CROCHET OWL: MINI OWL AMIGURUMI

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Printable pattern, adapted in my own words from the free Mini Owl design by Hooked by Kati listed in sources.txt. US crochet terms.

SKILL LEVEL

Beginner

TIME TO MAKE

About 1 to 2 hours

MATERIALS

- Worsted weight (4) acrylic yarn, for example Red Heart Super Saver, 100 percent acrylic, 364 yards per 7 ounce (198 g) skein. You need less than one ball of each color:

Main color (MC): body and wings

Accent color 1 (AC1): outer eye circles

Accent color 2 (AC2): inner eye circles

Accent color 3 (AC3): beak and feet

- Crochet hook: size H (5.00 mm)
- Two 15 mm safety eyes with locking backs
- Polyester stuffing
- Tapestry needle
- Scissors
- Stitch marker (helpful, not required)

GAUGE

7 single crochet stitches and 7 rows = 2 inches x 2 inches.

Gauge is not critical for this project, but your stitches must be tight enough that the stuffing does not show through. If your fabric looks loose, use a smaller hook.

FINISHED SIZE

4 inches tall x 4 inches wide.

ABBREVIATIONS

ch: chain

sc: single crochet

dc: double crochet

inc: increase (work 2 single crochet in the same stitch)

dec: decrease (work 2 single crochet together)

sl st: slip stitch

st: stitch

rnd: round

PATTERN NOTES

- Work in continuous rounds. Do not join rounds with a slip stitch unless the pattern says so. Use a stitch marker to mark the first stitch of each round.
- The number in parentheses at the end of each round is the stitch count you should have when the round is finished.
- Make the body first, then the wings, eye circles, feet, and beak. Sew the pieces together in the order given under Assembly.
- For a toy for a child under 3, embroider the eyes instead of using safety eyes, and sew every piece on firmly.

BODY

With MC, ch 2.

Rnd 1: Work 6 sc in the second ch from the hook. (6 sts)

Rnd 2: Work 2 sc in each st around. (12 sts)

Rnd 3: (Sc in the next st, inc in the next st) 6 times. (18 sts)

Rnd 4: (Sc in the next 2 sts, inc in the next st) 6 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 5: (Sc in the next 3 sts, inc in the next st) 6 times. (30 sts)

Rnds 6 to 16: Sc in each st around. (30 sts)

Rnd 17: (Sc in the next 3 sts, dec over the next 2 sts) 6 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 18: (Sc in the next 2 sts, dec over the next 2 sts) 6 times. (18 sts)

Rnd 19: (Sc in the next st, dec over the next 2 sts) 6 times. (12 sts)

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Stuff the body firmly, but leave a little space at the top so it can be pinched closed. Press the open top flat and sew it shut in a straight seam. Let the ends bunch up slightly: those two little points are the ears.

WINGS (make 2)

With MC, ch 2.

Rnd 1: Work 6 sc in the second ch from the hook. (6 sts)

Rnd 2: Sc in each st around. (6 sts)

Rnd 3: Work 2 sc in each st around. (12 sts)

Rnds 4 to 5: Sc in each st around. (12 sts)

Rnd 6: (Sc in the next 2 sts, dec over the next 2 sts) 3 times. (9 sts)

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

LARGE EYE CIRCLES (make 2)

With AC1, ch 2.

Rnd 1: Work 6 sc in the second ch from the hook. (6 sts)

Rnd 2: Work 2 sc in each st around. (12 sts)

Rnd 3: (Sc in the next st, inc in the next st) 6 times. Sl st in the first st to smooth the edge. (18 sts)

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

SMALL EYE CIRCLES (make 2)

With AC2, ch 2.

Rnd 1: Work 6 sc in the second ch from the hook. (6 sts)

Rnd 2: Work 2 sc in each st around. Sl st in the first st to smooth the edge. (12 sts)

Fasten off and weave in the ends.

FEET (make 2)

With AC3, ch 4.

Rnd 1: Work 5 dc in the fourth ch from the hook. This makes a half circle shape.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

BEAK

With AC3, ch 2.

Rnd 1: Work 6 sc in the second ch from the hook. (6 sts)

Rnds 2 to 3: Sc in each st around. (6 sts)

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

ASSEMBLY

1. Lay one small eye circle on top of each large eye circle. Push a safety eye through the center of the two layered circles and press the locking back on firmly. The back holds the eye and both circles together.

2. Sew the eyes to the body, centered under the ears, using the long tail on the large eye circle. Place them close together so the two circles touch in the middle.

3. Squash each wing flat and sew one to each side of the body, level with the eyes. Sew both wings to the same round so they sit even.

4. Sew the beak to the body between the two eye circles, centered on the face.

5. Sew the feet to the bottom of the body, two stitches apart, around round 5 of the body, centered under the eye circles.

6. For the ear fringe, cut two short pieces of yarn in AC1 and two in AC2. Push the hook through the top of one ear, fold one piece of each color over the hook, pull the loop through the ear, then wrap the yarn ends over the hook and pull them through the loop. Pull tight and trim to the length you like. Repeat on the other ear.

7. Weave in all the attachment ends once every piece sits where you want it.

RECOMPUTE CHECK (done by hand before publishing)

Body: 6 + 12 + 18 + 24 + 30 + (11 rounds x 30) + 24 + 18 + 12 = 474 stitches. Each increase round adds exactly 6 stitches and each decrease round removes exactly 6 stitches.

Wings: 6 + 6 + 12 + 12 + 12 + 9 = 57 stitches each, 114 for the pair. The last round (2 sc, dec) x 3 makes 3 repeats of 3 stitches = 9 stitches.

Large eye circles: 6 + 12 + 18 = 36 each, 72 for the pair.

Small eye circles: 6 + 12 = 18 each, 36 for the pair.

Feet: 5 double crochet each, 10 for the pair.

Beak: 6 + 6 + 6 = 18 stitches.

Total stitches in the whole owl: 474 + 114 + 72 + 36 + 10 + 18 = 724 stitches. Every round total equals what the round actually makes.

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