RAMÓN DONKEY

Make one for yourself, your family, friends and neighbours. But please, DO NOT SELL toys made from this pattern



SKILL LEVEL

Intermediate/Advanced

MEASUREMENT

35 cm (13.78 inch) tall (from top of the ears to toe)

MATERIALS

Sport or light worsted weight (DK) cotton yarn in mink brown, off-white, white, slate grey and black, plus colours for the poncho.

2,75mm or 3,00mm (US C/2) crochet hook

Polyester toy stuffing

2 black safety eyes (10 mm)

1 stitch marker

Tapestry or yarn needle

ABREVIATIONS

approx.	approximate(ly)
beg	beginning
blo	insert hook under back loop only.
Bobble st	dc5tog (UK tr5tog) in the same st as follows (yrh, insert hook in st indicated, yrh and pull up loop, yrh and draw through 2 loops) 5 times, inserting the hook in the same st each tine, yrh and draw through all loops on hook.
ch(s)	chain/chains stitch(es)
cont	continue
dec	decrease

inc	increase
rep	repeat
rnd(s)	round(s)
sc (UK dc)	single crochet (UK double crochet)
sc2tog	(insert hook in next st, yarn over hook and draw a loop trough) twice, yarn over the hook and draw trough all 3 loops on hook.
slst	slip stitch
st(s)	stitch(es)
yrh	yarn over hook
[] or ()	work or repeat all the instructions in the brackets as directed.

NOTES

The amounts of yarn are rather small and will vary according to the yarn you choose and how loosely or tightly you crochet.

The tension is not critical for measurement, but is important to crochet quite tight so the stuffing can't scape. Generally, is best to use a smaller hook than stated on the yarn label.

This project is worked in a continuous spiral, not in joined rounds. To keep track of the rounds you may have useful marking the beginning of a round with a stitch marker or a safety pin. Move your stitch marker at the beginning of each round.

At the end of each line you will find the number of stitches you should have in brackets.

Head, body and legs are worked in a single piece.

THE PATTERN

SNOUT

Whit off-white yarn

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

Rnd 2 inc 6 times [12]

Rnd 3 (sc, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [18]

Rnd 4 (sc in next 2 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [24]

Rnd 5-9 sc in each st around [24]

Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing. Embroider the nose and mouth with black yarn and stuff. I particularly like to stuff the snout as I sew it to the head.

HEAD

Worked from top down. With mink brown yarn

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

Rnd 2 inc 6 times [12]

Rnd 3 (sc, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [18]

Rnd 4 (sc in next 2 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [24]

Rnd 5 (sc in next 3 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [30]

Rnd 6 (sc in next 4 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [36]

Rnd 7 (sc in next 5 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [42]

Rnd 8 (sc in next 6 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [48]



Rnd 9 (sc in next 7 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [54]

Rnd 10-22 sc in each st around [54]

Rnd 23 (sc in next 7 st, dec) repeat 6 times [48]

Rnd 24 (sc in next 6 st, dec) repeat 6 times [42]

Rnd 25 (sc in next 5 st, dec) repeat 6 times [36]

Rnd 26 (sc in next 4 st, dec) repeat 6 times [30]

Sew the snout to the head and insert the safety eyes (see step 1)

Rnd 27 (sc in next 3 st, dec) repeat 6 times [24]

Rnd 28 sc in each st around [24]

Stuff the head firmly.

BODY

Change to white yarn. Continue in stripe pattern. Crochet 1 round in white followed by 1 round in slate grey (see step 2)

Rnd 29 (white) (sc in next 3 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [30]

Rnd 30 (slate grey) (sc in next 4 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [36]

Rnd 31-34 (stripe pattern white/slate grey) sc in each st around [36]

Rnd 35 (white) (sc in next 5 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times [42]

Rnd 36-39 (stripe pattern slate grey/white) sc in each st around [42]

Change to mink brown yarn



Rnd 40 (crochet this round in blo) sc in each st around [42]

Rnd 41-46 sc in each st around [42]

DIVIDE THE LEGS (See step 3)

To make the legs, divide the work identifying 3 sts for the central space between the legs, 3 sts for the back and 18 sts for each leg (you may find useful to use the stitch markers) Starting from the back, join the last st for the leg in the back to the front working an sc (this sc will be the first st of the leg). Now the sts of the first leg are joined in the round. Continue working the first leg

Rnd 47-68 sc in each st around [18]

Stuff the body and leg firmly.

