

Plastic Springs Crochet!



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Introduction

Why Plastic Springs?

I'm asked that question often. My reply is usually the same: "Why not? What else are you going to do with them?"

Anyone with a child that has attended a birthday party or cashed in tickets at a prize counter in the local arcade has ended up with countless of these plastic things. Things that were fun to play with for all of about five seconds before being discarded back into the treat bag or back seat of the car.

Come to think of it, they are pretty much useless.

That is until now!

I've taken the plastic spring and turned it into UFO's, made them into a dog's fur and even attached them to a hat.

Who said recycling isn't any fun?

Besides I love crochet and finding yet another way to push this wonderful craft into places never thought of before all the better.

Let's get hookin'!

Donna



Elephant & Pig





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MATERIALS:

Bernat Baby Softee yarn in Lemon (Elephant) & Lilac (Pig), size 10 crochet thread in Pumpkin (Elephant), White & Black, size 7 & F crochet hooks or hooks to obtain gauge, needle to take yarn, stuffing, craft glue and 1 round (Pig) plastic spring & 3 square (Pig) plastic springs.

GAUGE: 4 hdc sts = 1", 3 rows hdc = 1"

FINISHED SIZE: 5" tall



ELEPHANT BODY:

With Lemon and F hook ch-3, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 12 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 2-3: (2 hdc next st, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (18 sts)(27 sts)

RND 4: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (36 sts)

RND 5: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 3 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (45 sts)

RND 6-13: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

At this point insert cut end of round spring into center (rnd 1) of front of elephant body, twist until sever rings are to the wrong side. With needle and yarn sew rings to wrong side to hold in place.

RND 14: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next 3 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (36 sts)

RND 15: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (27 sts)

Stuff body.

RND 16-18: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (18 sts)(12 sts)(8 sts)

RND 19: (Hdc dec next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, fasten off. (4 sts)

LEGS:

With Lemon and F hook ch-3, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 12 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 2: (2 hdc next st, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (18 sts)

RND 3: Bk Lp hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 4: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, fasten off.

-make 4.

TOENAIL:

ROW 1: With Pumpkin thread and 7 hook ch-5, hdc 3rd ch from hook, hdc next ch, 3 hdc last ch, turn piece so you are now working across the bottom of the foundation ch (in bottom of sts just made), hdc next 2, fasten off. (7 sts)

- make a total of 12. Sew 3 toenails to the bottom of ea leg. Stuff legs and sew to the bottom of the elephant's body.



EARS:

ROW 1: With Lemon yarn and F hook ch-11, hdc 3rd ch from hook, hdc ea ch across, turn. (9 sts)

ROW 2: Ch-3, dc sa st as beg ch-3, hdc next 2 sts, sc next 3, hdc next 2, 2 dc last st, turn. (11 sts)

ROW 3: Ch-3, dc sa st as beg ch-3, 2 dc next, hdc next 2, sc next 3, hdc next 2, 2 dc last 2 sts, turn. (15 sts)

ROW 4: Ch-3, dc sa st as beg ch-3, 2 dc next 3 sts, hdc next, sc next, sl st next 3, sc next, hdc, next, 2 dc last 4 sts, fasten off. (23 sts)

-make 2 in yarn and using Pumpkin thread and 7 hook make 2 more. Sew the Pumpkin ears to the Lemon ears, centering. Sew ears to ea side of elephant's body.

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EYE:

With Black thread and 7 hook ch-3, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 8 hdc in ring, join White thread, fasten off Black, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (8 sts)

RND 2-4: (2 Hdc next st, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. End rnd 4 fasten off. (12 sts)(18 sts)(27 sts)

-make 2. Sew eyes to front of elephant.

TAIL:

ROW 1: With Lemon yarn and F hook ch-4, sc 2nd ch from hook, sc ea ch across, ch-1, turn. (3 sts)

ROW 2-5: Sc ea st across, ch-1, turn. End row 5 fasten off.

Fold tail in half lengthwise and sew tog. With needle and Pumpkin thread make lps at one end of the tail.

