

Darling White Tiger

Crochet Pattern by Teri Crews Designs



Materials:

- ~Medium Worsted Weight Yarn. Sample made with: Vanna's Choice Charcoal Grey 2 oz. White 3 and 1/2 -4 oz. Vanna's Choice Baby Sweet Pea 2 oz.
- ~Size G (4 mm) hook
- ~Fiberfill
- ~Tapestry needle
- ~One pair of size 12 mm safety eyes. If you are unable to find safety eyes at your local craft store, Annie's Attic. Com or 6060.etsy.com has a large selection to choose from along with several other Etsy sellers.

Optional:

- ~Small piece of white felt for under eyes (about 1-2 inches)
- ~Dry powder blush for coloring on cheeks and inside ears

Finished measurements: Approx. 14 inches tall from top of head to bottom of feet, not counting ears.

Abbreviations and Stitches Used:

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| ch(s)=chain(s) | fo=fasten off | hdc=half double crochet |
| sc=single crochet | sl st=slip stitch | st(s) = stitch (es) |
| sc2tog=sc 2 together | dc=double crochet | |
- () = repeat between () number of times indicated or all in one stitch as noted
[] = repeat between brackets number of times indicated



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 the bottom of the head until you have secured safety eye fasteners.**
- ~Some pieces, like ears and feet are small, so it's a good idea to weave in your beginning yarn tail after a few rounds.
- ~It is helpful to separate yarn into two plies for sewing small parts and needle sculpting. To stitch mouth; thread needle and insert under head (where stitches won't be seen). Bring needle up through bottom of head right under center of nose, move yarn down about 3-5 stitches, insert needle and bring back down through to bottom of head. Re-insert needle and bring back up at the bottom for the mouth (be careful not to catch that last stitch). Move yarn over at a slight angle to the right and insert needle about 3-5 stitches down from center.

Insert needle and bring yarn back down through bottom of head, pull slightly to help shape muzzle and hold yarn in place. Repeat for the left side of mouth.

~Working on face: Crochet head, nose and eyelids first. Stuff head (but do not close). Sew nose so that the bottom center is just over center starting hole. Be sure to shape nose as you sew, using tiny whip stitches. Eyes: Cut two tiny circles from felt, just slightly bigger than eyes, (tracing around a small button will give you a nice circle template). Cut a small slit in center of felt, insert eye stem in slit. Next decide where you want your tiger's eyes (sample tiger's 4 rounds up from nose with 6 single crochet stitches between them). Once you have decided where your eyes look best, remove stuffing and attach safety backing. After eyes are secure, re-stuff head, thread tapestry needle with long ending yarn and weave through remaining stitches, pull tight to gather and close. Refer to picture to sew on additional face stripes. Do not split yarn for face stripes, sample tiger's stripes are back stitches two times over each stripe.

~Needle sculpting will help eyes stand out. After sewing on eyelids (use tiny whip stitches along top and sides. Leave bottom of lid un-sewn. Eyelid should be placed at a slight angle, just over the top of the eye), thread tapestry needle with two plies of charcoal grey 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 (just under eyelid), move needle across eye to outside edge at a slight angle (again just under eyelid), 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. Secure yarn under head when you are finished. If you are still not sure how needle sculpting works, be sure to visit my blog for tutorials and additional photos.

~Sew head to top center of body using tiny whip stitches, going around head and through body. You may need to go around several times to make sure the head is securely attached.

~Attaching Legs and Arms: To attach legs; position near bottom center of body, making sure bottom of leg is even with bottom of body and that bear would be able to sit on legs and bottom. Thread tapestry needle, holding leg in place, insert needle about 1 inch down from the top center of the leg. Push needle all the way through to the other side, leaving a long tail on beginning side. Remove leg, insert needle back into body, bringing needle out the same stitch you started with. Tie a secure tight knot (will be hidden under leg). Pick up first leg, insert needle under 3 or 4 stitches on inside of leg (about 1 inch down from top in center). Insert needle back into body (near beginning stitch) coming out through other side (near first stitch), pick up other leg, insert needle under 3 or 4 stitches on inside of leg again, insert needle back into body coming out under other leg, tug slightly to secure, repeat sewing under leg stitches and go back and forth through body 3 or 4 more times, end on same side as you started, tying another small tight knot, hiding under leg. Attach arms the same way, *note: I think it's helpful to sew on head first so that you can see where "shoulders" should be.*



Head

Starting at front of face with white

- 1: ch 2, 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook
- 2: 2 sc 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 2 in next) around (24)
- 5-6: sc in each sc (24)
- 7: 2 hdc in each of the next 3, sc in remaining (27)
- 8: sc in next sc, 2 hdc in each of the next 3, sc in each remaining (30)
- 9: sc in each sc (30)
- 10: (sc in each of the next 4, sc 2 in next) around (36)
- 11: (sc in each of the next 5, sc 2 in next) around (42)
- 12: (sc in each of the next 6, sc 2 in next) around (48)
- 13: hdc in each of the next 3, sc in next 18, hdc in each of the next 3, sc in each remaining (48)

Change to charcoal grey

- 14: sc in each sc (48)

Change to white

- 15: (sc in each of the next 6, sc2tog) around (42)
- 16: sc in each sc (42)
- 17: (sc in each of the next 5, sc2tog) around (36)

Change to charcoal grey

- 18: sc in each sc (36)

Change to white

- 19: (sc in each of the next 4, sc2tog) around (30)

- 20: sc in each sc (30)
 21: (sc in each of the next 3, sc2tog) around (24)

Change to charcoal grey

- 22: sc in each sc (24)

