Tiny dinosaurs in eggs, set of three

US terms



Finished size

About in its shell the long-jaw dinosaur about 2¼ in (5.5 cm) tall, the plated one about 2 7/8 in (7.5 cm) tall to the tip of its highest plate and the horned one about 3 in (7.5 cm) tall to the top of its frill; each shell about 1 7/8 in (5 cm) across, the frill about 2¼ in (5.5 cm) across

Skill

Intermediate

21 pieces worked in rounds and sewn together.

Yarn

Fine (2), 6 colors

Hook

2.25 mm (US B-1)

Gauge

27 stitches and 30 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)

In single crochet, in a spiral.

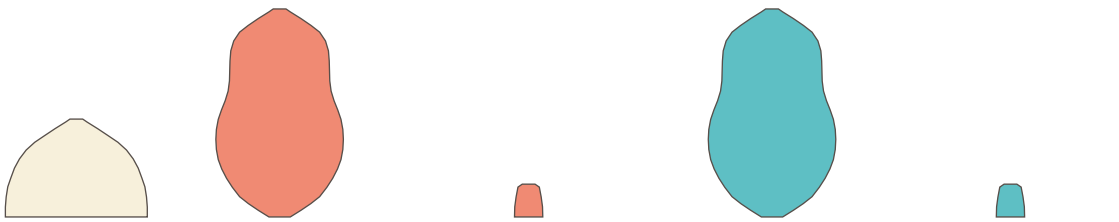
What you need

Yarn A: coral, horned dinosaur, horned arm, frill and the details	**about 50 yd (46 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: aqua, plated dinosaur, plated arm, muzzle and the details	**about 45 yd (41 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: lime, long-jaw dinosaur, long-jaw arm, snout and the details	**about 50 yd (46 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: cream, shell, brow horn, nose horn and the details	**about 65 yd (59 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: sunny yellow, frill, plate and the details	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**
Yarn F: charcoal, the details	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 65 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 350 yd (320 m).

Hook: 2.25 mm (US B-1), 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.

The pieces



Shell x 3

Horned dinosaur

Horned arm x 2
to the horned dinosaur

Plated dinosaur

Plated arm x 2
to the plated dinosaur

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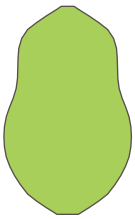

Long-jaw dinosaur



Long-jaw arm x 2
to the long-jaw dinosaur



Frill



Brow horn x 2
to the horned dinosaur



Nose horn
to the horned dinosaur



Muzzle
to the plated dinosaur



Plate x 3
to the plated dinosaur



Snout
to the long-jaw dinosaur

Gauge

27 stitches and 30 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 1 5/8 in (4 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.

Instructions

US terms.

sc single crochet (UK dc), **sc2tog** 2 sc made into one, **st** stitch.
2 sc in next st: **both in one stitch**. Sc in next 2 sts: one in each.
Rounds run in a **spiral**: mark the first stitch and move the marker up each round. **Working in the round**
[ ] 6 times: 6 times in all. (18 sc): the round now has 18; a check, not a step. **How to read a pattern**
Also: RS right side, yo yarn over.
Every stitch, drawn: flossfield.com/crochet/stitches.

Special stitches

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.

Shell: make 3

Yarn D, cream.

☐ **Start**	Make a magic ring. *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.*	
☐ **Round 1 (RS)**	6 sc in the ring. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Round 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Round 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Round 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(24 sc)

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☐ **Round 5**	Sc in next 3 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts**] 4 times**, 2 sc in next st	(29 sc)
☐ **Round 6**	Sc in next 3 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts**] 3 times**, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts	(33 sc)
☐ **Round 7**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts**] 3 times**	(36 sc)
☐ **Round 8**	Sc in each st around	(36 sc)
☐ **Round 9**	**[**sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 4 times**	(40 sc)
☐ **Rounds 10 to 12** 10 11 12	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st, sc2tog 2 times, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**	(40 sc)
☐	Slip stitch in the next stitch to level the edge. Fasten off and weave in the end. Do not stuff.	

Horned dinosaur

Yarn A, coral.

