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Materials I use

- Worsted weight yarn or double knit yarn in your colour choice. *See pic below*
- Size 3.00mm Crochet hook or 3.25mm hook - if you want to increase or decrease the size of the giraffe - use the correct yarn type for your hook... amigurumi requires a tight tension.
- Brown cotton yarn for the nose and horns.
- 9mm black safety eyes.
- Tapestry needle to add the nose and to weave in any ends.
- Poly fill stuffing.



Height of giraffe is around 20cm when using worsted weight yarn and 3.00mm hook.

Abbreviations

CH = chain

SC = single crochet

INC = single crochet increase (2 single crochets in same stitch)

INV DEC = single crochet invisible decrease - see notes

DC = double crochet

SS = Slip Stitch

St(s) = stitch(es)

Notes

- Pattern is in US crochet terminology.
- I worked in continuous rounds apart from the horns.
- I used a 3.00mm hook throughout the pattern to get a tight gauge.
- I advise you to use a stitch marker to keep count of your stitches.
- In all of my animal tiebacks I use an invisible single crochet decrease. Steps for the invisible decrease are: insert hook into front loops only of next 2 stitches, yarn over, pull through 2 loops on hook, yarn over, pull through final 2 loops on hook (ends up as 1 SC).
- The magic ring starts most of the pieces in this pattern. If you don't want to begin this way then follow these steps: Chain 2 and crochet 6 single crochets into the first chain and then continue onto round 2. Always pull your opening round closed tight.



Head (Make 1) in yellow yarn

R1: Work 6 SC into a magic ring (6 sts) pull ring closed tightly

R2: (2 SC into each stitch) x 6 (12 sts)

R3: (SC into the next stitch, INC) x 6 (18 sts)

R4: (SC into the next 2 stitches, INC) x 6 (24 sts)

R5: (SC in the next 11 stitches, INC) x 2 (26 sts)

R6-10: SC around (26 sts)

R11: (INC, SC in the next 12 stitches) x 2 (28 sts)

R12: (INC, SC in the next 13 stitches) x 2 (30 sts)

R13: (INC) X 2, SC in the next 12 stitches, (INC) X 3, SC in the next 12 stitches, INC (36 sts)

R14-16: SC around (36 sts)

- Now we start to decrease.

R17: (INV DEC) x 2, SC in the next 12 stitches, (INV DEC) x 3, SC in the next 12 stitches, INV DEC (30 sts)

R18: (INV DEC) x 2, SC in the next 9 stitches, (INV DEC) x 3, SC in the next 9 stitches, INV DEC (24 sts)

- Insert eyes - i prefer to place them under row 11 about 4 SC apart making sure they are centred to the bell head shape. *See pics below*

R19: (INV DEC) x 2, SC in the next 6 stitches, (INV DEC) x 3, SC in the next 6 stitches, INV DEC (18 sts)

R20: INV DEC, SC in the next 5 stitches, (INV DEC) x 2, SC in the next 5 stitches, INV DEC (14 sts)

R21: INV DEC, SC in the next 4 stitches, INV DEC, SC in the next 4 stitches (12 sts)

- Sew on nostrils with brown cotton yarn using a criss cross stitch.
- Stuff the remainder off the head.
- Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing head onto the body and sew the hole closed.



Ears (Make 2) in yellow yarn

R1: 3 SC into a magic ring (3 sts)

R2: (2 SC into each stitch) x 3 (6 sts)

R3: (SC into the first stitch, INC) x 3 (9 sts)

R4: (SC into the next 2 stitches, INC) x 3 (12 sts)

R5: (SC into the next 3 stitches, INC) x 3 (15 sts)

R6: (SC into the next 4 stitches, INC) x 3 (18 sts)

R7: SC around (18 sts)

R8: (SC in the next 4 stitches, INV DEC) x 3 (15 sts)

R9: (SC in the next 3 stitches, INV DEC) x 3 (12 sts)

R10: (SC in the next 2 stitches, INV DEC) x 3 (9 sts)

R11: (SC, INV DEC) x 3 (6 sts)

- Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing the ears onto the giraffe's head.



