

Crocheted Donkey

Materials:

- 1 skein worsted weight yarn Grey
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- Crochet Hook: Size H
- Fiberfill stuffing
- Safety eyes (2)
- Large blunt needle
- Embroidery thread Grey

Gauge:

Exact gauge is not necessary.

Size:

Approximately 6 inches tall.

Pattern:

Special Stitches:

scdec - Insert hook into next 2 stitches and draw up a loop, yarn over, and draw through all 3 loops on hook - 1 sc decreased

Body:

Rounds are worked in continuous spirals: do not join, do not turn at the end of each round.

Ch 2

Rnd 1: Work 6 sc in 2nd chain from hook.

Rnd 2: Work 2 sc in each sc around - 12 sts

Rnd 3: (1 sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc) around – 18 sts

Rnd 4: (1 sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around – 24 sts

Rnd 5: (1 sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around – 30 sts

Rnd 6-8: sc in each sc around

Rnd 9: (1 sc in next 3 sc, 1 scdec) around - 24 sts

Rnd 10-11: sc in each st around

Begin stuffing firmly, add stuffing as you go!

Rnd 12: (1 sc in next 2 sc, 1 scdec) around - 18 sts

Rnd 13–15: sc in each st around

Rnd 16: (1 sc in next sc, 1 scdec) around – 12 sts

Rnd 17: sc in each st around

Fasten off, leaving a long piece for sewing to Head.



Head:

Rounds are worked in continuous spirals: do not join, do not turn at the end of each round. Ch 2

Rnd 1: Work 6 sc in 2 nd chain from hook.

Rnd 2: Work 2 sc in each sc around - 12 sts

Rnd 3: (1 sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc) around – 18 sts

Rnd 4: (1 sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around – 24 sts

Rnd 5: (1 sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around - 30 sts

Rnd 6-8: Sc in each sc around

Rnd 9: (1 sc in next 3 sc, 1 scdec) around - 24 sts

Rnd 10-11: Sc in each st around

Rnd 12: (1 sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around – 30 sts

Rnd 13-14: Sc in each sc around

Rnd 15: (1 sc in next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around – 36 sts

Rnd 16-20: Sc in each sc around

Rnd 21: (1 sc in next sc, 1 scdec) 12 times - 24 sts

Stuff firmly. Attach Safety Eyes.

Rnd 22: (1 sc in next sc, 1 scdec) 8 times - 16 sts

Rnd 23: Sc in each st around

Rnd 24: Scdec 8 times - 8 sts

Fasten off, leaving a long piece. Weave piece through sts of last round, gather together and knot.

Legs (Make 4):

Rounds are worked in continuous spirals: do not join, do not turn at the end of each round.

Rnd 1: Work 6 sc in 2 nd chain from hook.

Rnd 2: Work 2 sc in each sc around - 12 sts

Rnd 3: (1 sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc) around - 18 sts

Rnd 4-6: Sc in each sc around

Rnd 7: (1 sc in next sc, 1 scdec) 6 times - 12 sts

Begin stuffing firmly, add stuffing as you go!

Rnd 8 – 20: Sc in each st around Rnd 21: (Scdec) 6 times – 6 sts

Fasten off, leaving a long piece. Weave piece through sts of last round, gather together and knot.

Ears (Make 2):

Leaving a long piece for sewing to Head, Ch 11.

Row 1: Sc in 2 nd ch from hook and each ch across – 10 sts

Row 2: Turn, sc in each sc across to last 2 sc, 1 scdec - 9 sts

Row 3: Turn, 1 scdec, sc in each st across – 8 sts

Row 4: Turn, sc in each sc across to last 4 sts, sl st in last 4 sts.

Fasten off.

Assembly:

Stitch Head to Body, fasten off.

Stitch Ears to back of Head, fasten off.

Legs:

Stitch Legs to Body, using blunt needle and embroidery floss. Stitch from interior Leg joint to outside of Leg joint and back through. Enter through body to opposite side and stitch from interior Leg joint to outside of Leg joint and back through Leg joint and Body. Fasten off.



Mane:

Wrap yarn around 3-inch piece of heavy cardboard and cut one side of loops. Using 3 to 4 strands of yarn, loop and pull through rows on back of Head, centering between Ears. Continue until Mane is "full". Trim as needed.

Tail:

Using same method as Mane, pull and loop 6 strands through rows and cut to desired length.

