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CROCHET SKILL LEVEL

EASY

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## What you will need:

RED HEART ${ }^{\circledR}$ Amigurumi:
1 ball 9614 Narwhal
Susan Bates ${ }^{\circledR}$ Crochet Hook: 2.25 mm [US B-1]

Stitch marker, stuffing, two 6 mm safety eyes, yarn needle, black embroidery floss and embroidery needle (for mouth embroidery), scrap of pink felt, strong craft glue, and wooden toothpick (for tusk).

Optional: Knee high stocking and plastic pellets for weighted stuffing.

GAUGE: 32 sts = about 4" [10 cm]; 28 rounds = about $4^{\prime \prime}$ [10 cm ] in single crochet (sc). EXACT GAUGE IS NOT CRITICAL TO THIS PROJECT. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.


RED HEART* Amigurumi, Art E885 available in 3.5 oz ( 100 g ) 239 yds (219m) cakes


## Ned \& Norman Crochet Narwhal

Why pretend to be a unicorn when you're already a narwhal? Norman and Ned love living in the chilly waters near the north pole and would love to meet you, just don't forget to bundle up!

## Narwhal measures about 4" [10 cm]

 tall, not including tusk.
## Notes

1. Before beginning, separate the different color sections of the yarn as follows: Pop the center color out by pushing gently on the center of the ball so that it comes out intact. Find the point where the color changes and cut the yarn. Repeat this process for the remaining yarn colors by carefully pushing the rings of color out of the larger ring and cutting. Wind each color into a separate ball to prevent tangling. You may find that one color appears both in the center, and on the outside of the ball, wind together or separately. In the pattern instructions, the grey color is referred to as $\mathbf{A}$, the white as $\mathbf{B}$, the aqua as $\mathbf{C}$, and the turquoise as $\mathbf{D}$.
2. Narwhal is made from 4 pieces: Body, 2 pectoral fins, and a tusk.
3. Narwhal is designed in two versions: solid and striped.
4. All pieces, except tusk, are worked in continuous rounds (spiral) with right side always facing. Tusk is made by gluing wraps of yarn around toothpick.
5. Pieces are sewn together using yarn scraps, yarn tails or sewing thread.
6. Yarn color is changed to form stripes on striped narwhal. To change yarn color, work last stitch of old color to last yarn over. Yarn over with new color and draw through all loops on hook to complete stitch. Proceed with new color. Do not fasten off old color until instructed.
7. Do not use safety eyes if toy is intended for a child 2 years of age or younger.

## Special Stitches

join with sc = Place a slip knot on hook, insert hook in indicated stitch, yarn over and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through both loops on hook.

## sc2tog (single crochet 2 stitches

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

## Special Technique

Adjustable ring = Wrap yarn into a ring, ensuring that the tail falls behind the working yarn. Grip ring and tail between middle finger and thumb. Insert hook through center of ring, yarn over (with working yarn) and draw up a loop. Work stitches of first round in the ring. After the first round of stitches is worked, pull gently on tail to tighten ring.

## SOLID COLOR BODY

Beginning at top of head with $\mathbf{A}$, make an adjustable ring.
Round 1 (right side): Work 6 sc in ring; do not join, work in continuous rounds (spiral)-6 sc.
Place a marker in the last sc worked to indicate end of round. Move marker up as each round is completed.
Round 2: Work 2 sc in each of next 6 sts-12 sc.
Round 3: Work 2 sc in each of next 12 sts-24 sc.
Round 4: [Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st] 8 times-32 sc.
Round 5: Sc in each st around.
Round 6: [Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st] 8 times-40 sc
Rounds 7-19: Sc in each st around.
Attach safety eyes between Rounds 10 and 11, about 8 stitches apart.
continued.


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Round 20: [Sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog] 8 times-32 sc.
Round 21: [Sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog] 8 times-24 sc.
Begin stuffing piece with fiberfill or place optional knee high, filled with plastic pellets, into piece. Continue stuffing piece as work progresses.
Round 22: [Sc in next st, sc2tog] 8 times-16 sc.
Round 23: [Sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog] 4 times-12 sc.
Rounds 24 and 25: Sc in each st around
Round 26: Work 2 sc in each of next 12
sts-24 sc.
Round 27: [ Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st] 6 times- 30 sc .
Fasten off.

## Tail

Flatten the last few rounds so that stitches at the back match stitches at the front, forming a double row of stitches. Working through both thicknesses, join A with a slip stitch in the center stitch.
Note: When flattening the last few rounds, flatten them so that the ends of rounds are centered at the back of the piece.

