



CROCHET | SKILL LEVEL: **INTERMEDIATE**

## ABBREVIATIONS

**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, working over the yarn tail. After the first round of stitches is worked, pull gently on tail to tighten ring.

**Approx** = Approximately

**Ch** = Chain(s)

**Hdc** = Half double crochet

**Sc** = Single crochet

**Sc-blo** = Single crochet in back loop only.

**Sc2tog** = Draw up a loop in each of next 2 sc. Yoh and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

**St(s)** = Stitch(es)

**Yoh** = Yarn over hook

## MATERIALS

**Red Heart® With Love® Solids** (7 oz/198 g; 370 yds/338 m)

**Contrast A** Pewter (1401) **2 balls**

**Contrast B** Eggshell (1101) **1 ball**

**Contrast C** Platinum (1979) **1 ball**

or

**Contrast A** Light Grey (1441) **2 balls**

**Contrast B** Eggshell (1101) **1 ball**

**Contrast C** Platinum (1979) **1 ball**

Size U.S. F/5 (3.75 mm) crochet hook **or size needed to obtain gauge.** Stitch marker. Stuffing. 1 pair of 10 mm safety eyes. Black embroidery floss. Black or charcoal sewing thread.

## MEASUREMENTS

Approx 9" [23 cm] tall, in seated position.

Approx 15" [38 cm] tall, including legs.

## GAUGE

24 sc and 20 rows = 4" [10 cm]

## INSTRUCTIONS

### Notes:

- Head, body, arms, and legs are worked in continuous rounds (spiral), with right side always facing. Claws are

worked directly onto the ends of arms and legs. Eye patches begin in continuous rounds and end with a row.

- Arms are attached to body while a neck round of body is worked.
- Eye patches are attached to head using safety eyes before head is complete, while head is still relatively flat, for ease in access. **Do not** use safety eyes if making for child under 2 years of age.

## EYE PATCHES (make 2)

With C, make an adjustable ring.

**Round 1 (right side):** Ch 1, 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 hdc in each st around—12 hdc.

**Row 3:** Ch 5, hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in next 3 ch, slip st in next hdc of Round 2.

Fasten off.

## ARMS (make 2)

Beginning at top (shoulder) with A, leaving a 16" [40.5 cm] tail, ch 14; join with slip st in first ch to form a ring.

**Round 1:** Ch 1, sc in same ch as joining slip st and in each remaining ch around; do not join, work in continuous rounds (spiral)—14 sc.

Place a marker in last sc worked to indicate end of round. Move marker up as each round is completed.

**Rounds 2-29:** Sc in each st around, stuffing piece as work progresses.

**Round 30:** [Sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog] 3 times, sc in last 2 sts—11 sc.

**Round 31:** [Sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts] twice, sc2tog, sc in last st—8 sc.

Finish stuffing piece.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail. Fold last round flat and sew opening closed.

**Close top opening:** Fold foundation round flat and sew opening closed, leaving long tail of yarn.

## LEGS (make 2)

Beginning at top (hip) with A, leaving a 14" [35.5 cm] tail, ch 16; join with slip st in first ch to form a ring.

**Round 1:** Ch 1, sc in same ch as joining slip st and in each remaining ch around; do not join, work in continuous rounds (spiral)—16 sc.

Place a marker in last sc worked to indicate end of round. Move marker up as each round is completed.

**Rounds 2-32:** Sc in each st around, stuffing piece as work progresses.

**Round 33:** [Sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog] 4 times—12 sc.

**Round 34:** [Sc in next st, sc2tog] 4 times—8 sc.

Finish stuffing piece.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail. Fold last round and sew opening closed.

**Close top opening:** Fold foundation round flat and sew opening closed, leaving long tail of yarn.

## HEAD

Beginning at nose and working towards back of head, with C, ch 7.

## Nose

**Round 1 (right side):** Working in back bumps of foundation ch, sc in 2nd ch from hook and next 5 ch; working along opposite side of foundation ch, sc in next 6 ch; join with slip st in first sc—12 sc.

**Round 2:** Ch 1, sc in same st as joining slip st and in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts, place a marker in the center sc of the 5 sc just made, 2 sc in last st; join with slip st in first sc—14 sc.

Fasten off.

## Face

**Round 3:** With right side facing, working in back loops only, join B with slip st in marked sc of Round 2, remove marker, ch 1, sc in same sc and in each remaining sc around; join with slip st in first sc—14 sc.

**Round 4:** [Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st] 7 times; do not join, work in continuous rounds (spiral)—21 sc.

Place a marker in the last sc worked to indicate end of round. Move marker up as each round is completed.

**Round 5:** [Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st] 7 times—28 sc.

**Round 6:** [Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st] 7 times—35 sc.

**Round 7:** [Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st] 7 times—42 sc.

**Round 8:** [Sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st] 7 times—49 sc.

**Round 9:** [Sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st] 7 times—56 sc.

**Rounds 10 and 11:** Sc in each st around.

**Round 12:** Sc in each st around; join with slip st in first sc of this round.

Fasten off.

**Round 13:** With right side facing, working in back loops only, join A with slip st in first sc of Round 12 (same sc as joining slip st), ch 1, sc in same sc and in each remaining sc around; do not join, work in continuous rounds (spiral)—56 sc.

