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# Happy Holidays Crochet Amigurumi



Six designs by Carolyn Christmas Savage

## General Instructions

All items are made with size G hook and worsted-weight yarn, and are stuffed with polyester fiberfill. This is a perfect use of scrap yarn as most of these can be made with 2 oz or less of the main color. Finding a great pale peach color for heads and hands can sometimes be a challenge. Here are some recommendations:

Patons Astra #2731 Apricot (items in this pattern book are made with this)

Plymouth Encore #597 Pale Peach

Over the last couple of decades, there have been many peach, apricot and other Caucasian skin-tone yarns available from several yarn companies, but unfortunately most of these have been discontinued as peach and apricot became less popular for use as fashion and home decorating colors. This could change any time, so if you like to make crocheted and knitted dolls in general it is always a good idea to keep an eye on the new colors offered in your favorite yarns every season, keeping a keen eye out for pale peach colors and stocking up when you have the chance. You might want to check your yarn stash—as well as eBay—for discontinued peach colors. Pale pink and tan, which are more widely available, work fairly well although I prefer peach/apricot tones. My current favorite skin tone is Patons Astra #2731

Apricot—and although this DK-weight yarn is slightly lighter in weight than the Red Heart Super Saver and Classic I used for the remainder of the dolls, it works perfectly well. Neither Patons Astra or Plymouth Encore are available to me locally, and the same might be true for you—if so I recommend doing an internet search for the brand names and you should be able to find places to purchase online.

Gauge is roughly 4 sc and 4 rows per inch. Exact gauge is not important;

however, work should be close enough that when stuffed, stuffing does not show through stitches.

Most body parts are made by working in rounds without joining. To make this easier, use a scrap of yarn between the last st of one row and first stitch of the next. Flip the end of scrap yarn to the front on one row, then to the back on the next row and so on, weaving through work as you stitch. When counting rows, count just to the right of the scrap yarn.

Leave yarn tails for sewing parts together when fastening off.

To change colors, in last sc before color change, do not complete sc. Do not pull yarn through 2 loops on hook. Pull new color through last 2 lps on hook; make next sc with new color.

Buttons and small parts can be a hazard to small children. To be safe, all items intended for use as toys should have embroidered eyes, not button eyes. To embroider eyes, make French knots using 1 strand worsted-weight or sport-weight yarn. Sew all parts together securely.

If items are intended as decoration and are not to be used by small children, eyes may be glued in place if desired using any clear-drying craft glue.

## Crochet abbreviations

|       |                |
|-------|----------------|
| ch(s) | chain(s)       |
| ch sp | chain space    |
| dc    | double crochet |
| rnd   | round          |
| sc    | single crochet |
| sk    | skip           |
| sl    | slip           |
| sl st | slip stitch    |
| sp(s) | space(s)       |
| st(s) | stitch(es)     |
| yo    | yarn over      |

## Santa Claus

### Size

6½" plus hat

### Materials

Red, white, peach, gold and black worsted-weight yarn

G hook

Polyester stuffing

⅛" black half-ball shank buttons for eyes

### Instructions

#### Head

**Rnd 1:** With peach, ch 4, join with sl st in first ch to form ring, ch 1, 7 sc in ring, do not join; work in rnds. (7)

**Rnd 2:** 2 sc in each st around. (14)

**Rnd 3:** (2 sc in next st, sc in next st) around. (21)

**Rnds 4-7:** Sc in each st around.

**Rnd 8:** (Sc in next st, sc next 2 sts together) around. Stuff. (14)

**Rnd 19:** (Sc next 2 sts together) around, sl st in next st. Fasten off. (7)

Gather opening to close. Secure with small stitches.

#### Body

**Rnd 1:** With red, ch 4, join with sl st in first ch to form ring, ch 1, 7 sc in ring, do not join; work in rnds. (7)

**Rnd 2:** 2 sc in each st around. (14)

**Rnd 3:** (2 sc in next st, sc in next st) around. (21)

**Rnds 4-9:** Sc in each st around.

**Rnd 10:** (Sc next 2 sts together, sc in next st) around. (14)

**Rnd 11:** Sc in next st, (sc next 2 sts together, sc in next st) 4 times, sc in next st. (10)

Sl st in next st. Fasten off. Stuff. Sew opening to underside of head.



