



Heptopod Amigurumi

Materials:

Worsted weight yarn, size H-8 hook, poly-fil stuffing, plastic safety eyes, scrap of contrasting yarn for row marker.

Directions are for small (medium, large).

Increase by sc twice into one sc.

Head:

Rnd 1: Ch 2, sc 6 into 1st chain- do not join with a slip stitch but instead, place marker; the rounds will be worked as a spiral.

Rnd 2: Inc into each sc [12 sts]

Rnd 3: (Inc, sc) repeat around [18 sc]

Rnd 4: (Inc, 2 sc) repeat around [24]

Rnd 5: (Inc, 3 sc) repeat around [30]

Continue increasing in this manner until there are 60(88,106) sts.

Sc around until piece measures 8"(10", 12") from last increase row.

Work 1 rnd sc through the back loops- this creates an artificial seam to make it sit flatter. The following decrease section closes off the bottom.

(sc 14(11,8)dec) repeat around

(sc 13(10,7)dec) repeat around

(sc 12(9,6)dec) repeat around

Continue decreasing until 36 sts remain (all sizes). Stuff firmly with poly-fil. Attach eyes 5(8,13) rounds up from seam and about 5(8,10) sts apart. Continue decreasing until 6 sts remain, sew shut.

Legs:

Rnd 1: As with head, ch 2, sc 6 into 1st chain- do not join with a slip stitch but instead, place marker; the rounds will be worked as a spiral.

Rnd 2: Inc into each sc [12 sts]

Rnd 3 : For *small*, inc 2 in row, sc around until leg measures 3"

Rnd 3: For *medium* and *large*, (inc, sc) repeat around [18 sc]

Rnd 4: For *medium*, inc 2 in row, sc around until leg measures 5"

Rnd 4: For *large*, (inc, 2sc) repeat around [24]

Rnd 5: (Inc, 3 sc) repeat around [30], sc around until leg measures 6.5"

Leave 10" tail on each of legs to use for seaming. Make 6 legs, stuff firmly, sew to seam.