

An original amigurumi pattern from
Bubbles And Bongo



MOOCHIE THE MOLE

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With love,

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PATTERN INSTRUCTIONS: This pattern is written using American terminology and is worked in continuous rounds unless otherwise stated. If Moochie is made using the materials described, he will be ~ 11.5 cm / 4.5 inches tall from the top of his hat to the bottom of his body.

SKILL LEVEL: Advanced beginner / Intermediate

MATERIALS REQUIRED (descriptions in brackets indicate those used in the pictured example):

1. Yarn (Drops Safran 4 ply in Medium Grey (07), Light Pink (01), Denim Blue (06), Light Ice Blue (50))
2. Crochet hook in accordance with the yarn you use (2.5 mm)
3. Polyester fibrefill
4. Plastic safety eyes (4.5 mm)
5. Black embroidery thread (DMC Cotton Embroidery Floss)
6. Clover 45mm Pom-Pom Maker
7. Stitch markers, darning and embroidery needles

ABBREVIATIONS:

bp-hdc = back post half double crochet |
BLO = back loop only | ch = chain | dc = double
crochet | dec = decrease | FLO = front loop only
fp-hdc = front post half double crochet |
hdc = half double crochet | inc = increase |
rnd = round | sc = single crochet |
sl st = slip stitch | st = stitch

A very quick guide to the crochet stitches used in this pattern in alphabetical order:

1. Back post half double crochet (bp-hdc): Work the stitch just like a normal half double crochet, except you insert your hook from back to front around the post of the next stitch in the row below.
2. Chain (ch): Insert hook, yarn over, pull loop through loop on hook.
3. Double crochet (dc): Yarn over, insert hook, yarn over, pull loop through stitch (there should be 3 loops on hook), yarn over, pull loop through both loops left on hook (there should be 2 loops left on hook), yarn over, pull loop through remaining loop on hook.
4. Decrease (dec): I prefer to use the "invisible" decrease. For this, insert hook into front loop of first stitch (from the front and under). Repeat into front loop of next stitch. Yarn over and pull loop through both loops on hook.
5. Front post half double crochet (fp-hdc): Work the stitch just like a normal half double crochet, except you insert your hook from front to back around the post of the next stitch in the row below.
6. Half double crochet (hdc): Yarn over, insert hook, yarn over, pull loop through stitch (there should be 3 loops on hook), yarn over, pull loop through all three loops on the hook.
7. Increase (inc): Work two single crochets into the same stitch.
8. Magic ring: Wrap yarn around fingers to form a loop. Insert hook through middle of loop. Pull working end of yarn through ring and chain the required number of stitches through. Pull the yarn ends to close the loop.
9. Single crochet (sc): Insert hook, yarn over, pull loop through stitch (there should be 2 loops on hook), yarn over, pull loop through both loops on hook.
10. Slip stitch (st): Insert hook, yarn over, pull loop through stitch and loop on hook.

Head (start in pink)

Starting from the tip of the nose in light pink yarn.

Rnd 1: Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]

Rnd 2: (Sc in next st, inc in next st) x 3 [9]

Use a piece of yarn to mark the first st you make for Rnd 3. This marks the middle bottom of the head.

Rnd 3: Sc in each st around [9]

Rnd 4: Sc in each of next 3 st, inc in each of next 3 st, sc in each of next 3 st [12]

Rnd 5: Sc in each st around [12]

Change to medium grey yarn.

Rnd 6: Sc in next st, inc in next st, sc in each of next 2 st, inc in each of next 4 st, sc in each of next 2 st, inc in next st, sc in next st [18]

Rnd 7-8: Sc in each st around [18]

Rnd 9: Sc in next st, inc in next st, sc in each of next 2 st, inc in next st, sc in each of next 3 st, (inc in next st, sc in next st) x 2, inc in next st, sc in each of next 3 st, inc in next st, sc in next st [24]

Rnd 10: Sc in each st around [24]

Rnd 11: (Inc in next st, sc in each of next 3 st) x 2, sc in each of next 3 st, (inc in next st, sc in next st) x 2, inc in next st, sc in each of next 4 st, inc in next st, sc in each of next 3 st [30]

Rnd 12: Sc in each st around [30]

Rnd 13: (Sc in each of next 4 st, inc in next st) x 6 [36]

Rnd 14: Sc in each st around [36]

Rnd 15: (Sc in each of next 5 st, inc in next st) x 6 [42]

Rnd 16: (Sc in each of next 6 st, inc in next st) x 6 [48]

Rnd 17-25: Sc in each st around [48]

Rnd 26: (Sc in each of next 6 st, dec) x 6 [42]

Rnd 27: (Sc in each of next 5 st, dec) x 6 [36]

Rnd 28: (Sc in each of next 4 st, dec) x 6 [30]

Insert eyes between Rnd 13 and 14, ~15 st apart.

