

Gumnut Crochet

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Gumnut Shaped Ant Doll



Used

- 4 ply cotton x small quantity – beige, black and red
- Size 3.25 mm crochet hook
- Tapestry needle
- 12 mm safety eyes
- Fiberfill
- Stitch marker
- Piece black wire or chenille stick

Size

- 21 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

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- You may use this pattern to sell any items you complete. Please refer to Gumnut Crochet as the designer.

Gauge

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

Stitches Used – US Terminology

- Sc – single crochet
- Fl – front loops
- Bl – back loops
- 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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Body worked in continuous rounds ie – no sl st to end each row

- R1. With black yarn, sc 2, with 6 sc in second chain from hook, or magic circle with 6 sc – 6sc
- R2. 2 sc in each sc – 12 sc
- R3. (Sc in next sc, 2sc in next sc) – 18 sc
- R4. (Sc in next 2 sc, 2sc in next sc) – 24 sc
- R5. (Sc in next 3 sc, 2sc in next sc) – 30 sc
- R6. Sc in each sc, sl st to close round for colour change, fasten off black – 30 sc

In red yarn, ch 1, sc in same ch space, complete rest of row

- R7-12. In red, sc in each sc – 30 sc
- R13. (Sc in each of next 3 sc, sc 2 tog) – 24 sc
- R14. (Sc in each of next 2 sc, sc 2 tog) – 18 sc
- R15. In front loops – 2 sc in each sc – 36 sc
- R16. Sc in each sc – 36 sc

Fasten off, weave in ends

Shoulders

Change to beige yarn – working in continuous rounds ie no slip or chain at end of each row.

- R17. Sl st into any back loop from R15, sc in each sc – 18 sc

Gum trees (Eucalypts) being fast-growing sources of wood, producing oil that can be used for cleaning and as a natural insecticide. Eucalyptus oil is used in fuels, fragrances and insect repellants.

Koalas and large marsupials are resistant to the strong oils and it is the Koalas main food source.

On warm days, eucalyptus forests are sometimes shrouded in a smog like mist of vaporised air. The Blue Mountains outside Sydney take their name from the haze.

The seed pod is known as a Gum Nut and is a vase shaped nut which is as very strong. It is often used in crafts, by both adults and children.

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Neck

R18. (Sc in next sc, sc 2 tog) – 12 sc

Fill without stretching stitches

R19. (Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 18 sc

R20. (Sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 24 sc

R21. (Sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next 2 sc) – 30 sc

R22. (Sc in next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 36 sc

R23-27. Sc in each sc – 36 sc

Insert eyes 6 sc apart

R28. (Sc in each of next 4 sc, sc 2 tog) – 30 sc

R29. (Sc in each of next 3 sc, sc 2 tog) – 24 sc

R30. (Sc in each of next 2 sc, sc 2 tog) – 18 sc

R31. (Sc in next sc, 2 sc tog) - 12 sc

Fill without stretching stitches

R32. (Sc 2 tog) – 6 sc

R33. (Sc 2 tog)

Fasten off, weave in gap

Nose – in head colour

R1. Ch 2, 4 sc in second chain from hook, or magic circle 4 – 4 sc

R2. (Sc in next, 2 sc in next) – 6 sc

Fasten off, fill lightly, sew to head between eyes. Embroider mouth.

Arms x 2 in red yarn

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



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R2. (Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc)- 9 sc

R3-4. Sc in each sc - 9sc

R5. (Sc in next sc, 2 sc tog) – 6sc

R6. Sc in each sc – 6 sc

R7. In front loops, 2 sc in each sc, sl st to close round for colour change – 12 sc

Change colour to arm colour- black

R8. Turning R7 down to expose back loops, with yellow yarn, sl st into any back loop from R7. Ch 1, sc in same ch space, sc each sc – 6 sc

R9-18. Sc in each sc - 6 sc

Fasten off leaving tail to sew arm to body. Fill lightly leaving top of arm less filled than hand, whip stitch edges together, sew to body

Legs and boots x 2 - in red yarn

R1. Ch 5, sc second chain from hook, sc in each of 2 ch, 3 sc in next ch, turn working in foundation ch, sc in each of next 3 sc, 3 sc in last – 12 sc

R2. 2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next, sc in next, 2 sc in next, sc in each of next 4 sc, 2 sc in next, sc in last – 16 sc

R3. Sc in each sc using back loops – 16 sc

R4. Sc in each sc – 16 sc

R5. Sc in each of next 3 sc, (sc 2 tog) x 4, sc in each of next 5 sc - 12 sc

R6. Sc in each of next 2 sc, (sc 2 tog) x 3, sc in each of next 4 sc – 9 sc

R7. Sc in each of next 3 sc, sc 2 tog, sc in each of next 4 sc – 8 sc

R8. Sc in each sc - 8 sc

R9. In front loops only, 2 sc in each sc – 16 sc

Fasten off, fill lightly. Change to leg colour - black

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R10. Fold down R9 to expose back loops, sl st into any back loop, sc in each back loop – 8 sc

R11-23. Sc in each sc – 8 sc

Fasten off leaving long tail to sew leg to body. Fill without stretching stitches leaving top of leg mainly unfilled. Whip stitch edges together. Sew to body.

Finishing Shoe

R1. With red yarn, sl st into any front loop from R3, ch 1, sc in each front loop.

Fasten off, weave in ends.

Cap – In red yarn

R1. Sc 2, with 6 sc in 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) – 18 sc

R4. (Sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next) – 24 sc

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

R6. (Sc in next 4 sc, 2 sc in next) – 36 sc

R7-11. Sc in each sc - 36 sc

R12. (Sc in next 4 sc, sc 2 tog) – 30 sc

R12. 2 sc each sc – 60 sc

Fasten off, weave in ends.

Stem for top of cap – in red yarn

R1. Sc 2, with 4 sc in second chain from hook, or magic circle 4 sc – 4 sc

R2-4. Sc in each sc - 4 sc

Fasten off, fill lightly, sew to top of cap. Weave in ends. Place cap on head

Wings – make 2 in black

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



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R2. Sc in each sc – 6 sc

R3. (Sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 8 sc

R4-6. Sc in each sc – 8 sc

Fasten off leaving long tail, whip stitch edges together, no need to fill, sew to back of body

Shape antenna from black wire of chenille stick and position on head

