

Illustrative finished reindeer

Crochet Reindeer Stuffie

A little red-nosed companion, made one round at a time.

SKILL LEVEL	FINISHED SIZE	HOOK	YARN
Easy	12 × 6 in	5 mm (H/8)	Worsted (4)

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Materials and pattern notes

Worsted-weight (medium 4), 100% acrylic yarn. Use one ball of each colour; each ball is 7 oz / 197 g, 440 yd / 402 m.

A	Honey brown	1 ball	Body, head, ears and upper limbs
B	Oatmeal cream	1 ball	Snout
C	Taupe	1 ball	Hoof tips and antlers
D	Berry red	1 ball	Nose

5 mm (U.S. H/8) crochet hook, or size needed to obtain gauge.

One pair of 12 mm safety eyes, polyester stuffing and a steel yarn needle.

Gauge: 13 sc and 14 rows = 4 in / 10 cm.

Finished size: approximately 12 in / 30.5 cm tall by 6 in / 15 cm wide.

Work joined rounds

At the end of each round, join with a sl st to the first sc.

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Stitches and abbreviations

US crochet terms are used throughout. A stitch count is given for each round or row; turning chains and joining slip stitches are not counted.

Abbreviation	Meaning
Alt	Alternate or alternating
Approx	Approximately
Beg	Beginning
Ch	Chain or chains
Dc	Double crochet; used in the first snout round
Rem	Remain or remaining
Rep	Repeat
Rnd / rnds	Round or rounds
Sc	Single crochet
Sc2tog	Single crochet two stitches together
Sl st	Slip stitch
St / sts	Stitch or stitches
Yoh	Yarn over hook

Single crochet decrease: sc2tog

Draw up a loop in each of the next 2 stitches. Yarn over hook and draw through all 3 loops. Two stitches become one.

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Snout and nose

Snout: colour B

With B, begin using the magic loop method.

Round / row	Instructions	Count
1st rnd	Ch 1. 10 dc in ring. Join.	10 dc
2nd rnd	Ch 1. 2 sc in each st around. Join.	20 sc
3rd to 6th rnds	Ch 1. 1 sc in each st around. Join.	20 sc

Fasten off, leaving a long tail.

Nose: colour D

With D, begin using the magic loop method.

Round / row	Instructions	Count
1st rnd	Ch 1. 12 sc in ring. Join.	12 sc
2nd rnd	Ch 1. *2 sc in next st. 1 sc in next st. Rep from * around. Join.	18 sc
3rd to 4th rnds	Ch 1. 1 sc in each st around. Join.	18 sc

Fasten off, leaving a long tail. Sew Nose onto Snout as shown in the original photo, stuffing as you seam.



Illustrative face detail

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Body and head: rounds 1 to 34

With A, begin using the magic loop method. Work from the base of the body towards the head, joining each round.

Round / row	Instructions	Count
1st rnd	Ch 1. 10 sc in ring. Join.	10 sc
2nd rnd	Ch 1. 2 sc in each st around. Join.	20 sc
3rd rnd	Ch 1. *2 sc in next st. 1 sc in next st. Rep from * around. Join.	30 sc
4th rnd	Ch 1. *2 sc in next st. 1 sc in each of next 2 sts. Rep from * around. Join.	40 sc
5th rnd	Ch 1. 1 sc in each st around. Join.	40 sc
6th rnd	Ch 1. *2 sc in next st. 1 sc in each of next 3 sts. Rep from * around. Join.	50 sc
7th to 24th rnds	Ch 1. 1 sc in each st around. Join.	50 sc
25th rnd	Ch 1. *Sc2tog. 1 sc in each of next 8 sts. Rep from * around. Join.	45 sts
26th rnd	Ch 1. 1 sc in each st around. Join.	45 sc
27th rnd	Ch 1. *Sc2tog. 1 sc in each of next 7 sts. Rep from * around. Join.	40 sts
28th rnd	Ch 1. 1 sc in each st around. Join.	40 sc
29th rnd	Ch 1. *Sc2tog. 1 sc in each of next 6 sts. Rep from * around. Join.	35 sts
30th rnd	Ch 1. 1 sc in each st around. Join.	35 sc
31st rnd	Ch 1. *Sc2tog. 1 sc in each of next 5 sts. Rep from * around. Join.	30 sts
32nd rnd	Ch 1. 1 sc in each st around. Join.	30 sc
33rd rnd	Ch 1. *Sc2tog. 1 sc in each of next 4 sts. Rep from * around. Join.	25 sts
34th rnd	Ch 1. 1 sc in each st around. Join.	25 sc

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Head: rounds 35 to 54

Continue in A. Round 35 widens the neck into the head.