Ensure that the piece of yarn that you used to mark the first st of Rnd 3 is facing downwards and the eyes are spaced evenly on either side of it (Picture 1). Using a single strand of the black embroidery thread, sew on Moochie's eyebrows over Rnd 15 (Picture 2).

Rnd 29: (Sc in each of next 3 st, dec) x 6 [24]

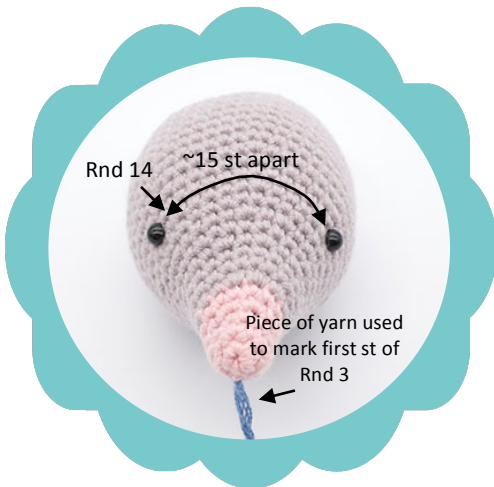
Rnd 30: (Sc in each of next 2 st, dec) x 6 [18]

Rnd 31: (Sc in next st, dec) x 6 [12]

Stuff the head firmly with polyester fibrefill.

Rnd 32: Dec x 6. Sl st in next st and fasten off
leaving a long yarn tail [6]

After Rnd 32, thread the tail through a needle.
Weave the needle through the front loop of each
of the 6 st, always going in the direction from the
centre and under the front loop. Pull the yarn tail
and the hole should close. Insert the needle
through the middle of the hole and pull through
the head. Fasten off and weave the end in.



Picture 1



Picture 2

Body (in grey)

Starting from the base of the body in medium grey
yarn.

Rnd 1: Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]

Rnd 2: Work 2 sc in each st around [12]

Rnd 3: (Sc in next st, inc in next st) x 6 [18]

Rnd 4: (Sc in each of next 2 st, inc in next st) x 6
[24]

Rnd 5: (Sc in each of next 3 st, inc in next st) x 6
[30]

Rnd 6: (Sc in each of next 4 st, inc in next st) x 6
[36]

Rnd 7: (Sc in each of next 5 st, inc in next st) x 6
[42]

Rnd 8-12: Sc in each st around [42]

Rnd 13: (Sc in each of next 12 st, dec) x 3 [39]

Rnd 14: Sc in each st around [39]

Rnd 15: (Sc in each of next 11 st, dec) x 3 [36]

Rnd 16: Sc in each st around [36]

Rnd 17: (Sc in each of next 10 st, dec) x 3 [33]

Rnd 18: Sc in each st around [33]

Rnd 19: (Sc in each of next 9 st, dec) x 3 [30]

Rnd 20: Sc in each st around [30]

Rnd 21: (Sc in each of next 8 st, dec) x 3 [27]

Rnd 22: (Sc in each of next 7 st, dec) x 3 [24]

Rnd 23: (Sc in each of next 6 st, dec) x 3 [21]

Rnd 24: (Sc in each of next 5 st, dec) x 3 [18]

Rnd 25: (Sc in each of next 4 st, dec) x 3 [15]

Sl st in next st and fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing the body to the head later.

Stuff the body firmly with polyester fibrefill.



Arms (start in grey) x 2

Starting from the top of the arm with a long starting yarn tail in medium grey yarn.

Rnd 1: Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]

Rnd 2: (Sc in next st, inc in next st) x 3 [9]

Rnd 3-15: Sc in each st around [9]

Bring the starting yarn tail out between Rnd 2 and 3. You may need to adjust where this tail emerges from the arm later.

