Timber wolf on four legs

US terms



Finished size
About 9½ in (24 cm) long with the tail and 8½ in (21.5 cm) tall to the tips of the ears

Skill
Intermediate
Ten 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.

What you need

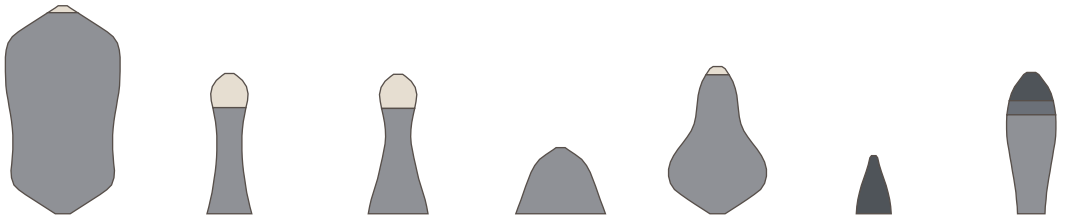
Yarn A: gray, the main color	**about 170 yd (155 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: charcoal, ear and tail	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: oatmeal white, several of the pieces	**about 65 yd (59 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: slate gray, tail	**about 50 yd (46 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: amber, the details	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn F: black, the details	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 160 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Hook: 3.5 mm (US E-4), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: toy stuffing, a yarn needle, a stitch marker, pins, scissors and two black plastic eyes with washers, 6 mm.

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

The pieces



Body
Front leg x 2 to the body
Back leg x 2 to the body
Neck to the body
Head to the neck
Ear x 2 to the head
Tail to the body

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Gauge

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

Use any hook that gives you this. If you count more stitches than this in 4 in (10 cm), change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, to a smaller one.

Notes

- 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 of a leg or of the tail begins "With A," (or another letter), work the last pull-through of the round before it in A (or in that letter). Cut the old yarn and knot the ends on the wrong side. Two yarns in one round, and three: before round 1 of the body, the neck, the head and the ear a list names the stitches that are worked in C or in D. Every stitch that the list does not name is worked in the yarn of the round: the yarn the piece begins with, and from a line that begins "With A," on, A. In these four pieces the list comes first: where a line begins "With A," and the list names stitch 1 of that round, stitch 1 is worked in the yarn of the list and A comes in after it. The stitches are numbered from the start of each round as you make them, so that 2 sc in one st are two stitches and a sc2tog is one. The stitches of a spiral lean a little to one side from round to round: the numbers move along with them, so that the color stays straight. To change, work the last pull-through of the stitch before in the new yarn, also where that stitch is the last of the round before. Do not cut a yarn that is still needed in a later stitch or round of the piece. Carry it: lay every yarn that rests, one or two, along the top of the stitches of the round before and work over it, all the way round, from its first stitch to its last, so that it lies inside your stitches and is always at hand for its next stitch; at a sc2tog let it pass behind the stitch. Draw it just straight, neither tight nor slack. When the last stitch of a yarn is done, cut it and knot or weave in its end on the wrong side.
- 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 20 and 21 of round 16 (40 sts). This piece lies with its center line along the top, round 1 at the front end.
- Body: the center line runs between stitches 23 and 24 of round 8 (46 sts). This piece lies with its center line along the top, round 1 at the front end.
- Neck: the center line runs between stitches 18 and 19 of round 11 (36 sts). It faces the back, 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.
- Running stitches go in and out along a line.
- In every step of putting it together: 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 yarn of the piece you are putting on.
- 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.
- For a child under three, or a pet, embroider the eyes instead: satin stitch dots of the same size in F (black).

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- The rounds and stitches are the same for every size; the yarn and the hook make the difference. Lengths in the words (tails, details) are for Standard, the size written here: 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): 7 in (18 cm) long with the tail and 6¼ in (16 cm) tall to the tips of the ears; eyes 4 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): 13½ in (34.5 cm) long with the tail and 12¼ in (31 cm) tall to the tips of the ears; eyes 9 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): 17¼ in (44 cm) long with the tail and 15½ in (39.5 cm) tall to the tips of the ears; eyes 11 mm; multiply lengths by 1.8; about 1.8 times the yarn.

Instructions

US terms.

sc single crochet (UK double crochet), **MR** magic ring, **Rnd** round, **st** stitch.
sc2tog 2 sc made into one, **yo** yarn over the hook, **RS** right side, the one that shows.
2 sc in next st: both in one stitch. **sc in next 2 sts**: one in each.
[ ] 6 times: work what is inside 6 times in all.
(6 sc): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Body

Yarns in order of use: C, oatmeal white; A, gray.

