Tiny thread teddy bear

US terms



Finished size
About 2¼ in (5.5 cm) tall sitting

Skill
Intermediate
Worked in rounds, with the stitches named

Yarn
Super fine (1), 4 colors

Hook
1.8 mm (US steel 6)

Gauge
33 stitches to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: honey brown, main color	**about 40 yd (37 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: cream, color B	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: blue, color C	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: dark brown, color D and the details	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 1.8 mm (US steel 6), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a sewing needle that goes through the beads, black sewing thread, 2 round black beads, 4 mm (5/32 in (81.5 cm)) wide, a small handful of polyester filling, about ¼ oz (7 g), 3 stitch markers (one for the first stitch of the round, one for the front of the head, one for the front of the body), pins, a yarn needle and scissors.

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.

The pieces



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Abbreviations

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

ch	chain
sl st	slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
sc2tog	single crochet the next 2 stitches together: work each up to its last pull through, then yo and draw through all loops on hook (UK dc2tog, double crochet 2 stitches together)
st	stitch
sk	skip (UK miss)
rnd	round
yo	yarn over (UK yrh, yarn round hook)

Special stitches

picot: Ch 3, sl st in the 3rd ch from hook.

Gauge

33 stitches to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

About 35 rounds of single crochet to 4 in (10 cm).

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.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After rnd 4 the head measures about 1 in (2.5 cm) across.

Before you start

- Magic ring: wrap the yarn round two fingers, work the first round into the loop, then pull the tail to close it. Pull it until no hole is left.
- Every round is worked with the right side facing; do not turn. The right side is the outside.
- A ch 1 at the start of a row or round does not count as a stitch.
- Join a new color with a sl st in the place named. Fasten off a color only where the round says so; where it does not, the same color goes on into the next round.
- The head, body, muzzle and ears are worked in a spiral: do not join the rounds. Put a marker in the first stitch of each round and move it up as you go. The arms and legs are worked in joined rounds, as written. The collar is worked in rows.
- Collar, row 2: the ch 1 stands on the last dc of row 1, and the first sc goes in that dc (same st). The last sc of the row goes in the top of the 3 chs skipped at the start of row 1.
- Work tightly, so that no filling shows. Leave the tails told below; they sew the bear together.
- The bear is a keepsake for a shelf. It has beads on it, so it is not for a child under three.
- Seams: whipstitch, small stitches over both edges, one for each stitch. Where a part is sewn to the side of another, bring the needle up through the edge of the part and down through the piece beneath, one stitch for each stitch of the edge. End every seam with two small stitches in one place and draw the end inside.

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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, sc is double crochet and dc is treble.

Head

Yarn A, honey brown.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	6 sc in ring	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**2 sc in next sc**] 6 times**	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc**] 6 times**	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	Sc in each of next 30 sc	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	**[**sc in each of next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc**] 6 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 8 to 11**	Sc in each of next 36 sc	**(36 sc)**

A box for each round, 8 to 11: tick them off as you go.

☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11

☐ **Rnd 12**	**[**sc in each of next 4 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(24 sc, 6 sc2tog)**
☐ **Rnd 13**	Sc in each of next 30 sts	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 14**	**[**sc in each of next 3 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(18 sc, 6 sc2tog)**
☐ **Rnd 15**	**[**sc in each of next 2 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(12 sc, 6 sc2tog)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off. Leave a 14 in (35 cm) tail. The place where rnd 15 ends is the center back of the head. Count 9 sts of rnd 15 from there and mark that place: it is the center front.	

Body

Yarn A, honey brown.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	6 sc in ring	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**2 sc in next sc**] 6 times**	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc**] 6 times**	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 6 to 10**	Sc in each of next 30 sc	**(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 each of next 3 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(18 sc, 6 sc2tog)**

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☐ **Rnd 12**	Sc in each of next 24 sts	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 13**	Sc in each of next 24 sc	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 14**	**[**sc in each of next 2 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(12 sc, 6 sc2tog)**
☐ **Rnd 15**	Sc in each of next 18 sts	**(18 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off. Leave a 6 in (15 cm) tail. Fill the body firmly. The place where rnd 15 ends is the center back of the body. Count 9 sts of rnd 15 from there and mark that place: it is the center front.	

Muzzle

Yarn B, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	With B, 6 sc in ring	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**2 sc in next sc**] 6 times**	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc**] 4 times**	**(16 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Sc in each of next 16 sc	**(16 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off. Leave a 10 in (25 cm) tail.	

Ear: make 2

Yarn A, honey brown.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	6 sc in ring	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc**] 3 times**	**(9 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Sc in each of next 9 sc	**(9 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off. Leave an 8 in (20 cm) tail. Do not fill the ears.	