Sew the other end to the center back of elephant's body.

PIG:

With Lilac and F hook rep 1-19 of elephant's body. Fasten off rnd 19. Cut two of the square springs in half. Insert cut end in bottom of pig's body and twist to hold. Place a dot of glue where spring has been inserted into the body to help hold in place. Rep for all four springs making the pig's legs. Cut 4-5 rings off the last square spring and rep as you did for the legs only placing the nose in the center of the pig's face.

NOSE:

ROW 1: With Lilac and F hook ch-7, sc 2nd ch from hook, sc ea ch across, ch-1, turn. (6 sts)

ROW 2-6: Sc ea st across, ch-1, turn. End row 6 fasten off.

With needle and Black crochet thread make large French knots on the nose for nostrils. Glue completed nose to spring on front of the pig's face.

EYES:

Rep elephant's eyes. Sew in place.

EAR:

ROW 1: With Lilac and F hook ch-3, hdc 3rd ch from hook, ch-1, turn. (1 st)

ROW 2: 2 hdc only st, ch-1, turn. (2 sts)

ROW 3: 2 hdc next 2 sts, ch-1, turn. (4 sts)

ROW 4-5: 2 hdc next st, hdc ea st across to last st, 2 hdc last st, ch-1, turn. End row 5 fasten off. (6 sts)(8 sts)

-make 2 of yarn. With White thread and 7 hook make 2 more ears. Sew white thread ears to the yarn ears.

Sew finished ears to op of pig's head.

Doll With Plastic Spring Curls





Doll With Plastic Spring Curls

MATERIALS:

4 ply yarn in Cream, Bright Yellow, White & Hunter Green, size H crochet hook or hook to obtain gauge, five 3/4" shank buttons, craft glue, Black and Glitter fabric paint, flesh and red felt, needle to take yarn, stuffing and 14 yellow plastic spring.

GAUGE: 4 hdc sts = 1", 5 rows hdc = 2"

FINISHED SIZE: 19" tall

DOLL:

With Yellow and H hook ch-3, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 12 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (12 sts)

RND 2-3: (2 hdc next st, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (18 sts)(27 sts)

RND 4: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (36 sts)

RND 5: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 6: Hdc next 10 sts, join Cream, drop Yellow, hdc next 16, drop Cream, pick up Yellow, hdc last 10 sts, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 7: Hdc next 9 sts, drop Yellow, pick up Cream, hdc next 18, drop Cream, pick up Yellow, hdc last 9 sts, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

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RND 8: Hdc next 8 sts, drop Yellow, pick up Cream, hdc next 20, drop Cream, pick up Yellow, hdc last 8 sts, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 9: Hdc next 7 sts, drop Yellow, pick up Cream, hdc next 22, drop Cream, pick up Yellow, hdc last 7 sts, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 10: Hdc next 6 sts, drop Yellow, pick up Cream, hdc next 24, drop Cream, pick up Yellow, hdc last 6 sts, fasten off Yellow, pick up Cream, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 11: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next 7 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (32 sts)

RND 12: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next 6 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (28 sts)

RND 13: Rep rnd 5.

RND 14: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (21 sts)

RND 15-17: Rep rnd 5. End rnd 17 join White, fasten off Cream.

RND 18: 2 hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (42 sts)

RND 19-31: Rep rnd 5. End rnd 31 join Hunter Green, fasten off White.

RND 32-37: Rep rnd 5.

RND 38: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-9, count over 20 sts from join, sl st next st, ch-1, turn.

RND 39: Hdc ea ch and st around forming 1st leg opening, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (30 sts)

RND 40-51: Rep rnd 5.

RND 52: Bk Lp hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 53-55: Rep rnd 5. End rnd 55 fasten off.

RND 56: With Hunter Green and H hook join in ch of rnd 38, ch-1, hdc sa ch as beg ch-1, hdc ea ch and st around forming 2nd leg opening, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (30 sts)

RND 57-72: Rep rnd 40-55. End rnd 72 fasten off.