☐ **Start**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Round 1 (RS)**	6 sc in the ring. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Round 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Round 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Round 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(24 sc)
☐ **Round 5**	**[**sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 4 times**	(28 sc)
☐ **Rounds 6 to 10** 6 7 8 9 10	Sc in each st around	(28 sc)
☐ **Round 11**	**[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts**] 2 times**	(30 sc)
☐ **Round 12**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 9 sts**] 3 times**	(33 sc)
☐ **Round 13**	**[**sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(36 sc)
	Mark the center line now: a pin or a scrap of yarn between stitches 18 and 19 of round 13. It faces the front, round 1 at the bottom.	
☐ **Rounds 14 to 17** 14 15 16 17	Sc in each st around	(36 sc)
☐ **Round 18**	**[**sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 5 sts**] 3 times**	(33 sc)
☐ **Round 19**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 9 sts**] 3 times**	(30 sc)
☐ **Round 20**	**[**sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog**] 3 times**	(27 sc)
☐ **Round 21**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts**] 3 times**	(24 sc)

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Fix the eyes now: six 6 mm black plastic eyes, two on each dinosaur, one to each side of the center line: on the horned dinosaur on round 15, 4½ stitches from the center line (9 stitches apart); on the plated dinosaur on round 15, 3½ stitches from the center line (7 stitches apart); on the long-jaw dinosaur on round 16, 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.

☐ **Round 22**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Round 23**	**[**sc in next st, sc2tog**] 6 times**	(12 sc)
☐ **Round 24**	**[**sc2tog**] 6 times**	(6 sc)
☐	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.	

Horned arm: make 2

Yarn A, coral.

☐ **Start**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Round 1 (RS)**	6 sc in the ring. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Round 2**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(8 sc)
☐ **Rounds 3 to 4**	Sc in each st around	(8 sc)
	3 4	
☐	Fasten off, leaving an 8 in (20 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff lightly up to the open edge.	

Plated dinosaur

Yarn B, aqua.

☐ **Start**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Round 1 (RS)**	6 sc in the ring. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Round 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Round 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Round 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(24 sc)
☐ **Round 5**	**[**sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 4 times**	(28 sc)
☐ **Rounds 6 to 10**	Sc in each st around	(28 sc)
	6 7 8 9 10	
☐ **Round 11**	**[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts**] 2 times**	(30 sc)
☐ **Round 12**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 9 sts**] 3 times**	(33 sc)
☐ **Round 13**	**[**sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(36 sc)

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Mark the center line now: a pin or a scrap of yarn between stitches 18 and 19 of round 13. It faces the front, round 1 at the bottom.

☐ **Rounds 14 to 17** 14 15 16 17	Sc in each st around	(36 sc)
☐ **Round 18**	**[**sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 5 sts**] 3 times**	(33 sc)
☐ **Round 19**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 9 sts**] 3 times**	(30 sc)
☐ **Round 20**	**[**sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog**] 3 times**	(27 sc)
☐ **Round 21**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts**] 3 times**	(24 sc)

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

Plated arm: make 2

Yarn B, aqua.

☐ **Start**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Round 1 (RS)**	6 sc in the ring. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Round 2**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(8 sc)
☐ **Rounds 3 to 4** 3 4	Sc in each st around	(8 sc)
☐	Fasten off, leaving an 8 in (20 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff lightly up to the open edge.	

Long-jaw dinosaur

Yarn C, lime.

☐ **Start**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Round 1 (RS)**	6 sc in the ring. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Round 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Round 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Round 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(24 sc)
☐ **Round 5**	**[**sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 4 times**	(28 sc)

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☐ **Rounds 6 to 10** 6 7 8 9 10	Sc in each st around	(28 sc)
☐ **Round 11**	**[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts**] 2 times**	(30 sc)
☐ **Round 12**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 9 sts**] 3 times**	(33 sc)
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☐ **Round 22**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Round 23**	**[**sc in next st, sc2tog**] 6 times**	(12 sc)
☐ **Round 24**	**[**sc2tog**] 6 times**	(6 sc)
☐	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.	

Long-jaw arm: make 2

Yarn C, lime.

☐ **Start**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Round 1 (RS)**	6 sc in the ring. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Round 2**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(8 sc)
☐ **Rounds 3 to 4** 3 4	Sc in each st around	(8 sc)
☐	Fasten off, leaving an 8 in (20 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff lightly up to the open edge.	

