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Materials

Scheepjes Catona

(100% Mercerised Cotton; 50g/125m)

Yarn A 105 Bridal White x 2 balls

Scheepjes Catona

(100% Mercerised Cotton; 10g/25m)

Yarn B 110 Jet Black x 1 ball

2.5mm crochet hook

Stitch marker

Polyester stuffing

20cm cream-coloured closed-end zipper

Pair of 6mm black safety eyes

Cream-coloured sewing thread

GENERAL ABBREVIATIONS

[] number of sts on a given row/round

blo back loop(s) only: insert hook under back loop(s) only

ch chain(s) or chain stitch(es)

flo front loop(s) only: insert hook under front loop(s) only

open opening

rep repeat

RS right side(s)

ss slip stitch(es)

st(s) stitch(es)

WS wrong side(s)

yoh yarn around hook

*.....; **rep from * x more times/to end** work instructions after * and then repeat that

CROCHET CONVERSION CHART

Note: this pattern uses UK crochet terminology.

UK TERMINOLOGY	US TERMINOLOGY
dc double crochet	sc single crochet
dc2tog double crochet 2 sts together to decrease by 1 st: (insert hook in next st/sp, yoh, pull up loop) twice, yoh, draw through all loops	sc2tog single crochet 2 sts tog to dec by 1 st: (insert hook in next st/sp, yoh, pull up lp) twice, yoh, draw through all lps
htr half treble crochet	hdc half double crochet
inc work 2dc in next st to increase by 1 st	inc work 2sc in next st to increase by 1 st
tr treble crochet	dc double crochet

section as stated

(.....) **x times** work instructions between brackets the total number of times stated

Gauge/Tension

27 sts and 30 rows to measure 10 x 10cm over dc using 2.5mm hook

Measurements

Height approx. 28cm

Pattern Notes

Pencil Case is made up of separate pieces that are first worked and then either crocheted or sewed together. Aside from Pouch, Neck and Ears, all pieces are worked using amigurumi method, working in a spiral without closing each round with ss. Mark first st of each round

with a stitch marker, moving it up as you go.

Fasten off old colour at colour changes, and change to new colour in final yoh of previous st.

INSTRUCTIONS

PENCIL CASE

End of Pencil Case

Using Yarn A, make magic ring.

Round 1 (RS) 6dc in ring. [6 dc]

Round 2 (RS) 2dc in each st around. [12 dc]

Round 3 (1dc, inc) six times. [18 dc]

Round 4 1dc, inc, (2dc, inc) five times, 1dc. [24 dc]

Round 5 (3dc, inc) six times. [30 dc]

Round 6 2dc blo, 2dc blo in next st, (4dc blo, 2dc blo in next st) five times, 2dc blo. [36 dc blo]

Round 7 (5dc, inc) six times. [42 dc]

Round 8 3dc, inc, (6dc, inc) five times, 3dc. [48 dc]

Round 9 (7dc, inc) six times. [54 dc]

Round 10 4dc, inc, 8dc, inc, 3dc, inc, 4dc, inc, (8dc, inc) twice, 3dc, (inc, 4dc) twice. [62 dc]
Fasten off and weave in ends.

Rep for other end of Pencil Case, but work through both loops for Round 6.

Neck

Work Neck in the round and join rounds with ss.

Take one End of Pencil Case with blo sts (made in Round 6), join Yarn A with ss to front loop of any st of Round 5.

Round 1 (RS) Ch1 (does not count as st throughout), 30dc flo, ss to first dc to join. [30 dc flo]

Round 2 (RS) Ch1, (4dc, dc2tog) five times, ss in first dc. [25 dc]

Fasten off and weave in ends.

Pouch

Work Pouch back and forth in rows.

Using Yarn A, ch54.

Row 1 (WS) 1dc in second ch from hook (skipped ch does not count as st), 52dc, turn after each row. [53 dc]

Rows 2 (RS)-60 Ch1 (does not count as st throughout), 53dc.

Fasten off and weave in ends.

POLAR BEAR

Ear (make 2)

Using Yarn A, make magic ring.

Row 1 (WS) 6dc in ring, turn. [6 dc]

Row 2 (RS) 2dc, (inc) twice, 2dc. [8 dc]

Fold open of Ear together and close in next row.

Work next row in row ends.

Row 3 1dc in each row end, working through both layers. [2 dc]

Fasten off, leaving long tail hanging for joining.

Head

Using Yarn B, ch4.

Round 1 (RS) Begin in second ch from hook, 2dc, 2dc in next ch, continue in opposite side of starting ch, 2dc, 2dc in last ch, do not turn. [8 dc]

Round 2 (RS) (inc, 1dc) twice, inc, 2dc, inc, change to Yarn A and fasten off Yarn B. [12 dc]

Round 3 (1dc, inc) six times. [18 dc]

Rounds 4-5 18dc.

Round 6 1dc, (inc) twice, 4dc, (inc) twice, 9dc. [22 dc]

Round 7 2dc, (inc) twice, 4dc, (inc) twice, 12dc. [26 dc]

Round 8 26dc.

Round 9 4dc, (inc) twice, 4dc, (inc) twice, 14dc. [30 dc]

Round 10 6dc, (inc) twice, 4dc, (inc) twice, 16dc. [34 dc]

Round 11 34dc.

Round 12 6dc, (inc) twice, 8dc, (inc) twice, 16dc. [38 dc]

Round 13 8dc, (inc) twice, 10dc, (inc) twice, 16dc. [42 dc]

Round 14 42dc.

Round 15 (5dc, inc) seven times. [49 dc]

Round 16 49dc.

Round 17 (3dc, inc, 3dc) seven times. [56 dc]

Rounds 18-22 56dc.

Place eyes between Rounds 13-14 with 9 sts in between.

Round 23 (3dc, dc2tog, 3dc) seven times. [49 dc]

Rounds 24-25 49dc.

Round 26 (5dc, dc2tog) seven times. [42 dc]

Rounds 27-28 42dc.

Round 29 (2dc, dc2tog, 2dc) seven times. [35 dc]

Stuff Head as you go.

Round 30 (3dc, dc2tog) seven times. [28 dc]

Round 31 (1dc, dc2tog, 1dc) seven times. [21 dc]

Round 32 (1dc, dc2tog) seven times. [14 dc]

Round 33 (Dc2tog) seven times. [7 dc]

Thread yarn tail through front loops of sts of **Round 33** and pull tight.

Fasten off and weave in ends.

Tail

Using Yarn A, make magic ring.

Round 1 (RS) 5dc in ring. [5 dc]

Round 2 (RS) 2dc in each st around. [10 dc]

Rounds 3-9 10dc.

Fold open of Tail together and close in next row.

Row 10 Working through both layers: 1dc in each st. [5 dc]

Fasten off, leaving long tail hanging for joining.

ASSEMBLY

Attach one side of zipper to Round 1 of Pouch and the other side to Round 60 of Pouch, making sure to neatly align both sides. Close zipper. Zipper should be positioned at top of Pencil Case right underneath Head which will be attached later.

Work an edge around End of Pencil Case as follows: join Yarn A with ss to row end at back of Pencil Case, 1dc in each row end, ch2 over zipper, do not fasten off.

Attach End of Pencil Case (with Neck) to Pouch as follows: 1ss blo in each st working through edge of Pouch and flo of End of Pencil Case, fasten off. [62 ss blo]

Rep instructions for other End of Pencil Case.

Attach Ears to Head, and then Head to Neck.

Lastly, attach Tail to back of bottom of Pouch.

Use photos as a guide, embroider snout and eyebrows on Head using Yarn B.

TO FINISH

Weave in all ends.