

Cute Horse

crochet pattern by Teri Crews Designs



Materials:

~Worsted Weight Yarn

3-4 oz Aqua (or body color), 2 oz white, small piece of black, size G (4mm) crochet hook, 1 pair 15mm brown safety eyes (if you can't find them at your local craft store, 6060.etsy.com has a large selection).

Optional Materials:

powder blush for a little color, small piece (less than 1") of white felt for under eyes, piece of cardboard about 4 inches wide (for tail and mane)

Finished measurements: approx 13" from top of head to bottom of foot

Abbreviations and Stitches Used:

ch=chain

hdc=half double crochet

sl st = slip stitch

beg=beginning

tc=treble crochet

rnd= round

st(s)=stitch or stitches

() or [] = repeat enclosed, number of times indicated after

fo=fasten off

sc=single crochet

2sctog = sc 2 stitches together



Notes and Tips:

Helpful to read these before starting and maybe even again when it's time to put your softie together

~Do not join pieces that are crocheted in the round unless otherwise indicated

~A stitch marker will come in handy when repeating rounds or another helpful way to keep track of your rounds is to, start all pieces with a long tail, pull the tail through the beginning stitch of each round.

~Use a tiny piece of felt under eyes to help them stand out. Cut two small circles (tracing around a button, just slightly bigger than your eyes will help make a nice circle). Cut a small slit in the center of the circle, insert eye stem and attach to head.

~Remember not to close head until you have secured safety eye fasteners.

~Separate yarn into two plies for sewing on nostrils and mouth.

~Needle sculpting will help eyes stand out. Thread tapestry needle with two plies yarn. Insert needle under the head where stitches won't be seen. Secure yarn and bring needle up in a stitch as close to the inside corner of the right eye as you can, move needle across eye to outside edge at a slight angle, insert needle and go back down under head, tug gently to slightly indent your eye and hold stitch in place, re-insert the needle and repeat for the other eye.

~Attaching legs and arms: The top of the leg should be sewn on so that it is about in the center of the body, legs and bottom of body should be level. Thread tapestry needle and secure on side where stitch won't be shown once leg is attached. Begin attaching legs by sewing through a couple stitches on the inside of the leg (about 1 inch down in center of leg), insert needle back into body going through to other side, repeat sewing through a few stitches on the inside of the opposite leg. Repeat sewing through legs at least 3-4 times. Repeat back and forth technique for arms. Note, sewing head on before attaching arms will help you decide where your arms look best.

~After pieces are sewn together, add a little powder blush to cheeks and inside ears.

~Tail: Wrap yarn around a piece of 4 inch cardboard about 12 times. Cut another piece of 4 inch yarn, insert under wrapped pieces, tie a tight knot. Remove pieces from cardboard and cut end of yarn. Thread tapestry needle with one end of one of the tie pieces insert under a couple single crochet stitches on your horses back/bottom. Tie a tight knot with the other end. Use main body color to tie a bow around top of tail and another about 2 inches down.

~Mane/Hair: Repeat yarn wrap like you did for tail, only use 8-10 pieces instead of 12. Thread tapestry needle with one end of one of the tie pieces insert under a couple single crochet stitches on the top of your horses head. Tie to other end piece tightly. Split some of the yarn into individual plies, spread hairs out and cut to desired length. Add as much or as little hair as you would like for your horse's hair do.

Body

starting at bottom of body

- 1: ch 2, 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook
- 2: sc 2 in each sc (12)
- 3: (sc in next sc, sc 2 in next sc) around (18)
- 4: (sc in each of the next 2 sc, sc 2 in next sc) around (24)
- 5: (sc in each of the next 3 sc, sc 2 in next sc) around (30)
- 6: sc in each sc (30)
- 7: (sc in each of the next 4 sc, sc 2 in next sc)around (36)
- 8-17: sc in each sc (36)
- 18: (sc in each of the next 4 sc, sc2tog)around (30)
- 19-21: sc in each sc (30)
- 22: (sc in each of the next 3 sc, sc2tog)around (24)
- 23-27: sc in each sc (24)
- 28: (sc in each of the next 2 sc, sc2tog)around (18)
- 29-30: sc in each sc , join last round with sl st. ***FO, leave a long tail for sewing. Stuff, thread tapestry needle with ending yarn, weave through remaining stitches, pull tight to close.***