Frill

Begin with yarn A, coral.

☐ **Start**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Round 1 (RS)**	6 sc in the ring. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Round 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)

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☐ **Round 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Round 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(24 sc)
☐ **Round 5**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(30 sc)
☐ **Round 6**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(36 sc)
☐ **Round 7**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	(42 sc)
☐ **Round 8**	With E, **[**sc in next st, bobble in next st**] 21 times**	(42 sts)
☐	Fasten off and weave in the end. Do not stuff. Press it flat with the right side up.	

Brow horn: make 2

Yarn D, cream.

☐ **Start**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Round 1 (RS)**	4 sc in the ring. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(4 sc)
☐ **Round 2**	Sc in each st around	(4 sc)
☐ **Round 3**	Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st	(5 sc)
☐ **Round 4**	Sc in each st around	(5 sc)
☐ **Round 5**	Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts	(6 sc)
☐ **Round 6**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts	(7 sc)
☐ **Round 7**	Sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st	(8 sc)
☐	Fasten off, leaving an 8 in (20 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff lightly up to the open edge.	

Nose horn

Yarn D, cream.

☐ **Start**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Round 1 (RS)**	4 sc in the ring. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(4 sc)
☐ **Round 2**	Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st	(5 sc)
☐ **Round 3**	Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts	(6 sc)
☐ **Round 4**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts	(7 sc)
☐	Fasten off, leaving an 8 in (20 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff lightly up to the open edge.	

Muzzle

Yarn B, aqua.

☐ **Start**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Round 1 (RS)**	6 sc in the ring. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Round 2**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(10 sc)
☐ **Round 3**	Sc in next st, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 3 times**	(13 sc)

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☐ **Round 4**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 12 sts	(14 sc)
☐ **Round 5**	Sc in each st around	(14 sc)
☐	Fasten off, leaving a 12 in (30 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff firmly up to the open edge. Shape the stuffed piece with your fingers into an oval, about ¾ in (2 cm) wide and 5/8 in (1.5 cm) tall.	

Plate: make 3

Yarn E, sunny yellow.

☐ **Start**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Round 1 (RS)**	4 sc in the ring. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(4 sc)
☐ **Round 2**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(6 sc)
☐ **Round 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**	(8 sc)
☐ **Round 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 2 times**	(10 sc)
☐ **Round 5**	**[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(12 sc)
☐ **Round 6**	Sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐	Fasten off, leaving a 10 in (25 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff. Press it flat, so that the last round makes a straight double edge of 6 stitches.	

Snout

Yarn C, lime.

☐ **Start**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Round 1 (RS)**	6 sc in the ring. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Round 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Round 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 3 times**	(15 sc)
☐ **Round 4**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts	(17 sc)
☐ **Round 5**	Sc in next 16 sts, 2 sc in next st	(18 sc)
☐ **Rounds 6 to 7** 6 7	Sc in each st around	(18 sc)
☐	Fasten off, leaving a 14 in (36 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff firmly up to the open edge. Shape the stuffed piece with your fingers into an oval, about 1 in (2.5 cm) wide and ¾ in (2 cm) tall.	

Assembly

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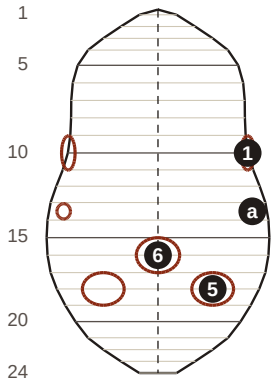
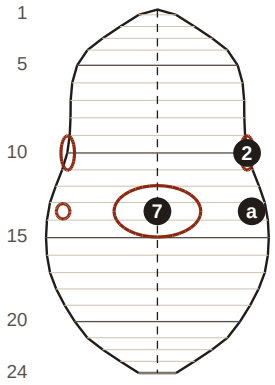
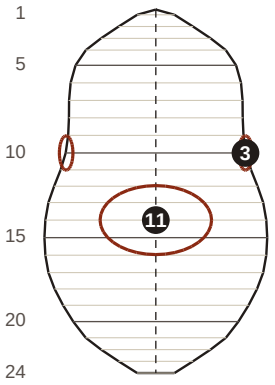


Horned dinosaur: 1 horned arms, 5 brow horns, 6 nose horn, a cheeks



Plated dinosaur: 2 plated arms, 7 muzzle, a cheeks



Long-jaw dinosaur: 3 long-jaw arms, 11 snout

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.