#### Boots and legs (make 2)

**Rnd 1:** With black, ch 4, join with sl st in first ch to form ring, ch 1, 8 sc in ring, do not join; work in rnds. (8)

**Rnd 2:** (2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts) 2 times. (10)

**Rnd 3:** Sc in each st around.

**Rnd 4:** Sc in next 4 sts, (sc next 2 sts together) 3 times. (7)

**Rnd 5:** Sc in next 4 sts, sc next 2 sts together (front of boot; mark if desired), sc in next st changing to red in last st. (6)

**Rnds 6-9:** With red, sc in each st around.

Sl st in next st. Fasten off. Stuff. Sew legs to bottom of body with front of boots pointing forward.

#### Boot cuffs

With white, ch 8 or stitches required to fit around boot top. Fasten off. Sew around top of boot, sewing ends together.

## Arms (make 2)

**Rnd 1:** With peach, ch 4, join with sl st in first ch to form ring, ch 1, 6 sc in ring, do not join; work in rnds. (6)

**Rnds 2-3:** Sc in each st around, changing to red in last st.

**Rnds 4-7:** With red, sc in each st around.

Sl st in next st. Fasten off. Stuff. Sew arms to "shoulder" area of body as shown in photo.

## Sleeve cuffs

With white, ch 7 or stitches required to fit around wrist. Fasten off. Sew around wrist, sewing ends together.

## Hat

### Cone

**Rnd 1:** With red, ch 22, join with sl st in first st to form ring, ch 1, sc in each ch around, do not join; work in rnds. (22)

**Rnd 2:** (Sc next 2 sts together, sc in next 9 sts) 2 times. (20)

**Rnd 3:** (Sc in next 5 sts, sc next 2 sts together, sc in next 3 sts) 2 times. (18)

**Rnd 4:** (Sc in next 7 sts, sc next 2 sts together) 2 times. (16)

**Rnd 5:** (Sc in next 2 sts, sc next 2 sts together, sc in next 4 sts) 2 times. (14)

**Rnd 6:** (Sc next 2 sts together, sc in next 5 sts) 2 times. (12)

**Rnd 7:** (Sc in next 2 sts, sc next 2 sts together, sc in next 2 sts) 2 times. (10)

**Rnd 8:** (Sc in next 3 sts, sc next 2 sts together) 2 times. (8)

**Rnd 9:** (Sc next 2 sts together, sc in next 2 sts) 2 times. (6)

**Rnd 10:** (Sc next 2 sts together) 3 times. Fasten off.

Gather opening to close; secure with small stitches.

## Edging

**Rnd 1:** On outside, working on opposite side of starting ch, join white

with sc in first st, sc in each st around, join. Turn. (22)

**Rnd 2:** Ch 1, sc in each st around, join. Turn.

**Rnd 3:** Ch 1, sc in each st around, join. Fasten off.

## Ball

**Rnd 1:** With white, ch 4, join with sl st in first ch to form ring, ch 1, 5 sc in ring, do not join; work in rnds. (5)

**Rnd 2:** 2 sc in each st around. (10)

**Rnd 3:** Sc in each st around.

**Rnd 4:** (Sc next 2 sts together) 5 times. Fasten off. (5)

Gather opening to close. Sew to point of hat.

## Beard

**Row 1:** With white, ch 2, 3 sc in second ch from hook, turn. (3)

**Row 2:** Ch 1, 2 sc in each st across, turn. (6)

**Row 3:** Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in next st, (2 sc in next st, sc in next st) 2 times, turn. (9)

**Row 4:** Ch 1, sc in first 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, (sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st) 2 times, turn. (12)

**Rnd 5:** Ch 1, 3 sc in first st, sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in last st, do not turn; sc evenly across straight edge of piece, join with sl st in first st. Fasten off.

## Collar

With white, ch 12 or stitches required to fit around neck. Fasten off. Sew around neck, sewing ends together.

## Belt

With gold, ch 22 or stitches required to fit around waist. Fasten off. Sew around center of body, sewing ends together.

## Jacket band

**Row 1:** With white, ch same number of chs as for belt plus 1, sc in second ch from hook, sc in each ch across, turn.

**Row 2:** Ch 1, sc in each st across. Fasten off.

With seam at center back, sew around body to form bottom of "jacket" as shown in photo, sewing ends together.

## Mrs. Claus

### Size

6"

### Materials

Red, white, peach, gold and lime green worsted-weight yarn

G hook

Polyester stuffing

1/8" black half-ball shank buttons for eyes

### Instructions

#### Head

Make same as Santa head.

