

Gumnut Crochet

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Blinky Bill – small with fitted clothes



Materials Used

- 4 ply cotton yarn x 50 gram – Grey
- 4 ply cotton yarn small quantity – Red, black and yellow
- Size 3.25 mm crochet hook
- Tapestry needle
- Stitch marker x 1
- Polyfill
- 1 x small yellow button and 1 x large. Choose buttons with 4 holes in them
- 15mm safety eyes x 2

Finished Size

- 24 cm if made with 3.25 mm hook
- 20 cm if made with 3.00 mm hook

Skill Level

- Beginner
- A beginner who has access to google and u-tube, should be able to complete this project
- with some research into any stitches or steps which are unfamiliar

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Gauge

- Gauge is not critical to this project
- Different yarn type and different ply will change size

Stitches Used – US Terminology

- Sc – single crochet
- Ch – chain
- 2 sc in next sc – sc increase
- Sc 2 tog- sc decrease
- Sl st – slip stitch
- Sc dec – sc decrease
- Sc inc – sc increase

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Legs– Make 2

In grey yarn

- R1. Ch 2, 6 sc in second chain from hook, or magic circle 6 – 6 sc
R2. (2 sc in each sc) – 12 sc
R3. (sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 18 sc
R4. (sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 24 sc
R5. Sc in each back loop – 24 sc
R6-9 Sc in each sc – 24 sc

Fasten off grey yarn, change to red yarn

- R10. In back loops only, sc in each sc – 24 sc (where cuff will be joined)
R11-15. Sc in each sc - 24 sc

Fasten off, leaving a long tail on the first leg to sew up any gap between legs. For second leg, do not fasten off, but join legs together as below

Join legs - with red yarn

- R16. Sc to second leg, sc 23 around second leg, sc again to first leg, sc 24 around first leg – 48 sc
R17-21. Sc in each sc – 48 sc
R22. In back loops only, sc in each sc – 48 sc (where roll belt will be joined)

Fasten off red, change to grey yarn

- R23-26. Sc in each sc – 48 sc
R27. (sc in each of next 6 sc, sc dec) – 42 sc
R28. (Sc in each of next 5 sc, sc dec) – 36 sc
R29. (Sc in each of next 7 sc, sc dec) – 32 sc
R30. (sc in each of next 6 sc, sc dec) – 28 sc
R31. (sc in each of next 5 sc, sc dec) – 24 sc

The koala is a small bear-like, tree-dwelling, herbivorous marsupial which lives on the east coast of Australia. Its thick grey fur protects it from the heat and from rain.

Koalas live in societies, and are fussy eaters. They only eat a few varieties of gum leaves which makes them vulnerable when their habitat is destroyed. They are considered to be critically endangered.

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R32. (Sc in each of next 2 sc, sc dec) – 18 sc

R33. Sc in each sc – 18 sc

Head

R34. Sc in each sc – 18 sc

R35. (Sc in each of next 2 sc, sc inc) – 24 sc

R36. (Sc in next 3 sc, sc inc) – 30 sc

R37. (Sc in next 4 sc, sc inc) – 36 sc

R38. (Sc in next 5 sc, sc inc) – 42 sc

R39. (Sc in next 6 sc, sc inc) – 48 sc

R40. (Sc in next 7 sc, sc inc) – 54 sc

R41-46. Sc in each sc - 54 sc

Insert eyes, 10 sc apart

R47. (Sc in next 7 sc, sc dec) – 48 sc

R48. (Sc in each of next 6 sc, sc dec) – 42 sc

R49. (Sc in each of next 5 sc, sc dec) – 36 sc

R50. (Sc in each of next 4 sc, sc dec) – 30 sc

Fill as work progresses, being careful to fill top of legs and neck firmly

R51. (Sc in each of next 3 sc, sc dec) – 24 sc

R52. (Sc in each of next 2 sc, sc dec) – 18 sc

R53. (sc in next sc, sc dec) – 12 sc

R54. (sc 2 tog) – 6 sc

Fasten off, weave in ends

Variation: If making for a child under the age of 3, embroider eyes rather than using safety eyes.

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Muzzle - Black

- R1. Ch 6, sc in second chain from hook, sc in each of the next 3 sc, 3 sc in next sc, continuing on opposite side of foundation chain, sc in each of the next 4 sc, 3 sc in next sc – 14 sc
- R2. 2sc in next sc, sc in each of next 4 sc, 2 sc in each of next 3 sc, sc in each of next 4 sc, 2 sc in last 2 sc – 20 sc
- R3-5. Sc in each sc – 20 sc

Fasten off, leaving long tail for sewing nose to head. Fill without stretching stitches. Sew to face, centred between eyes.