Stuff to rnd 51 and rnd 69 on ea leg (bk lp rnd).

PANTS FRONT FLAP:

ROW 1: With Hunter Green and H hook ch-17, hdc 3rd ch from hook, hdc ea ch across, ch-1, turn. (15 sts)

ROW 2-7: Hdc ea st across, ch-1, turn. End row 7 fasten off.

Sew pants flap to center front of pants. Sew or glue 6 buttons to flap as shown in the picture.



SHOE:

RND 1: With White and H hook ch-31, sl st to form a ring, ch-1, turn. Hdc ea ch around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (30 sts)

RND 2: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next 8 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (27 sts)

RND 3: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next 7 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (24 sts)

RND 4: Hdc ea st around, join Hunter Green, fasten off White, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 5: Sc next 3 sts, hdc next, 2 dc next 4, hdc next, sc last 15 sts, sl st top beg sc, ch-1, turn. (28 sts)

RND 6: Sc next 15 sts, hdc next, 2 dc next 8, hdc next, sc last 3 sts, join White, fasten off Hunter Green, sl st top beg sc, ch-1, turn. (46 sts)

RND 7: Sc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

-make 2.

SOLE:

RND 1: With White and H hook ch-10, hdc 3rd ch from hook, hdc next 6 ch, 3 dc last ch, turn piece so you are now working across the bottom of the foundation ch (in bottom of sts just made), hdc next 6, 2 hdc last, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (18 sts)

RND 2: 2 hdc next 2 sts, hdc next 6, 2 dc next 3, hdc next 6, 2 hdc last st, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (24 sts)

RND 3: 2 sc next 2 sts, sc next 7, 2 hdc next 6, sc next 7, 2 sc last 2 sts, sl st top beg sc, fasten off. (34 sts)

-make 2. Sew sole to bottom of shoe and stuff. Sew rnd 1 of shoe to left over lp of sts in rnd 51 of one leg and rnd 69 of the other. With White and H hook ch-50, fasten off. With hook insert bet sts on front top of shoe like shoe strings, tie in a bow. Rep for other shoe.

SLEEVE:

With White and H hook ch-3, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 12 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (12 sts)

RND 2: 2 hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (24 sts)

RND 3: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (32 sts)

RND 4-9: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 10: Hdc next 2 sts, (hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (22 sts)

RND 11-16: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 17: Bk lp hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 18-19: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. End rnd 19 fasten off.

-make 2. Stuff to rnd 17 (bk lp rnd).

HAND:

RND 1: With Cream and H hook ch-7, hdc 3rd ch from hook, hdc next 3, ch, 3 hdc last ch, turn piece so you are now working across the bottom of the foundation ch, hdc next 3, 2 hdc last, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (12 sts)

RND 2: 2 hdc next 2 sts, hdc next 3, 2 hdc next 3, hdc next 3, 2 hdc last st, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (18 sts)

RND 3-9: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 10: Hdc next 2 sts, (2 hdc next st, hdc next 3 sts) 4 times, sl st top beg hdc, fasten off. (22 sts)

-make 2.

THUMB:

With Cream and H hook ch-3, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 8 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (3 sts)

RND 2-4: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. End rnd 4 fasten off.

-make 2. Stuff hand. Sew one thumb to ea side, then with needle and yarn make finger divides. Sew rnd 10 of hand to rnd 17 of sleeve. Sew one completed sleeve to ea side of doll at shoulders.

SQUARE COLLAR:

ROW 1: With White and H hook ch-30, hdc 3rd ch from hook, hdc ea ch across, ch-1, turn. (28 sts)

ROW 2-7: Hdc ea st across, ch-1, turn.

ROW 8: Hdc next 8 sts, hdc dec next 2, sl st next 8, hdc dec next 2, hdc last 8 sts, ch-1, turn. (18 sts)

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ROW 9: Hdc next 7 sts, hdc dec next 2, leave remaining sts unworked, ch-1, turn. (8 sts)

ROW 10: Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc ea st across, ch-1, turn. (7 sts)

ROW 11-14: Hdc ea st across, ch-1, turn.

