

Gumnut Crochet

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Frill Neck Lizard

Not suitable as a toy for a child under the age of 3 years



Materials Used

- 4 ply cotton x 50 gram – main colour
- 4 ply cotton yarn small quantity face colour
- 4 ply cotton yarn small quantity for shirt
- Size 3.25 mm crochet hook
- Tapestry needle
- 16 mm safety eyes
- Fiberfill
- Stitch marker x 2

Size

- 25 cm in height

Skill Level

- Intermediate
- 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.
- There is a simpler version of both the arm and hand as well as the method to join the legs to the body, which may suit the beginner.

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Gauge

- Gauge is not critical to this project.
- Different yarn type and different ply will change size.
- 8 ply cotton makes size about 35 cm in height

A frill neck lizard is Australia's most famous and most popular lizard. It lives in the tropical north of eastern Australia and spends 90% of its time in trees. It eats mainly insects and spiders. Although it looks quite fierce with its neck frill extended, it is quite harmless. It is super fast and easily brings a smile to any face when it is seen running.

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Stitches Used – US Terminology

- Sc – single crochet
- Fl – front loops
- Bl – back loops
- Ch – chain
- 2 sc in next sc – sc increase
- 2 hdc in next – hdc increase
- Sc 2 tog- sc decrease
- Sl st – slip stitch
- Hdc – half double crochet
- Sc dec – sc decrease
- Sc inc – sc increase

Feet and Legs – Make 2 in main colour

- R1. Ch 12,
- R2. Sc in second chain from hook, sc in each of next 9 chain, 3 sc in next ch, turn, working in remaining loops of foundation chain, sc in next back chain 10, 3 sc in next sc (this is the missed start chain) – 26 sc
- R3. 2 hdc in next stitch, hdc in next 3 stitches, sc in each of next 7 stitches, 2 sc in next 1 stitch, sc in each of next 7 stitches, hdc in next 3 stitches, 2 hdc in next stitch, hdc in next 2 stitches – 29 sc
- R4. Hdc in next stitch, 2 hdc in next stitch, hdc in next 3 stitches, sc in next 8 stitches, (sc 2 in next sc, sc in next sc) x 2, sc in next 8 stitches, hdc in next 3 stitches, 2 hdc in next stitch, hdc in next stitch, 2 hdc in next stitch – 34 sc
- R5. Sc in back loops - 34 sc
- R6. Sc in next 13 sc, sc 2 tog in next sc, sc in next sc, sc 2 tog in next sc, sc in next 16 sc – 32 sc
- R7. Sc in next 13 sc, (sc 2 tog) x 2, sc in next 15 sc – 30 sc
- R8. Sc in next 11 sc, (sc 2 tog) x 4, sc in next 11 sc – 26 sc
- R9. Sc 2 tog, sc in next 9 sc (sc 2 tog) x 2, sc in next 8 sc, sc 2 tog, sc in next 1 sc - 22 sc
- R10. Sc in next 9 sc, (sc 2 tog) x 2, sc in next 7 sc, sc 2 tog – 19 sc
- R11. (Sc in next sc, sc 2 tog) x 2, sc in next sc, (sc 2 tog) x 3, (sc in next sc, sc 2 tog) x 2 – 12 sc

Use a marker to mark the end of the row, moving it up each row. Then you can count the stitches in the bracket, rather than counting and adding up every stitch right to the end of each row.

Fill without stretching stitches

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Legs

R12. (sc 1, sc 2 tog) – 8 sc Ch2,

R13-28. Sc in each sc – 8 sc

Fasten off leaving long tail to sew gap between legs when legs are joined

Make second leg the same without leaving long tail, fill without stretching stitches.

Join legs at inner leg centre with 4 ch between each leg at front and back. Take care not to twist chain when joining legs together. To join legs R29.