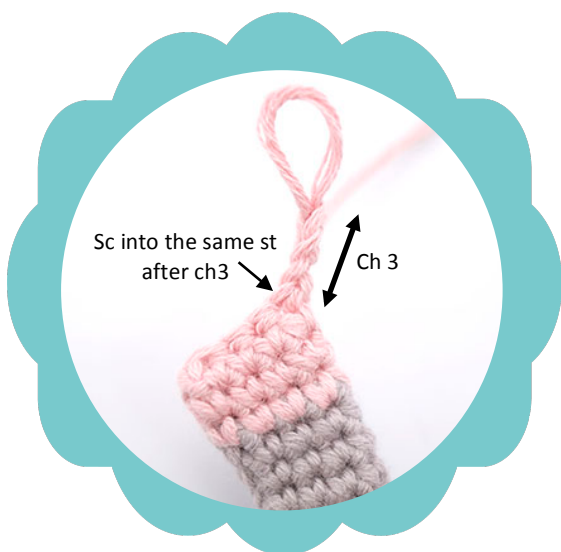
Change to light pink yarn.

Rnd 16-17: Sc in each st around [9]

We will now work in Rows from here. There is no need to stuff the arms with polyester fibrefill.

Row 18: Flatten the arm at this stage and sc across both sides of the arm in each of the next 4 st to close the opening [4]

Row 19: Ch 3, turn, sc into the same st (i.e. the last st of Row 18), sc in next st, (ch 3, sc into the same st, sc in next st) x 2, ch 3, sl st into the same st. Fasten off and weave the yarn tail in (Picture 3)



Picture 3

Legs (start in grey) x 2

Starting from the top of the leg with a long starting yarn tail in medium grey yarn.

Rnd 1: Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]

Rnd 2: Work 2 sc in each st around [12]

Rnd 3: (Sc in each of next 3 st, inc in next st) x 3
[15]

Rnd 4-5: Sc in each st around [15]

Rnd 6: Sc in each of next 13 st, dec [14]

Bring the starting yarn tail out between Rnd 3 and 4.

Rnd 7: Sc in each of next 12 st, dec [13]

Rnd 8: Sc in each of next 11 st, dec [12]

Rnd 9: Sc in each of next 10 st, dec [11]

Rnd 10: Sc in each of next 9 st, dec [10]

Rnd 11: Sc in each of next 8 st, dec [9]

Sl st in next st and fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing the bottom of the leg to the foot later.

Stuff the leg gently with polyester fibrefill. Avoid stuffing them too much.

Feet (in pink) x 2

Starting from the back of the foot in light pink yarn.

Rnd 1: Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]

Rnd 2: (Sc in next st, inc in next st) x 3 [9]

Rnd 3: Sc in each st around [9]

Rnd 4: Sc in each of next 8 st, inc in next st [10]

Rnd 5: Sc in each st around [10]

Rnd 6: Sc in each of next 9 st, inc in next st [11]

We will now work in Rows from here. There is no need to stuff the foot with polyester fibrefill.

Row 7: Flatten the foot at this stage and sc across both sides of the foot in each of the next 5 st to close the opening [5]

Row 8: Ch 3, turn, sc into the same st (i.e. the last st of Row 7), sc in next st, (ch 3, sc into the same st, sc in next st) x 3, ch 3, sl st into the same st. Fasten off and weave the yarn tail in (Picture 3)



Hat (in light blue)

Starting from the top of the hat in light ice blue yarn.

Rnd 1: Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]

Rnd 2: Work 2 sc in each st around [12]

Rnd 3: (Hdc in next st, hdc-inc in next st) x 6 [18]

Rnd 4: (Hdc in each of next 2 st, hdc-inc in next st) x 6 [24]

Rnd 5: (Hdc in each of next 3 st, hdc-inc in next st) x 6 [30]

Rnd 6: (Hdc in each of next 4 st, hdc-inc in next st) x 6 [36]

Rnd 7: (Hdc in each of next 5 st, hdc-inc in next st) x 6 [42]

Rnd 8: (Hdc in each of next 6 st, hdc-inc in next st) x 6 [48]

Rnd 9: Hdc in each st around [48]

Rnd 10-12: Sl st in the first hdc of the previous Rnd, ch 1. Starting in the same st into which you made the sl st, (fp-hdc in next st, bp-hdc in next st) x 24. *Note that the sl st and ch made at the start of the Rnd does not count towards the final stitch count* [48]

After Rnd 12, sl st in next st, fasten off and weave the end in.



