

# Doris The Dodo

amigurumi pattern by  
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# Materials:

**Main Colour = 2 balls of Grey Fluffy yarn**

e.g. Sidar Snuggly Snowflake DK (0707)

**Colour 1 = 20g DK Cotton in Black**

e.g. Paintbox Yarns Cotton Pure Black (402)

**Colour 2 = 30g DK Cotton in Pale Pink**

e.g. Paintbox Yarns Cotton DK Ballet Pink (453)

**4.0mm hook**

**24mm colourful safety eyes (pink!)**

**Stitch Marker**

**Toy Stuffing,**

**Darning Needle**

**Scissors**

# Crochet Terms:

Pattern is written in US Crochet Terms

chain stitch (**ch**)

slip stitch (**sl st**)

single crochet (**sc**)

increase (**inc**)

decrease (**dec**)

invisible single crochet decrease (**inv dec**)

half double crochet (**hdc**)

half double crochet decrease (**hdc2tog**)

decrease 3 stitches in 1 (**sc3tog**)

Keep stitches close together amigurumi-style.

# Pattern Starts

## 1. Beak and Face

**Start in black**

**Rnd 1:** Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]

**Rnd 2:** inc in next st, sc in next 5 st [7]

**Rnd 3:** inc in next 2 st, sc in next 5 st [9]

**Rnd 4:** inc in next 4 st, sc in next 5 st [13]

**Rnd 5:** sc in all 13 st [13]

**Rnd 6:** (inc in next st, sc in next st) repeat 4 times, sc in next 5 st [17]

**Rnd 7 - 8:** sc in all 17 st [17]

**Rnd 9:** (sc in next 2 st, inc in next st) repeat 4 times, sc in next 5 st [21]

**Rnd 10:** sc in all 21 st [21]

**Rnd 11:** (inc in next st, sc in next 3 st) repeat 4 times, sc in next 5 st [25]

**Rnd 12:** sc in all 25 st [25]

**Rnd 13 - 15:** hdc in next 20 st, sc in next 5 st [25]

**Rnd 16:** hdc2tog 10 times, sc in next 5 st [15]

**Rnd 17:** **Change colour to pink, leave a black tail on the outside for later**, sc in all 15 st [15]

**Rnd 18 - 23:** sc in all 15 st [15]

**Rnd 24:** sc in next 5 st, inc in next 5 st, sc in next 5 st [20]

**Rnd 25:** sc in next 5 st, (inc in next st, sc in next st) repeat 5 times, sc in next 5 st [25]

**Rnd 26:** sc in next 5 st, (inc in next st, sc in next 2 st) repeat 5 times, sc in next 5 st [30]

**Rnd 27:** sc in next 5 st, (inc in next st, sc in next 3 st) repeat 5 times, sc in next 5 st [35]

**Rnd 28:** sc in next 5 st, (inc in next st, sc in next 4 st) repeat 5 times, sc in next 5 st [40]

**Rnd 29:** sc in next 5 st, (inc in next st, sc in next 5 st) repeat 5 times, sc in next 5 st [55]

Fasten off, leave a tail for sewing. Add safety eyes.

## 2. Lower Jaw

**Make in pink**

**Rnd 1:** Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]

**Rnd 2:** (inc in next st, sc in next st) repeat 3 times [9]

**Rnd 3:** (inc in next st, sc in next 2 st) repeat 3 times [12]

**Rnd 4 - 9:** sc in all 12 st [12]

**Rnd 10:** 3sc in next st, sc in next 4 st, 3sc in next st, sc in next 6 st [16]

**Rnd 11:** sc in next st, 3sc in next st, sc in next 6 st, 3sc in next st, sc in next 7 st [20]

**Rnd 12:** sc in next 2 st, 3sc in next st, sl st in next 8 st, 3sc in next st, sc in next 8 st [20]

Fasten off, leave a tail for sewing.



1. Beak and Face completed.



2. Lower Jaw completed.



3. Add safety eyes between Rnd 26/27 align to centre of the beak.



4. Check that the eyes are matching position on both sides of the beak.

### 3. Head

Make in fluffy yarn. When it comes to stuffing the piece choose whichever side looks fluffiest to use as the outer side (usually it's the wrong side out)

*Textured yarns can be a bit fuzzy when it comes to counting stitches, using a stitch marker will help keep track of rounds! Don't worry too much if stitch count isn't perfect, it just needs to look big, fluffy and round.*