Rnd 69 (sc, dec) repeat 6 times [12]

Rnd 70 Sc2tog 6 times [6]

Fasten off leaving a long tail. Stuff the leg. Using a tapestry needle, weave the yarn tail through the front loop of each remaining st and pull tight to close.

SECOND LEG (See step 4)

Rejoin the mink brown yarn to 4th back unworked st of round 46, which will be the first st of the second leg.

Continue working the second leg the same way as the first leg, from Rnd 47-70.

EARS (make 2)

With mink brown yarn

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

Rnd 2 sc in each st around [6]

With mink brown and off-white yarn. Continue working in jacquard.

Rnd 3 inc 6 times (8 sts in mink brown, 4 sts in off-white) [12]

Rnd 4 sc in each st around (8 sts in mink brown, 4 sts in off-white) [12]

Rnd 5 (sc, inc in next st) repeat 6 times (12 sts in mink brown, 6 sts in off-white) [18]

Rnd 6 sc in each st around (12 sts in mink brown, 6 sts in off-white) [18]

Rnd 7 (sc in next 2 st, inc in next st) repeat 6 times (16 sts in mink brown, 8 sts in off-white) [24]

Rnd 8-24 sc in each st around (16 sts in mink brown, 8 sts in off-white) [24]

Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing. Don't stuff.

ARMS (make 2)

With mink brown yarn

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

Rnd 2 inc 6 times [12]

Rnd 3 sc in each st around [12]

Rnd 4 sc in next st, bobble st in next st, sc in next 10 st [12]

Rnd 5-17 sc in each st around [12]



Change to white yarn. Continue in stripe pattern. Crochet 1 round in white followed by 1 round in slate grey

Rnd 18-20 sc in each st around [12]

Rnd 21 (sc, dec) repeat 4 times [8]

Fasten off leaving long tail for sewing. Stuff the arm.

TAIL (See step 4)

With black yarn

Rnd 1 Start 5 sc in a magic ring [5]

Rnd 2-4 sc in each st around [5]

Change to mink brown yarn

Rnd 5-9 sc in each st around [5]

Fasten off leaving long tail for sewing. Don't stuff.

HAIR (See steps for the hair)

With black yarn

Inserting the hook into the middle of the magic ring at the top of the head (See step 1), work 6 chain (See step 2)

Turn, slst in next 5 ch. Join with a slst to the next st to the head (See step 3)

Insert the hook in next st from the magic ring and ch 6. Turn, slst in next 5 ch. Join with a slst to the head.

Continue working the hair along the next sts, about 5 rows (the more rows, more hair) (See step 4)

PONCHO (See steps for the poncho)

The poncho is made from a foundation chain, joined to make a circle and continue working in a spiral.

With main color yarn (see colours in the jacquard pattern chart)

Work 54 ch. Join inserting your hook into the first ch (the one furthest away from your hook) and make a sc (See step 1). Join the last ch with the first ch with a slst.

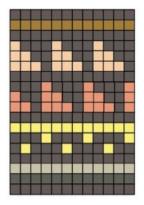
Rnd 1 sc in each ch around [54]

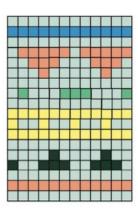
Rnd 2 sc in next 26 st, (1sc, 1ch, 1sc) in next st, sc in next 26 st, (1sc, 1ch, 1sc) in next st [58]

Rnd 3 sc in next 27 st, (1sc, 1ch, 1sc) in the space of the next ch, sc in next 27 st, (1sc, 1ch, 1sc) in next ch [60] (See step 2)

Rnd 4 sc in next 28 st, (1sc, 1ch, 1sc) in the space of the next ch, sc in next 28 st, (1sc, 1ch, 1sc) in next ch [62]







Rnd 5-18 continue working as Rnd 3. You will be adding 2 sts in each round ending round 18 with 90 sts total.

Finish the poncho adding some fringes (See step 3)

TO FINISH

Using a tapestry needle, sew the 3 sts between the legs (See step 5), ears to the head (See step 6). Sew the arms (See step 7) and the tail to the body (See step 8)

STEP BY STEP Step 1





Step 3 Step 2





Step 5 Step 4





Step 6



Step 3



Step 7



Step 8



HAIR



Step 1



Step 2

Step 4





PONCHO



Step 1
Step 3



Step 2