



Gary the Giraffe

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Height: 21½"

MATERIALS

Premier® Yarns *Retro Velvet™* (100% Polyester; 9.8oz/280g, 306yds/280m)

- A: 1088-24 Teddy – 1 ball
- B: 1088-15 Yellow – 1 ball

Hook: US Size J-10 (6 mm) *or size needed to obtain gauge*

Notions: Tapestry needle, removable stitch markers, 2 - 12mm safety eyes, stuffing

GAUGE

12 sts x 12 rnds = 4"

Save time, check your gauge.

Skills/techniques used in this pattern:

- Chain stitches.
- Single, double crochet and half double crochet stitches.
- Invisible single crochet decrease.
- Seaming.
- Working in joined rounds.
- Stuffing toy, applying safety eyes.

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 lp only in each of next 2 sts, yo and draw through both sts, yo and draw through 2 lps on hk (1 st dec'd).

PATTERN NOTES

Giraffe is made in 11 separate pieces: 2 Arms, 2 Legs, Body, Head, 2 Horns, 2 Ears, and Tail. When working in the round, place a marker in first stitch made to indicate beg of round. Move marker up as each round begins.

Shown with Giraffe Headband and Mitts, available at www.PremierYarns.com.

GIRAFFE

Legs (make 2)

Rnd 1: With A, Create a **Magic Ring**, 6 sc in ring, do not join, work in continuous rnds.

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

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

Rnd 4: *Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st; rep from * around – 24 sc.

Rnds 5-8: Sc in each st around.

Rnd 9: (Inv-dec) 12 times – 12 sc.

Rnd 10: Sc in each st around. Fasten off, join B. Stuff Foot firmly.

Rnds 11-24: Sc in each st around.

Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing.

Stuff Leg loosely, leaving top 1" unstuffed.

Arms (make 2)

Rnd 1: With A, create a **Magic Ring**, 6 sc in ring; do not join, work in continuous rnds.

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

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

Rnds 4-7: Sc in each st around.

Rnd 8: (Inv-dec) 9 times – 9 sc.

Rnd 9: Sc in each st around. Fasten off, join B.

Rnds 10-24: Sc in each st around.

Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing.

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Stuff Arm loosely, leaving top 1" unstuffed.

Body

Rnd 1 (RS): With B, create a **Magic Ring**, 6 sc in ring; do not join, work in continuous rnds.

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

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

Rnd 4: *Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st; rep from * around – 24 sc.

Rnd 5: *Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st; rep from * around – 30 sc.

Rnd 6: *Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st; rep from * around – 36 sc.

Rnd 7: *Sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st; rep from * around – 42 sc.

Rnd 8: *Sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st; rep from * around – 48 sc.

Rnds 9-21: Sc in each st around.

Rnd 22: *Sc in next 6 sts, **inv-dec**; rep from * around – 42 sc.

Rnd 23: Sc in each st around.

Rnd 24: *Sc in next 5 sts, **inv-dec**; rep from * around – 36 sc.

Rnd 25: Sc in each st around.

Rnd 26: *Sc in next 4 sts, **inv-dec**; rep from * around – 30 sc.

Rnd 27: Sc in each st around.

Rnd 28: *Sc in next 3 sts, **inv-dec**; rep from * around – 24 sc.

Rnd 29: Sc in each st around.

Rnd 30: *Sc in next 2 sts, **inv-dec**; rep from * around – 18 sc.

Rnd 31: Sc in each st around.

Rnd 32: *Sc in next 4 sts, **inv-dec**; rep from * around – 15 sc.

Stuff Body firmly.

Neck

Rnds 33-40: Sc in each st around.

Stuff Neck firmly.

Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing.

Head

Rnd 1 (RS): With A, create a **Magic Ring**, 6 sc in ring; do not join, work in continuous rnds.

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

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

Rnd 4: *Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st; rep from * around – 24 sc.

Rnds 5-8: Sc in each st around. Fasten off, join B.

Rnd 9: *Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st; rep from * around – 30 sc.

Rnd 10: Sc in each st around.

Rnd 11: *Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st; rep from * around – 36 sc.

Rnds 12-17: Sc in each st around.

Add safety eyes between Rnds 10 and 11 about 7 sts apart.

Rnd 18: *Sc in next 4 sts, **inv-dec**; rep from * around – 30 sc.

Rnd 19: *Sc in next 3 sts, **inv-dec**; rep from * around – 24 sc.

Rnd 20: *Sc in next 2 sts, **inv-dec**; rep from * around – 18 sc.

Rnd 21: *Sc in next st, **inv-dec**; rep from * around – 12 sc.

Stuff Head firmly.

Rnd 22: (Inv-dec) 6 times – 6 sc.

Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing.

Thread yarn needle with long tail and sew last rnd closed.

Horns (make 2)

Rnd 1 (RS): With A, create a **Magic Ring**, 4 sc in ring; do not join, work in continuous rnds.

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each st around – 8 sc.

Rnds 3-4: Sc in each st around.

Rnd 5: (Inv dec) 4 times – 4 sc.

Rnd 6: Sc in each st around. Fasten off, join B.

Rnds 7-9: Sc in each st around.

Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing.

Ears (make 2)

Rnd 1 (RS): With B, create a **Magic Ring**, 3 sc in ring; do not join, work in continuous rnds.

Rnd 2: 2 sc in next 2 sts, sc in next st – 5 sc.

Rnd 3: Sc in each st around.

Rnd 4: (2 sc in next st, sc in next st) twice, 2 sc in next st – 8 sts.

Rnds 5-6: Sc in each st around.

Rnd 7: (Inv dec) 4 times – 4 sc.

Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing.

Tail

With B, ch 4, join to first ch to form a ring.

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

Rnds 2-15: Sc in each st around.

Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing.

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Tail Fringe

Cut 5 - 4" lengths of yarn in A. Holding lengths together as one strip, fold strip in half, pull center of strips through st, pull end of strips through center lp and pull tight. Rep evenly around Rnd 1. Trim evenly.

FINISHING

Use photo as a guide to sew on Head, Horns, Ears, Arms and Legs.

Sew Tail on back lower center.

Thread tapestry needle with A and stitch on 'spots'.

Weave in ends.

Abbreviations

beg begin(ning)

ch chain

dc double crochet

dc2tog double crochet the next 2 sts together (1 st dec'd)

dec'd decreased

hk hook

lp(s) loop(s)

rep repeat

rnd(s) round(s)

RS right side

sc single crochet

st(s) stitch(es)

sl st slip stitch

yo yarn over

