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the Christmas Mouse

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Dear fellow crochet lover,

First of all, thank you so much for wanting to make Noel the Christmas Mouse and I hope that you will enjoy recreating him as much as I loved designing him for you! Hopefully, Noel will add a little something special to your Christmas tree!

We are more than happy for you to gift or sell any items made from this pattern but would love if you could provide a link to our Etsy shop “TheLittleHookCrochet” and credit @littleaquagirl as the designer.

Much love, time and effort have gone into designing this amigurumi pattern for you and would appreciate if you do not share, reproduce or sell this pattern either in its entirety or in parts.

We always love seeing your finished creation, so please do use the hashtag #littleaquagirl and #TheLittleHookCrochet on Instagram!

Never hesitate to contact us through our Etsy shop should you have any questions with regards to the pattern and we will do all we can to help you as best as we can!

Keep creating cuteness with stitches!

With love,
Erinna (Instagram:@littleaquagirl)



PATTERN INSTRUCTIONS: This pattern is written using American terminology and is worked in continuous rounds unless otherwise stated. If Noel is made using the materials described, he will be ~12 cm / 4.75 inches tall from the top of his hat to the base of his body.

SKILL LEVEL: Beginner

MATERIALS REQUIRED (DESCRIPTIONS IN BRACKETS INDICATE THOSE USED IN THE PICTURED EXAMPLE):

1. Yarn (This example uses Krea Deluxe yarn 50 g in (A) Colour 18 or Taupe, (B) Colour 02 or Off White, (C) Colour 08 or Pink, (D) Colour 42 or Green). One ball of each colour should suffice.
2. Crochet hook in accordance with the yarn you use (2.5 mm)
3. Fibrefill / toy stuffing
4. Plastic safety eyes (5 mm)
5. Stitch markers, darning, embroidery needles
6. Pink embroidery thread (DMC Six Strand Cotton #224)
7. Gold yarn (e.g. Krea Deluxe Shiny Gold Glitter yarn)
8. 35 mm pom pom maker (e.g. Clover)

ABBREVIATIONS: ch = chain | dec = decrease | hdc = half double crochet | hdc-inc = half double crochet increase
inc = increase | rnd = round | sc = single crochet | sl st = slip stitch | st = stitch

A VERY QUICK GUIDE TO THE CROCHET STITCHES USED IN THIS PATTERN:

1. Chain (ch): Insert hook, yarn over, pull loop through loop on hook.
2. Decrease (dec): I prefer the “invisible” decrease. Insert hook into front loop of first stitch (from the front and under). Repeat into front loop of next stitch. Yarn over, pull loop through 2 loops on hook, yarn over and pull loop through final 2 loops on hook.
3. Half double crochet (hdc): Yarn over, insert hook, yarn over, pull loop through stitch (3 loops on hook), yarn over, pull loop through all three loops on the hook.
4. Half double crochet increase (hdc-inc): Work two half double crochets into the same stitch.
5. Increase (inc): Work two single crochets into the same stitch.
6. Magic ring: Wrap yarn around fingers to form a loop. Insert hook through middle of loop. Pull working end of yarn through ring and chain the required number of stitches through. Pull the yarn ends to close the loop.
7. Single crochet (sc): Insert hook, yarn over, pull loop through stitch (2 loops on hook), yarn over, pull loop through both loops on hook.
8. Slip stitch (st): Insert hook, yarn over, pull loop through stitch and loop on hook.

HEAD (IN COLOUR 18, TAUPE)

Starting from the tip of the nose.

Rnd 1: Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]

Rnd 2: (Sc in next st, inc in next st) x 3 [9]

Rnd 3: (Sc in each of next 2 st, inc in next st) x 3 [12]

Rnd 4: (Sc in each of next 3 st, inc in next st) x 3 [15]

Rnd 5: (Sc in each of next 4 st, inc in next st) x 3 [18]

Rnd 6: Sc in next st, inc in next st, sc in each of next 2 st, (inc in next st, sc in each of next 2 st) x 3, inc in next st, sc in each of next 2 st, inc in next st, sc in next st [24]

Mark the 8th/9th and 16th/17th stitches with a spare piece of yarn. These indicate the top centre of the head and will help with placement of the eyes and nose.