Horns (Ossicones) make 2 in brown yarn

R1: Create a slip knot and chain 5. SC in 2nd chain from the hook, SC in the next 3 stitches, CH1 and turn

R2: SC in the next 4 stitches

- Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing.
- Sew up the sides and round the tops off.
- Sew onto the giraffe's head. *See pic below*



Body (Make 1) with yellow yarn

- Stuff the body as you go.
- Body needs to be stiff to support the head.

R1: Work 6 SC into a magic ring (6 sts) pull ring closed tightly

R2: (2 SC into each stitch) x 6 (12 sts)

R3: (SC into the next stitch, INC) x 6 (18 sts)

R4 -19: SC around (18 sts)

R20: (SC in the next 2 stitches, INC) x 6 (24 sts)

R21: SC around (24 sts)

R22: (SC in the next 3 stitches, INC) x 6 (30 sts)

R23: SC around (30 sts)

R24: (SC in the next 4 stitches, INC) x 6 (36 sts)

R25: SC around (36 sts)

R26: (SC in the next 5 stitches, INC) x 6 (42 sts)

R27-29: SC around (42 sts)

- Now we start to decrease.

R30: (SC in the next 5 stitches, INV DEC) x 6 (36 sts)

R31: (SC in the next 4 stitches, INV DEC) x 6 (30 sts)

R32: (SC in the next 3 stitches, INV DEC) x 6 (24 sts)

R33: (SC in the next 2 stitches, INV DEC) x 6 (18 sts)

R34: (SC in the next stitch, INV DEC) x 6 (12 sts)

R35: (INV DEC) x 6 (6 sts)

- Stuff the body and fasten off.
- Sew closed the opening.
- Flatten the shape a little. *See pics below*



Arms and Legs (Make 2) start with brown yarn for hooves

R1: 6 SC into a magic ring (6 sts)

R2: (2 SC into each stitch) x 6 (12 sts)

R3: (SC into the first stitch, 2 SC into the next stitch) x 6 (18 sts)

R4: slip stitch a little looser around (18 sts)

R5: SC IN THE BACK LOOP ONLY OF THE EARLIER ROW 3 (18 sts) *See pics below*

R6: (SC in the next 4 stitches, INV DEC) x 3 (15 sts)

R7: (SC in the next 3 stitches, INV DEC) x 3 (12 sts)

- Change colour to yellow yarn.

R8: SLIP STITCH AROUND A LITTLE LOOSER IN THE BACK LOOP ONLY (12 sts) *See pics below*

R9: SC IN THE BACK LOOP ONLY AROUND (12 sts) *See pics below*

R10: SC as normal around (12 sts)

- Continue to SC 12 around each row until you reach 10cm for legs and fasten off leaving a tail for sewing onto the giraffe.
- Stuff the entire legs.
- Repeat this process for the arms, but carry on until you meet 20cm length per arm. Stuff only the hooves for the arms.
- Decrease by 1SC per row if you want a thinner arm (I decrease to 10sc per row for arms).



Giraffe spots - with brown yarn (make as many as you like)

