

Louie's Loops

Crocheted Link Miniature Amigurumi

Materials

-Worsted Weight Yarn (White, Dark Green, Yellow, Sand, Brown, Blue, Lime Green)

- -Red Thread (or yarn)
- -Size US-G/4.00 mm Crochet Hook
- -Needle to sew in ends
- -Small amount of stuffing
- -Safety Bead Eyes (optional)

Abbreviations

-Sc: Single Crochet

-Dec/Inc: Decrease/Increase

-FLO/BLO: Front/Back loops only

-Bo: Bobble stitch

-M.p: Mini Picot (Instructions below)

-Sl.st: Slip Stitch

-St: Stitch or stitches

Gauge: 5 Rnds and 4 sts per 1"
Finished piece is about 2" tall



Making eyes



[video for adding bead eyes: https://youtu.be/s16XArz4IIU]

After choosing your yarn you can get a rough estimate on how you want to make your eyes. There are two main options for eyes when making your amigurumi.

Using solid bead eyes (red above):

These are solid plastic beads that you snap onto your product before closing up. You can usually find these at craft stores like Joann's or Michaels.

In the image on the right, the triceratops made with Lion Brand Vanna's Choice (left) uses a size 8mm

eye, where-as the one made with Lily Sugar n' Creme (right) uses a size 6mm. Make sure to be weary of the size of your yarn and the size of the eyes.

Using Bullion Knots (blue above):

Another method is using yarn and a needle and making bullion knots. This is a pretty easy method and really useful if you cant find the beads, or the area is too small for the beads.



Before making our mini we have to think about what kind of yarn we want to use! Check out these two triceratops made with two different kinds of yarn:

Choosing a yarn

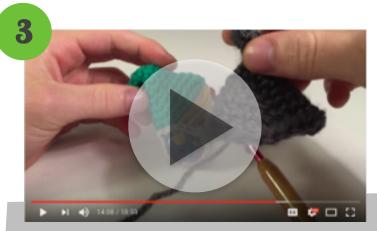


The one on the left is made with Lion Brand Vanna's Choice, a weight category of 4 and a size 19/5.50mm crochet hook, and the one on the right is made with Lily Sugar n' Creme, with a weight category of 3 and a size G6/4.00mm crochet hook.

Keep in mind the size of your yarn and crochet hook when making amigurumi. Too big of a yarn / hook and you could be left with holes making it tough to stuff, too small of a yarn / hook and the pattern might be too difficult to complete!



How to make the hands/feet: https://youtu.be/G7yl1VKTKnl



How to make the hat: https://youtu.be/T6_7SBSj-hw



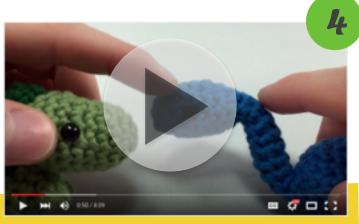
How to make Color Changes: https://youtu.be/J5s6kd9D6pU

Clickable links

Here's some videos to help with the more difficult parts of the pattern!



How to stuff and sew together: https://youtu.be/tdE991UgYNs



How to add eyes: https://youtu.be/s16XArz4IIU



How to make the hair: https://youtu.be/fvG6sW7wISE

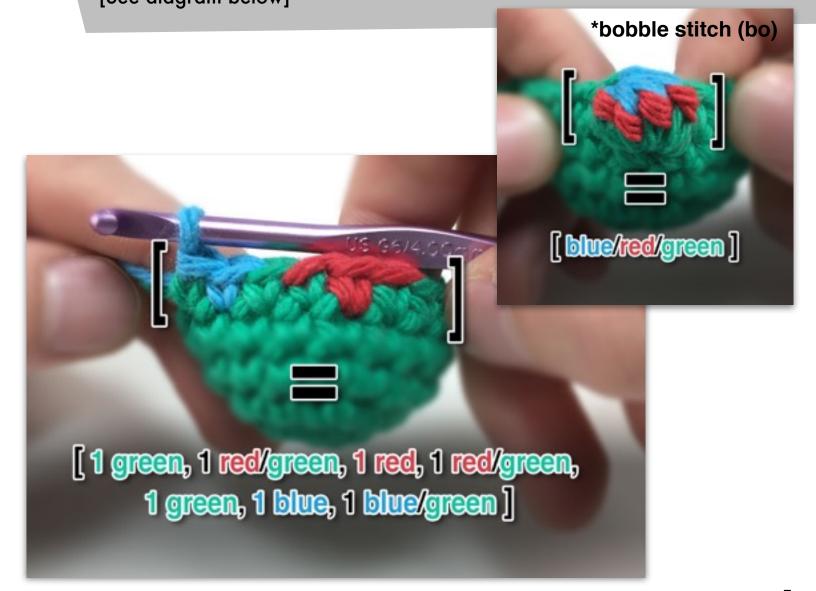
Color Changes

See video 5

Note: This pattern requires a few of color changes. Be sure to check the end of each Rnd before continuing through the round to know when to change colors. Be sure to carry colors required for each round along with you before you need to do a color change.

For color changes with color/color (ex: 1 red/green), pull through the first with the first color (red), and next with the second color (green).

