



Pixel the Toddler Toy

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Materials

Yarn: scraps of worsted weight or chunky yarn – make sure the yarn you choose is all the same weight for this project

Hook: 4.25 mm / (G/6) / UK 7 for worsted or 5.50 mm / (I/9) / UK 5 for chunky

Scissors

Yarn needle

Stitch marker

Stuffing

Stitch Legend

r – row

st(s) – stitch(es)

ch(s) – chain(s)

sl st – slip stitch

sc – single crochet



Special Stitch How-To

Cinch Circle – cross yarn to make a loop, pass hook through loop from front to back, hook yarn and bring it back through loop to pull up a loop on your hook; chain 1. This will make, and secure, the circle. Work all successive stitches into circle over top of the shorter tail. When finished the first row of stitches, pull the shorter tail to cinch the circle shut.

Notes

- The number of stitches you should have at the end of each row will appear in parentheses
- Arms and Legs are made in the round, do NOT join your rows with a slip stitch.

Pattern

Body – Make 2

Ch 11

R1: sc into the 2nd ch from the hook and in each across (10) Ch 1, turn

R2 – R10: sc into each st across (10). Ch 1, turn at the end of each row. At the end of Row 10, ch 1 but do not turn.

R11 Edging Row: work 1 sc into the end of each row down the first side of your square, when you get to the bottom corner, (sc, ch 1, sc) into that corner stitch, continue working 1



sc into each stitch across the bottom of your foundation chain row, work (sc, ch 1, sc) into the corner stitch, and work 1 sc into the end of each row up the other side of your square. (sc, ch 1, sc) into the next corner, and sc across the top of row 10. In the last corner, sc, ch 1 and join with a sl st to the first sc you worked down the side.

Hold both sides together and with a different colour, join with a sc in a set of corner stitches. Working through both sides at once, sc in each set of sts around the first 3 sides of the square. Work a sc into each ch-1 space in the corners (this can be tricky, and if it's just too tight, then work 2 sc into the st immediately next to the ch-1). Stuff the Body and then continue sc up the last side. Join with a sl st, fasten off and weave in the ends.

Arms and Legs – Make 4

R1: make a cinch circle, 6 sc into the circle, cinch shut (do not join with a sl st) (6). Place a stitch marker on the first or last st of Row 1 and leave it there as a reference point.

R2: 2 sc into the next st, sc into the next st*. Repeat around (9)

R3 – R7: sc in each st around. (9). At the end of Row 9, even up rows to align with the stitch marker (this will not change your stitch count). Sl st into the next st, fasten off and leave a long tail for sewing the limb to the Body. Stuff!

Decide where you would like to place the Arms and Legs along the side and bottom of your Body. With your yarn needle and the long tail of your piece, pinch the open end of the Arm or Leg shut and sew through both sides at once as you sew it to the side or bottom stitching of the Body. Since this toy is for a toddler, it is advisable to sew back and forth across the limb twice to make sure it's solidly attached. Knot and weave in all ends.

Eyes – Make 2

R1: with black, make a cinch circle, 6 sc into circle, cinch shut (6). Join with a sl st and fasten off.

R2: join white with a sc in any st, sc in the same st as joining, * 2 sc in each st around*.

Repeat around (12). Sl st to close, fasten off and leave a long tail for sewing eye to body.

After sewing Eyes to Body, bring both tails from sewing out through the same space, knot together and then weave back into body.

With any coloured yarn, embroider a happy mouth!

Need help with this Pattern?

Check out our Tutorial on YouTube at Jayda InStitches!