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✓ IF DETAILS AND ASSEMBLING DO NOT FRIGHTEN YOU – AND IF YOU ARE ACQUAINTED WITH THE BASICS OF CRO-CHET – THIS IS THE PERFECT PROJECT FOR YOU. WORK DOUBLE CROCHET IN THE ROUND – AND POOF, BEFORE YOU KNOW IT, HOT HIPPO JUMPS OF THE HOOK!



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ABBREVIATIONS:

- **cs** = chain stitch
- sls = slip stitch
- db = double crochet
- htr = half treble crochet
- tog = together
- rep = repeat

DECREASE:

To make a neat, invisible decrease (2 db tog), do as follows: Insert the hook in the front loop of the next two db, yarn over, pull the yarn through two loops, yarn over and pull through two loops = 1 db decreased.

PATTERN HEAD:

Begin in the middle of the muzzle/head.

Work 13 cs.

Round 1: Begin in 2nd cs from hook and work 11 db. Work 5 db in last st. Continue by crocheting along the bottom of db, work 10 db, work 4 db in last st = 30 db

Place a marker thread where the round starts and let it follow up through the work.

Round 2: 2 db in next st, 10 db, 2 db in next st, 3 db, 2 db in next st, 10 db, 2 db in next st, 3 db = 34 db

Round 3: 2 db in next db, 12 db, 2 db in next db, 3 db, 2 db in next db, 12 db, 2 db in next db, 3 db = 38 db

Round 4: 3 db, move marker here – this is now the new beginning of round. Work 11 db, 2 db in next db, 2 db in n

Round 5: 12 db, 2 db in next db, 3 db, 2 db in next db, 3 db, 2 db in next db, 13 db, 2 db in next db, 3 db, 2 db in next db, 1 db = 50 db

Round 6: 12 db, [2 db in next db, 3 db, 2 db in next db, 2 db, 2 db in next db, 3 db, 2 db in next db], 13 db, rep instructions inside the brackets, 1 db = 58 db

Round 7: 16 db, 2 db in next db, 6 db, 2 db in next db, 21 db, 2 db in next db, 6 db, 2 db in next db, 5 db = 62 db

Round 8: 16 db, 2 db in next db, 8 db, 2 db in next db, 21 db, 2 db in next db, 8 db, 2 db in next db, 5 db = 66 db

Round 9: 16 db, 2 db tog, 14 db, 2 db tog, 10 db, 2 db tog, 14 db, 2 db tog, 4 db = 62 db **Round 10:** 15 db, 2 db tog, 13 db, 2 db tog, 10 db, 2 db tog, 13 db, 2 db tog, 3 db = 58 db **Round 11:** 58 db

Round 12: 14 db, 2 db tog, 12 db, 2 db tog, 10 db, 2 db tog, 12 db, 2 db tog, 2 db = 54 db **Round 13:** 54 db

Round 14: 13 db, 2 db tog, 11 db, 2 db tog, 10 db, 2 db tog, 11 db, 2 db tog, 1 db = 50 db **Round 15:** 50 db

Beginning of round is at the bottom of the muzzle/head.

Round 16: 24 db, 2 db tog, 10 db, 2 db tog, 12 db = 48 db

Round 17-18: 48 db

MEASUREMENTS Height approx. 25 cm

YARN

Colourful Fraya 100 % cotton 50 g = 170 m

YARDAGE

100 g of main color contrast color for foot pads, ears and the bottom of the arms, dark yarn for the eyes.

CROCHET GAUGE Using size 12, approx. 27 db = 10 cm

SUGGESTED NEEDLE SIZE UK size 12 (2.5 mm) crochet hook

Please note: It is important to obtain gauge. The work should have a close texture. Try with a smaller or larger needle if necessary.