Some stitches are worked in two more yarns, C (oatmeal white) and D (slate gray) (see Two yarns in one round, in the notes).

With C (oatmeal white), for the chest: round 3: stitches 1 to 6 and 11 to 18; round 4: stitches 1 to 6 and 17 to 24; round 5: stitches 1 to 7 and 23 to 30; round 6: stitches 1 to 7 and 29 to 36; round 7: stitches 1 to 6 and 36 to 42; round 8: stitches 1 to 6 and 41 to 46; round 9: stitches 1 to 4 and 44 to 46.

With D (slate gray), for the saddle: rounds 8 to 9: stitches 19 to 28; round 10: stitches 19 to 30; round 11: stitches 18 to 31; round 12: stitches 17 to 32; round 13: stitches 17 to 33; round 14: stitches 16 to 34; round 15: stitches 15 to 35; rounds 16 to 17: stitches 15 to 34; round 18: stitches 15 to 33; round 19: stitches 15 to 32; rounds 20 to 21: stitches 16 to 31; round 22: stitches 17 to 31; rounds 23 to 24: stitches 18 to 31; round 25: stitches 19 to 32; round 26: stitches 20 to 32; rounds 27 to 28: stitches 21 to 33; round 29: stitches 19 to 28; round 30: stitches 16 to 24; round 31: stitches 13 to 19.

All other stitches are worked in the yarn of the round.

In round 3 stitches 1 to 6 are still C. So do not change to A at the end of round 2, and do not cut C: A comes in with the last pull-through of stitch 6 of round 3, and C is carried on.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	With A, **[**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)

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☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(46 sc)

Mark the center line now: a pin or a scrap of yarn between stitches 23 and 24 of round 8. This piece lies with its center line along the top, round 1 at the front end.

☐ **Rnds 9 to 14**	Sc in each st around	(46 sc)

9 10 11 12 13 14

☐ **Rnd 15**	Sc in next 22 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 22 sts	(45 sc)
☐ **Rnd 16**	Sc2tog, sc in next 43 sts	(44 sc)
☐ **Rnd 17**	Sc in next 42 sts, sc2tog	(43 sc)
☐ **Rnd 18**	Sc in next 20 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 21 sts	(42 sc)
☐ **Rnd 19**	Sc2tog, sc in next 40 sts	(41 sc)
☐ **Rnd 20**	Sc in next 39 sts, sc2tog	(40 sc)
☐ **Rnds 21 to 24**	Sc in each st around	(40 sc)

21 22 23 24

☐ **Rnd 25**	Sc in next 19 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 20 sts	(41 sc)
☐ **Rnd 26**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 40 sts	(42 sc)
☐ **Rnds 27 to 28**	Sc in each st around	(42 sc)

27 28

☐ **Rnd 29**	**[**sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 30**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(30 sc)
☐ **Rnd 31**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	(24 sc)

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

☐ **Rnd 32**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 33**	**[**sc in next st, sc2tog**] 6 times**	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 34**	**[**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.	

Front leg: make 2

Yarns in order of use: C, oatmeal white; A, gray.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 4 times**	(16 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Sc in each st around	(16 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 5**	Sc2tog, sc in next 14 sts	(15 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	Sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 6 sts, sc2tog	(13 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	With A, sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 6 sts	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 8**	Sc2tog, sc in next 10 sts	(11 sc)
☐ **Rnd 9**	Sc in next 9 sts, sc2tog	(10 sc)
☐ **Rnds 10 to 13** 10 11 12 13	Sc in each st around	(10 sc)
☐ **Rnd 14**	Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts	(11 sc)
☐ **Rnd 15**	Sc in each st around	(11 sc)
☐ **Rnd 16**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 17**	Sc in next 11 sts, 2 sc in next st	(13 sc)
☐ **Rnd 18**	Sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts	(14 sc)
☐ **Rnd 19**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 13 sts	(15 sc)
☐ **Rnd 20**	Sc in next 14 sts, 2 sc in next st	(16 sc)
☐ **Rnd 21**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts**] 2 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an 18 in (46 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff firmly up to the open edge.	