Head

starting front of face, with white yarn

- 1-3: repeat rounds 1-3 of body (18)
- 4: sc in each sc
- 5: (sc in each of the next 2 sc, sc 2 in next sc) around (24)
- 6: sc in each sc (24)
- 7: *working in back loops for this round only*, sc in each sc (24)

change to aqua (or main body color)

- 8: sc in each of the next 10 sc, sc 2 in each of the next 4 sc, sc in each of the next 10 sc (28)
- 9-10: sc in each sc (28)
- 11: sc in each of the next 13 sc, sc 2 in each of the next 2 sc, sc in each of the next 13 sc (30)
- 12-13: sc in each sc (30)
- 14: (sc in each of the next 4 sc, sc 2 in next sc) around (36)
- 15-16: sc in each sc (36)
- 17: (sc in each of the next 5 sc, sc 2 in next sc) around (42)
- 18: sc in each sc (42)
- 19: (sc in each of the next 5 sc, sc2tog) around (36)
- 20: (sc in each of the next 4 sc, sc2tog) around (30)
- 21: (sc in each of the next 3 sc, sc2tog) around (24)
- 22-23: sc in each sc (24)
- 24: (sc in each of the next 2 sc, sc2tog) around (18)
- 25: sc in each sc, ***FO, leave a long tail for sewing. Remember not to close head until you have secured safety eyes. To close, stuff, thread tapestry needle with ending yarn, weave through remaining stitches, pull tight to close.***

Nostrils

with aqua

1-2: repeat rounds 1-2 of head, join last round with sl st. FO. Weave in ends.

Ears (make 2)

with aqua

1: ch 2, 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook

2: sc in each sc (6)

3: 2 sc in each sc (12)

4-5: sc in each sc (12)

6: (sc in next sc, sc 2 in next sc) around (18)

7-8: sc in each sc (18)

9: (sc in each of the next 2 sc, sc 2 in next sc) around (24), join with sl st. **FO, leave a long tail for sewing. Flatten ear, do not stuff. Thread tapestry needle with ending tail, whip stitch bottom of ear closed, tugging slightly to help indent ear. Secure yarn and sew to head.**

Legs (make 4)

starting at bottom of foot, with white

1-4: repeat rounds 1-4 of body (24)

change to aqua or main body color

5: sc in each sc (24)

6: (sc in each of the next 2 sc, sc2tog) around (18)

7: (sc in next sc, sc2tog) around (12)

8-15: sc in each sc (12)

16: sc 2 in next sc, sc in each remaining sc (13)

17: sc 2 in next sc, sc in each remaining sc (14)

18-22: sc in each sc, join last round with sl st. **FO, leave a long tail for sewing. Stuff, thread tapestry needle with ending yarn, weave through remaining stitches. Pull tight to close.**

Scarf

with aqua,

working back and forth in rows

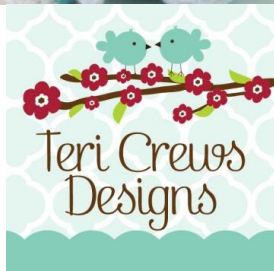
1: ch 63, dc in 3rd ch from hook and each to last st, dc, ch 3, sl st in last ch

change to white

2: **working on opposite site**, sc in each of the next 3 chs, sc, dc, sc in next ch, (sc in each of the next 3 sts, sc, dc, sc in next) repeat all the way around scarf, join to beginning sc with sl st. **FO, weave in ends. Tie loosely around horse's neck.**

Thank you for choosing this pattern. I hope you enjoy making your horse.

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