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## Patterns



## Looney Mule

### *Materials:*

Remains of acrylic yarn in the following colors: brown, grey, white, black and pink.  
C hook (2.5 mm), a tapestry needle, scissors and stuffing.

### *Stitches used in the Project:*

Double adjustable ring, chain stitch, single crochet, half double crochet, double crochet and back post single crochet (back post single crochet is crocheted as a single crochet but you need to insert your hook from the wrong side of the work around the post of each stitch from previous round.)

### *Finished size:*

Height: 24 cm (including the ears)

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# Realization

## *Head (brown 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 (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: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 7: \*4 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch\*, repeat from \*to\* 6 times (36 stitches).

Rnd 8: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 9: \*5 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch\*, repeat from \*to\* 6 times (42 stitches).

Rnd 10 to 14: Single crochet in each.

Rnd 15: \*5 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)\*, repeat from \*to\* 6 times (36 stitches).

Rnd 16 & 17: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 18: \*4 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)\*, repeat from \*to\* 6 times (30 stitches).

Rnd 19 & 20: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 21: \*4 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch\*, repeat from \*to\* 6 times (36 stitches).

Rnd 22: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 23: \*5 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch\*, repeat from \*to\* 6 times (42 stitches).

Rnd 24: Single crochet in each stitch.

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



## *Muzzle (grey color):*

Make a double adjustable ring. Crochet:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.  
 Rnd 2: 2 single crochet in each stitch (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: Single crochet in each stitch.  
 Rnd 9: \*6 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch\*, repeat from \*to\* 6 times (48 stitches).  
 Rnd 10: Single crochet in each stitch.  
 Rnd 11: \*7 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch\*, repeat from \*to\* 6 times (54 stitches).  
 Rnd 12 to 17: Single crochet in each stitch.  
 Rnd 18: \*7 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)\*, repeat from \*to\* 6 times (48 stitches).  
 Rnd 19 & 20: Single crochet in each stitch.  
 Rnd 21: \*6 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)\*, repeat from \*to\* 6 times (42 stitches).  
 Rnd 22: Single crochet in each stitch.  
 Make a knot, cut the yarn with scissors and stuff it. Sew the muzzle's opening to the head's opening.



### **Eyes:**

Crochet all pieces twice.

#### **Eyeball (White color):**

You need to start stuffing the eyeballs while you're crocheting them. Into a double adjustable ring crochet:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.  
 Rnd 2: 2 single crochet in each stitch (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: \*2 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)\*, repeat from \*to\* 6 times (18 stitches).  
 Rnd 6: \*1 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)\*, repeat from \*to\* 6 times (12 stitches).  
 Rnd 7: 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 (black color):**

Make a double adjustable ring. Crochet:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.

Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors.

**Eyes assemble:** On the front side of each eyeball sew 1 iris. With white yarn embroider a point of light on each iris.

Sew the eyes to the head above the union between the muzzle and head, leaving 2 single crochet stitches of distance between them.

**Nostrils (black color):****Right:**

Work 8 chain stitches and on them crochet: 3 single crochet, 1 half double crochet, 2 double crochet, 1 half double crochet and 1 single crochet (8 stitches).

Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors.

**Left:**

Work 8 chain stitches and on them crochet: 1 single crochet, 1 half double crochet, 2 double crochet, 1 half double crochet and 3 single crochet (8 stitches).

Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors.

Place the nostrils diagonally on the muzzle, with the inferior ending (the thinnest) on the round 12 and the superior ending (the widest) on the round 19. The space between both inferior endings is 3 cm approx. and the space between the superior ending is 6 cm approx.



### *Tongue (pink color):*

Make a double adjustable ring. Crochet:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.

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

Rnd 3 to 7: Single crochet in each stitch.

Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors. Sew the tongue (without stuffing it) on the right side and over the mouth.



### *Ears (brown color):*

Make 2. Make a double adjustable ring. Crochet:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.

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

Rnd 3 & 4: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 5: \*5 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch\*, repeat from \*to\* twice (14 stitches).

Rnd 6 & 7: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 8: \*6 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch\*, repeat from \*to\* twice (16 stitches).

Rnd 9 & 10: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 11: \*7 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch\*, repeat from \*to\* twice (18 stitches).

Rnd 12: \*8 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch\*, repeat from \*to\* twice (20 stitches).

Rnd 13: \*9 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch\*, repeat from \*to\* twice (22 stitches).

Rnd 14: \*10 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch\*, repeat from \*to\* twice (24 stitches).

Rnd 15: \*11 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch\*, repeat from \*to\* twice (26 stitches).

Rnd 16: \*12 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch\*, repeat from \*to\* twice (28 stitches).

Rnd 17: \*13 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch\*, repeat from \*to\* twice (30 stitches).

Rnd 18: \*14 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch\*, repeat from \*to\* twice (32 stitches).  
 Rnd 19 to 24: Single crochet in each stitch.  
 Rnd 25: \*14 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)\*, repeat from \*to\* twice (30 stitches).  
 Rnd 26: Single crochet in each stitch.  
 Rnd 27: \*13 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)\*, repeat from \*to\* twice (28 stitches).  
 Rnd 28: Single crochet in each stitch.  
 Rnd 29: \*12 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)\*, repeat from \*to\* twice (26 stitches).  
 Rnd 30: Single crochet in each stitch.  
 Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors. In order to give the ears their shape, you need to fold both borders towards the ear's centre and make a couple of stitches to keep this firm (do this on both ears). Then, place the ears on the top of the head, with the fold part towards out, leaving 2.5 cm of space between them. Sew them with invisible stitches.