1. Pin the two horned arms to the horned dinosaur: the middle of each open edge lies on round 10, one to each side, 6½ stitches from the center line (13 stitches apart). The edge (8 sts) covers about rounds 9 to 11 of the horned dinosaur. They point forward and a little out to the side, and hang down over the edge of the shell. Sew all the way round with the tail, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft.

2. Pin the two plated arms to the plated dinosaur: the middle of each open edge lies on round 10, one to each side, 6½ stitches from the center line (13 stitches apart). The edge (8 sts) covers about rounds 9 to 11 of the plated dinosaur. They point forward and a little out to the side, and hang down over the edge of the shell. Sew all the way round with the tail, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft.

3. Pin the two long-jaw arms to the long-jaw dinosaur: the middle of each open edge lies on round 10, one to each side, 6½ stitches from the center line (13 stitches apart). The edge (8 sts) covers about rounds 9 to 11 of the long-jaw dinosaur. They point forward and a little out to the side, and hang down over the edge of the shell. Sew all the way round with the tail, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft.

4. Stand the frill up behind the head of the horned dinosaur, its right side to the front: its middle (round 1) lies on round 18 of the horned dinosaur (33 sts), on the line opposite the center line, and it leans back a very little. With a new length of A, sew the frill to the head in a circle along its round 3 (18 sts), and once more along its round 2 (12 sts). From round 4 outward the frill is free all the way round; its lower part hangs down behind the body as far as about round 10.

5. Pin the two brow horns to the horned dinosaur: the middle of each open edge lies on round 18, one to each side, 3 stitches from the center line (6 stitches apart). The edge (8 sts) covers about rounds 17 to 19 of the horned dinosaur. They point forward and up, then curve until the tip of each points straight up. Bend each 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 the tail, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft.

6. Pin the nose horn to the horned dinosaur: the middle of the open edge lies on round 16, on the center line. The edge (7 sts) covers about rounds 15 to 17 of the horned dinosaur. It points forward and up, then curves until its tip points straight up. 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 the tail, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft.

7. Pin the muzzle to the plated dinosaur: the middle of the open edge lies between rounds 13 and 14, on the center line. The edge (14 sts) covers about rounds 12 to 15 of the plated dinosaur. It points straight 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 one plate to the plated dinosaur: the flat edge runs straight up and down along the center line, its lower end on round 17 and its upper end on round 24, at the closed top. It points up and forward. Sew through both layers of the 6-stitch edge with the tail.

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9. Pin one plate to the plated dinosaur: the flat edge goes on from the first plate in line with it, over the closed top and down along the line opposite the center line, its back end on round 18. It points up and a little back. Sew through both layers of the 6-stitch edge with the tail.

10. Pin one plate to the plated dinosaur: the flat edge runs straight up and down along the line opposite the center line, its upper end on round 18, where the second plate ends, and its lower end on round 12. It points straight back. Sew through both layers of the 6-stitch edge with the tail.

11. Pin the snout to the long-jaw dinosaur: the middle of the open edge lies on round 14, on the center line. The edge (18 sts) covers about rounds 12 to 16 of the long-jaw dinosaur. It points forward. Sew all the way round with the tail, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft.

12. The three shells are not sewn to anything. Set the horned dinosaur in the shell with the coral dots, the plated dinosaur in the one with the aqua dots and the long-jaw dinosaur in the one with the lime dots, each with a valley of the edge at its center line and its arms over the edge. The free lower part of the frill of the horned dinosaur stays outside its shell: bend it back a little, so that the back of the shell edge goes up between the body and the frill.

