

Darth Vader Star Wars Mini Amigurumi



Materials:

25g black yarn, double knitting weight.

Small amount silver grey yarn, double knitting weight.

Small amounts of red and green yarn.

Piece of black felt, 4" x 2.5" (10cm x 6cm).

Stuffing.

1 pair 9 mm black safety eyes.

Tapestry needle.

3.5mm hook (US E hook).

Finished size: approximately 4" tall.

Abbreviations:

ch = chain

st = stitch or stitches

ss = slip stitch

sc = single crochet (US), double crochet (UK)

dc = double crochet (US), treble crochet (UK)

bob = bobble (see special stitch instructions)

BLO = back loop only

FLO = front loop only

tog = together

sc2tog = decrease by working two sc together

FO = fasten off

Special stitch instructions:

3 dc bob: bobble stitch for feet. Work first part of dc 3 times into 1 sc, leaving 4 loops on hook, pull through all 4.

Vader is made in rounds from the top of the head down, apart from the back of his helmet which is worked in rows. His arms and face mask are made separately and his cloak is made of felt. Do not join rounds unless told to, use a stitch marker to mark the start of a round - a small piece of different coloured yarn placed under the stitch at the start of the round will do. To start a round, you can use the magic ring method, but I prefer (ch2, work 6 sc into 1st ch). If you work the 6 sc over the tail of yarn as well you can use that to pull the hole tight.

Work through both loops of stitches unless otherwise indicated.



Head and Body:

Use black yarn:

Round 1: Ch2, work 6 sc into 1st ch - 6 sc.

Round 2: 2 sc in each sc around - 12 sc.

Round 3: [2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc] 6 times - 18 sc.

Round 4: [2 sc in next sc, sc in next 2 sc] 6 times - 24 sc.

Round 5 - 6: (2 rounds) Sc in each sc around - 24 sc.

Round 7a: (*Leave the marker at the start of this round*) **FLO** [2sc in next sc, sc in next 3 sc] 6 times - 30 sc.

To make back of helmet:

Ch 1, turn.

Row 1: Sc in next 20 sc, ch 1, turn - 20sc.

Row 2: Sc in next 20 sc, ch 1, turn - 20sc.

Row 3: [Sc in next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 3 times, sc in next 5 sc, ch 1, turn - 23 sc.

Row 4: Sc in next 23 sc, ch 1, turn - 23sc.

Row 5: Sc in next 23 sc, ch 1, turn - 23sc.

Row 6: Miss 1st sc, sc in next 21 sc, ss in next sc. FO, leaving a length of yarn.

Join yarn into the back loops at the start of round 7 where marked.
(Bend helmet back to make it easier to work on the head).

Round 7b: BLO. Sc in each sc around - 24 sc.

Round 8 - 13: (6 rounds) Sc in each sc around - 24 sc.

Fit eyes between rounds 8 and 9, 5 sc apart.

Round 14: [Sc2tog] 12 times - 12 sc.

Round 15: [2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc] 6 times - 18 sc.

Round 16 - 20: (5 rounds) Sc in each sc around - 18 sc.

Change to silver grey yarn.

Round 21 - 22: (2 rounds) Sc in each sc around - 18 sc.

Change back to black yarn.

Round 23: [2 sc in next sc, sc in next 5 sc] 3 times - 21 sc.

Round 24: Sc in each sc around - 21 sc.

Round 25: [2 sc in next sc, sc in next 6 sc] 3 times - 24 sc.

Round 26: Sc in each sc around - 24 sc.

Round 27: [2 sc in next sc, sc in next 7 sc] 3 times - 27 sc.

Round 28: Sc in each sc around - 27 sc.

Round 29: [2 sc in next sc, sc in next 8 sc] 3 times - 30 sc.

Round 30: Sc in each sc around - 30 sc.

