

MONSIEUR AKIO

The Japanese-French patissier amigurumi pattern

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Skill level: Intermediate

Measurements: 8-inches tall

Abbreviations

Ch: chain

Sc: single crochet

Inc: increase

Inv dec: invisible decrease

Ss: slip stitch

**This pattern is written in US crochet terms.*

Materials

2.5mm & 3.5mm hook

Dk-weight cotton yarn in flesh, white, orange, mint, lilac, dark brown, light brown, pale pink, and red.

Aran-weight cotton yarn in black

2 x 9mm oval doll's eyes

Craft glue

Darning needle

Sewing needle

Polyester fiberfill



A little salt can do sugar a whole lot of good.

In life, it's all about striking a balance.

Monsieur Akio has been making pastries for as long as he can remember, and this perspective is something that is quite possibly the closest thing to his heart.

A sprinkle of cinnamon. A dash of lemon. There are but a hundred million secret ingredients to make your bakes that much more swoon-worthy.

But adding salt? That certainly takes the cake.

"A little salty, a little sweet. Only with some salt, can we taste the sheer value of all things sweet."



Hair

With 3.5mm hook and black yarn:

Row 1: Ch 30, then sc back across, starting on the 2nd ch from hook {29}.

Rows 2-4: Ch 1, turn, sc across {29}.

Fasten off and leave a long end for sewing.

Nose

With orange yarn:

Row 1: Ch 7, then sc back across, starting on the 2nd ch from hook {6}.

Fasten off and leave a long end for sewing.

Cheeks

Make 2 with pale pink yarn:

Round 1: Sc 6 in magic ring {6}.

Fasten off and leave a long end for sewing.

Head

With flesh yarn:

Round 1: Sc 6 in magic ring {6}.

Round 2: [Inc] around {12}.

Round 3: [Inc, sc 1] around {18}.

Round 4: [Inc, sc 2] around {24}.

Round 5: [Inc, sc 3] around {30}.

Round 6: [Inc, sc 4] around {36}.

Round 7: [Inc, sc 5] around {42}.

Round 8: [Inc, sc 6] around {48}.

Round 9: [Inc, sc 7] around {54}.

Rounds 10-17 (8 rounds altogether): Sc around {54}.

Round 18: [Inv dec, sc 7] around {48}.

Round 19: [Inv dec, sc 6] around {42}.

Round 20: [Inv dec, sc 5] around {36}.

Round 21: [Inv dec, sc 4] around {30}.

Round 22: [Inv dec, sc 3] around {24}.

Round 23: [Inv dec, sc 2] around {18}.

Stuff head firmly.

Round 24: [Inv dec, sc 1] around {12}.

Round 25: [Inv dec] around {6}.

Fasten off and weave in ends, but leave a long end to make eye indentations.



Arms

Make 2 with flesh yarn:

Round 1: Sc 8 in magic ring {8}.

Rounds 2-4 (3 rounds altogether): Sc around {8}.

Change to white yarn.

Rounds 5-9 (5 rounds altogether): Sc around {8}.

Fasten off and leave a long end for sewing.

* No stuffing required for the arms.

Legs/Boots

With dark brown yarn, make 2, starting from the boot up:

Round 1: Sc 9 in magic ring {9}.

Rounds 2-5 (4 rounds altogether): Sc around {9}.

Change to lilac yarn.

Rounds 6-8 (3 rounds altogether): Sc around {9}.

Fasten off and leave a long end for sewing.

Stuff firmly.

Boot toes

With dark brown yarn, make 2:

Round 1: Sc 7 in magic ring {7}.

Round 2: Sc around {7}.

Fasten off and leave a long end for sewing.

Flatten piece slightly.

Designing the face

Eye indentations

1. With a darning needle, bring the remaining yarn from the bottom of the head through to the left side of the head, positioning it at a stitch below Round 16.
2. Make one horizontal stitch and bring the thread back down to the bottom of the head. Gently tug on the yarn to create a slight indentation.
3. Now repeat the above on the right side of the head – there should be 8 stitches in between the indentations. Do not cut off excess yarn yet. You may use your thumbs to gently add pressure to deepen the indentations.