## First Tail Fin

Round 1: Sc in next 14 sts; leave remaining sts unworked-14 sc. Working over these 14 sts only. Place a marker in the last sc made to indicate end of round. Move marker up as each round is completed.
Rounds 2 and 3: Sc in each st around.
Round 4: [Sc2tog, sc in next 5 sts] twice-12 sc.
Round 5: [Sc in next st, sc2tog] 4 times-8 sc.
Round 6: \{Sc2tog] 4 times-4 sc. Fasten off. Weave in and trim ends.

## Second Tail Fin

Round 1: Join $\mathbf{A}$ with sc in first
unworked st following center stitch, sc in next 13 sts- 14 sc .
Rounds 2-6: Work same as Rounds 2-6 of first tail fin.
Fasten off. Weave in and trim ends.

## STRIPED BODY

Beginning at top of head with $\mathbf{C}$, make an adjustable ring.
Rounds 1-13: With C, work same as Rounds 1-13 of solid narwhal body and change to $\mathbf{D}$ in last st of Round 13-40 sc.
Rounds 14 and 15: With $\mathbf{D}$, sc in each st around and change to $\mathbf{B}$ in last st of last round.
Rounds 16 and 17: With B, sc in each st around and change to $\mathbf{D}$ in last st of last round.
Rounds 18 and 19: Repeat Rounds 14 and 15.
Attach safety eyes between Rounds 10 and 11, about 8 stitches apart.
Round 20: With B, [sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog] 8 times-32 sc.
Round 21: With B, [sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog] 8 times and change to $\mathbf{D}$ in last st-24 sc.
Begin stuffing piece with fiberfill or place optional knee high, filled with plastic pellets, into piece. Continue stuffing piece as work progresses.
Fasten off B.
Round 22: With D, [sc in next st, sc2tog] 8 times-16 sc.
Round 23: With D, [sc in next 2 sts,
sc2tog] 4 times and change to $\mathbf{C}$ in last st-12 sc.
Fasten off D. Work remainder of piece with C only.

Rounds 24-27: With C, work same as Rounds 24-27 of solid narwhal body. Fasten off.

## Tail

Flatten the last few rounds so that stitches at the back match stitches at the front, forming a double row of stitches. Working through both thicknesses, join $\mathbf{C}$ with a slip stitch in the center stitch.
Note: When flattening the last few rounds, flatten them so that the color changes are centered at the back of the piece.
With C, work tail and tail fins same as for solid narwhal body.
Fasten off. Weave in and trim ends.

## PECTORAL FINS (make 2 for each narwhal)

Note: If making solid narwhal, use yarn color A. If making striped narwhal, use yarn color $\mathbf{C}$.

Make an adjustable ring.
Round 1 (right side): Work 6 sc in ring; do not join, work in continuous rounds (spiral)-6 sc.
Place a marker in the last sc worked to indicate end of round. Move marker up as each round is completed.
Round 2: [Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st] twice, sc in last 2 sts-8 sc.
Round 3: [Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st] 4 times-12 sc.
Rounds 4 and 5: Sc in each st around.
Round 6: [Sc in next st, sc2tog] 4
times-8 sc.
Round 7: Sc in each st around.
Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing fin to body. If needed, thread beginning
yarn tail through stitches at beginning of piece and pull to close opening.
Weave in and trim beginning tail only.

## FINISHING

Referring to photograph as a guide to placement, sew pectoral fins to sides of body, near Round 13.

With embroidery needle and 2 strands of black embroidery floss, embroider a smile in the middle of the face over Round 13 , about 3 stitches wide.

Cut two small circles from pink craft felt. Referring to photograph as a guide to placement, glue cheeks to face directly under and to the outside of the eyes.

## Tusk

Generously coat about half of the wooden toothpick with strong craft glue. Beginning near the center of the toothpick, wrap B-colored yarn around the toothpick wrapping up to the point. Hold the wraps until the yarn adheres. Trim the yarn even when glue is dry.

After tusk is dry, place small amount of glue on unwrapped end of toothpick and insert it into Round 6 at the center of the narwhal's forehead. Allow glue to dry.

Weave in and trim any remaining ends.

## ABBREVIATIONS

A, B, C, and D = Color A, Color B, Color C, and Color D; $\mathbf{c h}=$ chain; $\mathbf{s c}=$ single crochet; st(s) = stitch(es); [ ] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified

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