R29. Sl st to centre of inner leg, chain 4, join to other leg at centre of the inner leg with sc, sc around leg in next 7 sc, chain 4, join to other leg at inner centre with sc, sc in next 7 - 24 sc

R30. Sc in each sc – 24 sc

Check legs are aligned before continuing

R31. (sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 30 sc

R32. (sc in each of next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 36 sc

R33. (sc in each of next 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 42 sc

R34-36. sc in each sc – 42 sc

R37. (sc in each of next 5 sc, sc 2 tog) – 36 sc

R38. sc in each sc – 36 sc

R39. sc in each sc - 36 sc

R40. (sc in each of next 4 sc, sc 2 tog) - 30 sc

R41-42. Sc in each sc - 30 sc

R43. (sc in each of next 8 sc, sc 2 tog) – 27 sc

R44. Sc in each sc – 27 sc

R45. (sc in each of next 7 sc, sc 2 tog) – 24 sc

To sew the legs to the body, rather than crochet them in one piece with the body, complete R1-R4 below. Recommence body at R31.

R1. 6 sc into second chain from hook, or magic circle 6 sc – 6sc

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

To work the shirt into the piece, rather than doing a separate shirt, change yarn to shirt colour in R39. Work in shirt colour to R49. To make short sleeves, work the arm in the shirt colour from R12-R23.

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- R46. Sc in each sc – 24 sc
- R47. (Sc in each of next 6 sc, sc 2 tog) – 21 sc
- R48. Sc in each sc - 21 sc
- R49. (sc in each of next 5 sc, sc 2 tog) – 18 sc

Neck

- R50. Sc in each sc - 18 sc

Fasten off, leaving a long tail to sew body to head. Fill without stretching stitches

Shoe sole – with main colour

- R1. Sl st into any front loop on sole, sc in each front loop – 34 sc

Fasten off, weave in ends

Head (worked in continuous rows)

With main colour

- R1. 2 ch, 6 sc in second chain from hook, or magic circle with 6 sc
- R2. 2 sc in each sc – 12 sc
- R3. (1 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 18 sc
- R4. (sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 24 sc
- R5. (sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 30 sc
- R6. (sc in each of next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 36 sc
- R7. (sc in each of next 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 42 sc
- R8. (sc in each of next 6sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 48 sc

Fill the top of the leg, ankle and neck area firmly. Numerous, small pieces of fill work best for these areas.

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R9. (sc in each of next 7 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 54 sc

R10. Sc in each sc - 54 sc

R11. Sc in each bl - 54 sc

R12-17. Sc in each sc - 54 sc

Insert eyes row 15, 6 sc apart

R18. (Sc in each of next 7 sc, sc 2 tog) – 48 sc

R19. (sc in each of next 6 sc, sc 2 tog) – 42 sc

R20. (sc in each of next 5 sc, sc 2 tog) – 36 sc

R21. (sc in each of next 4 sc, sc 2 tog) – 30 sc

R22. (sc in each of next 3 sc, sc 2 tog) – 24 sc

R23. (sc in each of next 2 sc, sc 2 tog) – 18 sc

Fill without stretching stitches

R24. (sc in next sc, sc 2 tog) – 12 sc

R25. (sc 2 tog) – 6 sc

Fasten off, thread through hole to tighten gap, sew in ends.

Neck Frill – In main colour

We are working around head in front loops for 54 rows, leaving a gap between the frill at centre top. To make the jagged edge, work between 8 and 5 stitches for each row. It is completely flexible, as all lizards have different size frills, spaces and tears in their fill.

R1. Sl st into centre top in front loop from row 11, chain 8, turn. At outer edge of each row chain 1 and turn to sc back down. At inner edge slip stitch into front loop and sc across to next front loop to start next row and sc up row.

R2-6 sc in each sc - 8 sc

R7. Sc in each 5 sc - 5 sc

R8. Sc in each 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc – 6 sc



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R9. Sc in each 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc – 7 sc

R10. Sc in each 6 sc, 2 sc in next sc – 8 sc

R11-15. Sc in each sc – 8 sc

Continue rows until frill around head completed. Every few rows, reduce 1 stitch at outer edge for 1 row and then increase in next row to create jagged edge. Every 10 rows reduce to 5 sc and rebuild back to 8 sc.