Rnd 7: Sc in all 24 st [24]

Rnd 8: Sc in each of next 2 st, (inc in next st, sc in each of next 3 st) x 2, inc in next st, sc in each of next 2 st, inc in next st, (sc in each of next 3 st, inc in next st) x 2, sc in each of next 2 st [30]

Rnd 9: Sc in all 30 st [30]

Rnd 10: Sc in each of next 2 st, inc in next st, (sc in each of next 4 st, inc in next st) x 5, sc in each of next 2 st [36]

Rnd 11: Sc in each of next 3 st, (inc in next st, sc in each of next 5 st) x 2, inc in next st, sc in each of next 4 st, inc in next st, (sc in each of next 5 st, inc in next st) x 2, sc in each of next 3 st [42]

Rnd 12: Sc in each of next 3 st, inc in next st, (sc in each of next 6 st, inc in next st) x 5, sc in each of next 3 st [48]

Rnd 13-18: Sc in all 48 st [48]

Insert 5 mm safety eyes between Rnd 9 and 10, 14 st apart (Picture 1). Use the marked st from Rnd 6 as a guide to centre the eyes.

Use all six strands of the pink embroidery thread to sew his nose. The nose is sewn over Rnd 1 to 3. The base of the nose goes through the starting magic ring, the top of the nose should be 3 st wide (Picture 1).

Start stuffing the head firmly with fibrefill and continue to do so as you crochet the rest of the head.

Rnd 19: (Sc in each of next 6 st, dec) x 6 [42]

Rnd 20: (Sc in each of next 5 st, dec) x 6 [36]

Rnd 21: (Sc in each of next 4 st, dec) x 6 [30]

Rnd 22: (Sc in each of next 3 st, dec) x 6 [24]

Rnd 23: Sc in all 24 st [24]

Rnd 24: (Sc in each of next 2 st, dec) x 6 [18]

Rnd 25: (Sc in next st, dec) x 6 [12]

Rnd 26: Dec x 6 [6]

Sl st in next st and fasten off, leaving a long yarn tail.

Thread the tail through a needle. Weave the needle through the front loop of each of the 6 st, always going in the direction from the centre and under the front loop. Pull the yarn tail and the hole should close. Insert the needle through the middle of the hole and pull through the head.

Fasten off and weave the end in.



PICTURE 1

BODY

(START IN COLOUR 18, TAUPE)

Starting from the bottom of the body.

Rnd 1: Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]

Rnd 2: Inc in all 6 st [12]

Rnd 3: (Sc in next st, inc in next st) x 6 [18]

Rnd 4: (Sc in each of next 2 st, inc in next st) x 6 [24]

Rnd 5: (Sc in each of next 3 st, inc in next st) x 6 [30]

Rnd 6: (Sc in each of next 4 st, inc in next st) x 6 [36]

Rnd 7: (Sc in each of next 5 st, inc in next st) x 6 [42]

Rnd 8: (Sc in each of next 6 st, inc in next st) x 6 [48]

Rnd 9-11: Sc in all 48 st [48]

Change to Colour 42, Green yarn.

Rnd 12: (Sc in each of next 6 st, dec) x 6 [42]

Rnd 13: Sc in all 42 st [42]

Rnd 14: (Sc in each of next 5 st, dec) x 6 [36]

Rnd 15: Sc in all 36 st [36]

Change to Colour 02, Off White yarn.

Rnd 16: (Sc in each of next 10 st, dec) x 3 [33]

Change to Colour 42, Green yarn.

Rnd 17: Sc in all 33 st [33]

Optional: For Rnd 18, every fifth stitch (starting from the 3rd st of the Rnd) is made in Colour 02, Off White yarn. These are the 3rd, 8th, 13th, 18th, 23rd, 28th stitches of Rnd 18.

Rnd 18: Sc in each of next 3 st, dec, (sc in each of next 9 st, dec) x 2, sc in each of next 6 st [30]

Rnd 19: Sc in all 30 st [30]

Change to Colour 02, Off White yarn.

Rnd 20: Sc in each of next 5 st, dec, (sc in each of next 8 st, dec) x 2, sc in each of next 3 st [27]

Change to Colour 42, Green yarn.

