

Gumnut Crochet

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Koala



Materials Used

- 4 ply cotton x 50 gram – main colour
- 4 ply cotton yarn small quantity contrast colour
- Size 3.0 mm crochet hook
- Tapestry needle
- 15 mm safety eyes
- Fiberfill
- Stitch marker x 2

Size

- 15 cm in height
- For toys, its best to use a smaller hook size than yarn normally suggests in order to keep the stitches close and reduce stuffing showing

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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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
- 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
- Dc – double crochet
- Dc dec – double crochet decrease

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Body and Head – worked in one piece in main colour

- R1. Ch 2, 6 sc in chain or do magic circle with 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 next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 36 sc
- R7. Sc in each sc – 36 sc
- R8. (Sc in next 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 42 sc
- R9. (Sc in next 6 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 48 sc
- R10. (Sc in next 7 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 54 sc
- R11-17. Sc in each sc - 54 sc
- R18. (Sc in next 7 sc, sc 2 tog) – 48 sc
- R19. Sc in each sc – 48 sc
- R20. (Sc in next 6 sc, sc 2 tog) – 42 sc
- R21. Sc in each sc – 42 sc
- R22. (Sc in each of next 5 sc, sc 2 tog) – 36 sc
- R23-25. Sc in each sc – 36 sc
- R26. (Sc in each of next 4 sc, sc 2 tog) – 30 sc
- R27-29. Sc in each sc – 30 sc
- R30. (Sc in each of next 3 sc, sc 2 tog) – 24 sc

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- R31. Sc in each sc – 24 sc
- R32. (Sc in each of next 2 sc, sc 2 tog) – 18 sc
- R33. Sc in each sc – 18 sc
- R34. (Sc in each of next 1 sc, sc 2 tog) – 12 sc

Fill lightly,

Neck

- R35. Sc in each sc -12 sc
- R36. (Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 18 sc
- R37. (Sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 24 sc
- R38. (Sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 30 sc
- R39. (Sc in next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 36 sc
- R40. (Sc in next 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 42 sc
- R41. (Sc in each of next 6 sc, 2 sc in next) – 48 sc
- R42. (Sc in each of next 7 sc, 2 sc in next) – 54 sc
- R43. (Sc in each of next 8 sc, 2 sc in next) – 60 sc
- R44. (Sc in each of next 9 sc, 2 sc in next) – 66 sc
- R45-49. Sc in each sc – 66 sc

Insert eyes, 8 sc apart

- R50. (Sc in each of next 9 sc, sc 2 tog) – 60 sc
- R51. (Sc in each of next 8 sc, sc 2 tog) – 54 sc
- R52. (Sc in next 7 sc, sc 2 tog) – 48 sc
- R53. (Sc in next 6 sc, sc 2 tog) – 42 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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R54. (Sc in each of next 5 sc, sc 2 tog) – 36 sc

R55. (Sc in each of next 4 sc, sc 2 tog) – 30 sc

R56. (Sc in each of next 3 sc, sc 2 tog) – 24 sc

R57. (Sc in each of next 2 sc, sc 2 tog) – 18 sc

Fill without stretching stitches

R58. (Sc in next sc, sc 2 tog) – 12sc

R59. (Sc 2 tog) – 6 sc

Fasten off, weave opening closed, weave in ends

Arms – 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 each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 8 sc

R3. (Sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 10 sc

R4. (Sc in each of next 4

R5. (Sc in each of next 5 sc

R6-20 Sc in each sc – 14 sc

Fasten off leaving long tail, fill bottom of arm lightly, leave top of arm unfilled, whip stitch edges together, sew to body, weave in ends.

Foot without toes x 2 in main colour. This is a simpler version of the foot. Choose either this one, or the one with toes.

R1. Ch 6



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- R2. 2 sc in second ch from hook, sc in each of next 3 ch, 3 sc in next ch, working in remaining loops of foundation chain, sc in each of next 4 sc – 12 sc
- R3. (3 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 5 sc) x 2 – 16 sc
- R4. Sc in next sc, 3 sc in next, sc in each of next 7 sc, 3 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 6 sc – 20 sc
- R5-24. Sc in each sc – 20 sc
- R25. Sc in each of next 2 sc, (sc 2 tog) x 2, sc in each of next 5 sc, (sc 2 tog) x 2, sc in each of next 5 sc - 16 sc

Fasten off, leaving long tail. Fill foot at toe, with lighter filling for the rest. Whip stitch edges together. Form toes by sewing toe edge of foot as per picture. Sew foot to body.

Foot with Toes – More advanced version of the foot. Choose either this one or the one without toes.

Toes x 3 for each foot. In main colour. Do not fasten off third toe

- R1. Ch 2, 6 sc in second chain from hook, or magic circle 6 sc – 6 sc
- R2. (Sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 8 sc
- R3. Sc in each sc – 8 sc

Fasten off

Foot – joining toes

- R1. Sc across to second toe, sc 4 around second toe, sc across to third toe, sc 6 around third toe, sc across to second toe, sc 4 around second toe, sc across to first toe, sc 6 around first toe - 24 sc
- R2. Sc 2 tog, sc in each of next 4, sc 2 tog, sc in each of next 4 sc, sc 2 tog, sc in each of next 4 sc, sc 2 tog, sc in each of next 4 sc – 20 sc
- R3-24. Sc in each sc – 20 sc
- R25. Sc in each of next 8 sc, (sc 2 tog) x 2, sc in each of next 5 sc, (sc 2 tog) x 2 - 16 sc

Fasten off, leaving long tail. Fill foot at toe, with lighter filling for the rest. Whip stitch edges together. Sew foot to leg.

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Heart x 1- in contrast colour

R1. Working into the ring made from a magic circle, ch 2, 2 dc, 2 hdc, 1 dc, 2 hdc, 2 dc, ch 2, sl st,

Fasten off, leaving long tail, sew to kangaroo, weave in ends

Muzzle – x 1 in Black

R1. Ch 8, sc in second chain from hook, sc in each of the next 5 sc, 3 sc in next sc, continuing on opposite side of foundation chain, sc in each of the next 6 sc, 3 sc in next sc – 18 sc

R2. 2sc in next sc, sc in each of next 6 sc, 2 sc in each of next 3 sc, sc in each of next 6 sc, 2 sc in last 2 sc – 24 sc

R3-5. Sc in each sc – 24 sc

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

Ears – Make 2 in main yarn and 2 in contrast 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 next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 30 sc

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

R9. Sc in each sc – 36 sc

Fasten off, weave in ends

R5. Place contrast piece on top of main colour piece. Using main yarn, sc through both pieces



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Fasten off leaving long tail, sew to head, with slight curve in the ear.