ROW 15: Rep row 10. (6 sts)

ROW 16: Hdc next 4 sts, hdc dec last 2 sts, ch-1, turn. (5 sts)

ROW 17: Rep row 10. (4 sts)

ROW 18: Hdc next 2 sts, hdc dec last 2 sts, ch-1, turn. (3 sts)

ROW 19: Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc last st, fasten off. (2 sts)

ROW 20: With White and H hook join in end row 8, ch-1, hdc sa st as beg ch-1, hdc next 7 sts, hdc dec next 2 sts, leave remaining sts unworked, ch-1, turn. (9 sts)

ROW 21-30: Rep row 10-19. End row 30 fasten off.

EDGING:

With White and H hook join in any st on collar, ch-1, evenly sc ea st and row around working 3 sc in ea corner, sl st top beg sc, fasten off.

STRIPE:

ROW 1: With Hunter Green and H hook ch-2, sc 2nd ch from hook, ch-1, turn. (1 st)

ROW 2-31: Sc only st, ch-1, turn. End row 31 fasten off.

-make 2. Sew stripes to back of collar. Sew collar around doll's neck and coming to a pt at center front.

TIE:

ROW 1: With Hunter Green and H hook ch-5, hdc 3rd ch from hook, hdc ea ch across, ch-1, turn. (3 sts)

ROW 2-16: Hdc ea st across, ch-1, turn. End row 16 fasten off.

TOP TO TIE:

With Hunter Green and H hook rep row 1-9 pf tie. End row 9 fasten off.

Fold the tie in half. Sew the top around top of tie with seam in center bk. Sew completed tie to center front of doll at collar pt.



HAT:

With White and H hook ch-3, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 12 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (12 sts)

RND 2-3: (2 hdc next st, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (18 sts)(27 sts)

RND 4: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (36 sts)

RND 5: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 6: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 3 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (45 sts)

RND 7-8: Rep rnd 5.

RND 9: Hdc next st, (2 hdc next st, hdc next 3 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (56 sts)

RND 10: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 6 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (64 sts)

RND 11: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 7 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (72 sts)

RND 12: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 8 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, fasten off. (80 sts)

HAT BAND:

ROW 1: With Hunter Green and H hook ch-4, hdc 3rd ch from hook, hdc next ch, ch-1, turn. (2 sts)

ROW 2-40: Hdc ea st across, ch-1, turn. End row 40 fasten off.

Sew or glue around hat. With Hunter Green and H hook make a 2nd tie and sew to center back of hat.

DOLL'S SPRING HAIR:

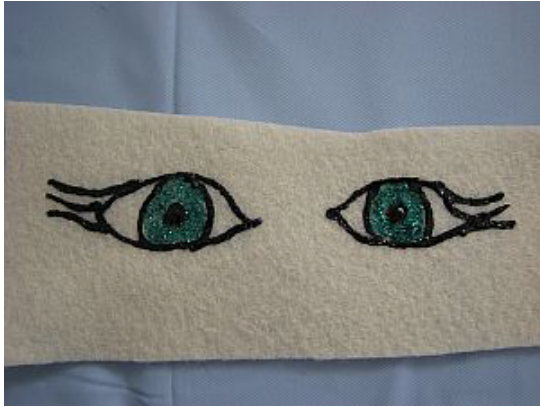


Cut 3 of the yellow plastic spring in half, these will be the doll's bangs. Insert one cut end bet sts along hairline in front and twist to secure spring to doll. Rep with cut springs across the front of the doll's hairline. You rep this with the larger springs in back only you will need to beg at the bottom of the hairline (in bk) and work your

way up catching a st with the coils of the springs about every 2nd or 3rd row until to reach the same stopping point as the bangs.

Stuff center of hat. Glue hat on top of doll's head and over tops of the springs.

