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Patterns



Barn Owl

Materials:

Dk or sports acrylic yarn in the following colors: white, black, tan, brown and amber yellow.
C hook (2.5 mm), a tapestry needle, stuffing and scissors.

Stitches used in the Project:

Double adjustable ring, chain stitch, single crochet and half double crochet.

Finished size:

Height: 6.3 inches tall

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Realization

Head:

The head consists in 2 pieces, face and back side, both joined together with 2 single crochet rounds.

Face (White color):

To avoid a hole at the beginning of your project, you need to start it with a double adjustable ring (loop twice the yarn on your finger and when you finish the round pull the remaining yarn to close the hole):

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.

Rnd 2: 2 single crochet in each stitch from last round (12 stitches).

Rnd 3: *1 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (18 stitches).

Rnd 4: *2 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (24 stitches).

Rnd 5: *3 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (30 stitches).

Rnd 6: *4 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (36 stitches).

Rnd 7: *5 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (42 stitches).

Rnd 8: *6 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (48 stitches).

Rnd 9: *7 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (54 stitches).

Rnd 10: *8 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (60 stitches).

Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors.

Back side of the head (tan color):

Into a double adjustable ring crochet:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.

Rnd 2: 2 single crochet in each stitch from last round (12 stitches).

Rnd 3: *1 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (18 stitches).

Rnd 4: *2 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (24 stitches).

Rnd 5: *3 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (30 stitches).

Rnd 6: *4 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (36 stitches).

Rnd 7: *5 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (42 stitches).

Rnd 8: *6 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (48 stitches).

Rnd 9: *7 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (54 stitches).

Rnd 10: *8 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (60 stitches).

Rnd 11: *9 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (66 stitches).

Rnd 12: *10 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (72 stitches).

Rnd 13 to 20: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 21: *10 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 6 times (66 stitches).

Rnd 22: *9 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 6 times (60 stitches).

Face both pieces by their wrong sides and with the face towards you, join their borderline together with 2 single crochet rounds in brown color, filling the head with stuffing as you go:

Rnd 1: *9 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (66 stitches).

Rnd 2: *10 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (72 stitches).

Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors



Thread a tapestry needle with tan yarn. Insert the needle 2 rounds below the face centre, and through inside go up vertically, pulling it out 1 round behind the brown border of the face. Pull the yarn and secure it with a knot. Repeat this procedure 2 or 3 times. By this procedure, the face will take a heart shape which is characteristic in this kind of owls.

Beak (amber yellow color):

Into a double adjustable ring crochet:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.

Rnd 2: *1 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 3 times (9 stitches).

Rnd 3: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 4: *2 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 3 times (12 stitches).

Join the inferior borders together with a single crochet row of 6 stitches, filling the beak lightly with stuffing as you go.



Sew the beak to the face, placing its wider side inside the face hole, as you can see in the upper image.

Eyes (black color):

Make 2. You have to fill the eyes with stuffing as you go. Into a double adjustable ring crochet:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.

Rnd 2: *2 single crochet in each stitch*, repeat from *to* twice, *2 half double crochet in each stitch*, repeat from *to* twice, *2 single crochet in each stitch*, repeat from *to* twice (12 stitches).

Rnd 3 & 4: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 5: 6 decreases (2 single crochet closed together 6 times) (6 stitches).



Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors. With the tapestry needle sew up and down the yarn around each stitch from last round and pull tightly to close. With white yarn embroidery two dots over the eyes to illuminate them. Sew the eyes over the face, placing them to both sides of the beak.



Body (tan color):

The body is crocheted from bottom to top, starting on the legs.

Legs:

Make 2. Into a double adjustable ring crochet:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.

Rnd 2: 2 single crochet in each stitch from last round (12 stitches).

Rnd 3: *1 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (18 stitches).

Rnd 4: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 5: *2 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (24 stitches).

Rnd 6 to 8: Single crochet in each stitch.

Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors.

Crochet the other leg following the upper directions. Once you've finished round 8 of the second leg, without cutting the yarn off, join both legs together with 3 single crochet (this is the owl's crotch) and then continue crocheting the body around the legs:

Rnd 1: 42 single crochet stitches.

Rnd 2: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 3: *6 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (48 stitches).

Rnd 4 to 8: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 9: *6 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 6 times (42 stitches).

Rnd 10 & 11: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 12: *5 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 6 times (36 stitches).

Rnd 13 to 14: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 15: *4 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 6 times (30 stitches).

Rnd 16 & 17: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 18: *3 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 6 times (24 stitches).

Rnd 19: Single crochet in each stitch.

Make a knot, cut the yarn with scissors and fill it with stuffing.



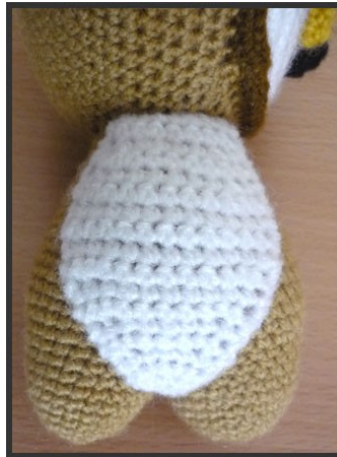
Sew the body to the head by its opening, as you can see in the upper images.



