Long-necked dinosaur

US terms



Finished size
About 7¾ in (19.5 cm) long, 4 in (10 cm) across and 6½ in (16.5 cm) tall

Skill
Intermediate
Eleven pieces worked in rounds and sewn together.

Yarn
Medium (4), 4 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: seafoam, the body, the head and neck, the legs and the tail	**about 145 yd (133 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: lemon, the spots and the feet	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: charcoal, the mouth	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: coral, the cheeks	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**

Hook: 3.5 mm (US E-4). Also: toy stuffing, a yarn needle, a stitch marker, pins, scissors and two black plastic eyes with washers, 10 mm.

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.

sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
sc2tog	single crochet 2 stitches together (UK dc2tog, double crochet 2 stitches together)
MR	magic ring
RS	right side

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.

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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 inside.
- Center line: on a piece that others are sewn to, places 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: a whole number of stitches ends between two stitches, a half ends in the middle of one.
- Body: the center line runs between stitches 24 and 25 of round 8 (48 sts). This piece lies with its center line along the top, round 1 at the front end.
- Head and neck: the center line runs between stitches 15 and 16 of round 5 (30 sts). It looks the way the toy looks, 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.
- Eyes: for a child under three, or a pet, embroider the eyes instead of plastic ones: satin stitch dots of the same size in C (charcoal).
- 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): about 5¾ in (14.5 cm) long, 3 in (7.6 cm) across and 4¾ in (12 cm) tall; eyes 7 mm; multiply lengths by 0.74; about 0.74 times the yarn.
- Large: bulky (5, chunky) yarn, 5 mm (H-8) hook, 14 sc and 15.4 rounds to 4 in (10 cm): about 11 in (28 cm) long, 5¾ in (14.5 cm) across and 9¼ in (23.5 cm) tall; eyes 14 mm; 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): about 14 in (35.5 cm) long, 7¼ in (18.5 cm) across and 11¾ in (30 cm) tall; eyes 18 mm; multiply lengths by 1.8; about 1.8 times the yarn.
- Every size is approximate and follows from your gauge and how firmly you stuff.

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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 sc is double crochet and sc2tog is double crochet 2 stitches together.

Body

Yarn A, seafoam.

☐ **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 next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 9 to 19**	Sc in each st around	**(48 sc)**

A box for each round, 9 to 19: tick them off as you go.

☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14 ☐ 15 ☐ 16 ☐ 17 ☐ 18 ☐ 19

☐ **Rnd 20**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 21**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 22**	**[**sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 23**	**[**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 24**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 25**	**[**sc in next st, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 26**	**[**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.	

Leg: make 4

Yarns in order of use: B, lemon; A, seafoam.

☐ **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)**

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☐ **Rnd 4**	With A, sc in BLO of each st around	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 5 to 8**	Sc in each st around	**(18 sc)**

A box for each round, 5 to 8: tick them off as you go.

5 6 7 8

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an 18 in (46 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff firmly up to the open edge.	

Head and neck

Yarn A, seafoam.

☐ **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)**
☐ **Rnds 6 to 10**	Sc in each st around	**(30 sc)**

A box for each round, 6 to 10: tick them off as you go.

6 7 8 9 10

☐ **Rnd 11**	**[**sc in next st, sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**

Fix the eyes now (see Finishing). Then stuff what is worked so far, firmly.

☐ **Rnd 12**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 13 to 21**	Sc in each st around	**(18 sc)**

A box for each round, 13 to 21: tick them off as you go.

13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21

☐ **Rnd 22**	**[**sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	**(21 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 23**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 3 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 24**	Sc in each st around	**(24 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 22 in (56 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff firmly up to the open edge.	

