

CROCHET SMALL OWL

Difficulty level, easy

Time, 1 hour

Size approx, 3 inches high

Materials:

3.5 to 4 mm hook

8 ply (DK) yarn, small amounts of all 3 colors of your choice

2 small buttons

Sewing needle

Small amount of stuffing (good handful)

St's used:

Sc

Hdc

Dc

Owl consists of body, 2 wings, 2 eyes and a beak.

First make the body:

When changing colors, LEAVE ALL YARN ATTACHED IT'S MUCH EASIER THIS WAY.

All Rounds are joined with a sl st and ch 1, unless otherwise stated

Beginning at the bottom of the owl and main color A make a magic ring

Row 1, work 6 sc into magic ring, join. (6 sc)

Row 2, work 2 sc's in each sc, join. (12 sc)

Row 3, *work 1 sc in next sc, work 2 sc's in next sc,* repeat from *to* to end, join with color B (18 sc)

Row 4, work 1 sc in each st to end, join with color C, (18 sc)

Row 5, work 1 sc in next 2 sc, work 2 sc's into next sc, * repeat from *to* to end, join with color B (24 sc's)

Stop increases:

Row 6, work 1 sc in each sc to end, join with color A (24 sc's)

Row 7, work 1 sc in each sc to end, join with color C (24 sc's)

Row 8, work 1 sc in each sc to end, join with color B (24 sc's)

Row 9, work 1 sc in each sc to end, join with color B (24 sc's)

Row 10, work 1 sc in each sc to end, join with color A (24 sc's)

Use main color A for the rest of the rounds.

Shaping the head and making the ears:

Row 11, * work 1 sc in each of the next 2 sc's, work the next 2 sc's together (dec made)* repeat from *to* to end, join (18 sc's)

Row 12, 13 and 14, work 1 sc in each sc around, join with a sl st only, (18 sc's)

Ears:

Row 13, ch 3, work 1 dc into same space as ch 3, work 1 dc into next sc, work 1 hdc into next sc, work 1 sl st in each of the next 4 sc's, work 1 hdc into the next sc, work 1 dc into the next sc, work 2 dc's into the next sc, work 1 dc into the next sc, work 1 hdc into the next sc, work 1 sl st in each of the next 4 sc's, (2 st's left), work 1 hdc into the next sc, work 1 dc into the last sc, sl st to the top of the ch 3 space, finish off with a tail to sew across head after stuffing, instructions below.

Wings, 3 rounds only, make 2:

Using main color A make a magic ring, joining the same as previously

Row 1, work 6 sc into magic ring, join. (6 sc)

Row 2, work 2 sc's in each sc
to end, join with color C (12 sc)

Row 3, *work 1 sc in next sc, work 2 sc's in next sc,* repeat from *to* to end, sl st to join (18 sc), finish off with a long tail for sewing on wing.

Eyes, 1 round only make 2: pick a color of your choice.

Row 1, work 6 sc into magic ring, sl st to join, finish off leaving a tail for sewing (6 sc)

Construction:

Sew or embroider inner eye choice, sew eyes into place on owl, just under the ears and leave a place between the eyes for sewing in the nose which is the very last step.

Wings can be attached prior to or after stuffing, place just under the decrease row and central to the sides of the owl. Sew on top half of the circle only, leaving bottom half of the circle open like a little wing. Leave 1 long thread in place to sew in the nose.

Stuff your owl, placing small amounts in at a time and making the bottom area slightly larger than the upper body. No need to stuff fully nearest to the ear part as the ears will keep their shape.

Now sew the top of the head closed, I found it neater using the inner loops of the st's only, back loop only.

Beak sewing:

Now take that long thread you left on the wing and sew it into the body and up to the lower central eye position and come out with the needle and thread. Now go into the upper mid eye section and come back out where you started, do this a few times to get your beak shape.

You can always opt to sew on beak your own way.

Sew in and bind off all loose ends, sit back and admire your little owl.

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