[See diagram below]



Hat

[See video 3]

Ch 2

Rnd 1: Work 3 sc in 2nd ch from hook or into magic hoop (3)

Rnd 2: Working in BLO, inc in first st, sc in next 2 sts (4)

Rnd 3: sc in each st around (4)

Rnd 4: [sc, inc] repeat 2 times (6)

Rnd 6: sc in each st around (6)

Rnd 7: inc 2, sc 4 (8)

Rnd 8: sc, inc 2, sc 5 (10)

Rnd 9: sc 2, inc 2, sc 6 (12)

Rnd 10: [sc 3, inc] repeat 3 times (15)

Rnd 11: [sc 4, inc] repeat 3 times (18)

Rnd 12: [sc 5, inc] repeat 3 times (21)

Rnd 13: sc 15, inc, sc 5, inc, sc 1 (23)



Sl.st in next, cut and pull through leaving a long enough end to sew onto the head

When you sew it onto the head, sew down the back floppy part to make it bend down a bit more.

Body

[Starting in Yellow]
Ch 2 (or use magic hoop method)

Rnd 1: Work 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook or into magic hoop (6)

Rnd 2: inc (sc 2) in each st around (12)

Rnd 3: [sc, inc] repeat 6 times (18)

Rnd 4: sc in each st (18)
Color changes start here*

Rnd 5: sc in each st (18) [6 sand, 12 Yellow]

Rnd 6: sc in each st (18) [7 sand, 10 Yellow, 1 sand]

Rnd 7: sc in each st (18) [All sand]

Rnd 8: sc in each st (18) [All sand]

Rnd 9: sc in each st (18) [3 Green, 1 Green/White, 1 Lime Green/White, 1 Green/White, 12 Green]

Add hair, eyes, and his hat [See next page]









Making hair

[See video 6]

This is way easier than it looks, it just takes a little bit of time. Start with a *long* strand of yarn folded in half and thread the yarn on a needle.

Now, starting from the inside, carefully embroider on the yarn. I usually choose stitches that are directly next to each other to enter and exit the piece. This not only minimizes the yarn used, but it also makes it so you don't have to keep reaching in and out of the piece.

To get a more realistic look, I make the opposite entrances and exits for the yarn along where the part in the hair should be. For example, with Link's hair I make the part in the middle of the forehead and (almost) all the stitches go to the same two places on the side of the head, right near the color changes from Rnd 6.

You only need the front of the head for Link because the majority is going to be covered by his hat, so don't go overboard!

Also be aware of the yarn twisting, this can be used to your advantage for wavy or curly hair, but it shouldn't be used if the piece should have straight hair.

*Note:

Using a larger needle here will make things a little bit easier.

Body continued...

See video 1 for hands

Rnd 10: bo [in Brown/Brown/White], sc 7, bo [in Brown/Brown/White], sc 9 (18)

[1 Brown/Brown/White (bo), 7 Green, 1 Brown/Brown/White (bo), 9 Green]

Rnd 11: sc in each st (18) [All Green]

Rnd 12: Working in BLO, sc 2, bo [in Brown/Brown/White], sc 4, bo [in Brown/Brown/White], sc 10 (18)

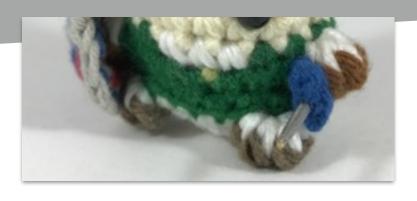
[2 White, 1 Brown/Brown/White (bo), 4 White, 1 Brown/Brown/White (bo), 10 White]

- Add Sword (pg _) in left hand and Sheild (pg _) in right hand -

Rnd 13: [sc, dec] repeat 6 times (12) [All White]

Rnd 14: dec in each st (6) [All White]

Cut, pull through, stuff, and sew together [See video 2]



Starting in blue Ch 2 (or use magic hoop method)

Rnd 1: Work 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook or into magic hoop (6)

Rnd 2: inc (sc 2) in each st around (12)

Rnd 3: m.p (ch 2, sl.st in first ch), sc, inc, sc, m.p, sc 4, inc (with m.p between sts), sc 3, sl.st (14 +3 m.p)

[1 Silver/Blue, 2 Silver, 5 Silver/Blue, 2 Silver, 3 Silver/Blue, 1 Silver]

Cut and pull through
Sew around m.p made at the beginning. Sew ends in.

Sew on a triangle in yellow, the bird like symbol in red, and two grey lines to the right and left of the triangle.



How to make the Sheild: http://youtu.be/ikeV-C_Vaeo

Note:

For Rnd 3, every sc is in Silver/Blue every inc is in all Silver and every m.p is in Silver

Shield

This is a Mini Picot (aka m.p) Ch 2, sl.st in first ch



Making the Sword

Making the Cross Guard

Starting in Blue

Ch 4

Rnd 1: Starting in the 2nd ch from the hook, sl.st in next 3 chs (3)

Cut and pull through sewing ends back into the piece.

Use a spare needle, or paint a toothpick half silver with a sharpie and stick it through the blue handle top and into Links hand. Cut off the end of the toothpick so that very little can be seen of it.





Here are some photos of the finished project!









Here are some more you might like patterns you might like



Super Mario Bros Enemies and Items



Clickable link

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https://www.etsy.com/listing/234632872/pdf-pattern-for-crocheted-mario-enemies

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