Round 31: To make feet: Find the stitch in the previous round that is in the front middle of Vader. Then count back 7 stitches before that (not including the middle stitch) and mark this stitch. Sc in each sc around until you get to the marked stitch. Make feet: 3dc bob in next 4 sc, sc in next 7 sc, 3dc bob in next 4 sc. Sc in each sc around to the end of the round – 30 st.

Make sure the bobbles that make up the feet are pushed outwards.

Stuff head and top half of body firmly, stuff slightly less firmly below the waist.

Round 32: [Work 2 stitches together, sc in next st] 10 times – 20 sc.

Round 33: [Sc2tog, sc in next 2 sc] 5 times – 15 sc.

Round 34: [Sc2tog, sc in next sc] 5 times – 10 sc.

Round 35: [Sc2tog] 5 times – 5 sc. FO, leaving a piece of yarn at least 24" long.

Use silver grey yarn to embroider two lines on Vader's chest.

Use red and green yarn to embroider buttons on Vader's belt and chest as shown in the photos.

Sew the hole at the base up neatly, and then pull the yarn out at the middle front of Vader, between the 3rd and 4th rounds below his belt. Pull the yarn up tightly to make sure the base lies flat. To define the legs pass the yarn through the body to the same position at the middle back and pull tightly. Pull the yarn back through to the front, one round lower, and again pull tightly. Continue to do this, working down the legs round by round, until you reach the base of the figure. Take the yarn through the base (not tightly) a couple of times to secure and then cut it.

**Face mask:**

Use black yarn.

Round 1: Ch2, work [2 sc, 1 dc] 3 times into 1st ch, join to first sc with ss - 9 st.

Round 2: BLO, sc in each st around - 9 sc.
Ss into next sc, FO leaving a length of yarn.

Use the length of yarn attached to the helmet to sew the edge of the helmet to the head. Make a couple of stitches on each side about halfway up, then do a couple of stitches over the middle of the brow to define it.

Sew the face mask on.

Arms (make 2):

Use black yarn.

Round 1: Ch2, work 6 sc into 1st ch - 6 sc.

Round 2: Sc in each sc around - 6 sc.

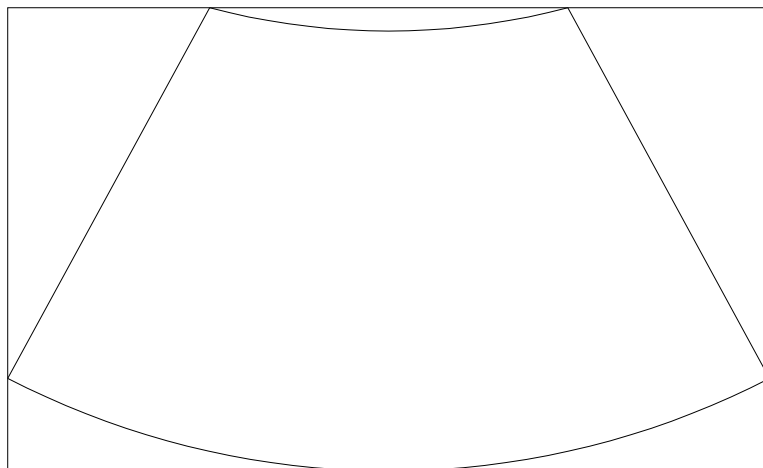
Round 3: [2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc] 3 times - 9 sc.

Round 4 - 11: (8 rounds) Sc in each sc around - 9 sc.

Round 12: [Sc2tog, sc in next sc] 3 times - 6 sc. FO leaving a length of yarn.

Stuff lightly and sew the hole at the top of each arm shut. Sew the arms to the body, leaving the yarn from one of them to sew the cloak on.

To make the cloak, take a piece of black felt, 4" x 2.5" (10cm x 6cm). Print out the pattern below, cut out the cloak shape and pin to the felt. Cut the felt, using the paper as your guide. Sew the cloak to Vader using a couple of stitches just above the arms on each side.



When printed out the rectangle around the cloak should be 10cm x 6 cm (approx. 4" x 2.5")

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