



Bright Bear Buddies

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

14" from top of Head to base of Body

MATERIALS

Premier® Yarns Parfait® Chunky Neons (100% Polyester; 3.5oz/100g, 131yds/120m)

- Shown in colors 2108-01 Highlighter, 2108-02 Electric Lime, 2108-03 Neon Flamingo, 2108-04 Proton Purple, 2108-05 Blaze Orange – 2 balls each color per Bear

Hook: US Size I-9 (5.5 mm) crochet hook *or size needed to obtain gauge*

Notions: Tapestry needle, removable stitch markers, 2-10 mm safety eyes per Bear, small amount of smooth yarn in black (like Premier Anti-Pilling Everyday®)

GAUGE

Rnds 1-4 of Head = 4" diameter.

Save time; check your gauge.

Skills/techniques used in this pattern:

- Chain and single crochet stitches.
- Increasing and decreasing.
- Working in the round.
- Seaming.
- Stuffing pieces.

STITCH GUIDE

Magic Ring: Wrap yarn around your left middle finger twice, leaving a 6" tail. Insert hook 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.

PATTERN NOTES

The pieces are worked in a spiral. Do not join at the end of rounds. Use a removable stitch marker to mark the first st of the round, and move the marker up with each subsequent round.

BEAR

Body

Make **Magic Ring**.

Rnd 1: 6 sc in ring.

Rnd 2: 2sc in each sc around – 12 sc.

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

Rnd 4: *2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 2 sc; rep from * around – 24 sc.

Rnd 5: *2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 3 sc; rep from * around – 30 sc.

Rnd 6: *2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 4 sc; rep from * around – 36 sc.

Rnd 7: *2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 5 sc; rep from * around – 42 sc.

Rnd 8: *2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 6 sc; rep from * around – 48 sc.

Rnd 9: *2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 7 sc; rep from * around – 54 sc.

Rnd 10: *2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 8 sc; rep from * around – 60 sc.

Rnds 11-14: Ch 1, sc in each sc around.

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Shape Tummy

Rnd 15: Sc in each of the next 29 sc, [2 sc in next sc] twice, sc in each sc around – 62 sc.

Rnd 16: Sc in each of the next 31 sc, [2 sc in next sc] twice, sc in each sc around – 64 sc.

Rnd 17: Sc in each of the next 30 sc, [sc2tog] twice, sc in each sc around – 62 sc.

Rnd 18: Sc in each of the next 29 sc, [sc2tog] twice, sc in each sc around – 60 sc.

Shape Body

Rnd 19: *Sc2tog, sc in next 8 sc; rep from * around – 54 sc.

Rnd 20: *Sc2tog, sc in next 7 sc; rep from * around – 48 sc.

Rnd 21: *Sc2tog, sc in next 6 sc; rep from * around – 42 sc.

Rnd 22: *Sc2tog, sc in next 5 sc; rep from * around – 36 sc.

Rnds 23-25: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 26: *Sc2tog, sc in next 4 sc; rep from * around – 30 sc.

Rnds 27-29: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 30: *Sc2tog, sc in next 3 sc; rep from * around – 24 sc

Fasten off.

Stuff Body and set aside.

Nose

Make **Magic Ring**.

Rnd 1: 6 sc in ring – 6 sc.

Rnd 2: [Sc, 3 sc in next sc, sc in next sc] twice – 10 sc.

Rnd 3: [Sc in next 2 sc, 3 sc in next sc, sc in next 2 sc] twice – 14 sc.

Rnd 4: [Sc in next 3 sc, 3 sc in next sc, sc in next 3 sc] twice – 18 sc.

Fasten off. Set aside.

Head

Make **Magic Ring**.

Rnds 1-8: Work Rnds 1-8 of Body – 48 sc.

Rnds 9-14: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 15: *Sc2tog, sc in each of next 6 sc; rep from * around – 42 sc.

Rnd 16: *Sc2tog, sc in each of next 5 sc; rep from * around – 36 sc.

Rnd 17: *Sc2tog, sc in each of next 4 sc; rep from * around – 30 sc.

Sew Nose to Head leaving an opening on one side of Nose for stuffing. Stuff Nose. Sew closed.

Attach safety eyes or use smooth yarn and tapestry needle to embroider eyes above Nose (using photo as a guide).

Stuff Head and continue working as follows:

Rnd 18: *Sc2tog, sc in each of next 3 sc; rep from * around – 24 sc.

Rnd 19: *Sc2tog, sc in each of next 2 sc; rep from * around – 18 sc.

Rnd 20: *Sc2tog, sc in next sc; rep from * around – 12 sc.

Rnd 21: *Sc2tog; rep from * around – 6 sc.

Place yarn on tapestry needle, thread through each of the 6 remaining sc. Draw up to close. Secure end.

Ears and Tail (make 6)

Ch 6.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd sc from hook, sc in next 4 sc, turn – 5 sc.

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in each sc, turn.

Row 3: Ch 1, sc in next sc, hdc in next sc, dc in next sc, hdc in next sc, sc in next sc, turn.

Row 4: Ch 1, sc2tog over next 2 sts, hdc in dc, sc2tog over next 2 sts, turn – 3 sts.

Row 5: Ch 1, sc3tog. Fasten off.

Arms (make 2)

Make **Magic Ring**.

Rnds 1-4: Work Rnds 1-4 of Body – 24 sc.

Rnds 5-8: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 9: *Sc2tog, sc in next 2 sc; rep from * around – 18 sc.

Rnds 10-13: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 14: *Sc2tog, sc in next sc; rep from * around – 12 sc.

Rnds 15-18: Sc in each sc around.

Fasten off.

Stuff Arms.

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Legs (*make 2*)

Make **Magic Ring**.

Rnds 1-5: Work Rnds 1-5 of Body – 30 sc.

Rnds 6-9: Sc in each sc around.

Shape Toes

Rnd 10: Sc in each of next 13 sc, [sc2tog] twice, sc in each sc around – 28 sc.

Rnd 11: Sc in each of the next 12 sc, [sc2tog] twice, sc in each sc around – 26 sc.

Rnd 12: Sc in each of the next 11 sc, [sc2tog] twice, sc in each sc around – 24 sc.

Shape Legs

Rnds 13-15: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 16: *Sc2tog, sc in next 2 sc; rep from * around – 18 sc.

Rnds 17-19: Sc in each sc around.

Fasten off.

Stuff Legs.

FINISHING

Note: Use photo as a guide for placement throughout.

Sew Arms, Legs, and Head to Body.

Sew 2 pieces together for Ear. Repeat for 2nd Ear.

Sew Ears to Head.

Sew 2 pieces together for Tail, leaving an opening approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ of the circumference for stuffing.

Stuff Tail. Sew Tail to Body.

Weave in ends.

Abbreviations

beg begin(ning)

ch chain

dc double crochet

hdc half double crochet

rep repeat(ing)

rnd(s) round(s)

sc single crochet

sc2tog single crochet the next 2 sts together (1 st dec'd)

st(s) stitch(es)