Change to white

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

24-25: sc in each sc, join last sc of last round with sl st, **FO, leave a long tail for sewing.** *Refer to notes and tips for finishing.*

Nose:

With charcoal grey

- 1: ch 2, 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook (6)

- 2: 2 sc in each sc (12)

- 3: sc2tog, ch 1, sl st in next sc and each sc around, join last sc with sl st, **FO, weave in ends**

Pull into a slight oval before sewing. Use tiny whip stitches to sew in place, shaping as you sew. Refer to notes and tips for placement

Eyelids (make 2)

Starting with white, working in rows and starting with a long yarn tail

- 1: ch 7, sc in 2nd ch from hook and each ch, turn (6)

Change to charcoal grey

- 2: ch 1, sl st in each sc, **FO, leave a long tail for sewing**

Use yarn tails to sew on eyelids, refer to notes and tips for placement

Ears (make 2)

With white

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

- 5: [sc2tog] 3 times, sl st in next sc, leave remaining sts un-worked, **FO, leave a long tail for sewing.**

Weave in beginning yarn, use ending yarn to sew ears to head, bend in slightly when sewing place. Sample tiger's ears are sewn behind 1st grey stripe.



Body

Starting at bottom of body with white

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

- 5: (sc in each of the next 3, sc 2 in next) around (30)

- 6: (sc in each of the next 4, sc 2 in next) around (36)

Change to charcoal grey

- 7: (sc in each of the next 5, sc 2 in next) around (42)

Change to white

- 8: sc in each sc (42)

- 9: (sc in each of the next 5, sc2tog) around (36)

- 10: sc in each sc (36)

Change to charcoal grey

- 11: sc in each sc (36)

Change to white

12-13: sc in each sc (36)

14: (sc in each of the next 4, sc2tog) around (30)

Change to charcoal grey

15: sc in each sc (30)

Change to white

16-18: sc in each sc (30)

Change to charcoal grey

19: sc in each sc (30)

Change to white

20-21: sc in each sc (30)

22: (sc in each of the next 3, sc2tog) around (24)

Change to charcoal grey

23: sc in each sc (24)

Change to white

24-28: sc in each sc (24), join last sc of last round with sl st, **FO, leave a long tail for sewing**

Stuff, thread tapestry needle with ending yarn, weave through remaining stitches, gather and pull tight to close



Legs (make 2)

Starting at bottom with white

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

5: (sc in each of the next 3, sc 2 in next) around (30)

6: sc in each sc (30)

7: (sc in each of the next 3 sc, sc2tog) around (24)

8-9: sc in each sc (24)

10: [sc2tog] 6 times, sc in each remaining sc (18)

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

12-13: sc in each sc (12)

Change to charcoal grey

14: sc in each sc around (12)

Change to white

15-17: sc in each sc around (12)

Change to charcoal grey

18: sc in each sc around (12)

Change to white

19-21: sc in each sc around (12)

Change to charcoal grey

22: sc in each sc around (12)

Change to white

23-25: sc in each sc around (12)

Change to charcoal grey

26: sc in each sc around (12)

Change to white

27: sc 2 in each of the next 2, sc in each remaining sc (14)

28-29: sc in each sc, join last sc of last round with sl st, **FO, leave a long tail for sewing**

Stuff, foot more firmly middle and top of leg. Bend and shape as you stuff. Thread tapestry needle with ending yarn, weave through remaining stitches, and pull tight to close. See notes and tips for help with placement.

Arms (make 2)

Starting at bottom with white

1-4: repeat 1-4 of head (24)

5-6: sc in each sc (24)

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

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

9: sc in each sc (12)

10: [sc2tog] 2 times, sc in each remaining sc (10)

11: sc in each sc (10)

Change to charcoal grey

12: sc in each sc (10)

Change to white

13-15: sc in each sc (10)

Change to charcoal grey

16: sc in each sc (10)

Change to white

17-18: sc in each sc (10)

19: sc 2 in each next 2, sc in each remaining (12)

Change to charcoal grey

20: sc in each sc (12)

Change to white

21-23: sc in each sc (12)

Change to charcoal grey

24: sc in each sc (12)

Change to white

25: sc 2 in each of next 2, sc in each remaining (14)

26-27: sc in each sc, join last sc of last round with sl st, **FO, leave a long tail for sewing**

Stuff arm, being sure to shape and bend as you stuff. Thread tapestry needle with ending yarn, weave through remaining stitches, pull tight to close.

Tail

Starting with white

1: ch 2, 5 sc in 2nd ch from hook (5)

2: 2 sc in each sc (10)

3-5: sc in each sc (10)

Change to charcoal grey

6: sc in each sc (10)

Change to white

7-9: sc in each sc (10)

Change to charcoal grey

10: sc in each sc (10)

Change to white

11-13: sc in each sc (10)

Change to charcoal grey

14: sc in each sc (10)

Change to white

15-17: sc in each sc (10)

Change to charcoal grey

18: sc in each sc (10)

Change to white

19-20: sc in each sc (10), join last sc of last round with sl st. **FO, weave in ends**

Do not close tail, stuff lightly and sew to back bottom of body using tiny whip stitches.

Collar

With sweet pea working in rows

1: ch 60, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next ch, *ch 5, skip next ch, sc in each of next 2 chs*, repeat between *'s to end, do not turn

2: *working on opposite side of ch*, sc in next ch, *ch 5, skip next ch, sc in each of next 2 chs*, repeat between *'s to end. **FO, weave in ends.**

Tie loosely around tiger's neck

Thank you for choosing this pattern. Happy Crocheting 



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