Rnd 21: Sc in each of next 5 st, dec, (sc in each of next 7 st, dec) x 2, sc in each of next 2 st [24]

Rnd 22: (Sc in each of next 2 st, dec) x 6 [18]

Sl st in next st and fasten off. Leave a long tail to sew the body to the head.

Stuff the body firmly with fibrefill.

ARM X 2

(START IN COLOUR 18, TAUPE)

Starting from the tip of the arm.

Rnd 1: Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]

Rnd 2: (Sc in next st, inc in next st) x 3 [9]

Rnd 3-4: Sc in all 9 st [9]

Rnd 5: (Sc in next st, dec) x 2, sc in each of next 3 st [7]

Change to Colour 42, Green yarn.

Rnd 6-11: Sc in all 7 st [7]

Rnd 12: Sc in each of next 3 st [3]. Leave the remaining stitches unworked

Stuff the hand firmly with fibrefill (Rnd 1 to 5), with gradually less further up the arm.

Flatten the top opening of the arm and sc in each of next 3 st through both layers to close the opening.

Fasten off and leave a long tail for sewing the arm to the body.

LEG X 2

(START IN COLOUR 08, PINK)

Starting from the base of the leg.

Rnd 1: Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]

Rnd 2: Inc in all 6 st [12]

Rnd 3: (Sc in next st, inc in next st) x 6 [18]

Change to Colour 18, Taupe yarn.

Rnd 4: (Sc in each of next 2 st, inc in next st) x 6 [24]

Rnd 5-6: Sc in all 24 st [24]

Rnd 7: Sc in each of next 3 st, (dec, sc in next st) x 5, dec, sc in each of next 4 st [18]

Rnd 8: Sc in each of next 3 st, dec x 6, sc in each of next 3 st [12]

Rnd 9: (Sc in each of next 2 st, dec) x 3 [9]

Rnd 10-14: Sc in all 9 st [9]

FOR THE LEFT LEG

Rnd 15: Sc in each of next 2 st [2] Leave the remaining st unworked

FOR THE RIGHT LEG

Rnd 15: Sc in each of next 7 st [7] Leave the remaining st unworked

Stuff the leg firmly with fibrefill (Rnd 1 to 9), with gradually less further up the leg.

Flatten the top opening of the leg and sc in each of next 4 st through both layers to close the opening.

Fasten off and leave a long tail for sewing the leg to the body.

INNER EAR X 2

(IN COLOUR 08, PINK)

Starting from the centre of the inner ear.

Rnd 1: Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]

Rnd 2: Inc in all 6 st [12]

Rnd 3: (Sc in next st, inc in next st) x 6 [18]

Rnd 4: (Sc in each of next 2 st, inc in next st) x 6 [24]

Rnd 5: (Sc in each of next 3 st, inc in next st) x 6 [30]

Sl st in next st. Fasten off and weave in the yarn tails.

OUTER EAR X 2

(IN COLOUR 18, TAUPE)

Starting from the centre of the outer ear.

Rnd 1: Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]

Rnd 2: Inc in all 6 st [12]

Rnd 3: (Sc in next st, inc in next st) x 6 [18]

Rnd 4: (Sc in each of next 2 st, inc in next st) x 6 [24]

Rnd 5: (Sc in each of next 3 st, inc in next st) x 6 [30]

At the end of Rnd 5, do not fasten off. We will now crochet the inner and outer ears together. Place the backs of the inner and outer ears together (Picture 2).

Rnd 6: Continuing from the end of Rnd 5 of the outer ear, ch 1, sc in each of next 30 st through both the inner and outer ear layers.

At the end of Rnd 6, fold the joined ears in half, working through both layers, sc in each of next 2 st, sl st in next st (Picture 3).

Fasten off and leave a long yarn tail for sewing the ear to the head.



PICTURE 2



PICTURE 3

TAIL (IN COLOUR 18, TAUPE)

Starting from the tip of the tail.

Rnd 1: Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]

Rnd 2: Sc in each of next 5 st, inc in next st [7]

Rnd 3-17: Sc in all 7 st [7]

Do not stuff the tail. Flatten the opening of the tail and sc in each of next 3 st across both layers to close the opening.

Sl st and fasten off. Leave a long tail for sewing the tail to the body.

HAT (START IN COLOUR 42, GREEN)

Starting from the tip of the hat.

Start with a long starting yarn tail.