I made a Pom Pom to attach to the top of the hat with the Light Ice Blue yarn using the Clover 45 mm Pom Pom maker (Picture 4).



Picture 4

Sweater (in denim blue)

Starting from the bottom of the sweater with a long starting yarn tail in denim blue yarn.

Ch 42

Rnd 1: Sc into the first ch st to close the ring. From here we will work in the Rnd. Sc in each of next 41 st [42]

Rnd 2: Sl st in the first sc of Rnd 1, ch 1. Starting in the same st into which you made the sl st, (fp-hdc in next st, bp-hdc in next st) x 21. *Note that the sl st and ch made at the start of the Rnd does not contribute towards the final stitch count* [42]

Rnd 3: Sc in each st around [42]

Rnd 4: (Sc in each of next 12 st, dec) x 3 [39]

Rnd 5-6: Sc in each st around [39]

Rnd 7: (Sc in each of next 11 st, dec) x 3 [36]

Rnd 8-12: Sc in each st around [36]

Rnd 13: Sc in each of next 8 st, ch 7 and skip the next 7 st in Rnd 12, sc in each of next 11 st, ch 7 and skip the next 7 st from Rnd 12, sc in each of next 3 st [36]

Rnd 14: Sc in each of next 6 st, dec, sc in each of next 7 ch from Rnd 13, dec, sc in each of next 7 st, dec, sc in each of next 7 ch from Rnd 13, dec, sc in next st [32]

Rnd 15: Sl st in first sc of Rnd 14, ch 2, starting in the same st into which you made the sl st, dc in each of next 32 st. *Note that the sl st and ch made at the start of the Rnd does not count towards the final stitch count* [32]

Sl st in the first dc of Rnd 15, fasten off and weave the end yarn tail in.



Starting from the top of the sleeves in denim blue yarn.

The armholes of the sweater should have been created with 7 st on the bottom and 7 st on the top from Rnd 13 of the sweater. Identify the middle st

of the bottom of the armhole (Picture 5). There should be 3 st on either side of this middle st.



Picture 5

Rnd 1: Join yarn to the middle st you identified.

Starting in the same st, sc in each of next 14 st [14]

Rnd 2-13: Sc in each st around [14]

For the right arm sleeve, at the end of Rnd 13, sc in each of the next 3 st (i.e. an extra 3 sc). Sl st in next st, fasten off and weave the yarn tail in.

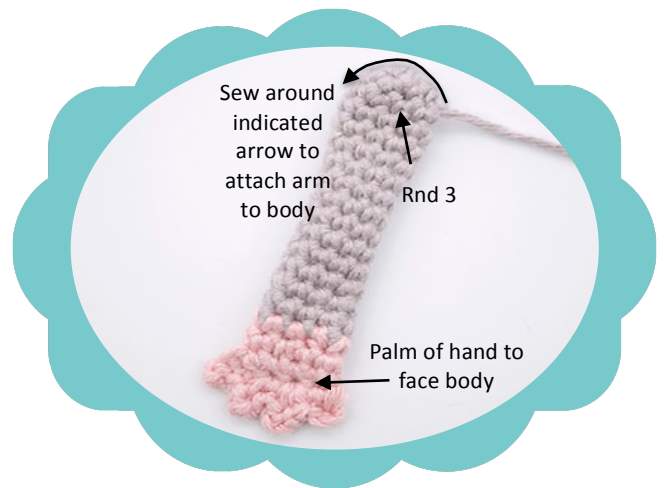
For the left arm sleeve, at the end of Rnd 13, sc in each of the next 2 st (i.e. an extra 2 sc). Sl st in next st, fasten off and weave the yarn tail in.

Assembly

1. Sew arms to body. As you would have done earlier, the starting yarn tail should have been brought out between Rnd 2 and 3 of each arm.

Now, make the necessary adjustment so that the yarn tail emerges in a position that allows you to sew the arm to the body with the “palm” of the hand facing Mocchié’s body (Picture 6).

I sew around the top curve of the arm as indicated in Picture 6. The apex of the top curve of the arm should fall between Rnd 24 and 25 of the body (Picture 7). The arms should be ~8 st apart in the front (Picture 8).