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.
- Dots: in satin stitch, round dots about 3/16 in (5 mm) across on the outside of each shell, 11 on a shell: with A (coral) on the shell of the horned dinosaur, with B (aqua) on that of the plated dinosaur and with C (lime) on that of the long-jaw dinosaur. The middle of each is on a stitch given here; count the stitches of a round from its first stitch. On every shell: round 4 (24 sts), on stitches 3, 11 and 19; round 6 (33 sts), on stitches 6, 13, 20 and 27; round 8 (36 sts), on stitches 2, 11, 20 and 29. Weave the ends in flat on the inside.
- Eyes: six 6 mm black plastic eyes, two on each dinosaur, one to each side of the center line: on the horned dinosaur on round 15, 4½ stitches from the center line (9 stitches apart); on the plated dinosaur on round 15, 3½ stitches from the center line (7 stitches apart); on the long-jaw dinosaur on round 16, 3½ stitches from the center line (7 stitches apart).
- Mouth: with F (charcoal), in backstitch, a smile, one curve about ¼ in (6 mm) wide that dips 1/8 in (3 mm) below its ends. Its two ends are on the horned dinosaur on round 13, one to each side of the center line.
- Cheeks: with E (sunny yellow), in satin stitch, an oval about 3/16 in (5 mm) wide and 1/8 in (3 mm) tall, its middle on the horned dinosaur between rounds 13 and 14, one to each side, 6 stitches from the center line (12 stitches apart).
- Cheeks: with E (sunny yellow), in satin stitch, an oval about 3/16 in (5 mm) wide and 1/8 in (3 mm) tall, its middle on the plated dinosaur between rounds 13 and 14, one to each side, 6 stitches from the center line (12 stitches apart).
- Mouth: with F (charcoal), in backstitch, a smile, one curve about 3/8 in (10 mm) wide that dips 1/8 in (3 mm) below its ends. Its two ends are on the muzzle, level with its middle, one to each side of its center.
- Nostrils: with F (charcoal), two straight stitches side by side, about 1/16 in (2 mm) tall, each pair on the muzzle, one to each side, 3/16 in (5 mm) out from its center and 1/8 in (3 mm) above the middle of the muzzle.
- Nostrils: with F (charcoal), two straight stitches side by side, about 1/16 in (2 mm) tall, each pair on the snout, one to each side, ¼ in (6 mm) out from its center and 1/8 in (3 mm) above the middle of the snout.
- Mouth: with F (charcoal), in backstitch, a smile, one curve about 9/16 in (14 mm) wide that dips 1/8 in (3 mm) below its ends. Its two ends are on the snout, level with its middle, one to each side of its center.

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- Teeth: with D (cream), in satin stitch, two small triangles, each about 1/8 in (3 mm) wide and 5/32 in (4 mm) tall, hanging point down from the smile on the snout, the middle of the upper edge of each on the line of the smile, about 1/8 in (3 mm) to each side of the center of the snout.
- 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: 21 pieces; 3,732 stitches.

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.

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.
- Slip stitch: put the hook in the stitch, yarn over, and pull it through the stitch and through the loop on the hook (United Kingdom: slip stitch too).
- Zigzag: the last three rounds of each shell are all alike. In each repeat the two increases stand at the two ends and the two decreases in the middle, so that four stitches worked into two stitches side by side make a point where two repeats meet, and the decreases make a valley. Point comes over point and valley over valley: five of each. Pat the points flat with your fingers when the shell is done.
- Color change: where a line begins "With E," (or another letter), work the last pull-through of the round before it in E. Cut the old yarn and knot the ends 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.
- Horned dinosaur: the center line runs between stitches 18 and 19 of round 13 (36 sts). It faces the front, round 1 at the bottom.
- Plated dinosaur: the center line runs between stitches 18 and 19 of round 13 (36 sts). It faces the front, round 1 at the bottom.
- Long-jaw dinosaur: the center line runs between stitches 18 and 19 of round 13 (36 sts). It faces the front, round 1 at the bottom.
- 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 (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, the size written here: for another size multiply them by the number in its line.
- Large: medium (4, worsted) yarn, 3.5 mm (E-4) hook, 20 sc and 22 rounds to 4 in (10 cm): in its shell the long-jaw dinosaur about 3 1/8 in (8 cm) tall, the plated one about 3¾ in (9.5 cm) tall to the tip of its highest plate and the horned one about 4 in (10 cm) tall to the top of its frill; each shell about 2½ in (6.5 cm) across, the frill about 3 in (7.5 cm) across; eyes 8 mm; multiply lengths by 1.4; about 1.4 times the yarn.

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