NOTIONS

Approx. 250 g fibre filling

Non Commercial - You may not use this material for commercial purposes. Copyright © 2021 FRAYAYARN.COM Round 19: 23 db, 2 db toq, 10 db, 2 db toq, 11 db = 46 db Round 20-21: 46 db Round 22: 10 db, *2 db in next db, 6 db*, rep from * to * a total of 5 times, 2 db in next db = 52 db Round 23: 52 db Round 24: 11 db, *2 db in next db, 7 db*, rep from * to * a total of 5 times, 2 db in next db = 58 db Round 25: 58 db Round 26: 12 db, *2 db in next db, 8 db*, rep from * to * a total of 5 times, 2 db in next db = 64 db Round 27: 64 db Round 28: 33 db, 2 db in next db, 8 db, 2 db in next db, 21 db = 66 db Round 29-30: 66 db Round 31: *9 db, 2 db toq*, rep from * to * a total of 6 times = 60 db Round 32: 60 db Round 33: *8 db, 2 db tog*, rep from * to * a total of 6 times = 54 db Round 34: 54 db Round 35: *7 db, 2 db tog*, rep from * to * a total of 6 times = 48 db Round 36: 48 db Round 37: *6 db, 2 db toq*, rep from * to * a total of 6 times = 42 db Round 38: *5 db, 2 db tog*, rep from * to * a total of 6 times = 36 db Round 39: 36 db **Round 40:** *4 db, 2 db toq*, rep from * to * a total of 6 times = 30 db Round 41: *3 db, 2 db tog*, rep from * to * a total of 6 times = 24 db Round 42: 24 db Stuff the head with fibre filling. You should not be able to see the fibre filling between the sts! Round 43: *2 db, 2 db tog*, rep from * to * a total of 6 times = 18 db Round 44: *1 db, 2 db tog*, rep from * to * a total of 6 times = 12 db If needed, stuff the head with a little bit of extra fibre filling. Crochet 2 db tog around, break the yarn and close the hole with the yarn end. **BODY:** Work 6 db in a magic ring. Round 2: 2 db in each db = 12 db Round 3: *1 db, 2 db in next db*, rep from * to * a total of 6 times = 18 db Round 4: *2 db, 2 db in next db*, rep from * to * a total of 6 times = 24 db Round 5: *3 db, 2 db in next db*, rep from * to * a total of 6 times = 30 db Round 6: *4 db, 2 db in next db*, rep from * to * a total of 6 times = 36 db Continue crocheting in the same way, with 1 additional db between each increase, until there are 90 db on the round. Crochet 5 rounds without increases. Round 21: 43 db, 2 db tog, 43 db, 2 db tog = 88 db Round 22-24: 88 db Round 25: 6 db, 2 db tog, 12 db, 2 db tog, 44 db, 2 db tog, 12 db, 2 db tog, 6 db = 84 db Round 26-27: 84 db Round 28: *12 db, 2 db toq*, rep from * to * a total of 6 times = 78 db Round 29-30: 78 db Round 31: *11 db, 2 db tog*, rep from * to * a total of 6 times = 72 db Round 32-33: 72 db Round 34: *10 db, 2 db tog*, rep from * to * a total of 6 times = 66 db Round 35- 36: 66 db Round 37: 21 db, 2 db tog, 9 db, 2 db tog, 9 db, 2 db tog, 21 db = 63 db Round 38- 39: 63 db Round 40: 20 db, 2 db tog, 8 db, 2 db tog, 8 db, 2db tog, 21 db = 60 db Round 41-42: 60 db Round 43: *8 db, 2 db tog*, rep from * to * a total of 6 times = 54 db Round 44: 54 db Round 45: *7 db, 2 db tog*, rep from * to * a total of 6 times = 48 db Round 46: 48 db Round 47: *6 db, 2 db tog*, rep from * to * a total of 6 times = 42 db Round 48: 42 db Round 49: *5 db, 2 db tog*, rep from * to * a total of 6 times = 36 db Round 50: *4 db, 2 db tog*, rep from * to * a total of 6 times = 30 db Break the yarn and stuff the body with fibre filling. Place the head, perhaps dropping a bit forward, and attach it to the body. ARMS:

Using a contrast color, make a magic ring. Work 6 db in the ring. Place a marker thread where the round starts and let it follow up through the work. **Round 2:** 2 db in each db = 12 db

