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Patterns



Bottlenose Dolphin

Materials:

Dk or sports acrylic yarn in the following colors: blue, sky-blue, black, white and brown.
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:

Length: 13 inches

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Realization



Body (blue color):

The body is crocheted in a single piece from beak to tail and it must be filled with stuffing as you go.

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 & 6: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 7: *3 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (30 stitches).

Rnd 8 to 15: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 16: *4 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (36 stitches).

Rnd 17: *5 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (42 stitches).

Rnd 18: *6 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (48 stitches).

Rnd 19: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 20: 14 single crochet, *2 single crochet in next stitch, 3 single crochet*, repeat from *to* 5 times, 2 single crochet in next stitch, 13 single crochet (54 stitches).

Rnd 21: 15 single crochet, *2 single crochet in next stitch, 4 single crochet*, repeat from *to* 5 times, 2 single crochet in next stitch, 13 single crochet (60 stitches).

Rnd 22: 16 single crochet, *2 single crochet in next stitch, 5 single crochet*, repeat from *to* 5 times, 2 single crochet in next stitch, 13 single crochet (66 stitches).

Rnd 23 to 39: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 40: 18 single crochet, *1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together), 5 single crochet*, repeat from *to* 5 times, 1 decrease, 11 single crochet (60 stitches).

Rnd 41 to 45: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 46: 20 single crochet, *1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together), 4 single crochet*, repeat from *to* 5 times, 1 decrease, 8 single crochet (54 stitches).

Rnd 47 to 50: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 51: 23 single crochet, *1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together), 3 single crochet*, repeat from *to* 5 times, 1 decrease, 4 single crochet (48 stitches).

Rnd 52 to 55: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 56: 18 single crochet, *1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together), 3 single crochet*, repeat from *to* 5 times, 1 decrease, 3 single crochet (42 stitches).

Rnd 57 to 60: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 61: 14 single crochet, *1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together), 3 single crochet*, repeat from *to* 5 times, 1 decrease, 1 single crochet (36 stitches).

Rnd 62 to 65: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 66: *4 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 6 times (30 stitches).

Rnd 67 to 70: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 71: *3 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 6 times (24 stitches).

Rnd 72 to 75: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 76: *2 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 6 times (18 stitches).

Rnd 77 to 80: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 81: *1 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 6 times (12 stitches).

Rnd 82 to 85: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 86: 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.



Ventral Body Piece (sky-blue 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 & 6: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 7: *3 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (30 stitches).

Rnd 8 to 11: Single crochet in each stitch.

Join the borders together with a single crochet row of 15 stitches. Since next row, start crocheting back and forth instead of crocheting in a continue spiral:

Row 12: 1 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch, 11 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch, 1 single crochet (17 stitches)

Row 14: 1 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch, 13 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch, 1 single crochet (19 stitches)

Row 15: 1 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch, 15 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch, 1 single crochet (21 stitches)

Row 16 to 45: Single crochet in each stitch.

Row 46: 1 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together), 15 single crochet, 1

decrease, 1 single crochet (19 stitches)
 Row 47 to 49: Single crochet in each stitch.
 Row 50: 1 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together), 13 single crochet, 1 decrease, 1 single crochet (17 stitches)
 Row 51 & 52: Single crochet in each stitch.
 Row 53: 1 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together), 11 single crochet, 1 decrease, 1 single crochet (15 stitches)
 Row 54 & 55: Single crochet in each stitch.
 Row 56: 1 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together), 9 single crochet, 1 decrease, 1 single crochet (13 stitches)
 Row 57: Single crochet in each stitch.
 Row 58: 1 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together), 7 single crochet, 1 decrease, 1 single crochet (11 stitches)
 Row 59: Single crochet in each stitch.
 Row 60: 1 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together), 5 single crochet, 1 decrease, 1 single crochet (9 stitches)
 Row 61: Single crochet in each stitch.
 Row 62: 1 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together), 3 single crochet, 1 decrease, 1 single crochet (7 stitches)
 Row 63 to 65: Single crochet in each stitch.
 Row 66: 1 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together), 1 single crochet, 1 decrease, 1 single crochet (5 stitches)
 Row 67 to 69: Single crochet in each stitch.
 Row 70: 1 single crochet, 1 double decrease (3 single crochet closed together), 1 single crochet (3 stitches)
 Row 71 to 73: Single crochet in each stitch.
 Row 74: 1 double decrease (3 single crochet closed together) (1 stitch)
 Row 75: Single crochet in each stitch.
 Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors.