FACE:



Using the eye [pattern](#), transfer onto felt. Outline in Black fabric paint and let completely dry before you color in the eye with glitter fabric paint. Again let completely dry before cutting out. Cut out and glue to face. Outline a set of lips on red felt and when dry cut out and glue to face. With fabric paint go back and add the corners to her smile and a little line nose.

Butterfly With Spring Wings





Butterfly With Spring Wings

MATERIALS :

Bernat Baby Softee yarns in Turquoise, size F crochet hook or hook to obtain gauge, needle to take yarn, stuffing, 1½" wiggly eyes, small button for the nose, fabric paint, craft glue and 3 heart shape plastic springs.

GAUGE: 4 hdc sts = 1", 3 rows hdc = 1"

FINISHED SIZE: Large butterfly is 8" long.

BUTTERFLY:

With Turquoise yarn and F hook ch-3, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 12 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (12 sts)

RND 2-3: (2 hdc next st, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (18 sts)(27 sts)

RND 4-9: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 10-11: (Hdc dec next st, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (18 sts)(12 sts)

RND 12-13: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 14: 2 hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (24 sts)

RND 15-25: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 26: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next 4 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (20 sts)

RND 27: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next 3 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (16 sts)

RND 28: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (12 sts)

Stuff body.

RND 29: (Hdc dec next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, fasten off. (6 sts)

Cut one of the heart springs in half. You now have 2 full springs and 2 half springs. These will form the butterfly's wings. Lp one end of ea spring around the opposite end so that it forms a half circle. Sew the large springs on the bottom of ea side and the smaller spring on top of these. Glue the wiggle eyes and button to its face and make a mouth with the fabric paint.

Butterflies With Spring Bodies





Butterflies With Spring Bodies

MATERIALS:

Bernat Baby Softee yarns in Lemon and Lilac, size F crochet hook or hook to obtain gauge, needle to take yarn and 2 heart shape plastic spring.

GAUGE: 4 hdc sts = 1", 3 rows hdc = 1"

FINISHED SIZE: Small butterflies are 4" long.

BUTTERFLY WINGS:

ROW 1: With yarn and F hook ch-11, hdc 3rd ch from hook, hdc ea ch across, turn. (9 sts)

ROW 2: Ch-3, dc sa st as beg ch-3, hdc next 2 sts, sc next 3, hdc next 2, 2 dc last st, turn. (11 sts)

ROW 3: Ch-3, dc sa st as beg ch-3, 2 dc next st, hdc next 2, sc next 3, hdc next 2, 2 dc last 2 sts, turn. (15 sts)

ROW 4: Ch-3, dc sa st as beg ch-3, 2 dc next 3 sts, hdc next, sc next, sl st next 3, sc next, hdc, next, 2 dc last 4 sts, fasten off. (23 sts)

Make 2 for ea butterfly. With needle and matching thread sew the heart spring along ea straight edge of the wings. With another bit of yarn tie the back of the spring tog so it will arch slightly, knot to hold.

Snail With Spring Shell





Snail With Spring Shell

MATERIALS:

Bernat Softee Baby yarn in Lilac, size E crochet hook or hook to obtain gauge, needle to take yarn, stuffing and 1 plastic spring any shape.

GAUGE: 4 hdc sts = 1", 3 rows hdc = 1"

FINISHED SIZE: 6" long

SNAIL:

With yarn and E hook ch-3, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 8 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (8 sts)

RND 2-3: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 4: (2 hdc next st, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (12 sts)

RND 5-6: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 7: Rep rnd 4. (18 sts)

RND 8-17: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 18: (Hdc dec next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (9 sts)

RND 19-20: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 21: 2 hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (18 sts)

RND 22: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (24 sts)

RND 23-25: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 26: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (18 sts)

RND 27: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (12 sts) Stuff snail.

RND 28: Rep rnd 18, fasten off. (6 sts)

PUTTING THE SNAIL TOGETHER:

Place both ends of spring tog to form a circle. With a small amount of thread tie ends tog so it holds its shape. You will need to do this a second time. With needle and yarn sew spring to snail's body.