#### Body

**Rnd 1:** With red, ch 4, join with sl st in first ch to form ring, ch 1, 7 sc in ring, do not join; work in rnds. (7)

**Rnd 2:** 2 sc in each st around. (14)

**Rnd 3:** (2 sc in next st, sc in next st) around. (21)

**Rnds 4-8:** Sc in each st around.

**Rnd 9:** (Sc next 2 sts together, sc in next st) around. (14)

**Rnd 10:** Sc in next st, (sc next 2 sts together, sc in next st) 4 times, sc in next st. (10)

Sl st in next st. Fasten off. Stuff. Sew opening to underside of head.

## Finishing

**1:** Using a double strand of black in tapestry needle, embroider belt using straight stitches as shown in photo.

**2:** Pinning first to check position of hat, beard and eyes, sew hat and beard to head. Glue or sew eyes in place between beard and hat. ½



### Shoes and legs (make 2)

**Rnd 1:** With gold, ch 4, join with sl st in first ch to form ring, ch 1, 8 sc in ring, do not join; work in rnds. (8)

**Rnd 2:** (2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts) 2 times. (10)

**Rnd 3:** Sc in each st around.

**Rnd 4:** Sc in next 4 sts, (sc next 2 sts together) 3 times. (7)

**Rnd 5:** Sc in next 4 sts, sc next 2 sts together (front of shoe; mark if desired), sc in next st changing to red in last st. (6)

**Rnds 6-9:** With red, sc in each st around.

Sl st in next st. Fasten off. Stuff. Sew legs to bottom of body with front of boots pointing forward.

### Arms (make 2)

Make arms and sleeve cuffs same as for Santa Claus.

### Collar

With white, ch 14, sc in second ch from hook, (ch 3, sc in next ch) across. Fasten off. Place around neck and sew in place, sewing ends together at center back.

### Skirt

**Rnd 1:** With red, ch 21, join with sl st to form ring, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next ch, (2 dc in next ch, (dc in next 2 ch, 2 dc in next ch) around, join. (28)

**Rnds 2-5:** Ch 3, sc in each st around, join.

Fasten off.

**Rnd 6:** Join white with sc in first st, ch 3, (sc in next st, ch 3) around, join. Fasten off.

Slip skirt up to within one rnd of arms. Pin in place; sew skirt to body.

### Sash

With lime green, ch 65. Tie around body above skirt; tie in bow. For fringe, cut two 4" strands of lime green;

holding strands together, fold in half forming loop. Insert hook in last ch of tie and pull loop through; pull cut ends of strands through loop. Pull to tighten. Repeat on other end. Trim ends to 1".

### Hat

**Rnd 1:** With red, ch 4, join with sl st in first st to form ring, ch 3 (counts as dc), 11 dc in ring, join. (12)

**Rnd 2:** Ch 3, dc in same st, 2 dc in each st around, join. (24)

**Rnd 3:** Ch 3, dc in same st, dc in next st, (2 dc in next st, dc in next st) around, join. (36)

**Rnd 4:** Ch 1, sc in same st, ch 1, skip next 2 sts, (sc in next st, ch 1, skip next 2 sts) around, join. Fasten off.

**Rnd 5:** Join white with sc in any sc, ch 3, sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 3, (sc in next sc, ch 3, sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 3) around, join. Fasten off.

### Hat band

With lime green, ch 30. Fasten off. Weave through rnd 4 of Hat; place on head and pull up band to fit. Unravel any extra chs; sew ends together.

### Finishing

Pinning first to check position of hat and eyes, sew hat to head. Glue or sew eyes in place.  $\frac{1}{2}$



## Snowman

### Size

4 1/2"

### Materials

White, gray and four bright colors such as red, yellow, blue and lime green worsted-weight yarn

G hook

Polyester stuffing

1/8" black half-ball shank buttons for eyes

## Instructions

### Head

With white, make same as Santa head.

### Body

**Rnd 1:** With white, ch 4, join with sl st in first ch to form ring, ch 1, 7 sc in ring, do not join; work in rnds. (7)

**Rnd 2:** 2 sc in each st around. (14)

**Rnd 3:** (2 sc in next st, sc in next st) around. (21)

**Rnd 4:** (2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts) around. (28)

**Rnds 5-9:** Sc in each st around.

**Rnd 10:** (Sc next 2 sts together, sc in next 2 sts) around. (21)

**Rnd 11:** (Sc in next st, sc next 2 sts together) around. Stuff. (14)

**Rnd 12:** (Sc next 2 sts together) around. (7)

Sl st in next st. Fasten off. Gather opening to close. Sew head to body with first row of head at top and first row of body at bottom.