Place a marker in the last sc worked to indicate end of round. Move marker up as each round is completed.

**Do not** fasten off.

### Attach Eyes

Use a length of contrasting color scrap yarn to mark face for eye patch placement as follows: Thread scrap yarn onto yarn needle. Imagine a straight line across face that lies straight across widest part of nose. Insert needle from back, onto the line and about 3 rounds in from edge of face (face is B-colored part), bring yarn straight across widest part of nose and then insert needle from front about 3 rounds in from opposite edge of face.

Attach a safety eye and eye patch on one side of face as follows: Insert a safety eye into the middle of the circular portion of one eye

patch then between Rounds 9 and 10 of the face and on the scrap yarn line. **Do not** attach washer.

Repeat to position second eye and eye patch on opposite side of face. Check for even placement. Make certain that the narrow portion (Row 3) of each eye patch faces downwards and outwards from the eye and that both eye patches are at about the same angle. Snap the safety eye washers into place. **Do not** sew the eye patches in place, they will be sewn to face later.

**Tips:** Pinning the eye patches using straight pins may be helpful in assuring that the patch locations and angles match. If double layer of crochet fabric is too thick to snap the washer in place, try putting the washer on upside down with the small raised ring on top of the washer facing in towards the post.

### Back of Head

**Rounds 14-18:** Sc in each st around.

**Round 19:** [Sc in next 6 sts, sc2tog] 7 times—49 sc.

**Rounds 20 and 21:** Sc in each st around.

**Round 22:** [Sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog] 7 times—42 sc.

**Round 23:** Sc in each st around.

**Round 24:** [Sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog] 7 times—35 sc.

**Round 25:** Sc in each st around.

**Round 26:** [Sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog] 7 times—28 sc.

Stuff piece firmly.

**Round 27:** [Sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog] 7 times—21 sc.

**Round 28:** [Sc in next st, sc2tog] 7 times—14 sc.

Finish stuffing piece.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail. Thread ending tail through stitches of last round and pull to close opening. Securely weave in and trim end.

### BODY

Beginning at bottom of body with A, make an adjustable ring.

**Round 1 (right side):** Ch 1, 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 st around—12 sc.

**Round 3:** [Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st] 6 times—18 sc.

**Round 4:** [Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st] 6 times—24 sc.

**Round 5:** [Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st] 6 times—30 sc.

**Round 6:** [Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st] 6 times—36 sc.

**Round 7:** [Sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st] 6 times—42 sc.

**Round 8:** [Sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st] 6 times—48 sc.

**Round 9:** [Sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st] 6 times—54 sc.

**Round 10:** [Sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st] 6 times—60 sc.

**Round 11:** [Sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st] 6 times—66 sc.

**Rounds 12-14:** Sc in each st around.

**Note:** Some stitches of next round are worked only into back loops. Later, the tops of the legs are sewn to the unused front loops.

**Round 15:** Sc-blo in next 8 sts, sc in next 6 sts, sc-blo in next 8 sts, sc in each remaining st around.

**Rounds 16-21:** Sc in each st around.

**Round 22:** [Sc in next 9 sts, sc2tog] 6 times—60 sc.

**Round 23:** [Sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog] 10 times—50 sc.

**Rounds 24-30:** Sc in each st around.

**Round 31:** [Sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog] 5 times—45 sc.

**Round 32:** [Sc in next 7 sts, sc2tog] 5 times—40 sc.

**Round 33:** [Sc in next 6 sts, sc2tog] 5 times—35 sc.

## Neck

**Round 34:** [Sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog] 5 times—30 sc.

## Mark Stitches for Arm Placement

Use a length of contrasting color scrap yarn to mark for arm placement as follows: Hold one end of scrap yarn immediately before the first unworked front loop of Round 15. Stretch the scrap yarn upwards in a straight line to Round 34 and place a marker in the Round 34 stitch at the straight line. Moving towards the back, skip the next 5 stitches of Round 34 and place a marker in the next stitch. The two markers just placed indicate

the beginning and ending stitches where one arm will be attached. Repeat this process to mark stitches for the other arm, beginning by holding one end of scrap yarn immediately following the last unworked front loop of Round 15.

**Round 35:** \*Sc in each st to next arm marker, hold top of arm against Round 34 with sts matching the marked sts and the sts between the markers; working through both layers, sc in next 7 sts; repeat from \* once more, sc in each st to end of round—30 sc. Remove arm markers.

**Rounds 36-38:** Sc in each st around.

Stuff piece firmly.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing head to body.

## Claws

Working into stitches of last round of leg and over the sewing stitches used to close end of leg. Skip first st, join B with slip st in next st, \*ch 6, slip st in back bump of 2nd ch from hook and in back bump of next 4 ch, slip st in same st of leg and in next st of leg;

repeat from \* twice more (3 claws made).

Fasten off. Weave in and trim ends. Repeat to work claws on second leg and both arms.

## FINISHING

Pin eye patches to face. Sew patches securely in place, using small whip stitches.

With three strands of black embroidery floss embroider a running stitch or outline stitch upward curving mouth on face. Embroider mouth over six single crochet stitches, evenly spaced about three rounds down from the bottom of the nose and following the curvature of the single crochet stitches.

Sew head to neck.

Sew legs to free front loops from Round 15 of body. Match the top edge of the leg with the eight unworked front loops.