Picture 6



Picture 7



Picture 8



Picture 9

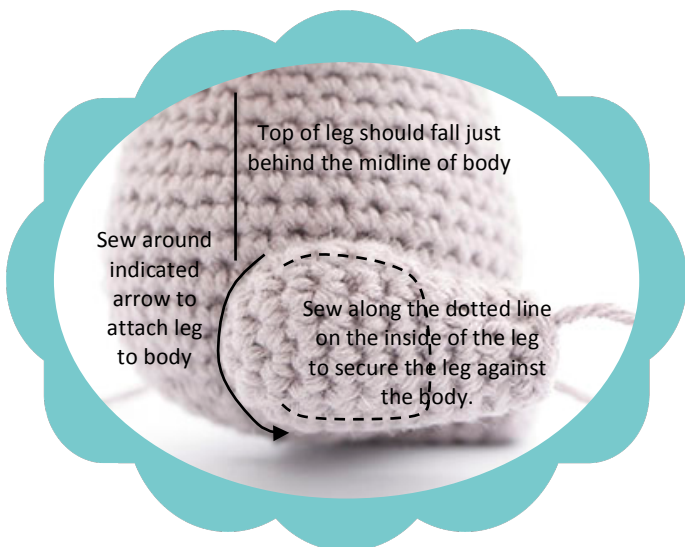
2. Sew legs to body. As you would have done earlier, the starting yarn tail should have been brought out between Rnd 3 and 4 of the leg (Picture 9).

The top of the “thigh” should sit between Rnd 9 and 10 of the body, whilst the bottom of the “thigh” should sit between Rnd 4 and 5 of the body (marked with pins in Picture 10).

I attached each leg to the body by sewing around the top of the curve of the leg as shown in Picture 11. The back of the leg should fall just behind the midline of the body. To secure Moochie’s legs against his body, I also sewed the inner side of each leg to the body by making stitches in a circle as seen by the dotted line in Picture 11. Note to only make stitches on the inside of the leg so as not to have any stitches show on the outside of the leg.



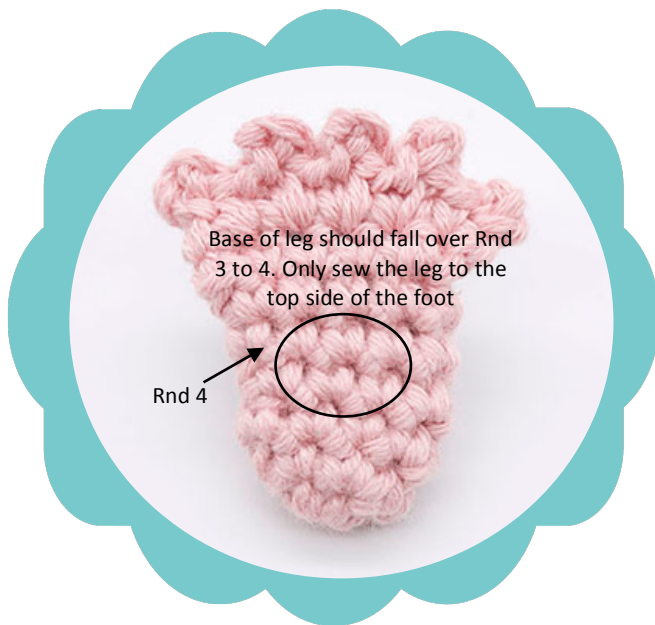
Picture 10



Picture 11

3. Sew the feet onto the bottom of each leg. I sew them on such that the toes point slightly inwards to give Moochie a cuter look.

The base of the leg should fall over Rnd 3 to 4 of the top of the foot (indicated with a circle in Picture 12). Use the long yarn tail left from the end of each leg to sew it to just the tops of each foot so the stitches do not show on the bottom side of each foot.



Picture 12

4. Pull the sweater over the top of Moochie's body and pull his arms through the sleeves.
5. Only after the sweater has been put on, then sew the body to the head. Position the head onto Moochie's body and I like to first mark where the body will meet the head with pins (Picture 13). I attached the body over Rnd 20 to 23 of the bottom of the head. Use whip stitches to then sew the body to the head.



Picture 13

6. Sew the Pom Pom to the top of Moochie's hat. Pull his hat onto his head.

Your little Moochie is all done!

We hope that you had fun making little Moochie and would love for you to share your creation with us (see how at the start of the pattern)!