Back leg: make 2

Yarns in order of use: C, oatmeal white; A, gray.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 4 times**	(16 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Sc in each st around	(16 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	Sc2tog, sc in next 14 sts	(15 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	Sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 6 sts, sc2tog	(13 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	With A, sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 6 sts	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts**] 2 times**	(10 sc)
☐ **Rnds 9 to 11** 9 10 11	Sc in each st around	(10 sc)
☐ **Rnd 12**	Sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st	(11 sc)
☐ **Rnd 13**	Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts	(13 sc)
☐ **Rnd 14**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 12 sts	(14 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 15**	Sc in next 13 sts, 2 sc in next st	(15 sc)
☐ **Rnd 16**	Sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts	(16 sc)
☐ **Rnd 17**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts**] 2 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 18**	**[**sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(20 sc)
☐ **Rnd 19**	**[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 2 times**	(22 sc)
☐ **Rnd 20**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 21 sts	(23 sc)
☐ **Rnd 21**	Sc in next 22 sts, 2 sc in next st	(24 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 22 in (56 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff firmly up to the open edge.	

Neck

Yarn A, gray.

Some stitches are worked in two more yarns, C (oatmeal white) and D (slate gray) (see Two yarns in one round, in the notes).

With C (oatmeal white), for the throat: round 4: stitches 1 to 4 and 16 to 22; round 5: stitches 1 to 5 and 17 to 24; round 6: stitches 1 to 6 and 19 to 26; round 7: stitches 1 to 7 and 20 to 28; round 8: stitches 1 to 7 and 22 to 30; round 9: stitches 1 to 8 and 24 to 32; round 10: stitches 1 to 9 and 26 to 34; round 11: stitches 1 to 10 and 27 to 36.

With D (slate gray), for the back of the neck: round 4: stitches 8 to 12; round 5: stitches 9 to 14; round 6: stitches 10 to 15; round 7: stitches 11 to 16; round 8: stitches 12 to 18; round 9: stitches 13 to 19; round 10: stitches 14 to 21; round 11: stitches 15 to 22.

All other stitches are worked in the yarn of the round.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(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 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts**] 2 times**	(22 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts**] 2 times**	(26 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 12 sts**] 2 times**	(28 sc)
☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**sc in next 13 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(30 sc)
☐ **Rnd 9**	**[**sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts**] 2 times**	(32 sc)
☐ **Rnd 10**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 15 sts**] 2 times**	(34 sc)
☐ **Rnd 11**	**[**sc in next 16 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(36 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 28 in (71 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff firmly up to the open edge.	

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Head

Yarns in order of use: C, oatmeal white; A, gray.

Some stitches are worked in two more yarns, C (oatmeal white) and D (slate gray) (see Two yarns in one round, in the notes).

With C (oatmeal white), for the muzzle, the jaw and the cheeks: round 3: stitches 1 to 2 and 8 to 13; round 4: stitches 1 to 3 and 9 to 15; rounds 5 to 6: stitches 1 to 3 and 10 to 16; rounds 7 to 8: stitches 1 to 4 and 11 to 17; round 9: stitches 1 to 5 and 12 to 18; round 10: stitches 1 to 5 and 14 to 20; round 11: stitches 1 to 6 and 17 to 24; round 12: stitches 1 to 7 and 21 to 28; round 13: stitches 1 to 7 and 24 to 32; round 14: stitches 1 to 8 and 28 to 36; round 15: stitches 1 to 9 and 31 to 39; round 16: stitches 1 to 8 and 33 to 40; round 17: stitches 1 to 7 and 34 to 40; round 18: stitches 1 to 6 and 36 to 40.

With D (slate gray), for the bridge of the nose and the forehead: round 8: stitches 6 to 9; round 9: stitches 7 to 10; round 10: stitches 8 to 11; round 11: stitches 10 to 13; round 12: stitches 12 to 15; round 13: stitches 15 to 17; round 14: stitches 16 to 20; round 15: stitches 16 to 23; round 16: stitches 15 to 26; round 17: stitches 14 to 27; round 18: stitches 14 to 28; round 19: stitches 13 to 25; round 20: stitches 12 to 20.

All other stitches are worked in the yarn of the round.

In round 3 stitches 1 to 2 are still C. So do not change to A at the end of round 2, and do not cut C: A comes in with the last pull-through of stitch 2 of round 3, and C is carried on.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(10 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	With A, sc in next st, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 3 times**	(13 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts	(15 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	Sc in next 14 sts, 2 sc in next st	(16 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	Sc in each st around	(16 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	Sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts	(17 sc)
☐ **Rnd 8**	Sc in each st around	(17 sc)
☐ **Rnd 9**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 16 sts	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 10**	**[**sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(20 sc)
☐ **Rnd 11**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 4 times**	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnd 12**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 4 times**	(28 sc)
☐ **Rnd 13**	**[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 4 times**	(32 sc)
☐ **Rnd 14**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts**] 4 times**	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 15**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 11 sts**] 3 times**	(39 sc)
☐ **Rnd 16**	Sc in next 38 sts, 2 sc in next st	(40 sc)

Mark the center line now: a pin or a scrap of yarn between stitches 20 and 21 of round 16. This piece lies with its center line along the top, round 1 at the front end.

