

PREMIER®
YARNS



Naptime Nelly

FREE CROCHET PATTERN

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TYPE Crochet

DESIGNER

Erin Fisher for Premier Yarns

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Height: 23" not including feet

Width: 16" not including arms

MATERIALS

- [Premier® Yarns Fable®](#) (90% Acrylic, 10% Polyester; 7oz/200g., 131yds/120m).
- MC: 2142-09 Nessie – 4 balls
- Polyester Stuffing
- Contrasting smooth yarn such as [Premier Anti-Pilling Everyday® Worsted](#)

HOOKS & NOTIONS

- [US Size M 13 \(9.0 mm\)](#)
- [Tapestry needle](#)

GAUGE

- 9 sc x 8 rnds = 4" unstuffed
- 8 esc x 7 rnds = 4"

Save time, check your gauge.

SKILLS/TECHNIQUES USED IN THIS PATTERN:

- Chain, slip stitch, single crochet, and extended single crochet stitch.
- Magic ring.
- Invisible single crochet.
- Seaming using mattress stitch.
- Embroidering.
- Working in the round.

STITCH GUIDE

Magic Ring: Wrap yarn around your left middle finger twice, leaving a 6” tail. Insert hk under both strands and pull up a loop. Ch 1 and beg working directly into center of ring. This ring can be tightened later by pulling on the yarn tail.

Inv-dec (invisible single crochet decrease): Insert hk in front loop only of each of next 2 sts, yo and draw through both sts, yo and draw through 2 loops on hk (1 st dec’d).

Inv-slst-dec (invisible slip stitch decrease): Insert hk in front loop only of each of next 2 sts, yo and draw through all 3 loops on hk (1 st dec’d).

Esc (extended single crochet): Insert hk into next desired st, yo and pull up a loop, yo and pull through rem 2 loops.

PATTERN NOTES

Naptime Nelly is created in pieces and seamed. Trunk is worked directly onto head, with ears sewn on separately. Body is crocheted in the round to make a tube, which is then flattened and seamed along the top and bottom. Finally, head and feet are sewn as shown and a contrast smooth yarn is used to add features and optional shaping to complete a squishy snuggle buddy.

When working in continuous rounds, place a marker in first stitch to indicate beginning of the round. Move marker up on subsequent rounds.

HEAD

With MC, create a **Magic Ring**.

Rnd 1: 8 sc in ring; do not join, work in continuous rnds – 8 sc.

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each sc around – 16 sc.

Rnd 3: *Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc; rep from * around – 24 sc.

Rnd 4: *Sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc; rep from * around – 32 sc.

Rnd 5: *Sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc; rep from * around – 40 sc.

Rnds 6-12: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 13: *Sc in next 8 sc, **inv-dec**; rep from * around – 36 sc rem.

Rnd 14: *Sc in next 7 sc, **inv-dec**; rep from * around – 32 sc rem.

Rnd 15: *Sc in next 6 sc, **inv-dec**; rep from * around – 28 sc rem.

Rnd 16: Sc in each sc around.

HEAD CONT.

Rnd 17: *Sc in next 5 sc, **inv-dec**; rep from * around – 24 sc rem.

Rnd 18: *Sc in next 4 sc, **inv-dec**; rep from * around – 20 sc rem.

Rnd 19: Sc in each sc around.

Stuff Head firmly.

TRUNK

Continuing from head Rnd 19, stuff the Trunk as you go.

Rnd 20: **Inv-slst-dec** 4 times, sc in each rem sc around – 12 sc, 4 sl st; 16 sts rem.

Rnd 21: **Inv-slst-dec** 2 times, sc in each rem sc around – 12 sc, 2 sl st; 14 sts rem.

Rnd 22: **Inv-slst-dec**, sc in each rem sc around – 12 sc, 1 sl st; 13 sts rem.

Rnd 23: Sl st in next sl st, sc in each rem sc around – 12 sc, 1 sl st; 13 sts total.

Rnds 24-26: Rep Rnd 23.

Rnd 27: Sk sl st, sc in next sc, remove beg of rnd marker and replace for new beg of rnd; sc in each sc around – 12 sc.