Fasten off, weave in ends. Sew head to body.

Hand

There are 2 versions of the arms. The one following is without the hands and is the simplest version.

Arms without hands – Make 2 in main colour

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

R2. (Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc) - 8sc

R3-11. Sc in each sc - 8 sc

R12. (Sc in next sc, sc 2 tog) – 6 sc

R13-22. Sc in each sc – 6 sc

Fill without stretching stitches

R23. (Sc 2 tog) x 2, sc 3

Fasten off, leaving long tail to sew arm to body

Arm with Hand. Make 2 in main colour. If making shirt as part of lizard, start with shirt colour. Not recommended for a beginner.

Starting with shoulder and with a long tail to enable you to sew the arm to the body

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

R2. (sc in next 1 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 9 sc

R3-11. Sc in each sc. If making shirt as part of the lizard, change to arm colour in R6 – 9 sc

R12. (Sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 12 sc

For a short sleeved shirt that is worked in with the piece, match the shirt colour used in the body, by changing to the shirt colour in R12 of the sleeve.

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R13. (sc in each of next 1 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 18 sc

First finger

R1. 1 sc across to other side of work, which is into the 5th st from the hook, counting backwards. – 5 sc

R2-4. Sc in each sc – 5sc, sl st across top to close top of finger

Fasten off, weave in ends

Second and third finger

R1. Sl st into next sc in hand next to finger just completed. Sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 ch, sc into second sc back from previous finger - 6 sc

R2-4. Sc in each sc – 6 sc, sl st across top to close top of finger

Fasten off, weave in ends, fill arm and fingers lightly

Fourth finger

R1. Sl st into next sc in hand next to finger just completed. Sc across remaining sc, ch across finger to join – 5 sc

R2-4. Sc in each sc, - 5 sc, sl st across top to close top of finger.

Fasten off, weave in ends

Thumb

R1. Ch 2, 5 sc in second chain from hook, or magic circle 5 sc – 5 sc

R2-3. Sc in each sc – 5 sc, sl st across top to close top of finger

Fasten off, fill lightly, weave in ends, sew to hand.

Bottom Jaw – Make 1 in main colour

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

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R5. (sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 30 sc

R6. Sc in each sc - 30 sc

R7. (sc in next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 36 sc

R8-9. Sc in each sc - 36 sc

Fasten off leaving long tail to sew to face. Whip stitch edges together and sew to face.

Top Jaw – Make 1 in main colour

R1. Ch 2, 6 sc in second chain from hook, or magic circle 6 sc – 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 next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 30 sc

R6. Sc in each sc - 30 sc

R7. (sc in next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 36 sc

R8-9. Sc in each sc - 36 sc

R10. (Sc in next 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 42 sc

R11. Sc in each sc - 42 sc

Fasten off, leaving long tail. Whip stitch edges together and sew to face.

Knee Band

In contrast colour or shirt colour, ch 9,

R. sc in each sc – 8 sc

Fasten off, sew to knee

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Shirt

At the end of each row, sl st to close row, ch 1 to start new row

- R1. Ch 43, join, twist chain, hdc in second ch from hook and in each ch to end of row, sl st, ch 2 – 42 hdc
- R2. (Hdc in each of next 5 sc, sc 2 tog) - 36 sc
- R3. Hdc in 4, sc 2 tog – 30 sc
- R4. (sc in each of next 8 sc, sc 2 tog) – 27 sc
- R5. Hdc 27

Make gap for sleeves

- R6. Sc in each of next 4 sc, ch 6, skip 6sc, sc in next 7 sc, ch 6, skip 6 sc, sc in each of next 4 sc – 28 sc
- R7. Hdc in each sc – 28 hdc

Fasten off



A variation to the shirt is to make it in stripes. 2 rows in each colour.

Sleeves

- R1. Sl st cente bottom of sleeve opening. Picking up evenly across the opening, sc in each of next 4, hdc in next 8, sc in each of next 5 –
- R2-3. Repeat R1 x 2 rows

Fasten off, weave in ends