☐ **Rnds 17 to 18**	Sc in each st around	(40 sc)

17 18

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☐ **Rnd 19**	**[**sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts**] 4 times**	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 20**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts**] 6 times**	(30 sc)
☐ **Rnd 21**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	(24 sc)

Fix the eyes now: two 6 mm black plastic eyes, on the head on round 13, one to each side, 3½ stitches from the center line (7 stitches apart). For a child under three, or a pet, leave them out and embroider them later. Then stuff firmly, and keep adding stuffing until the last round.

☐ **Rnd 22**	**[**sc in next st, sc2tog, sc in next st**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 23**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next st**] 6 times**	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 24**	**[**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.	

Ear: make 2

Yarn B, charcoal.

Some stitches are worked in a second yarn, C (oatmeal white) (see Two yarns in one round, in the notes).

With C (oatmeal white), for the inside of the ear: round 3: stitches 3 to 4; round 4: stitches 4 to 5; round 5: stitches 5 to 6; round 6: stitches 5 to 8; round 7: stitches 6 to 8; rounds 8 to 9: stitches 6 to 9.

All other stitches are worked in the yarn of the round.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	3 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(3 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st	(4 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 2 times**	(8 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(10 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 2 times**	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 11 sts	(13 sc)
☐ **Rnd 8**	Sc in next 12 sts, 2 sc in next st	(14 sc)
☐ **Rnd 9**	Sc in each st around	(14 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 16 in (41 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff. Press it flat, the light stitches in the middle of one side (the inside of the ear), so that the last round makes a straight double edge of 7 stitches.	

Tail

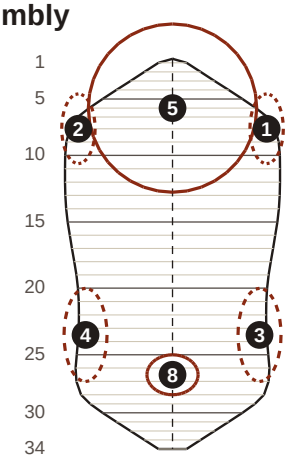
Yarns in order of use: B, charcoal; D, slate gray; A, gray.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)

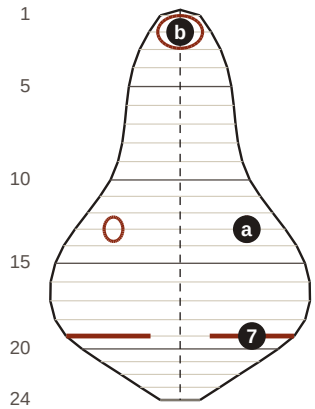
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☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(10 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**	(14 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts**] 2 times**	(17 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	Sc in next 16 sts, 2 sc in next st	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	With D, sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 9 sts	(19 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 18 sts	(20 sc)
☐ **Rnds 8 to 10** 8 9 10	With A, sc in each st around	(20 sc)
☐ **Rnd 11**	Sc in next 18 sts, sc2tog	(19 sc)
☐ **Rnd 12**	Sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 9 sts	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 13**	Sc2tog, sc in next 16 sts	(17 sc)
☐ **Rnd 14**	Sc in next 15 sts, sc2tog	(16 sc)
☐ **Rnd 15**	Sc in next 7 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 7 sts	(15 sc)
☐ **Rnd 16**	Sc2tog, sc in next 13 sts	(14 sc)
☐ **Rnd 17**	Sc in next 12 sts, sc2tog	(13 sc)
☐ **Rnd 18**	Sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 6 sts	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 19**	Sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 20**	Sc2tog, sc in next 10 sts	(11 sc)
☐ **Rnd 21**	Sc in each st around	(11 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 14 in (36 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff lightly up to the open edge.	

Assembly



Body: 1 front leg, 2 front leg, 3 back leg, 4 back leg, 5 neck, 8 tail



Head: 7 ears, a eyes, b nose

A number is the step below that puts it on; a letter is put on under Finishing. 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.