Face Detail



UFO's





UFO'S

MATERIALS:

Size 10 crochet thread in any colors, size 7 crochet hook or hook to obtain gauge, needle to take thread, stuffing, small amount of cardboard, craft glue and 1 plastic spring in any shape (for ea UFO made).

GAUGE: 9 hdc sts = 1", 7 rows hdc = 1"

BASIC UFO TOP:

With thread and 7 hook ch-3, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 8 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (8 sts)

RND 2-4: (2 hdc next st, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (12 sts)(18 sts)(27 sts)

RND 5: (2 hdc next st, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (36 sts)

RND 6: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, fasten off.

BOTTOM TO UFO TOP:

With thread and 7 hook rep rnd 1-5 of basic top, fasten off end rnd 5.

Stuff lightly and sew bottom to top.

BASIC UFO BASE:

With thread and 7 hook rep rnd 1-5 of basic ufo top.

RND 6: Bk Lp hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 7: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 8: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (27 sts)

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Cut a piece of cardboard the size of top (rnd 1-5) insert into base.

RND 9: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (18 sts)

RND 10-13: Rep rnd 7.

RND 14: (2 hdc next st, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (27 sts)

RND 15: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (36 sts)

RND 16: Rep rnd 7, fasten off.

Stuff base. Rep rnd 1-5 for its top. Cut another circle from cardboard and insert on top of the base as you sew its top on.

BASIC UFO SIDE POD:

With thread and 7 hook ch-3, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 10 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (10 sts)

RND 2-14: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

Stuff pod.

RND 15: (Hdc dec next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, fasten off. (5 sts)

BASIC UFO WING:

ROW 1: With thread and 7 hook ch-16, hdc 3rd ch from hook, hdc ea ch across, ch-1, turn. (14 sts)

Work in bk lp from this point on.

ROW 2: Hdc ea st across, ch-1, turn.

ROW 3: Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc ea st across, ch-1, turn. (13 sts)

ROW 4: Hdc ea st across to last 2 sts, hdc dec last 2 sts, ch-1, turn. (12 sts)

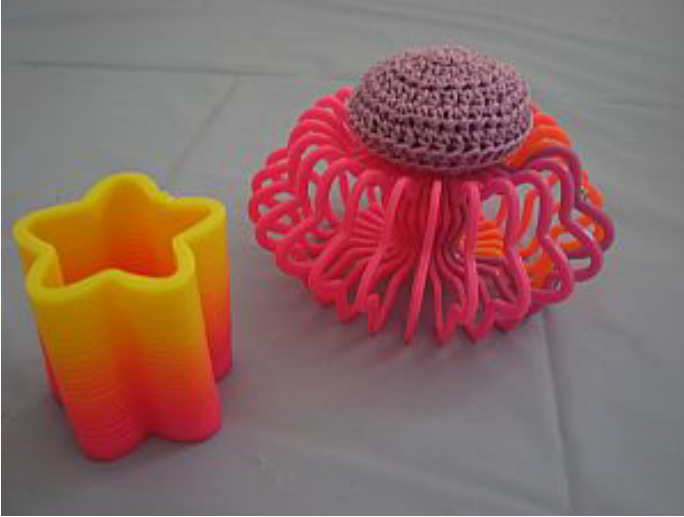
ROW 5-11: Rep row 3-4. (11 sts)(10 sts)(9 sts)(8 sts)(7 sts)(6 sts)(5 sts)(4 sts)(3 sts)

ROW 12: Hdc next st, hdc dec next 2 sts, ch-1, turn. (2 sts)

ROW 13: Rep row 2, fasten off.

Work in any color(s) and combination of parts.

Star spring & one top.



