Koala face applique

US terms



Finished size
About 6¼ in (16 cm) wide and about 4½ in (11 cm) tall

Skill
Easy
Worked in rounds, with 6 pieces and color changes.

Yarn
Medium (4), 4 colors

Hook
5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge
14 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: dove gray, the head and rounds 3 to 5 of the ears	**about 30 yd (27 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: white, rounds 1 and 2 of the ears	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: pink, the cheeks	**about 3 yd (3 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: black, the nose, the eyes and the smile	**about 4 yd (4 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8). Also: a yarn needle, scissors, pins for blocking and a spray bottle.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. The estimate is from the stitches and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

ch	chain stitch
sl st	slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
st	stitch
rnd	round
RS	right side

Gauge

14 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

Work a piece a little more than 4 in (10 cm) square, lay it flat and count. If you count more stitches than this, use a larger hook; if fewer, a smaller one.

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Before you start

- Rounds are worked with the right side facing; do not turn.
- Magic ring: wrap the yarn round two fingers, work the first round or row into the loop, then pull the tail until the ring is closed. Four chains joined into a ring with a slip stitch may be used instead.
- A chain 1 at the start of a round does not count as a stitch.
- Fasten off the old color, then join the new one with a slip stitch in the place named; the first stitch or chain of the line is worked in that same place.
- In a round of petals or points the last slip stitch falls in the stitch the first petal or point began in.
- Working along the other side of the chain: turn the piece round, not over, and work into the unused loops of the foundation chain, beginning in the chain next to the one just used.
- At the start of a round, same st is the stitch the round before was joined in; after a new color is joined, it is the stitch the color was joined in.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line count its stitches; slip stitches, and chains that are not named there, are not counted.
- The head is an oval worked round a chain: hold it with the long way across. Its middle is the middle of the foundation chain.
- The distances under FINISHING are for the yarn and gauge above; in another yarn make them larger or smaller in the same proportion as the size.
- Backstitch (sewn): thread the yarn needle and bring it up from the back one stitch length (about ¼ in, 0.6 cm, and half that round a small curve, unless the line names another) along the line. Put it down at the start of the line and bring it up again one stitch length ahead of where it last came up; keep going down at the end of the stitch before and up one length ahead.
- French knot (sewn): bring the yarn needle up from the back, wrap the yarn twice round the needle close to the surface, hold the wraps and put the needle down beside the place where it came up. For a large knot use the yarn double and wrap it three times.
- The same words in another yarn make another size, measured the longest way: fine yarn (2) and a 3.25 mm hook, about 4¼ in (11 cm); light yarn (3) and a 4 mm hook, about 5 in (13 cm); bulky yarn (5) and a 6.5 mm hook, about 8 in (20 cm).

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Instructions

Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a round is done. In UK terms sl st is slip stitch and sc is double crochet.

Head

Yarn A, dove gray.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 5.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 2 chs, 3 sc in next ch, working along the other side of the chain, sc in next 2 chs, 2 sc in next ch, sl st in first sc to join	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in same st, sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in each of next 3 sts, sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in each of next 2 sts, sl st in first sc to join	**(16 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, sc in same st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts, **[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**, sc in next 2 sts, **[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(22 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts, **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**, sc in next 2 sts, **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(28 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts, **[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**, sc in next 2 sts, **[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(34 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts, **[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**, sc in next 2 sts, **[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(40 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 50 in (127 cm) tail, for sewing the whole applique to your project.	

Ear: make 2

Yarns in order of use: B, white; A, dove gray.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 6 sc in ring, sl st in first sc to join	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(12 sc)**
	Fasten off B.	
☐ **Rnd 3**	Join A with sl st in any st, ch 1, sc in same st, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**Ch 3, sl st in next st**] 24 times**	**(24 ch-3 loop)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 10 in (25 cm) tail for sewing.	

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Nose

Yarn D, black.

☐ **Foundation**	With D, ch 4.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next ch, 3 sc in next ch, working along the other side of the chain, sc in next ch, 2 sc in next ch, sl st in first sc to join	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in same st, sc in next st, 2 sc in each of next 3 sts, sc in next st, 2 sc in each of next 2 sts, sl st in first sc to join	**(14 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 10 in (25 cm) tail for sewing.	

Cheek: make 2

Yarn C, pink.

☐ **Foundation**	With C, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 6 sc in ring, sl st in first sc to join	**(6 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 10 in (25 cm) tail for sewing.	

Finishing

- Block: pin the pieces to shape on a flat surface, spray them with water and let them dry.
- Sew the ears behind the two upper corners of the head, their middles 1¼ in (3 cm) above the middle of the head and 3 3/8 in (8.5 cm) apart; about a third of each ear lies behind the head.
- Sew the nose on upright, its middle 1/8 in (0.3 cm) below the middle of the head.
- With D, work a large French knot for each eye 3/8 in (1 cm) above the middle of the head, 1¾ in (4.5 cm) apart.
- With D, work a smile in backstitch below the nose: a shallow curve ¾ in (1.9 cm) wide, its lowest point 1¼ in (3 cm) below the middle of the head and its ends 1/8 in (0.3 cm) higher.
- Sew the cheeks on, their middles ½ in (1.3 cm) below the middle of the head and 2¼ in (5.5 cm) apart.
- To sew the applique on, pin it where it is to go and sew round its edge with the long tail, under the outermost strands of the stitches.
- Weave in all the ends that are left with the yarn needle.

In all: 6 pieces; 352 stitches (150 in the head, 84 in each ear, 22 in the nose, 6 in each cheek); 18 ends to weave in.

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