





CROCHET SKILL LEVEL **EASY**

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What you will need:

RED HEART® Boutique Treasure™: 1 ball 1918 Abstract B

RED HEART® With Love®: 1 skein each 1252 Mango A and 1012 Black C

Susan Bates® Crochet Hook: 3.75mm [US F-5]

Yarn needle, stitch markers. polyester fiberfill for stuffing, 2 1/2" (12 mm) blue safety eyes

GAUGE: 14 sts = 4" (10 cm); 20 rows = 4" (10 cm) in single crochet. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.



RED HEART® Boutique Treasure[™]. Art E788 available in 3.5 oz (100 g), 151 yds (138 m) balls

RED HEART® With Love®, Art. E400 available in solid color

(338m) and multicolor 5oz (141g), 230 yd (211m) skeins

7oz (198g), 370 yd



Nite Owl

This colorful owl has spread wings and is ready for take off. If you love owls (or know someone who does), you'll want to crochet this little charmer.

Owl measures 7½" wide from wingtip to wingtip x 2½" tall (19 cm x 6.5 cm).

Special Stitches

sc2toq = [Insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop] twice, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

Notes

- 1. Head/body is worked in continuous rounds with right side facing at all times. Place marker for beginning of round and move marker up as each round is completed. All other pieces are made in rounds or rows.
- 2. Gauge is not critical for this project, but work tightly to ensure that stuffing does not show through stitches. Do not overstuff and stretch stitches so that stuffing is visible.
- 3. You may want to use crocheted or felt circles for center of each eye instead of safety eves if this toy is intended for use by a very young child.

OWL

Eve Circle (make 2)

With A. ch 2.

Round 1 (right side): Work 5 sc in 2nd ch from hook; join with slip st in first sc—5 sc. Round 2: Ch 2, slip st in first st, *ch 2, slip st in next st; repeat from * around, Fasten off, leaving 8" (20.5 cm) tail for sewing. Insert post of safety eye through center of eye circle.

Head/Body

Beginning at top of head, with **B**, ch 2. Round 1 (right side): Work 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook, do not join—6 sc. Place marker for beginning of round and move marker up as each round is completed.

Round 2: Work 2 sc in each st-12 sc.

Round 3: *Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st; repeat from * 5 times—18 sc.

Round 4: *Sc in next 2 sts. 2 sc in next st: repeat from * 5 times—24 sc.

Rounds 5-8: Sc in each st around. Insert post of safety eye in any st between Rounds 5 and 6 and attach washer to secure. Repeat for 2nd safety eye, leaving 1 or 2 stitches between posts so that washers, when locked in place, touch each other but do not overlap.

Rounds 9-14: Sc in each st around. Stuff body firmly and continue to stuff as you work. Round 15: *Sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts; repeat from * 5 times—18 sc. Place marker on this round for placement of feet.

Round 16: *Sc2tog, sc in next st; repeat from * 5 times-12 sc.

Round 17: *Sc2tog; repeat from * 5 times—6 sc. Fasten off, leaving an 8" (20.5 cm) tail for sewing. Weave ending tail through stitches and pull gently until closed. Fasten off and weave in ends.

Foot (make 2)

With C. ch 4.

Row 1: Slip st in 2nd ch from hook, slip st in next 2 ch (first toe made), *ch 4, slip st in 2nd ch from hook, slip st in next 2 ch (next toe made): working in opposite side of foundation ch, slip st in first ch of first toe (to form heel); repeat from * once. Fasten off.

Beak

With C, ch 2.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook, turn—1 sc. Row 2: Ch 1, 3 sc in sc. Fasten off, leaving an 8" (20.5 cm) tail for sewing.

Wing (make 2)

Beginning at wing tip, with **B**, ch 2.

Row 1: Work 2 sc in 2nd ch from hook, turn-2 sc.

Row 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in remaining st. turn—3 sc.

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Rows 3–11: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in remaining sts, turn—12 sc.
Fold wing in half lengthwise into a triangle, matching row ends, and continue working through both thicknesses to close wing.
Row 12: Working across ends of rows, 3 hdc in first row, slip st in next row, *3 hdc in next row, slip st in next row; repeat from * across to wing tip. Fasten off, leaving a 15" (38 cm) tail for sewing.

FINISHING

Optional: Make crocheted or felt circles for eyes instead of plastic animal eyes and sew firmly into center of eye circles with a small bit of stuffing inserted to give dimension.

Where eye circles meet at center of head, sew together with tail from one circle.

Sew wider end of beak between eyes.

Flatten bottom of owl so it sits. Sew heel of each foot to marked round of body, aligning directly under each eye.

Thread tail of each wing to last row at wider end. Using photograph as a guide, sew wings to sides of body. Secure tightly.

Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

A, B, C = Color A, Color B, Color C, etc.; ch = chain; hdc = half double crochet; sc = single crochet; st(s) = stitch(es); * = repeat whatever follows the * as indicated.