Place the ventral body piece along the inferior side of the body, as you can see in the upper image, and sew it all around, except on the beak area (mouth).



Eyes:

Crochet all pieces twice.

Eyeballs:

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

White color:

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: Single crochet in each stitch.

Switch to blue color:

Rnd 6: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 7: *2 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 6 times (18 stitches).

Rnd 8: *1 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 6 times (12 stitches).

Rnd 9: 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.

Iris (Brown 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).

Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors.

Pupil (black color):

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).

Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors.

Eyelids (blue 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).

Fold in half the circle and join its borders with a single crochet row (18 stitches). Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors.

Eyes' assemble:

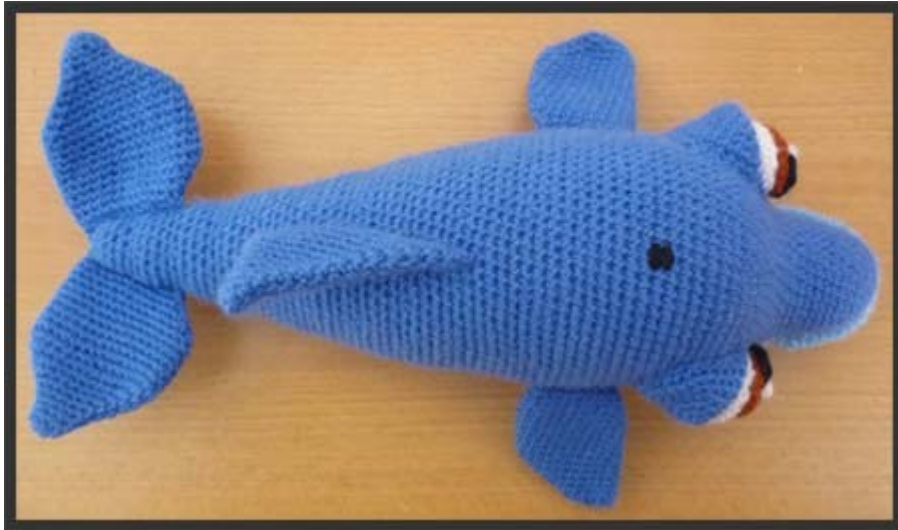


On the front side of the eyeballs sew the irises first and then the pupils (the inner border of these pieces should be touching the round where you've exchanged colors between blue and white). With white yarn embroider 2 points of light on each eye, placing one of them on the external border of the pupil, between the pupil and the iris and the other inside the pupil.



Sew the eyes to both sides of the beak, behind round 17 of the body. Place the eyelids a bit over the top and external parts of the eyeballs and sew them with invisible stitches.

With black yarn embroider the blowhole on the tip of the head (between round 28 and 29), centered regarding the eyes.



Fins:



Dorsal fin (blue color):

Into a double adjustable ring crochet:

Rnd 1: 5 single crochet.

Rnd 2: 2 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch, 2 single crochet (7 stitches)

Rnd 3: 3 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch, 3 single crochet (9 stitches)

Rnd 4: 4 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch, 4 single crochet (11 stitches)

Rnd 5: 5 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch, 5 single crochet (13 stitches)

Rnd 6: 6 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch, 6 single crochet (15 stitches)

Rnd 7: 7 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch, 7 single crochet (17 stitches)

Rnd 8: 8 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch, 8 single crochet (19 stitches)

Rnd 9: 2 single crochet in first stitch, 8 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch, 9 single crochet (22 stitches)

Rnd 10: 1 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch, 9 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch, 10 single crochet (25 stitches)

Rnd 11: 2 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch, 10 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next

stitch, 11 single crochet (28 stitches)

Rnd 12: 3 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch, 11 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch, 12 single crochet (31 stitches)

Rnd 13: 3 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch twice, 12 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch, 13 single crochet (35 stitches)

Rnd 14: 2 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch, 1 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch, 15 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch, 14 single crochet (39 stitches)

Crochet 5 extra single crochet and join the borders together with a single crochet row (19 stitches)

Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors.