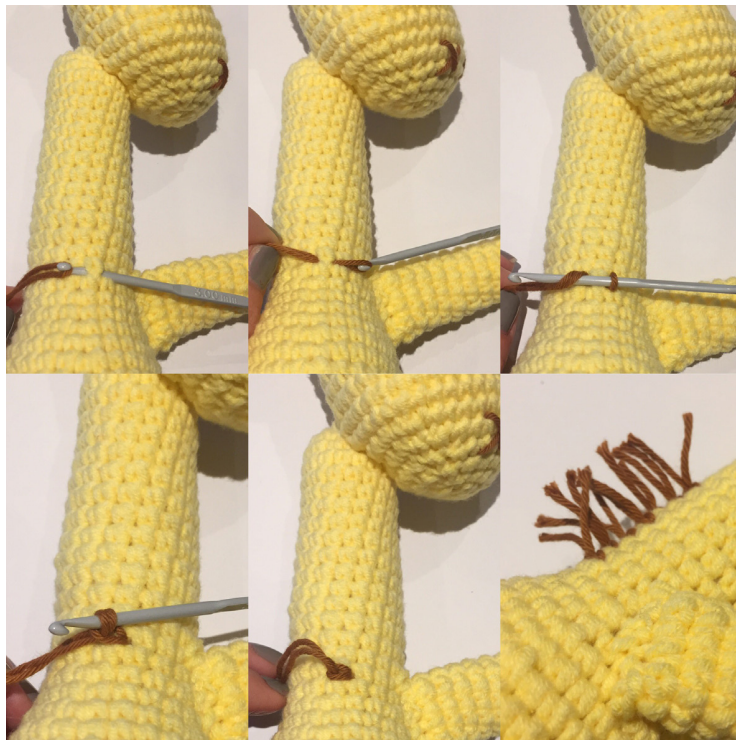
R1: 6 SC into a magic ring (6 sts)

R2: (2 SC into each stitch) x 6 (12 sts)

- fasten off and sew to the giraffe where you prefer.

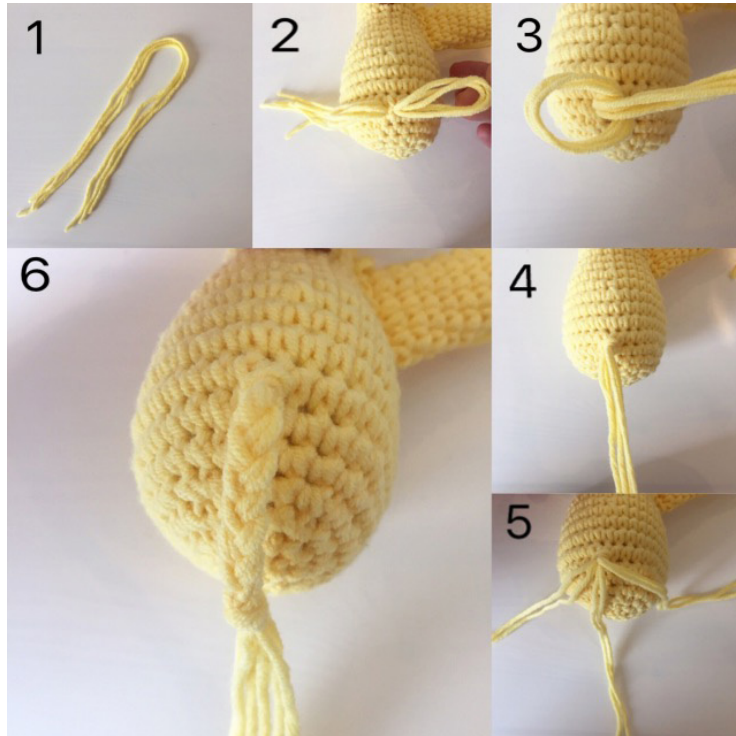
Giraffe's mane

- Cut off strips of yarn around 8cm in length.
- Fold yarn in half.
- Insert your hook into the stitch where you want to add the mane.
- Pull through the yarn loop with your hook and pull the remaining yarn through the loop.
See pics below
- Go up the side of the neck and add a few to strands the top of the head.
- Trim off at length desired.



