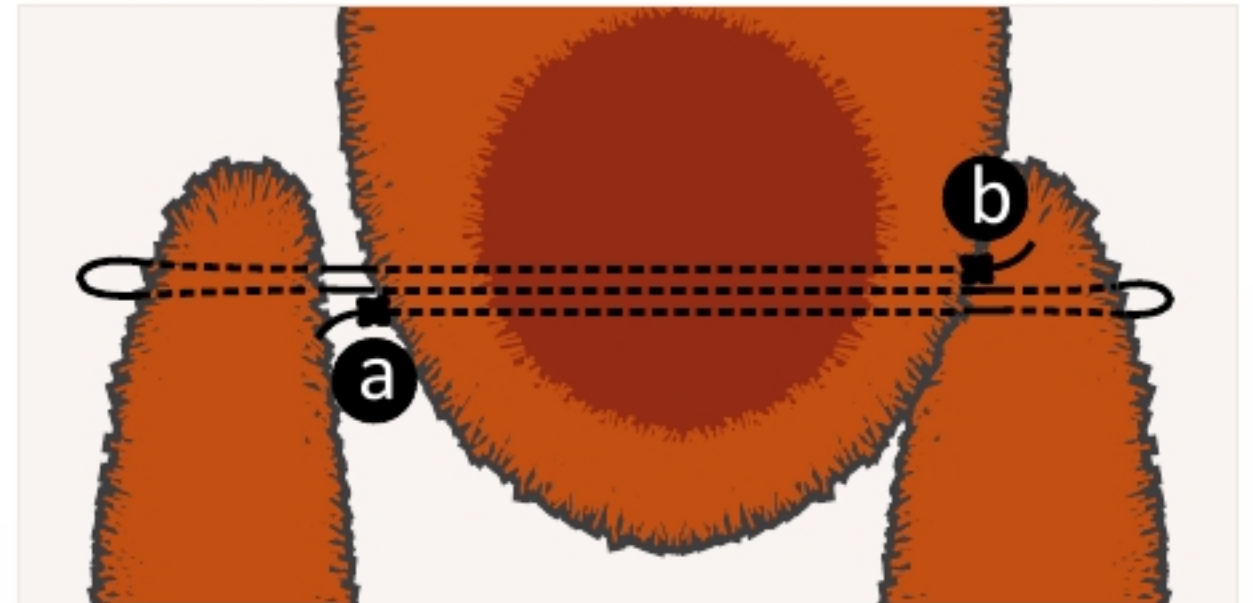
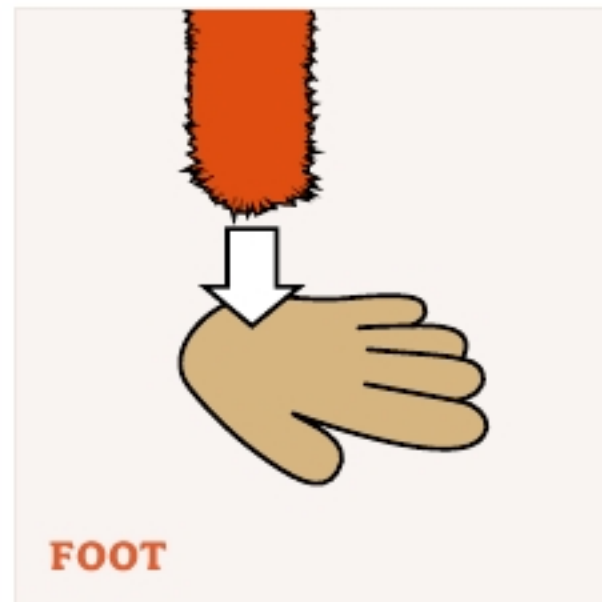
Rnd 4 – 33: sc in all 15 st [15]

Stuff the leg.

Rnd 34: (sc in next 3 st, dec) repeat 3 times. [12]

Rnd 35: dec 6 times [6]

Fasten off, leaving a tail for sewing. Using your yarn needle, weave the yarn tail through the front loop of each remaining stitch and pull it tight to close the hole. Thread a doubled up strand of furry orange yarn through a long needle. Sew the legs to the side of the body, with a starting knot at position (a) and finishing knot at position (b). Pull tightly each time you pass the



needle through to form shaping and make firm joints. Fasten off securely. The legs will now articulate from standing to sitting as required.

FOOT (*make 2, in beige yarn*)

Follow the pattern and instructions for the hand up to round 1 of the thumb then continue as follows:

Rnd 2 – 3: sc in all 5 st [5]

Fasten off, leaving a tail for sewing. Do not stuff the toe. Using your yarn needle, weave the yarn tail through the front loop of each remaining stitch of the toe and pull it tight to close the hole. Fasten off, weave in the yarn end. Use the beginning yarn tail to sew the gap at the base of the toe closed.

Sew the top of the feet to round 3 of the legs with the shortest toe facing inwards.

TUMMY PATCH (*start in reddish brown yarn*)

Rnd 1: start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]

Rnd 2: inc 6 times [12]

Rnd 3: (sc, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [18]

Rnd 4: (sc in next 2 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [24]

Rnd 5: (sc in next 3 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [30]

Rnd 6: (sc in next 4 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [36]

Rnd 7: (sc in next 5 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [42]

Rnd 8: (sc in next 6 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [48]

Rnd 9: (sc in next 7 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [54]

Change to furry orange yarn, turn your work and crochet the next round in the opposite direction.

Rnd 10: sc in all 54 st [54]

Fasten off, leaving a tail for sewing. Sew the furry edge of the tummy patch to the lower half of the body.