Sew the dorsal fin across the dolphin's back, between rounds 43 and 67 of the body.

Flukes (Make 2):

Into a double adjustable ring crochet:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet.

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

Rnd 3: *3 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* twice (10 stitches).

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

Rnd 5: *5 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* twice (16 stitches).

Rnd 6: 6 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch, 7 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch, 1 single crochet (20 stitches)

Rnd 7: 7 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch, 9 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch, 2 single crochet (24 stitches)

Rnd 8: 8 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch, 11 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch, 3 single crochet (28 stitches)

Rnd 9: 9 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch, 13 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch, 4 single crochet (32 stitches)

Rnd 10 to 16: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 17: 11 single crochet, 1 double decrease (3 single crochet closed together), 18 single crochet (30 stitches).

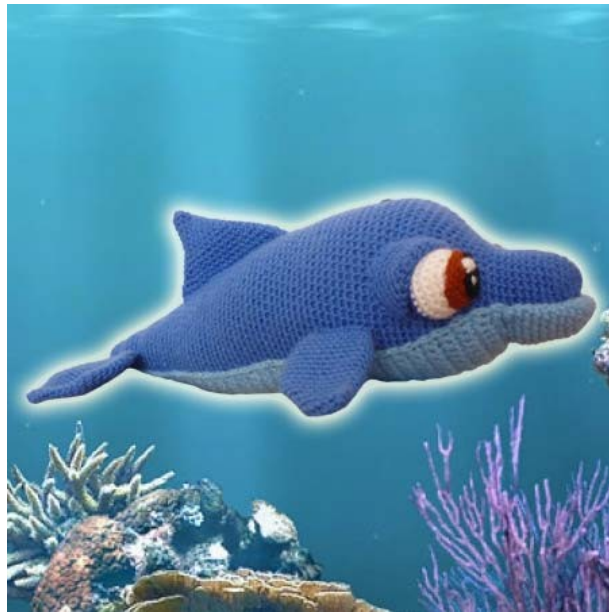
Rnd 18: 10 single crochet, 1 double decrease (3 single crochet closed together), 17 single crochet (28 stitches).

Rnd 19: 9 single crochet, 1 double decrease (3 single crochet closed together), 16 single crochet (26 stitches).

Crochet 9 extra single crochet stitches and then join the borders together with a single crochet row (13 stitches). Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors.



Sew the flukes to both sides of the tail tip, as you can see in the upper images.



Flippers (Make 2):

Work a foundation chain of 6 stitches (do not close them into a circle) and then continue crocheting in spiral around them:

Rnd 1: 5 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch, 5 single crochet (13 stitches)

Rnd 2: 6 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch, 6 single crochet (15 stitches)

Rnd 3: 7 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch, 7 single crochet (17 stitches)

Rnd 4: 8 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch, 8 single crochet (19 stitches)

Rnd 5: 9 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch, 9 single crochet (21 stitches)

Rnd 6: 10 single crochet, 3 single crochet in next stitch, 10 single crochet (23 stitches)

Rnd 7 to 13: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 14: 1 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together), 10 single crochet, 1 decrease, 8 single crochet (21 stitches).

Rnd 15: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 16: 1 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together), 9 single crochet, 1 decrease, 7 single crochet (19 stitches).

Rnd 17: 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together), 8 single crochet, 1 decrease, 7 single crochet (17 stitches).

Crochet 1 extra single crochet and then, join the borders together with a single crochet row (8

stitches). Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors.



Sew the flippers to both sides of the body, between rounds 29 and 37, placing their inferior borders 4 stitches above the ventral body piece's border (see upper image).

Ending details

Place the ventral body piece along the inferior side of the body and sew it all around, except on the beak area (mouth).

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Enjoy!

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