

# Gumnut Crochet

## Designs from Aus



- 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

Kiwi



### Skill Level

- Intermediate

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- Please do not sell the pattern or infer it as your own.
- 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.

### Materials Used

- 4 ply cotton x 50 gram – main colour coffee
- Bella baby nippers chenille 10 ply – coffee
- 4 ply cotton small quantity white and green for hat
- Size 4.00 mm crochet hook
- Size 2.5 mm crochet hook
- Tapestry needle
- 9.0 mm safety eyes
- Fiberfill
- Stitch marker x 2
- 60 cm wire

### 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

### Size

- 18 cm in height

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### Legs x 2

Shape end of wire 30 cm wire into 3 front toes and 1 back toe as pictured. Wrap wire in chenille yarn until covered. Glue in place using craft glue as necessary. Make the toes large enough to enable the piece to stand by itself.

Put aside until ready to insert into body. When inserting, position legs so that piece stands by itself.

### Body x 1 in chenille yarn and 4 mm hook

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) – 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) – 30 sc

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

R7-9. Sc in each sc – 36 sc

R10. (Sc in next 4 sc, sc 2 tog) – 30 sc

R11. (Sc in next 3 sc, sc 2 tog) – 24 sc

R12. (Sc in next 2 sc, sc 2 tog) – 18 sc

R13. (Sc in next sc, sc 2 tog) – 12 sc

R14. (Sc 2 tog) – 6 sc

*Fasten off, fill lightly, weave in ends, insert and secure legs*

R18. (Hdc in next sc) x 6, sl st to close round

*Fasten off leaving long tail, fill lightly, sew to head with hdc facing upwards.*



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**Eyes x 2 in white and 2.5 mm yarn**

- R1. Ch 4, sc in second ch from hook and in next sc, 3 sc in last, working back down foundation loops, sc in next 2 sc, 3 sc in last – 10 sc
- R2. Sc in next 2 sc, (2 sc in next) x 3, sc in next 2 sc, (2 sc in next) x 3 – 16 sc
- R3-4. Sc in each sc – 16 sc

*Insert 9 mm safety eyes. Put eyes aside until ready to insert into head.*

**Head x 1 in 4 ply yarn, with 2.5 mm hook**

- 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) – 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) – 30 sc
- R6. (Sc in next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 36 sc
- R7. (Sc in next 5 sc, 2 sc in next) – 42 sc
- R8. (Sc in next 6 sc, 2 sc in next sc) – 48 sc
- R9. (Sc in next 7 sc, 2 sc in next) – 54 sc
- R10-16. Sc in each sc – 54 sc
- R17. (Sc in next 7 sc, sc 2 tog) – 48 sc
- R18. (Sc in next 6 sc, sc 2 tog) – 42 sc
- R19. (Sc in next 5 sc, sc 2 tog) – 36 sc
- R20. (Sc in next 4 sc, sc 2 tog) – 30 sc
- R21. (Sc in next 2 sc, sc 2 tog) – 24 sc

*Kiwi:* A flightless bird native to New Zealand. Approximately the size of a domestic chicken, kiwi are by far the smallest living ratites (which also consist of ostriches, emus and cassowaries) and lay the largest egg in relation to their body size of any species of bird in the world.

DNA sequence comparisons have yielded the surprising conclusion that kiwi are much more closely related to the extinct Malagasy elephant birds than to the moa with which they shared New Zealand. There are five recognised species, four of which are currently listed as vulnerable and one of which is near-threatened. All species have been negatively affected by deforestation but currently the remaining large areas of their forest habitat are well protected in reserves and national parks. At present, the greatest threat to their survival is predation by invasive mammalian predators.

The uniqueness of the kiwi, with its large eggs, short and stout legs, and their ability to use their nostrils at the end of their long beak to detect prey before they ever see it, have helped the bird to become internationally well-known.

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R22. (Sc in next 2 sc, sc 2 tog) – 18 sc

R23. (Sc in next sc, sc 2 tog) – 12 sc

R24. (Sc 2 tog) – 6 sc

*Fill without stretching stitches. Insert eyes and fill lightly. Sew into place. Embroider eye brows in black.*

### Beak x 1 in 4 ply yarn and 2.5 mm hook

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

R2. 2 sc in each sc – 8 sc

R3-9. Sc in each sc - 8 sc

R10. (Sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc in next) – 10 sc

R11-16. Sc in each sc – 10 sc

R17. (Sc in each of next 4 sc, 2 sc in next) – 12 sc

*Fasten off, sew edge closed and weave in ends.*

### Hat x 1 in green 4 ply yarn and 2.5 mm hook

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) – 18 sc

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

R5. Sc in back loops only – 24 sc

R6-8. Sc in each sc – 24 sc

*Fasten off, weave in ends*