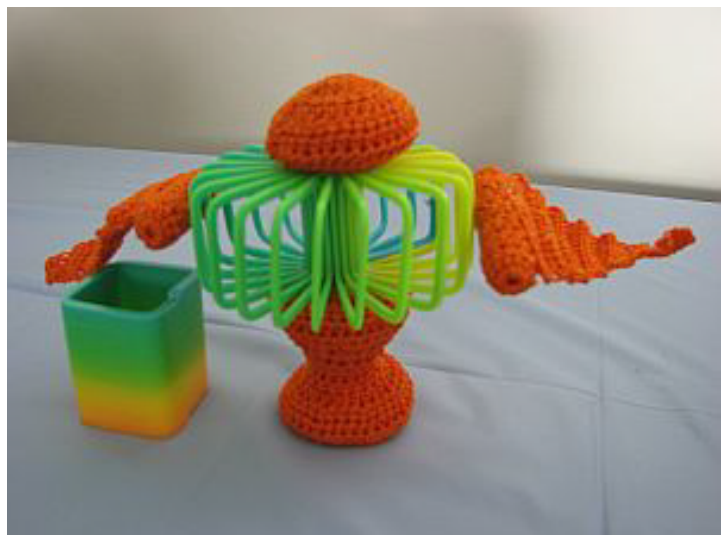
Round spring & 3 wings and one top.



Heart spring & 2 side pods and 1 wing.



Square spring & 2 wings, top, bottom and 2 side pods.



Thread Mermaids With Spring Tails





Thread Mermaids With Spring Tails

MATERIALS:

Size 10 crochet thread in Lime Green & Golden or Lilac and Pink, size 7 crochet hook or hook to obtain gauge, needle to take crochet thread, White embroidery floss, needle to take floss, stuffing, craft glue, small amount of black felt, red fabric paint and 2 star shaped spring for ea Mermaid.

GAUGE: 9 hdc sts = 1", 7 rows hdc = 1"

FINISHED SIZE: 9" from tip of tail to top of head.

TAIL:

With Golden or Pink thread and 7 hook ch-3, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 12 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (12 sts)

RND 2-3: (2 hdc next st, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (18 sts)(27 sts)

RND 4: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (36 sts)

RND 5: Bk Lp hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

ROW 6: Hdc next 18 sts, leave remaining sts unworked, ch-1, turn. (8 sts)

ROW 7: Hdc dec ea st across, ch-1, turn.

ROW 8-14: Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc ea st across to last 2 sts, hdc dec last 2 sts, ch-1, turn. (16 sts)(14 sts)(12 sts)(10 sts)(8 sts)(6 sts)(4 sts)



ROW 15: (Hdc dec next 2 sts) twice, ch-1, turn. (2 sts)

ROW 16: Hdc ea st across, fasten off.

ROW 17: With crochet thread and 7 hook join 1st free st row 6, ch-1, hdc sa st as beg hdc, hdc next 17 sts, ch-1, turn. (18 sts)

ROW 18-27: Rep row 7-16. End row 27 fasten off.

Fold the tail so that the two sections form fins, with needle and matching crochet thread sew and stuff. Stretch the square springs several times to loosen them up. Slide one spring into the other spring. Glue the tail to one end.



MERMAID'S DRESS:

With Golden or Pink and 7 hook rep rnd 1-5 of tail.

RND 6-7: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 8: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (27 sts)

RND 9: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (18 sts)

RND 10-13: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 14: (2 hdc next st, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (27 sts)

RND 15: Hdc next 11 sts, 5 dc next, sc next 3, 5 dc next, hdc last 11 sts, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (37 sts)

RND 16: Hdc next 11 sts, dc next 5, sc next 3, dc next 5, hdc last 11 sts, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 17: Sc next 16 sts, sl st next 3, sc last 16 sts, sl st top beg sc, fasten off.



Stuff.

BODY:

With Green or Lilac thread and 7 hook ch-3, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 10 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (10 sts)

RND 2: (2 hdc next st, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (15 sts)

RND 3: (2 hdc next 2 sts, hdc next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (20

sts)

RND 4-6: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 7: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next 3 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (16 sts)

RND 8: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (12 sts)

RND 9-10: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 11-12: (2 hdc next st, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (18 sts)(27 sts)

RND 13-15: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. End rnd 15 fasten off.