Rnd 1: Start 4 sc in a magic ring [4]

Rnd 2: (Sc in next st, inc in next st) x 2 [6]

Rnd 3: Sc in all 6 st [6]

Rnd 4: (Hdc in next st, hdc-inc in next st) x 3 [9]

Rnd 5: Hdc in all 9 st [9]

Rnd 6: (Hdc in each of next 2 st, hdc-inc in next st) x 3 [12]

Rnd 7: Hdc in all 12 st [12]

Change to Colour 02, Off White yarn.

Rnd 8: (Hdc in each of next 3 st, hdc-inc in next st) x 3 [15]

Rnd 9: Hdc in all 15 st [15]

Rnd 10: (Hdc in each of next 4 st, hdc-inc in next st) x 3 [18]

Rnd 11: Hdc in all 18 st [18]

Change to Colour 42, Green yarn.

Rnd 12: (Hdc in each of next 5 st, hdc-inc in next st) x 3 [21]

Rnd 13: Hdc in all 21 st [21]

Rnd 14: (Hdc in each of next 6 st, hdc-inc in next st) x 3 [24]

Rnd 15: Hdc in all 24 st [24]

Change to Colour 02, Off White yarn.

Rnd 16: (Hdc in each of next 3 st, hdc-inc in next st) x 6 [30]

Rnd 17: Hdc in all 30 st [30]

Rnd 18: (Hdc in each of next 4 st, hdc-inc in next st)

x 6 [36]

Rnd 19: Hdc in all 36 st [36]

Change to Colour 42, Green yarn.

Rnd 20: (Hdc in each of next 5 st, hdc-inc in next st)
x 6 [42]

Rnd 21: (Hdc in each of next 6 st, hdc-inc in next st)
x 6 [48]

Rnd 22: Hdc in all 48 st [48]

Rnd 23: Sc in all 48 st [48]

Sl st in next st and fasten off. Leave a long tail for sewing the hat to the head.

Pull the start yarn tail out between Rnd 5 and 6 of the hat (Picture 4), preferably on the same side as the colour change line so that this gets hidden when you sew the tip of the hat down.



PICTURE 5



PICTURE 4

Using Colour 02, Off White yarn and the gold yarn, make a 35 mm pom pom.

Sew the pom pom to the tip of the hat.

Use the start yarn tail that you brought to the outside of the hat to sew the tip of the hat down (Picture 5). Sew the start yarn tail to between Rnd 20 and 21 of the hat.



ASSEMBLY

1. Sew the body to the head. The opening of the body should be sewn over Rnd 12 to 18 at the bottom of the head (Picture 6). Note that the colour change line of the body should face the back. If you created the white stitches in Rnd 18 of the body, ensure that this is evenly spaced relative to the head (Picture 7). You can tilt his head slightly to give him a cuter look.

2. Sew the arms to the body. The flat edge of each arm should be sewn between Rnd 21 and 22 of the body. The front corners of each arm should be 7 st apart.

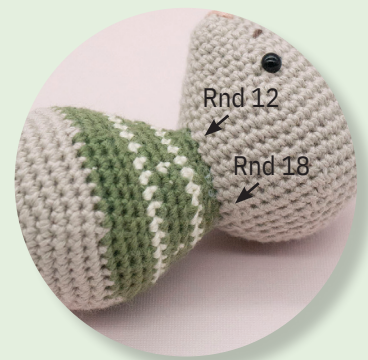
3. Sew the legs to the body. The top of each leg should be sewn over Rnd 7 to 10 of the body and just behind the midline of the body (Picture 8). Sew a few extra stitches along each leg to hold the legs snug against the body (Picture 8).

4. Sew the ears with the flat edge over Rnd 13 to 15 of the head (Picture 9). The front of the ears should be 22 st apart (Picture 10).

5. Sew the tail to the back of the body centred between the legs. The flat edge of the tail should be sewn over Rnd 7 to 9 of the body.

6. Place and sew the hat to the head.

7. Thread a piece of gold string through the top of the hat for hanging (Picture 11).



PICTURE 6



PICTURE 7



PICTURE 8



PICTURE 9



PICTURE 10



PICTURE 11

Your little Noel the Christmas Mouse is all finished!

Please do share your gorgeous work and use the hashtags
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Thank you for making him...

