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US terms



Finished size
About 8 in (20.5 cm) across

Skill
Intermediate
Seven pieces worked in rounds and sewn together.

Yarn
Medium (4), 6 colors

Hook
3.5 mm (US E-4)

Gauge
20 stitches and 22 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet, in a spiral.

You will need

Yarn A: cream, blanket, wool cap and arm	**about 110 yd (101 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: beige, head, ear and arm	**about 65 yd (59 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: brown, the details	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: rose, the details	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: lavender, blanket	**about 50 yd (46 m), an estimate**
Yarn F: butter, blanket	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**

Hook: 3.5 mm (US E-4). Also: toy stuffing, a yarn needle, a stitch marker, pins and scissors.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. The estimate is from the stitches 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.

sl st	slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
sc2tog	single crochet 2 stitches together
MR	magic ring
RS	right side

Special stitches

bobble (Bobble): [yarn over, insert hook in the stitch, pull up a loop, yarn over, pull through 2 loops] 4 times in the same stitch, yarn over, pull through all 5 loops (United Kingdom: a bobble of 4 trebles). Push it out to the right side. It leaves 1 st for the next row.

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Gauge

20 stitches and 22 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet, in a spiral.

20 sc and 22 rounds = 4 in (10 cm), worked in a spiral. To check it, work a flat circle: 6 sc in a magic ring, then 6 more sc in each round (12, 18, 24, 30, 36). After round 6 it should measure about 2¼ in (5.5 cm) across. The stitches should be tight enough that the stuffing does not show.

Before you start

- Every piece is worked in a continuous spiral with the right side facing you: do not join and do not turn. Put the marker in the first stitch of each round and move it up.
- Square brackets hold a repeat; work it as many times as the line says. The number in parentheses is the count at the end of the round.
- Magic ring: wrap the yarn round two fingers, work round 1 into the loop and pull the tail to close it. Or chain 2 and work round 1 into the first chain.
- Color change: where a line begins "With A," (or another letter), work the last pull-through of the round before it in A. Cut the old yarn and knot the ends on the wrong side; on a flat piece weave them in there.
- Center line: places on a piece are given by round and by stitches from a center line. It is half way round from where the rounds begin. Mark it with a pin or a scrap of yarn as listed here, run it straight from round 1 to the last round by eye, and count out from it along the round, in stitches and half stitches.
- Head: the center line runs between stitches 24 and 25 of round 9 (48 sts). It faces the front, round 1 at the top.
- Wool cap: the center line runs between stitches 24 and 25 of round 10 (48 sts). It faces the front, round 1 at the top.
- Right and left are as you look at the front of the toy. Rounds are counted from the start of each piece.
- To work sc2tog, put the hook under the front loop only of each of the next 2 stitches, yarn over, pull through both loops, yarn over, pull through 2 loops.
- No plastic eyes are used: every detail is worked in yarn.
- The rounds and stitches are the same for every size; the yarn and the hook make the difference. Lengths in the words (tails, ovals, details) are for Standard: for another size multiply them by the number in its line.
- Small: fine (2, sport) yarn, 2.25 mm (B-1) hook, 27 sc and 30 rounds to 4 in (10 cm): the round blanket about 6 in (15 cm) across; multiply lengths by 0.74; about 0.74 times the yarn. Standard (the size written here): medium (4, worsted) yarn, 3.5 mm (E-4) hook, 20 sc and 22 rounds to 4 in (10 cm): the round blanket about 8 in (20.5 cm) across.
- Large: bulky (5, chunky) yarn, 5 mm (H-8) hook, 14 sc and 15.4 rounds to 4 in (10 cm): the round blanket about 11½ in (29 cm) across; multiply lengths by 1.4; about 1.4 times the yarn. Jumbo: super bulky (6, plush or velvet) yarn, 6.5 mm (K-10½) hook, 11 sc and 12.1 rounds to 4 in (10 cm): the round blanket about 14½ in (37 cm) across; multiply lengths by 1.8; about 1.8 times the yarn.

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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.

Blanket

Yarns in order of use: E, lavender; A, cream; F, butter.

A flat round piece, worked in a spiral from the middle. If it ruffles, work a little tighter or use a smaller hook; if it cups, a larger one.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	With A, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	With E, **[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	With A, **[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	With E, **[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts**] 6 times**	**(54 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 10**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts**] 6 times**	**(60 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 11**	**[**sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(66 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 12**	With A, **[**sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	**(72 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 13**	With F, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 11 sts**] 6 times**	**(78 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 14**	**[**sc in next 12 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(84 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 15**	**[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts**] 6 times**	**(90 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 16**	With A, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 14 sts**] 6 times**	**(96 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 17**	With E, **[**sc in next 15 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(102 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 18**	**[**sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts**] 6 times**	**(108 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 19**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 17 sts**] 6 times**	**(114 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 20**	With A, **[**sc in next 18 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(120 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 21**	**[**sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts**] 6 times**	**(126 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 22**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, bobble in next st**] 42 times**	**(126 sts)**
☐ **End**	Sl st in the next st to level the edge. Fasten off and weave in the end.	