- Rnd 1: Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]
- Rnd 2: inc 6 times [12]
- Rnd 3: (inc in next st, sc in next st) repeat 6 times [18]
- Rnd 4: (inc in next st, sc in next 2 st) repeat 6 times [24]
- Rnd 5: (inc in next st, sc in next 3 st) repeat 6 times [30]
- Rnd 6: (inc in next st, sc in next 4 st) repeat 6 times [36]
- Rnd 7: (inc in next st, sc in next 5 st) repeat 6 times [42]
- Rnd 8: (inc in next st, sc in next 6 st) repeat 6 times [48]
- Rnd 9: (inc in next st, sc in next 7 st) repeat 6 times [54]
- Rnd 10: (inc in next st, sc in next 8 st) repeat 6 times [60]
- Rnd 11: (inc in next st, sc in next 9 st) repeat 6 times [66]
- Rnd 12 - 22: sc in all 66 st [66]
- Rnd 23: (dec, sc in next 9 st) repeat 6 times [60]

### 4. Body

Make in fluffy yarn.

- Rnd 1: Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]
- Rnd 2: inc 6 times [12]
- Rnd 3: (inc in next st, sc in next st) repeat 6 times [18]
- Rnd 4: (inc in next st, sc in next 2 st) repeat 6 times [24]
- Rnd 5: (inc in next st, sc in next 3 st) repeat 6 times [30]
- Rnd 6: (inc in next st, sc in next 4 st) repeat 6 times [36]
- Rnd 7: (inc in next st, sc in next 5 st) repeat 6 times [42]
- Rnd 8: (inc in next st, sc in next 6 st) repeat 6 times [48]
- Rnd 9: (inc in next st, sc in next 7 st) repeat 6 times [54]
- Rnd 10: (inc in next st, sc in next 8 st) repeat 6 times [60]
- Rnd 11: (inc in next st, sc in next 9 st) repeat 6 times [66]
- Rnd 12: (inc in next st, sc in next 10 st) repeat 6 times [72]
- Rnd 13: (inc in next st, sc in next 11 st) repeat 6 times [78]
- Rnd 14 - 18: sc in all 78 st [78]
- Rnd 19: ch8, skip 8 st, sc in all remaining 70 st [78]
- Rnd 20: sc in next 8ch, sc in all remaining 70 st [78]
- Rnd 21 - 25: sc in all 78 st [78]
- Rnd 26: sc in next 33 st, dec 6 times, sc in next 33 st [72]
- Rnd 27: sc in all 72 st [72]
- Rnd 28: sc in next 30 st, dec 6 times, sc in next 30 st [66]
- Rnd 29: sc in all 66 st [66]
- Rnd 30: sc in next 27 st, dec 6 times, sc in next 27 st [60]
- Rnd 31: sc in all 60 st [60]
- Rnd 32: sc in next 24 st, dec 6 times, sc in next 24 st [54]
- Rnd 33: sc in all 54 st [54]
- Rnd 34: sc in next 21 st, dec 6 times, sc in next 21 st [48]
- Rnd 35: sc in all 48 st [48]
- Rnd 36: sc in next 18 st, dec 6 times, sc in next 18 st [42]
- Rnd 37: sc in all 42 st [42]



5. Head will look like a large fluffy circle.



6. Add stuffing, not too dense to keep it squishy.

- Rnd 24: (dec, sc in next 8 st) repeat 6 times [54]
  - Rnd 25: (dec, sc in next 7 st) repeat 6 times [48]
  - Rnd 26: (dec, sc in next 6 st) repeat 6 times [42]
  - Rnd 27: (dec, sc in next 5 st) repeat 6 times [36]
  - Rnd 28: (dec, sc in next 4 st) repeat 6 times [30]
  - Rnd 29: (dec, sc in next 3 st) repeat 6 times [24]
  - Rnd 30: (dec, sc in next 2 st) repeat 6 times [18]
  - Rnd 31: (dec, sc in next st) repeat 6 times [12]
- Fasten off, turn wrong side out, add toy stuffing.



7. Pinch together the end of body, sl st through it.



8. The end once sewn up with slip stitches.



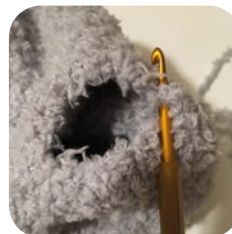
9. Turn the body wrong side out and add the neck.

- Rnd 38: dec 21 times [21]
  - Rnd 39 - 41: sc in all 21 st [21]
  - Rnd 42: Fold the end flat, 10 sl st along the end to stitch it together [10]
- Fasten off, turn inside-out through the 8ch gap.

### 5. Neck

Make in fluffy yarn. Work around the 8ch opening of the body. If your piece is wrong side out work your crochet stitches from inside of the gap outwards.

- Rnd 1: Attach yarn to any stitch, work 20 sc evenly all around the opening, carry on in a spiral [20]
  - Rnd 2 - 3: sc in all 20 st [20]
- Fasten off, leave a tail for sewing, add stuffing.