Nose

1. Position nose in the center between the eye indentations. The top of the nose piece should fall at Round 14 and the bottom at Round 17. Attach with backstitches.

Eyes & Brows

1. Add glue onto the oval doll's eye and pop it into the stitch with one of the indentations. Repeat for the other eye.
2. For the eye whites, make about 4 vertical backstitches (2 stitches tall) to the left of each eye.
3. The eyebrows are made with black yarn – make one diagonal backstitch (3 stitches long) from below Round 13 to 14 above each eye.

Moustache

1. With black yarn, sew an upside down "V" directly below the nose - going back and forth a few times to gradually make the moustache thicker. I made about 5 backstitches for each side.



Apron

With mint yarn (leave a long end at the start for tying around the waist):

Row 1: Ch 10, then sc back across, starting on the 2nd ch from hook {9}.

Row 2: Ch 1, turn, sc across {9}.

Change to white yarn.

Rows 3-4: Ch 1, turn, sc across {9}.

Change back to mint yarn.

Repeat Rows 3-4 six more times, alternating between white and mint yarn after every 2 rows.

Fasten off and leave a long end for tying later.

Weave in other loose ends, if any.

Baguette

With light brown yarn:

Round 1: Sc 5 in magic ring {5}.

Round 2: Inc around {10}.

Rounds 3-17 (15 rounds altogether): Sc around {10}.

Stuff lightly.

Round 18: Inv dec around {5}.

Fasten off and leave a long end for sewing.

Add some white stripes to make the baguette look more realistic.



Chef's Hat

With white yarn, repeat instructions for Rounds 1-9 of the head.

Continue with the below:

Round 10: [Inc, sc 8] around {60}.

Round 11: [Inc, sc 9] around {66}.

Round 12: [Inc, sc 10] around {72}.

Round 13: [Inc, sc 11] around {78}.

Round 14: [Inc, sc 12] around {84}.

Round 15: [Inc, sc 13] around {90}.

Round 16: [Inc, sc 14] around {96}.

Round 17: [Inc, sc 15] around {102}.

Round 18: [Inc, sc 16] around {108}.

Round 19 [Inv dec] around {54}.

**** At this point, check to see if the hat fits around the head. If you're using a slightly thinner yarn, you may need to add another round or two of increases after Round 18, before doing the decrease on Round 19 and continuing below.**

Rounds 20-23 (4 rounds altogether): Sc around {54}.

Fasten off and leave a long end for sewing.

Stuff lightly (just so it'll hold its shape) before attaching onto head.



Assembly (in order)

1. Glue on eyes, sew on eye whites, nose, moustache and cheeks.
2. Wrap hair piece all the way around the back of the head (position it leveled with the eyes) and attach with backstitches.
3. Stuff hat lightly and sew on top of head.
4. Sew body onto the head.
5. Sew on arms to the sides of the body.
6. Sew on legs/boots.
7. Sew boot toes onto the boots.
8. With red yarn, sew 3 small "x" buttons running down the center of the shirt/body.
9. You may sew on the baguette, or trim the tail ends and just pin in place for photography purposes (in case you want to make other yummy pastries for him to hold).
10. Tie apron around waist.



Body

With lilac yarn:

Round 1: Sc 6 in magic ring {6}.

Round 2: [Inc] around {12}.

Round 3: [Inc, sc 1] around {18}.

Round 4: [Inc, sc 2] around {24}.

Round 5: [Inc, sc 3] around {30}.

Round 6: [Inc, sc 4] around {36}.

Round 7: [Inc, sc 5] around {42}.

Round 8: [Inc, sc 6] around {48}.

Rounds 9-10: Sc around {48}.

Change to white yarn.

Rounds 11-19 (9 rounds altogether): Sc around {48}.

Round 20: [Inv dec, sc 6] around {42}.

Round 21: [Inv dec, sc 5] around {36}.

Fasten off and leave a long end for sewing.

Stuff piece firmly.



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I hope you enjoyed making this pattern! Tag me on your makes @amigurumei and #amigurumei on Instagram or e-mail me at amigurumei@gmail.com if you want to chat :)

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