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Head

Yarn B, beige.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	Sc in each st around	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	**[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 10 to 14**	Sc in each st around	**(48 sc)**

A box for each round, 10 to 14: tick them off as you go.

☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14

☐ **Rnd 15**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 16**	Sc in each st around	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 17**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 18**	**[**sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 19**	**[**sc in next st, sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**

Stuff firmly now, and keep adding stuffing until the last round.

☐ **Rnd 20**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 21**	**[**sc in next st, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 22**	**[**sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(6 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an 8 in (20 cm) tail. Thread the tail through the front loop of each of the last 6 stitches, pull it tight to close the hole and bury the end inside.	

Wool cap

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**

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☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**sc in next st, bobble in next st**] 12 times**	**(24 sts)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**sc in next st, bobble in next st**] 18 times**	**(36 sts)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 10**	**[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 11**	**[**sc in next st, bobble in next st**] 24 times**	**(48 sts)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 36 in (91 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff.	

Ear: make 2

Yarn B, beige.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 2 times**	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts**] 2 times**	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog**] 3 times**	**(9 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 12 in (30 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff. Press it flat, so that the last round makes a straight double edge of 4½ stitches. The odd stitch lies at one fold.	

Arm: make 2

Yarns in order of use: B, beige; A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 2 times**	**(14 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	With A, sc in each st around	**(14 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 5 sts**] 2 times**	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog**] 2 times**	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 7 to 12**	Sc in each st around	**(10 sc)**

A box for each round, 7 to 12: tick them off as you go.

☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 12 in (30 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff lightly up to the open edge.	

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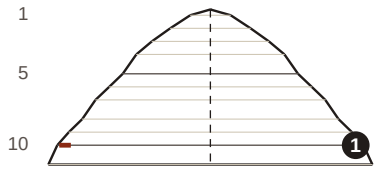
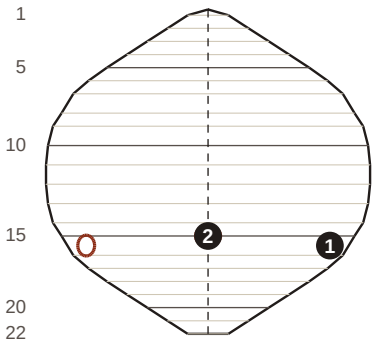
Assembly



Wool cap: 1 ears



Head: 1 cheeks, 2 nose

Each line is a round, counted as the rounds are worked. The upright broken line is the center line. A place with a broken edge is on the far side.

1. Pull the wool cap down over the head, center lines in line and round 1 of one on round 1 of the other, until its edge lies on about round 11 of the head. Sew the edge (48 sts) down all the way round.

2. Pin the two ears to the wool cap: the middle of each flat edge lies on round 10, one to each side, 11 stitches from the center line (22 stitches apart). The flat edge runs along the round, half of it on each side of that place. They point out to the side, then curve until the tip of each points out to the side and down. Bend each as you pin it and hold the curve with a stitch or two on its inner side. Sew through both layers of the 4½-stitch edge with the tail, through the wool cap and the head.

3. Any side of the round blanket can be the top. Set the head on the right side of the blanket, round 1 of the head to the top, the back of the head (the line opposite its center line) flat on the blanket, the middle of the head ¾ in (19 mm) above the middle of the blanket. Sew it down in a circle about 1 1/8 in (2.9 cm) across, going round twice. Where the cap lies between, sew through it.

4. Lay the two arms on the blanket, one to each side of the center line of the head, each slanting half way between straight out to the side and straight down. Pinch each open end flat and tuck it ½ in (13 mm) under the lower edge of the head, the middles of the two ends 1 3/16 in (30 mm) apart. Sew each end to the blanket and the head, then sew the arm down along its underside.

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Finishing

- Embroider with one strand of yarn and the yarn needle when the pieces round the place are sewn on; begin and end each strand inside the toy. Satin stitch is straight stitches side by side until the shape is filled. Backstitch is a line of short stitches end to end: bring the needle up one stitch ahead, put it down at the end of the stitch before, and repeat.
- Closed eyes: with C (brown), in backstitch, a closed eye on each side, one curve about 3/8 in (10 mm) wide that dips 3/16 in (5 mm) below its ends. The place half way between the two ends of each is on the head on round 13, one to each side, 5 stitches from the center line (10 stitches apart).
- Cheeks: with D (rose), in satin stitch, an oval about 5/16 in (8 mm) wide and 3/16 in (5 mm) tall, its middle on the head between rounds 15 and 16, one to each side, 7 stitches from the center line (14 stitches apart).
- Nose: with D (rose), in satin stitch, a triangle with its point down about ¼ in (6 mm) wide and 3/16 in (5 mm) tall, its middle on the head on round 15, on the center line.
- Mouth: with C (brown), in backstitch, an upside-down Y, its stem about half its height, ¼ in (6 mm) wide and 3/16 in (5 mm) tall, starting at the bottom of the nose.
- Weave every tail through the toy and trim it. For a toy that will be played with, go round each seam a second time with a new length of yarn. Check the seams and small parts from time to time.

In all: 7 pieces; 2,914 stitches (1,512 in the blanket, 708 in the head, 324 in the wool cap, 57 in each ear, 128 in each arm); 14 ends to weave in.

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