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1. Pin one front leg to the body: the middle of the open edge lies on round 8, 14½ stitches to the right of the center line. The edge (18 sts) covers about rounds 5 to 11 of the body. It points down and leans back a little, about 10 degrees. This is the right front leg. Do not sew it yet.

2. Pin one front leg to the body: the middle of the open edge lies on round 8, 14½ stitches to the left of the center line. The edge (18 sts) covers about rounds 5 to 11 of the body. It points down and leans forward, about 15 degrees. This is the left front leg. Do not sew it yet.

3. Pin one back leg to the body: the middle of the open edge lies between rounds 23 and 24, 12½ stitches to the right of the center line. The edge (24 sts) covers about rounds 20 to 27 of the body. It points down and forward, turns back by about round 11 of the back leg and straight down by the tip. Bend it as you pin it, and hold each bend with a few running stitches, drawn up a little, on the side it turns toward. This is the right back leg. Do not sew it yet.

4. Pin one back leg to the body: the middle of the open edge lies between rounds 23 and 24, 12½ stitches to the left of the center line. The edge (24 sts) covers about rounds 20 to 27 of the body. It points straight down, turns back by about round 11 of the back leg and straight down again by the tip. Bend it as you pin it, and hold each bend with a few running stitches, drawn up a little, on the side it turns toward. This is the left back leg. When all four legs are pinned, stand the toy on its feet and move the pins a little until it stands level. Then sew each leg all the way round with its tail, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft.

5. Pin the neck to the body: the middle of the open edge lies on round 6, on the center line. The edge has 36 sts. Its center line runs along the back of the neck, on the side toward the tail, in line with the center line of the body. It points forward and up, about 45 degrees from upright, and it is nearly straight. Sew all the way round with the tail, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft.

6. Set the head on the top of the neck, its center line on top and round 1 (the nose) to the front: round 20 of the head, on the line opposite the center line, lies over the middle of round 1 of the neck. Let the nose slant down about 15 degrees from level and turn it about 45 degrees to the left. Press the head down on the neck until round 5 of the neck (24 sts) touches it all the way round. On the head this circle reaches from about round 16 to about round 24 on the line opposite the center line, and about 4 stitches to each side of that line. With a new length of A (gray), sew round the circle twice, through the stitches of round 5 of the neck and the head.

7. Pin the two ears to the head: the middle of each flat edge lies on round 19, one to each side, 5 stitches from the center line (10 stitches apart). The flat edge runs along the round, half of it on each side of that place. They point up, the light stitches to the front. Sew through both layers of the 7-stitch edge with the tail.

8. Pin the tail to the body: the middle of the open edge lies between rounds 26 and 27, on the center line. The edge (11 sts) covers about rounds 25 to 28 of the body. It points back, turns down by about round 14 of the tail and back by the tip. Bend it as you pin it, and hold each bend with a few running stitches, drawn up a little, on the side it turns toward. 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.

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Finishing

- Put in the plastic eyes when the words of a piece say so, or embroider eyes in the same places with the other details. Embroider with one strand of yarn and the yarn needle when the pieces round the place are sewn on; begin and end each strand on the wrong side of a flat piece, inside a stuffed one. 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.
- Eyes: two 6 mm black plastic eyes, on the head on round 13, one to each side, 3½ stitches from the center line (7 stitches apart).
- Amber: when the eyes are in, with E (amber), in satin stitch, fill an oval round each eye, about 5/16 in (8 mm) wide and ¼ in (6 mm) tall, the eye in the middle of it, its outer end a little higher than its inner end. The stitches lie close against the eye and pass under its rim.
- Brows: with C (oatmeal white), in satin stitch, one small oval on each side of the head, about ¼ in (6 mm) wide and 3/16 in (5 mm) tall, its middle between rounds 14 and 15, 4 stitches from the center line (8 stitches apart), close above the amber, its outer end a little higher than its inner end.
- Nose: with F (black), in satin stitch, an oval about 7/16 in (11 mm) wide and 5/16 in (8 mm) tall, its middle on the head on round 2, on the center line.
- Mouth: with F (black), in backstitch, a straight line down, 1/8 in (3 mm) long, and from its lower end two small smile curves side by side, one to each side, about ½ in (13 mm) wide and 5/16 in (8 mm) tall in all, 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: 10 pieces; 3,643 stitches (1,198 in the body, 261 in each front leg, 306 in each back leg, 268 in the neck, 553 in the head, 84 in each ear, 322 in the tail).

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