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Round 4: *2 db, 2 db in next db*, rep from * to * = 24 db **Round 5:** *3 db, 2 db in next db*, rep from * to * = 30 db Change color. Next round is worked in the back loops only. Round 6: 30 db in back loops only Round 7-16: 30 db. The work measures about 3.5 cm Round 17: *8 db, 2 db toq*, rep from * to * a total of 3 times = 27 db Round 18-25: 27 db. The work measures now about 7 cm Round 26: *7 db, 2 db toq*, rep from * to * a total of 3 times = 24 db Round 27-30: 24 db The arm measures now about 10 cm. Work 1 sls, break the yarn and stuff it with fibre filling, mostly at the bottom of the arm and only very little at the top. Crochet another arm in the same way. Attach them to the body. LEGS: Using a contrast color, work 6 cs. Work 4 db, beginning in 2nd cs from hook. Work 4 db in last st. Continue by crocheting along the bottom of db, work 4 db, work another 2 db in last st = 14 db Place a marker thread where the round starts and let it follow up through the work. Round 2: 5 db, 2 db in each of the next 3 db, 3 db, 2 db in each of the next 3 db = 20 db Round 3: *5 db, 2 db in next db, 1 db, 2 db in next st, 1 db, 2 db in next db*, rep from * to * a total of 2 times = 26 db Round 4: 5 db, 2 db in next db, 6 db, 2 db in next db, 5 db, 2 db in next db, 6 db, 2 db in next db = 30 db Round 5: 6 db, 2 db in next db, 6 db, 2 db in next db, 7 db, 2 db in next db, 6 db, 2 db in next db, 1 db = 34 db Round 6: *5 db, 2 db in next db*, rep from * to * a total of 4 times, *4 db, 2 db in next db*, rep from * to * a total of 2 times = 40 db Change color. Next round is worked in the back loops only. Round 7: 40 db in back loops only Round 8- 9: 40 db Round 10: 7 db, *2 db toq*, rep from * to * a total of 5 times, 23 db = 35 db Round 11: 35 db Round 12: 7 db, 2 db tog, 1 db, 2 db tog, 23 db = 33 db Round 13: 33 db Round 14: 6 db, *2 db tog*, rep from * to * a total of 3 times, 21 db = 30 db Round 15: 30 db Round 16: 6 db, 3 db tog, 21 db = 28 db Round 17-30: 28 db The leg measures about 10 cm. Work 1 sls. Break the yarn and crochet another leg in the same way. Stuff both leqs with fibre filling, mostly in the foot and the lower part of the leqs. Attach them to the body. EARS: Crochet a total of 4 ears: 2 in the main color and 2 in a contrast color. Work 2 cs, work 4 db in 2nd cs from hook. Turn by working 1 cs. Work 2 db in each db = 8 db. Turn by working 1 cs. Work 3 db, *2 htr in next db*, rep from * to* a total of 2 times, 3 db = 10 sts. Break the yarn. Lay one ear in the main color and one in the contrasting color on top of each other with the right sides out and with the contrast colored on top. Now work a row of db through both layers. Turn by working 1 cs and crochet another row. Break the yarn. Shorten each yarn end to approx. 3 cm and pull them inside the ear. Fold the ear down the middle and attach it to the head. TAIL: Work 6 db in a magic ring. Round 2-5: 6 db Round 6: *2 db in next db, 2 db*, rep from * to * a total of 2 times = 8 db Round 7- 8: 8 db Round 9: *3 db, 2 db in next db*, rep from * to * a total of 2 times = 10 db Round 10-11: 10 db. Work 1 sls. Break the yarn. Attach the tail to the body. NOSTRILS: Work 2 cs, work 4 db in 2nd cs from hook. Turn by working 1 cs. Work 2 db in each db = 8 db. Turn by working 1 cs. Work 8 db. Break the yarn and crochet another nostril. Fold slightly and attach them to the muzzle. Embroider the eyes using a dark scrap yarn.