10. Work from the inside out to add the neck.



## 7. Toes

**Make 6 all together, in groups of 3. Do not fasten off 3rd toe. Start in black yarn.**

**Rnd 1:** Start 4 sc in a magic ring [4]

**Rnd 2 - 3:** sc in all 4 st [4]

**Rnd 4: *Change colour to pink*,** inc 4 times [8]

**Rnd 5 - 9:** sc in all 8 st [8]

Fasten off first 2 toes, keep 3rd toe unfastened. Move onto the foot.

## 8. Feet

**Use 3 toes as starting point, see pictures.**

***Make invisible decreases or standard decreases - either will work.***

**Rnd 1:** Using the unfastened toe as beginning of the round move yarn onto middle toe, work 4 sc along the edge, move onto last toe, work 8 sc all around, work 4 sc along other side of middle toe, work 8 sc along the first toe [24]

**Rnd 2 - 6:** sc in all 24 st [24]

**Rnd 7:** (inv dec, sc in next 4 st) repeat 4 times [20]

**Rnd 8:** (inv dec, sc in next 3 st) repeat 4 times [16]

Add stuffing to toes and foot

**Rnd 9:** (inv dec, sc in next 2 st) repeat 4 times [12]

**Rnd 10:** (inv dec, sc in next 4 st) repeat 2 times [10]

**Rnd 11 - 15:** sc in all 10 st [10] Top up stuffing

**Rnd 16:** inv dec 5 times [5]

Fasten off, sew up the tip.

## 9. Talons

**Make 2 in black.**

**Rnd 1:** Start 4 sc in a magic ring [4]

**Rnd 2 - 3:** sc in all 4 st [4]

Fasten off, sew to the end toe of the foot.

Using pink yarn sew the Y shape into the soles of the feet. (see Fig.1)

## 6. Wings

**Make 2 in fluffy yarn.**

**Rnd 1:** Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]

**Rnd 2:** (inc in next st, sc in next st) 3 times [9]

**Rnd 3 - 5:** sc in all 9 st [9]

**Rnd 6:** (inc in next st, sc in next 2 st) 3 times [12]

**Rnd 7:** (inc in next st, sc in next 3 st) 3 times [15]

**Rnd 8 - 10:** sc in all 15 st [15]

**Rnd 11:** (inc in next st, sc in next 4 st) 3 times [18]

**Rnd 12:** sc in all 18 st [18]

**Rnd 13 - 15:** sc3tog, sc in next 7 st, 3sc in next st, sc in next 7 st [18]

**Rnd 16:** (inc in next st, sc in next 5 st) 3 times [21]

**Rnd 17:** (inc in next st, sc in next 6 st) 3 times [24]

Fasten off, leave a tail for sewing. Add a bit of stuffing.



11. Three toes lined up.



12. Work 4sc across the middle toe.



13. Work 8sc around the third toe.



14. Carry on working around to complete the round.



15. Work 5 more rounds of 24sts, then start decreases.



16. For an invisible decrease take the front loops of the two stitches.



17. Pull the yarn through both loops - the decrease looks like a single crochet!



18. The main foot section is complete.



19. Add stuffing to the toes and the foot, continue crochet.



20. Sew the talon to the tip of the back toe.



21. Shape the foot - using the pink yarn.



Pushing the needle right through the foot to the other side, embroider a Y shape across each sole. Work each section of the Y as a single stitch, doubling it up for stronger firmer hold.

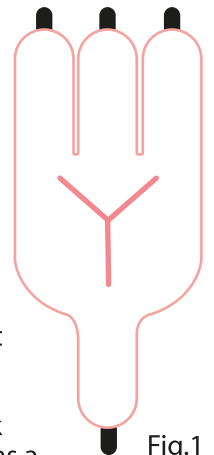


Fig.1



22. Add a little bit of stuffing to the wings.

## Assembly Step 1 - Sew the face onto the head, shape beak.



23. Place the face onto the head, covering up the remaining gap.



24. Sew together with pink yarn, spreading the face as flat as you can.



25. Go all around the face, then hide any loose ends.



26. (optional) Weave the leftover black yarn tail through the base of the beak, pull it tight to get a better defined curve, then fix in place.

## Assembly Step 2 - Sew in the lower jaw.



27. Line up the jaw underneath the face and sew down the bottom edge.



28. Open the jaw and sew down the top edge.



29. The jaw can stay open or you could sew it closed into a smile.



30. Sew the body and head together using leftover yarn.



31. The head is sitting over the widest part of the body for balance.

## Step 4 - Add wings and feet.



32. Sew the wings about half-way up the body.



33. Sew the feet to the base of the body, underneath the widest part.



34. The feet will help the dodo balance when standing.



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