### *Body (brown color):*

Make a double adjustable ring. Crochet:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.

Rnd 2: 2 single crochet in each stitch (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 to 15: Single crochet in each stitch.

**Since this round you start making the back's inferior curve. That zone is where you do the decreases between rounds 16 and 22, and it goes to the back of the toy, when you assemble the pieces.**

Rnd 16: 22 single crochet, \*6 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)\*, repeat from \*to\* 4 times (50 stitches).

Rnd 17 to 18: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 19: 22 single crochet, \*5 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)\*, repeat from \*to\* 4 times (46 stitches).

Rnd 20 & 21: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 22: 22 single crochet, \*4 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)\*, repeat from \*to\* 4 times (42 stitches).

Rnd 23: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 24: \*5 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)\*, repeat from \*to\* 6 times (36 stitches).

Rnd 25 & 26: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 27: \*4 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)\*, repeat from \*to\* 6 times (30 stitches).

Rnd 28 & 29: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 30: \*3 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)\*, repeat from \*to\* 6 times (24 stitches).

Rnd 31 to 36: Single crochet in each stitch.

Make a knot, cut the yarn with scissors and stuff it. Place the body's opening below the head, with its front part above the union between the head and muzzle. Sew it with invisible stitches.

Remember to place the back's curve towards the back of the toy (that's the zone where you made the decreases between rounds 16 and 22).



### ***Forelegs (Make 2):***

Make a double adjustable ring. Crochet:

#### **Grey color:**

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.

Rnd 2: 2 single crochet in each stitch (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: Crochet this round in back post single crochet (insert your hook from the wrong side of the work around the post of each stitch from previous round) without increasing (24 stitches).  
Rnd 6 to 8: Single crochet in each stitch.  
Rnd 9: \*10 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)\*, repeat from \*to\* twice (22 stitches).

**Switch to brown color:**

Rnd 10 to 12: Single crochet in each stitch.  
Rnd 13: \*9 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)\*, repeat from \*to\* twice (20 stitches).  
Rnd 14 to 16: Single crochet in each stitch.  
Rnd 17: \*8 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)\*, repeat from \*to\* twice (18 stitches).  
Rnd 18 & 19: Single crochet in each stitch.  
Make a knot, cut the yarn with scissors and stuff them. Place the forelegs on the front side of the body, 3 cm below the union of the head and body and leaving 6 cm of distance between both legs. Sew them with invisible stitches.

***Back legs (Make 2):***

Make a double adjustable ring. Crochet:

**Grey color:**

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.  
Rnd 2: 2 single crochet in each stitch (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: Crochet this round in back post single crochet (insert your hook from the wrong side of the work around the post of each stitch from previous round) without increasing (24 stitches).  
Rnd 6 to 8: Single crochet in each stitch.  
Rnd 9: \*10 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)\*, repeat from \*to\* twice (22 stitches).

**Switch to brown color:**

Rnd 10 to 14: Single crochet in each stitch.  
Rnd 15: \*9 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)\*, repeat from \*to\* twice (20 stitches).  
Rnd 16 to 19: Single crochet in each stitch.  
Rnd 20: \*8 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)\*, repeat from \*to\* twice (18 stitches).  
Rnd 21 to 23: Single crochet in each stitch.  
Make a knot, cut the yarn with scissors and stuff them. Place the back legs on the front side of the body, 1.5 cm below the forelegs and leaving 4.5 cm of distance between both legs. Sew them with invisible stitches.



## *Ending details:*

Sew the muzzle's opening to the head's opening.

In order to assemble the eyes, sew on the front side of each eyeball 1 iris. With white yarn embroider a point of light on each iris.

Sew the eyes to the head above the union between the muzzle and head, leaving 2 single crochet stitches of distance between them.

Place the nostrils diagonally on the muzzle, with the inferior ending (the thinnest) on the round 12 and the superior ending (the widest) on the round 19. The space between both inferior endings is 3 cm approx. and the space between the superior ending is 6 cm approx.

With black yarn and chain stitches embroider the mouth. The mouth is 10 cm long (it starts and ends on round 11 of the muzzle). Sew the tongue (without stuffing it) on the right side and over the mouth.

In order to give the ears their shape, you need to fold both borders towards the ear's centre and make a couple of stitches to keep this firm (do this on both ears). Then, place the ears on the top of the head, with the fold part towards out, leaving 2.5 cm of space between them. Sew them with invisible stitches.

Cut some pieces of brown yarn of about 8 cm long and fix them as hair across the middle line of the head, starting between the ears and finishing on the union between the head and body.

Place the forelegs on the front side of the body, 3 cm below the union of the head and body and leaving 6 cm of distance between both legs. Sew them with invisible stitches.

Place the back legs on the front side of the body, 1.5 cm below the forelegs and leaving 4.5 cm of distance between both legs. Sew them with invisible stitches.

On each leg, with brown yarn and chain stitches embroider along the rounds where you've switched colors between grey and brown.

Cut some pieces of brown yarn of about 18 cm long and place them on the back of the mule, as the mule's tail.

*Enjoy!*

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