Tail using yellow yarn

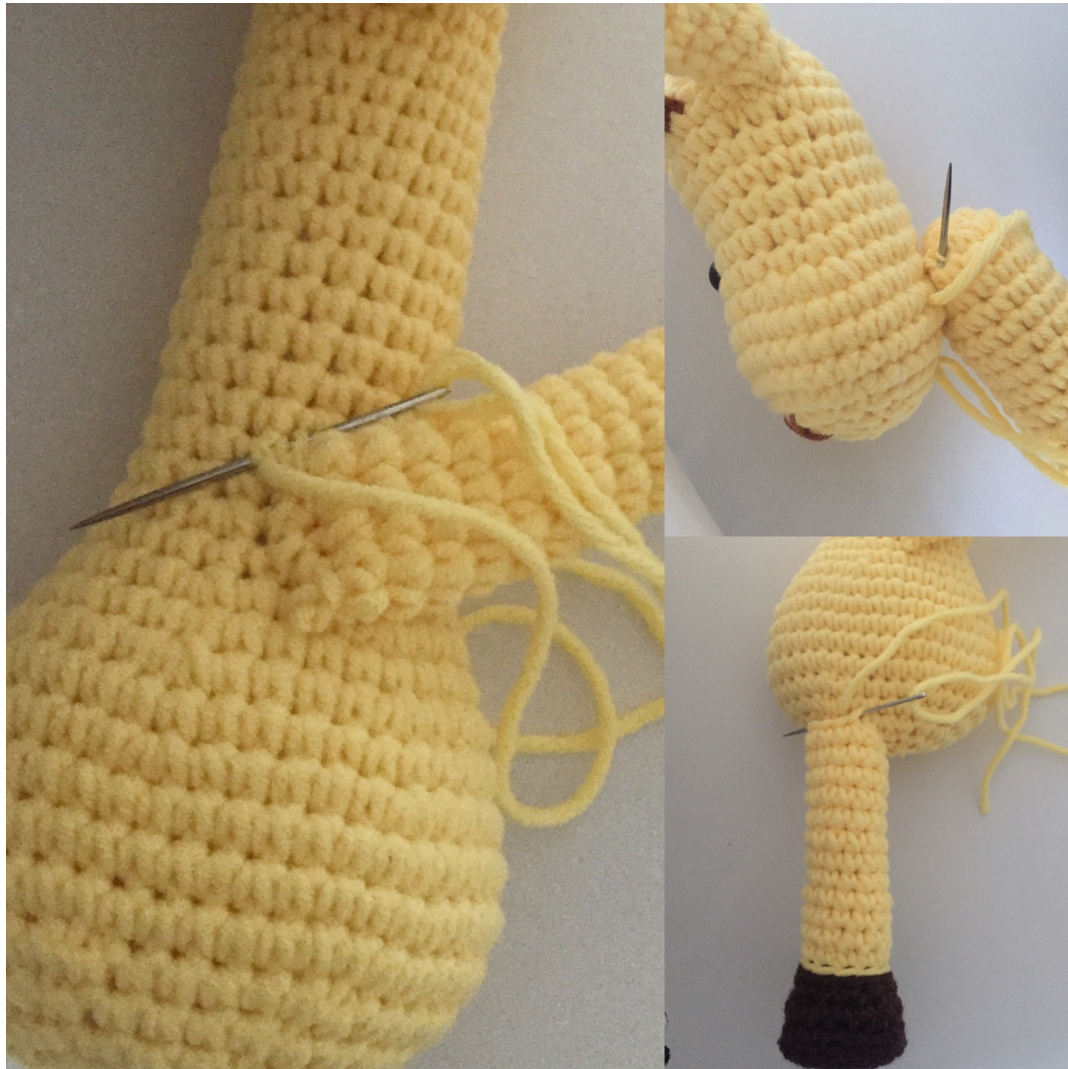
- Cut 3 pieces of yarn about 30 cm in length.
- Fold them in half and pull through a stitch that you prefer towards the bottom of the giraffe... depending on what side you like your giraffe to face. *See pics below*
- You will now have 6 pieces of yarn.
- Divide them up into 3 sections and make a plait. *See pics below*
- Put a knot in end of your preferred tail length and cut off the remainder yarn.



Sew on the head to the top of the body and sew on the arms and legs. *See pics below*

Make sure that the arms are securely sewn onto the body.

Your giraffe is complete!





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