Ears – Make 2

- R1. Ch 2, 6 sc in second chain from hook, or magic circle 6 – 6 sc
- R2. (2 sc in each sc) – 12 sc
- R3. (1 sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 18 sc
- R4. (sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 24 sc
- R5-11. Sc in each sc – 24 sc
- R12. (sc 2 tog) x 2, sc in each sc around – 22 sc

Fasten off, leaving long tail for sewing ear to head. Do not fill. Firstly whip stitch edges of ear together and then position from centre of head down. Put a slight curve in the ear when stitching.

Arms – Make 2

In grey yarn

- R1. Ch 2, 6 sc in second chain from hook, or magic circle 6 – 6 sc
- R2. 2 sc in each sc – 12 sc



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R3. (Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 18 sc

R4-14. Sc in each sc - 18 sc

R15. (Sc in next sc, sc dec) – 12 sc

R16. Sc in each sc - 12 sc

R17. (Sc in next 2 sc, sc dec) – 9 sc

R18. Sc in each sc – 9 sc

Fasten off, leaving a long tail to sew arm to body. Fill. Whip stitch edges together. Sew to body. Whip stitch arms, stuff lightly at top of arm, Sew to body when completed.

To Finish Cuff – holding piece upside down

R1. In red yarn, sl st into any front loop from R5, ch 1, sc in each front loop, sl st, ch 1 - 24 sc

R2. Sc in each sc, sl st – 24 sc

Fasten off, weave in ends. Repeat for other leg.

To Finish Belt – holding piece right side up

R1. In red yarn, sl st into any front loop from R22, ch 2, hdc in each front loop- 48 hdc

Fasten off, weave in ends.

Patch on shorts- make 1 in yellow yarn

R1. Ch 7, hdc in second chain from hook, hdc in remaining 4 ch – 5 hdc

R2-3. Ch 2, hdc in same ch space, hdc in remaining 4 ch – 5 hdc

Fasten off, leaving a long tail to sew patch to shorts, weave in ends

Forming Overall Strap – make 1 in red yarn

R1. Ch 32, hdc in second chain from hook, hdc in remaining chain – 30 hdc

Fasten off, weave in ends, sew to overalls, diagonally across shoulder to back. Sew on button at front, with black yarn and with a diagonal stitch

Backpack – in yellow – worked in continuous rounds

Blinky Bill is a koala and children's fictional character created by author and illustrator Dorothy Wall. The books were first published in 1933 and have never been out of print in Australia.

While telling the adventures of Blinky Bill, a naughty little boy in the form of a koala, the stories also present messages of conservation. Blinky Bill is known for his mischievousness and his love for his mother. His friends include his step-sister Nutsy, his kangaroo friend Splodge, his platypus friend Flap, Marcia the marsupial mouse, and his mentor Mr Wombat. In the original stories he does things that child readers would like to do.

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- R1. Ch 14, sc in second chain from hook, sc in next 12 ch, 3 sc in next ch, working in back loops of foundation chain, sc in next 12 ch, 3 sc in next ch – 30 sc
- R2-10. Sc in each sc – 30 sc
- R11. Sc 2 tog, sc in next 11 sc, (sc 2 tog) x 2, sc in next 11 sc, sc 2 tog – 26 sc
- R12. Sc 2 tog, sc in next 9 sc, (sc 2 tog) x 2, sc in next 9 sc, sc 2 tog – 22 sc
- R13. Sc 2 tog, sc in each of next 7 sc, (sc 2 tog) x 2, sc in each of next 7 sc, sc 2 tog – 18 sc

Working flap

- R14. Ch 1, turn, sc in next 7 sc, ch 1, turn
- R15-17 Sc in each of next 7 sc, ch 1, turn
- R18. Sc in next 3 sc, ch 2, skip 1 sc, sc in next 3 sc, ch 1, turn – (8) (buttonhole)
- R19. Sc in each of next 8 sc – 8 sc

Fasten off, weave in ends

To make straps – make 2

- R1. Working from rear of piece, sl/st into bottom corner of back pack, 15 chain, sl/st back into top corner next to the flap, where strap is to sit, taking care not to twist chain. Turn, ch 1, sc in each ch, sl/st back in original corner to secure.
- R2. Repeat R1 for second strap on opposite side

Fasten off and weave in ends. Sew on button with black thread and a diagonal stitch