Tail

Yarn A, seafoam.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	4 sc in MR	**(4 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(5 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts	**(7 sc)**

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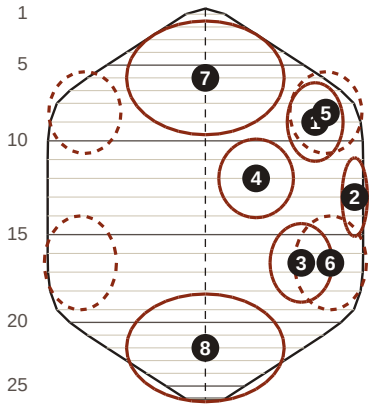
☐ **Rnd 5**	Sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts	**(9 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	Sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(11 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	Sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 10**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 11 sts	**(13 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 11**	Sc in next 12 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(14 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 12**	Sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts	**(15 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 13**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 14 sts	**(16 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 14**	Sc in next 15 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(17 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 15**	Sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 16**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts**] 2 times**	**(20 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 17**	**[**sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(22 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 18**	**[**sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 2 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 22 in (56 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff lightly up to the open edge.	

Spot: make 4

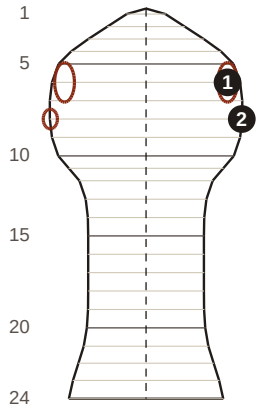
Yarn B, lemon.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 14 in (36 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff. Press it flat with the right side up.	

Assembly



Body: 1 spot, 2 spot, 3 spot, 4 spot, 5 legs, 6 legs, 7 head and neck, 8 tail



Head and neck: 1 eyes, 2 cheeks

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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. In every step: where a piece meets or overlaps another, sew through both. Where no tail is left or a tail is too short, sew with a new length of the same yarn; where a seam has two, use the longer. Lay one spot flat on the body, right side out, the middle of it on round 9, 6 stitches to the right of the center line. Sew down all 12 stitches of the edge.

2. Lay one spot flat on the body, right side out, the middle of it on round 13, 9½ stitches to the right of the center line. Sew down all 12 stitches of the edge.

3. Lay one spot flat on the body, right side out, the middle of it between rounds 16 and 17, 5 stitches to the right of the center line. Sew down all 12 stitches of the edge.

4. Lay one spot flat on the body, right side out, the middle of it on round 12, 2½ stitches to the right of the center line. Sew down all 12 stitches of the edge.

5. Pin two legs to the body: the middle of each open edge lies between rounds 8 and 9, one to each side, 17 stitches from the center line (14 stitches apart across the side opposite the center line). The edge (18 sts) covers about rounds 6 to 11 of the body. They point down. Sew all the way round with the tail, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft.

6. Pin two legs to the body: the middle of each open edge lies between rounds 16 and 17, one to each side, 17 stitches from the center line (14 stitches apart across the side opposite the center line). The edge (18 sts) covers about rounds 14 to 19 of the body. They point down. Sew all the way round with the tail, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft.

7. Pin the head and neck to the body: the middle of the open edge lies on round 6, on the center line. The edge (24 sts) covers about rounds 2 to 10 of the body. It points up and forward. Sew all the way round with the tail, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft.

8. Pin the tail to the body: the middle of the open edge lies on round 22, on the center line. The edge (24 sts) covers about rounds 18 to 26 of the body. It points back, then curves to the right. Bend it as you pin it and hold the curve with a few running stitches along its inner side, drawn up a little. Sew all the way round with its tail of yarn, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft.

Finishing

- Use one strand of yarn and the yarn needle for all the embroidery. Plastic eyes go in before a piece is closed or sewn on; embroider, and knot in any lengths, when the pieces round the place are sewn on.
- Eyes: two 10 mm black plastic eyes, on the head and neck on round 6, one to each side, 5 stitches from the center line (10 stitches apart).
- Mouth: with C (charcoal), in backstitch, a smile, one curve about 7/16 in (11 mm) wide that dips 3/16 in (5 mm), the point midway between its ends on the head and neck on round 8, on the center line.
- Cheeks: with D (coral), in satin stitch, an oval about ¼ in (6 mm) wide and 3/16 in (5 mm) tall, its middle on the head and neck on round 8, one to each side, 7 stitches from the center line (14 stitches apart).
- 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: 11 pieces; 2,232 stitches (912 in the body, 126 in each leg, 513 in the head and neck, 231 in the tail, 18 in each spot); 22 ends to weave in.

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