Arm: make 2

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

☐ **Foundation**	With B, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	With B, ch 1, 5 sc in ring, join with sl st in first sc	**(5 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in same st, 2 sc in each of next 4 sc, join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off B	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Join A with sl st in first sc, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in each of next 9 sc, join with sl st in first sc	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 4 to 6**	Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in each of next 9 sc, join with sl st in first sc	**(10 sc)**

A box for each round, 4 to 6: tick them off as you go.

☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6

☐ **Rnd 7**	Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in each of next 2 sc, sc2tog over next 2 sc, sc in each of next 3 sc, sc2tog over next 2 sc, join with sl st in first sc	**(6 sc, 2 sc2tog)**

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☐ **Rnd 8**	Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in each of next 7 sts, join with sl st in first sc	**(8 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off. Leave an 8 in (20 cm) tail. Draw the other ends inside and fill the arm lightly.	

Leg: make 2

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

☐ **Foundation**	With B, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	With B, ch 1, 7 sc in ring, join with sl st in first sc	**(7 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in same st, 2 sc in each of next 6 sc, join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off B	**(14 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Join A with sl st in back loop of first sc, ch 1, sc in back loop of same st, sc in back loop of each of next 13 sc, join with sl st in first sc	**(14 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 4 to 7**	Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in each of next 13 sc, join with sl st in first sc	**(14 sc)**

A box for each round, 4 to 7: tick them off as you go.

☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7

☐ **Rnd 8**	Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in each of next 4 sc, sc2tog over next 2 sc, sc in each of next 5 sc, sc2tog over next 2 sc, join with sl st in first sc	**(10 sc, 2 sc2tog)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in each of next 11 sts, join with sl st in first sc	**(12 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off. Leave a 10 in (25 cm) tail. Draw the other ends inside and fill the leg firmly.	

Collar

Yarn C, blue.

Leave the first end 10 in (25 cm) long; it sews the collar on.

☐ **Foundation**	With C, ch 23.	
☐ **Row 1**	With C, dc in 4th ch from hook (skipped 3 chs count as dc), dc in each of next 19 chs	**(21 dc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, sc in same st, **[**sk next dc, (3 dc, picot, 3 dc) in next dc, sk next dc, sc in next dc**] 5 times**	**(30 dc, 6 sc, 5 picots)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off. Weave in the last end.	

Assembly

1. The front line. The stitches of a spiral lean to one side, so do not follow them: from the front marker of a piece go straight to the middle of its magic ring. That line is the center front. Stitches below are counted from it, to both sides.

2. Muzzle. Fill it with a pinch of filling. Set its open edge on the front of the head, over the front line, from rnd 8 (its top) to rnd 13 (its bottom), 3 sts to each side of the line. Sew all 16 sts down with its tail.

3. Eyes. With black thread sew a bead to rnd 8 of the head, between the 3rd and the 4th st from the front line, on each side, 3 times through each bead. The beads then stand just above the upper corners of the muzzle.

4. Nose and mouth. Use 24 in (60 cm) of D. Nose: satin stitch, which is straight stitches laid close below one another. The first is level, ¼ in (6 mm) long, on rnd 2 of the muzzle straight above the magic ring; make 5 more below it, each a little shorter, until the last, 1/16 in (2 mm) long, lies on rnd 1. Mouth: one straight stitch down from the point of the nose, 1/8 in (3 mm) long, across the magic ring; then from its lower end a curve to each side, ¼ in (6 mm) long, of 3 short stitches end to end, down first and then up.

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5. Ears. Pinch each ear flat so that its open edge is a line of two layers. Sew it through both layers to the side of the head, halfway between the center front and the center back, its lower end on rnd 7 and its upper end on rnd 3.

6. Head to body. Fill the head firmly through its open edge. Hold its rnd 15 to rnd 15 of the body, front markers together, and whipstitch the 18 sts of one to the 18 sts of the other with the tail of the head. Add filling to the neck before the last 4 sts.

7. Legs. The open edge of each leg goes on the front of the body between rnd 4 and rnd 8, its middle 4 sts from the front line. The leg points forward and a little outward, the cream sole away from the body, the line of joins below. Sew all 12 sts down.

8. Arms. The open edge of each arm goes on the front of the body, at the side, between rnd 9 and rnd 12, its middle 4 sts from the front line, the arm pointing forward and a little outward, the line of joins at the underside of the arm, toward the leg. Sew all 8 sts down. The cream paw lies on top of the leg of the same side: join the two with one small stitch, from rnd 3 of the arm into rnd 4 of the leg.

9. Collar. Lay it round the neck with the side of row 1 that faced you outside, its foundation chain against the head, its ends at the center front. With its first end sew the two ends of the foundation chain together, run the needle through the chain to the center back and take one small stitch there into the neck. The fans lie on the shoulders.

Finishing

- Take out the markers. Draw every end that is left inside the bear.

In all: 9 pieces.

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