### Hat

**Rnd 1:** With gray, ch 4, join with sl st in first ch to form ring, ch 1, 7 sc in ring, do not join; work in rnds. (7)

**Rnd 2:** 2 sc in each st around. (14)

**Rnd 3:** (2 sc in next st, sc in next st) around. (21)

**Rnds 4-7:** Sc in each st around.

**Rnd 8:** 2 sc in each st around. Sl st in next st. Fasten off.

### Scarf

**Row 1:** With first bright color, ch 40. Fasten off,

**Row 2:** With next bright color, sl st in each ch across. Fasten off.

**Row 3:** With next bright color, sl st in back lp of each sl st across.

**Row 4:** Repeat row 3.

Trim ends to 1 1/2".

### Finishing

Place hat on head and tack in place. Place scarf around neck and tack in place. Glue or sew eyes in place.  $\frac{1}{2}$

# Elf

## Size

7" including hat

## Materials

Yellow, green, blue, peach and black worsted-weight yarn

G hook

Polyester stuffing

1/8" black half-ball shank buttons for eyes

## Instructions

### Head

Make same as Santa head.

### Boots, legs and body

#### First boot and leg

**Rnd 1:** With green, ch 4, join with sl st in first ch to form ring, ch 1, 8 sc in ring, do not join; work in rnds. (8)

**Rnd 2:** (2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts) 2 times. (10)

**Rnd 3:** Sc in each st around.

**Rnd 4:** Sc in next 4 sts, (sc next 2 sts together) 3 times. (7)

**Rnd 5:** Sc in next 4 sts, sc next 2 sts together (front of boot; mark if desired), sc in next st changing to yellow in last st. (6)

**Rnds 6-9:** With yellow, sc in each st around.

Fasten off. Stuff.

#### Second boot and leg

Make same as first boot and leg except do not fasten off.



### Begin body

**Rnd 10:** Sc in next st. Pick up other leg and hold so that both feet face the same direction (forward), working to create a rnd around body, sc in each st around other leg, sc in each st around first leg. (12)

**Rnds 11-15:** Sc in each st around. (12)

**Rnd 16:** (Sc next 2 sts together, sc in next st) 4 times. (8) Sl st in next st. Fasten off. Stuff. Sew opening to underside of head.

### Boot cuffs

With blue, ch 8 or stitches required to fit around boot top. Fasten off. Sew around top of boot, sewing ends together.

### Arms (make 2)

**Rnd 1:** With peach, ch 4, join with sl st in first ch to form ring, ch 1, 6 sc in ring, do not join; work in rnds. (6)

**Rnds 2-3:** Sc in each st around, changing to yellow in last st.

**Rnds 4-7:** With yellow, sc in each st around.

Sl st in next st. Fasten off. Stuff. Sew arms to "shoulder" area of body as shown in photo.

### Sleeve cuffs

With blue, ch 7 or stitches required to fit around wrist. Fasten off. Sew around wrist, sewing ends together.

### Collar

With blue, ch 9 or stitches required to fit around neck. Fasten off. Sew around neck, sewing ends together.

### Belt

With green, ch 13 or stitches required to fit around waist. Fasten off. Sew around waist, sewing ends together.

## Hat

### Cone

With blue, work same as Santa hat cone.

### Edging

On outside, working on opposite side of starting ch, join yellow with sc in first st, sc in each st around, join. Fasten off. (22)

## Ballerina

## Size

6"

## Materials

Lavender, pale pink, peach and yellow worsted-weight yarn

G hook

Polyester stuffing

1/8" black half-ball shank buttons for eyes

## Instructions

### Head

Make same as Santa head.

### Feet, legs and body

#### First foot and leg

**Rnd 1:** With lavender, ch 4, join with sl st in first ch to form ring, ch 1, 8 sc in ring, do not join; work in rnds. (8)

**Rnd 2:** (2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts) 2 times. (10)

**Rnd 3:** Sc in each st around.

**Rnd 4:** Sc in next 4 sts, (sc next 2 sts together) 3 times. (7)

**Rnd 5:** Sc in next 4



## Finishing

1: Using a double strand of black in tapestry needle, embroider belt using straight stitches as shown in photo.