Rnd 28: **Inv-dec**, sc in each rem st around – 11 sc rem.

Rnds 29-31: Sc around.

Rnds 32-35: Rep rnds 28-31 – 10 sc rem.

Fasten off leaving 6” tail for sewing Trunk closed. Thread tapestry needle and close last rnd.

LEGS (MAKE 4)

With MC, create a **Magic Ring**.

Rnd 1: 6 sc in ring; do not join, work in continuous rnds – 6 sc.

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each sc around – 12 sc.

Rnd 3: *Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc; rep from * around – 18 sc.

Rnds 4-7: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 8: *Sc in next sc, **inv-dec**; rep from * around – 12 sc rem.

Rnds 9-10: Sc in each sc around.

Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing.

BODY

Leaving a 24" tail for seaming, ch 60. Join with a sl st being careful not to twist.

Rnd 1: Ch 2, **esc** in the same ch, pm to mark beg of rnd, **esc** in back bump of each ch around.

Rnd 2-28: Continue in a spiral, **esc** in each **esc** around until Body measures 16".

Fasten off leaving a 24" tail for seaming. Flatten the tube and seam using mattress stitch across the top and bottom.

LEFT EAR

Create a **Magic Ring**.

Rnd 1: 5 sc in ring; do not join, work in continuous rnds – 5 sc.

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each sc around – 10 sc.

Rnd 3: 2 sc in next 5 sc, sc in last 5 sc – 15 sc.

Rnd 4: 2 sc in each sc around – 30 sc.

Rnd 5: 2 sc in next 15 sc, pm in last sc completed, *sc in next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc; rep from * to end of rnd – 48 sc.

Rnd 6: Sc in next 30 sc, *sc in next 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc; rep from * to end of rnd – 51 sc.

Rnd 7: Sc in next 30 sc, *sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 6 sc; rep from * to last 3 sc, sc in last 3 sc – 54 sc.

Rnd 8: Sc in each sc around – 54 sc.

Rnd 9: Sc in next 30 sc, sl st in last 24 sc – 54 sts.

Fasten off leaving a 12" tail for sewing.

RIGHT EAR

Work Rnds 1 and 2 as for Left Ear.

Rnd 3: Sc in next 5 sc, 2 sc in rem 5 sc – 15 sc.

Rnd 4: 2 sc in each sc around – 30 sc.

Rnd 5: *Sc in next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc; rep from * twice more, sc in next 2 sc and pm in first of these sc, 2 sc in last 14 sc – 48 sc.

Rnd 6: *Sc in next 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc; rep from * twice more, sc in rem 30 sc – 51 sc.

Rnd 7: *Sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 3 sc; rep from * twice more, sc in last 30 sc – 54 sc.

RIGHT EAR CONT.

Rnd 8: Sc in each sc around – 54 sc.

Rnd 9: Sl st in next 24 sc, sc in last 30 sc – 54 sts.

Fasten off leaving a 12” tail for sewing.

FINISHING

Using photo as a guide, sew Ears to Head, then Head and Legs to Body.

Embroider on Eyes with contrast smooth yarn. To create face shaping, pull a length of contrast smooth yarn through from each Eye to a stitch near the back/bottom of the Head, making sure both lengths exit from the same stitch. Pull tight, tie a knot, and trim; when you release the knot will disappear in the stuffing.

Weave in any remaining ends.

MEET THE DESIGNER



Erin Fisher (she/her) is a Design Coordinator for Premier Yarns. Inspired by the fortune cookie she once got that said, "beauty surrounds you because you create it," she is a seasoned pattern-tester and stash-growing enthusiast who loves learning new skills. Erin resides in Charlotte, NC with her family and WIPs in the double digits.

ABBREVIATIONS

beg	begin(ning)
ch	chain
dec'd	decreased
hk	hook
pm	place marker
rem	remain(s)/remain(ing)
rep	repeat
rnd(s)	round(s)
sc	single crochet
sk	skip
sl st	slip stitch
st(s)	stitch(es)
yo	yarn over