Chest (White color):

The chest is worked back and forth, not in spiral, from bottom to top. Work a foundation chain of 4 stitches and on it crochet:

Row 1: 4 single crochet stitches.
Row 2: 1 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch twice, 1 single crochet (6 stitches)
Row 3: Single crochet in each stitch.
Row 4: 1 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch, 2 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch, 1 single crochet (8 stitches)
Row 5: Single crochet in each stitch.
Row 6: 1 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch, 4 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch, 1 single crochet (10 stitches)
Row 7: Single crochet in each stitch.
Row 8: 1 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch, 6 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch, 1 single crochet (12 stitches)
Row 9 to 12: Single crochet in each stitch.
Row 13: 1 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together), 6 single crochet, 1 decrease, 1 single crochet (10 stitches).
Row 14: Single crochet in each stitch.
Row 15: 1 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together), 4 single crochet, 1 decrease, 1 single crochet (8 stitches).
Row 16: Single crochet in each stitch.



Work a single crochet round all around the chest border. Sew the chest on the front side of the body, placing its thinner side on the crotch and its wider side over the union between the body and head.



Wings and tail:

The wings and tail consist in 2 pieces: base and feathers.

Base (Make 3):

Tan color:

Into a double adjustable ring crochet:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.

Since next round you'll need to alternate 2 stitches in tan color and 2 stitches in Brown color:

Rnd 2: 2 single crochet in each stitch from last round (12 stitches).

Rnd 3: *1 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (18 stitches).

Rnd 4: *2 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (24 stitches).

Rnd 5: *3 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (30 stitches).

Rnd 6 to 12: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 13: *3 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 6 times (24 stitches).

Rnd 14 & 15: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 16: *2 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 6 times (18 stitches).

Rnd 17: Single crochet in each stitch.

Make a knot, cut the yarn with scissors and stuff it lightly.

Feathers (White color):

Make 3. Into a double adjustable ring crochet:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.

Rnd 2: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 3: *1 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 3 times (9 stitches).

Rnd 4: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 5: *2 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 3 times (12 stitches).

Rnd 6: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 7: *3 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 3 times (15 stitches).

Rnd 8: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 9: *4 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 3 times (18 stitches).

Rnd 10: Single crochet in each stitch.

Make a knot, cut the yarn with scissors and stuff it lightly.

Join the base and feathers together by their openings.

Thread a tapestry needle with brown yarn. On the feathers area embroider the feathers' separations, passing the needle through this piece and pulling the yarn a bit. Then, embroider a chain stitch round over the union between the base and feathers.



Sew the tail over the back side of the body, as you can see in the upper images.



Then, sew the wings to both sides of the body, slightly diagonal oriented.



Finally, with some stitches, join the feathers area of the wings to the base of the tail.



Feet (amber yellow color):

Make 2. The feet are crocheted from front to back, starting on the front toes and have to be stuffed as you go.

Toes:

Crochet 3 toes per foot. Into a double adjustable ring crochet:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.

Rnd 2 to 5: Single crochet in each stitch.

Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors.

Crochet the other 2 toes following the upper directions. Once you've finished crocheting the third toe, do not cut the yarn off. Place one toe next to each other and sew them together by 1 stitch. Then continue crocheting the foot around the toes:

Rnd 1: 16 single crochet stitches.

Rnd 2 & 3: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 4: *6 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* twice (14 stitches).

Rnd 5: *5 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* twice (12 stitches).

Rnd 6.: 6 decreases (2 single crochet closed together 6 times) (6 stitches).

Rnd 7 to 9: Single crochet in each stitch.

Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors. With the tapestry needle sew up and down the yarn around each stitch from last round and pull tightly to close.



Sew the feet underneath the legs. With brown color embroider the nails on the tip of each toe.



Ending details

Thread a tapestry needle with tan yarn. Insert the needle 2 rounds below the face centre, and

through inside go up vertically, pulling it out 1 round behind the brown border of the face. Pull the yarn and secure it with a knot. Repeat this procedure 2 or 3 times. By this procedure, the face will take a heart shape which is characteristic in this kind of owls.

Sew the beak to the face, placing its wider side inside the face hole.

With white yarn embroidery two dots over the eyes to illuminate them. Sew the eyes over the face, placing them to both sides of the beak.

Sew the body to the head by its opening.

Sew the chest on the front side of the body, placing its thinner side on the crotch and its wider side over the union between the body and head.

Thread a tapestry needle with brown yarn. On the feathers area embroider the feathers' separations, passing the needle through this piece and pulling the yarn a bit. Then, embroider a chain stitch round over the union between the base and feathers.

Sew the tail over the back side of the body. Then, sew the wings to both sides of the body, slightly diagonal oriented. Finally, with some stitches, join the feathers area of the wings to the base of the tail.

Sew the feet underneath the legs. With brown color embroider the nails on the tip of each toe.

Enjoy!

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