2: Pinning first to check position of hat and eyes, sew hat to head. Glue or sew eyes in place. ½

sts, sc next 2 sts together (front of boot; mark if desired), sc in next st. (6)

**Rnds 6-9:** Sc in each st around.

Fasten off. Stuff.

#### Second foot and leg

Make same as first foot and leg except do not fasten off.

### Begin body

**Rnd 10:** Sc in next st. Pick up other leg and hold so that both feet face the same direction (forward), working to create a rnd around body, sc in each st around other leg, sc in each st around first leg. (12)

**Rnds 11-12:** Sc in each st around. (12)

**Rnd 13:** Working in back lps only, sc in each st around, do not join; work in rnds.

**Rnds 14-15:** Sc in each st around.

**Rnd 16:** (Sc next 2 sts together, sc in next st) 4 times. (8) Sl st in next st. Fasten off. Stuff. Sew opening to underside of head.

### Arms (make 2)

**Rnd 1:** With peach, ch 4, join with sl st in first ch to form ring, ch 1, 6 sc in ring, do not join; work in rnds. (6)

**Rnds 2-3:** Sc in each st around.

**Rnds 4-7:** Sc in each st around.

Sl st in next st. Fasten off. Stuff. Sew arms to "shoulder" area of body as shown in photo.

### Collar

With pale pink, ch 9 or stitches required to fit around neck. Fasten off. Sew around neck, sewing ends together.

### Tutu

Working in remaining lps on rnd 13 of Body, join pink with sl st in first st, ch 3, 4 dc in same st, 5 dc in each st around, join. Fasten off.

### Hair

**Rnd 1:** With yellow, ch 4, join with sl st in first ch to form ring, ch 1, 6 sc in ring, do not join; work in rnds. (6)

**Rnd 2:** 2 sc in each st around. (12)

**Rnds 3-4:** Sc in each st around.

**Rnd 5:** (Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st) around. (18)

## Christmas Ball

### Size

3 1/2"

### Materials

Rose, pale pink, brown and tan worsted-weight yarn

G hook

Polyester stuffing

### Instructions

#### Ball

**Rnd 1:** With rose, ch 4, join with sl st in first ch to form ring, ch 1, 7 sc in ring, do not join; work in rnds. (7)

**Rnd 2:** 2 sc in each st around. (14)

**Rnd 3:** (2 sc in next st, sc in next st) around. (21)

**Rnd 4:** (2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts) around. (28)

**Rnds 5-6:** Sc in each st around changing

**Rnds 6-7:** Sc in each st around.

**Rnd 8:** (2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts) 2 times. (20)

**Rnd 9:** (Sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts) 2 times. Fasten off.

### Finishing

**1:** Pinning first to check position of hair and eyes, sew hair to head around hairline. To form bun, shape with fingers and push center of bun down to crown of head, creating a doughnut-like shape at crown of head. With yellow, stitch through head to secure.

**2:** **Note:** Satin ribbon may be used for hair ribbon if desired. For crocheted hair ribbon, with lavender, ch 13 or stitches required to fit around base of bun. Fasten off. Sew around bun, sewing ends together.

**3:** Glue or sew eyes in place. 1/2

to pink in last st of rnd 6.

**Rnds 7-9:** With pink, sc in each st around changing to brown in last st of rnd 9.

**Rnd 10:** With brown, sc in each st around changing to tan in last st.

**Rnd 11:** With tan, sc in each st around.

**Rnd 12:** (Sc next 2 sts together, sc in next 2 sts) around. (21)

**Rnd 13:** (Sc in next st, sc next 2 sts together) around. Stuff. (14)

**Rnd 14:** (Sc next 2 sts together) around. Fasten off. (7)

For hanging loop, ch 7.

Thread yarn tail on tapestry needle, gather last rnd to close. Secure with small stitches, making sure hanging loop is centered.

### Bow

With rose, ch 35. Fasten off. Tie in bow around base of hanging loop, adjusting as needed so ball hangs straight. Sew bow in place with yarn tails. 1/2

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crochet friends perfect for  
little gifts, decorations and  
more. Ballerina, Elf,  
Snowman, Mr. and Mrs.  
Santa Claus, and  
Christmas Ball are  
all made with size  
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worsted-weight  
yarn.

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this merry collection of  
crochet friends perfect for  
little gifts, decorations and  
more. Ballerina, Elf,  
Snowman, Mr. and Mrs.  
Santa Claus, and  
Christmas Ball are  
all made with size  
G hook and  
worsted-weight  
yarn.

# Happy Holidays Crochet Amigurumi

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