Round / row	Instructions	Count
35th rnd	Ch 1. 2 sc in each st around. Join.	50 sts
36th rnd	Ch 1. 1 sc in each st around. Join.	50 sc
37th rnd	Ch 1. *2 sc in next st. 1 sc in each of next 9 sts. Rep from * around. Join.	55 sts
38th to 47th rnds	Ch 1. 1 sc in each st around. Join.	55 sc
48th rnd	Ch 1. *Sc2tog. 1 sc in each of next 3 sts. Rep from * around. Join.	44 sts
49th rnd	Ch 1. 1 sc in each st around. Join.	44 sc
50th rnd	Ch 1. *Sc2tog. 1 sc in each of next 2 sts. Rep from * around. Join.	33 sts
51st rnd	Ch 1. 1 sc in each st around. Join.	33 sc
52nd rnd	Ch 1. *Sc2tog. 1 sc in next st. Rep from * around. Join.	22 sts
53rd rnd	Ch 1. 1 sc in each st around. Join.	22 sc

Stuff Body and Head. Add safety eyes as shown in the original photo, approximately 8 rounds below the final round. Secure their backs before closing. Sew Snout on Head as shown in the photo, stuffing as you seam.

Round / row	Instructions	Count
54th rnd	Ch 1. *Sc2tog. Rep from * around. Join.	11 sts

Fasten off, leaving a long tail. Thread tail through remaining stitches and pull tight to close.

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Arms and legs: make four

With C, begin using the magic loop method. Make two arms and two legs. Change to A after round 5.

Round / row	Instructions	Count
1st rnd	Ch 1. 10 sc in ring. Join.	10 sc
2nd rnd	Ch 1. 2 sc in each st around. Join.	20 sc
3rd to 5th rnds	Ch 1. 1 sc in each st around. Join. Break C after rnd 5. Join A.	20 sc
6th rnd	Ch 1. 1 sc in each st around. Join.	20 sc
7th rnd	Ch 1. *Sc2tog. 1 sc in each of next 3 sts. Rep from * around. Join.	16 sts
8th rnd	Ch 1. 1 sc in each st around. Join.	16 sc
9th rnd	Ch 1. *Sc2tog. 1 sc in each of next 2 sts. Rep from * around. Join.	12 sts
10th to 19th rnds	Rep 6th rnd 10 times more, or until Arms and Legs measure desired length.	12 sc



Original assembly reference

Fasten off, leaving a long tail. Stuff with polyester filling. Fold the last round of each Arm in half and sew flat. Sew Arms along the 33rd round of Body as shown in the original photo.

Sew Back Legs to the sides of Body to make support for the sitting position. Use the original photograph for placement.

Optional: a pompom tail. Make a small pompom and sew it securely to the back of the body.

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Antlers and branches

Antlers: make two in C

With C, begin using the magic loop method.

Round / row	Instructions	Count
1st rnd	Ch 1. 8 sc in ring. Join.	8 sc
2nd to 10th rnds	Ch 1. 1 sc in each st around. Join.	8 sc

Fasten off and stuff with polyester filling.

Antler branches: make two in C

With C, begin using the magic loop method.

Round / row	Instructions	Count
1st rnd	Ch 1. 8 sc in ring. Join.	8 sc
2nd to 4th rnds	Ch 1. 1 sc in each st around. Join.	8 sc

Fasten off and stuff with polyester filling. Sew one branch to each Antler as shown in the original photo.



Original antler reference

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Ears: make two

With A, ch 5. Work in rows, turning where directed. Finish with one round of single crochet around the edge.

Round / row	Instructions	Count
1st row	1 sc in 2nd ch from hook. 1 sc in each of next 3 ch. Turn.	4 sc
2nd row	Ch 1. 1 sc in each st to end of row. Turn.	4 sc
3rd row	Ch 1. 2 sc in first st. 1 sc in each of next 2 sts. 2 sc in last st. Turn.	6 sts
4th to 5th rows	Ch 1. 1 sc in each st to end of row. Turn.	6 sc
6th row	Ch 1. Sc2tog. 1 sc in each of next 2 sts. Sc2tog. Turn.	4 sts
7th row	Ch 1. 1 sc in each st to end of row. Turn.	4 sc
8th row	Ch 1. (Sc2tog) twice. Turn.	2 sts
9th row	Ch 1. Sc2tog.	1 st

After row 9, work 1 round of sc evenly around Ear. Join. Fasten off. Sew Ears to Head as shown in the original photo.



Original ear shape and placement

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