Stuff and sew to dress at inside. (overlap a couple of rnds)

ARM:

With Green or Lilac and 7 hook ch-3, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 8 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (8 sts)

RND 2-6: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 7: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 3 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (10 sts)

RND 8-9: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 10: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 4 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (12 sts)

RND 11-15: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. End rnd 15 fasten off.

-make 2. Fold flat and to mermaid at shoulders. With White floss and needle make small lps on head for hair. Glue finished torso to top of spring. Cut tiny (I used a 1\6" scrape booking hole punch) eyes from black felt and glue to face. With red fabric paint make a small mouth.



Doll With Spring Skirt





Doll With Spring Skirt

MATERIALS:

Size 10 crochet thread in Red, size 7 crochet hook or hook to obtain gauge, needle to take thread, stuffing, 1" set doll head and hands, craft glue, small amount of cardboard and 2 square shape springs.

GAUGE: 9 hdc sts = 1", 7 rows hdc = 1"

FINISHED SIZE: 7" tall

DOLL BODY:

With Red and 7 hook ch-8, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 12 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (12 sts)

RND 2: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 3: 2 hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (24 sts)

RND 4: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (32 sts)

RND 5-7: Rep rnd 2.

RND 8: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next 6 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (28 sts)

RND 9: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next 5 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (24 sts)

RND 10: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (18 sts)

RND 11-14: Rep rnd 2.

RND 15: 2 hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (36 sts)

RND 16-17: Rep rnd 2.

RND 18: (2 hdc next st, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (54 sts)

RND 19-20: Rep rnd 2.

RND 21: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 5 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (63 sts)

RND 22-24: Rep rnd 2. End rnd 24 fasten off.

BOTTOM TO DOLL:

With Red and 7 hook ch-3, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 12 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (12 sts)

RND 2-3: (2 hdc next st, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (18 sts)(27 sts)

RND 4: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (36 sts)

RND 5: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 3 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (45 sts)

RND 6: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 4 sts) around, sl st top beg, hdc ch-1, turn. (54 sts)

RND 7: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 5 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, fasten off. (63 sts)

Cut a piece of cardboard the sa size as the bottom. Stuff doll and sew on bottom inserting cardboard as you sew. Glue head to top of doll.

SLEEVE:

With Red and 7 hook, ch-3, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 12 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (12 sts)

RND 2: 2 hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (24 sts)

RND 3-6: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 7: (Hdc dec next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (12 sts) Stuff top to this point.

RND 8: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (8 sts)

RND 9-14: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. End rnd 14 fasten off.

-make 2. Insert doll's hand in ea sleeve gluing to hold. Either sew or glue sleeves to ea side of doll at shoulders.

SPRING BOTTOM:

Place both ends of one spring tog to form a circle. With a small amount of thread tie ends tog so it holds its shape. You will need to do this a second time. Rep on other spring.

Glue one spring on top the other. Glue doll to top of stacked springs. Can either be used as decorations (wouldn't it be nice to have one by ea place sitting at a birthday parts) or use as a pincushion.

Chihuahua In A Sombrero





Chihuahua In a Sombrero

MATERIALS:

Bernat Baby Softee yarn in lilac, size 10 crochet thread in White, Black & Blue, size E & 7 crochet hooks or hooks to obtain gauge, needle to take yarn, stuffing, small amount of cardboard, craft glue, 14 white 1½” pom-poms and 1 heart shaped plastic spring.

GAUGE: Bernat Softee: 4 hdc sts = 1”, 3 rows hdc = 1”. Thread: 4 sts = 1½”, 3 rows = 1½”

FINISHED SIZE: 5” tall without hat.

DOG:

With Lilac and E hook ch-3, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 12 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (12 sts)

RND 2-3: (2 hdc next st, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

(18 sts)(27 sts)

RND 4: Bk Lp hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 5-6: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 7: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next 7 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (24 sts)



At this point cut a piece of cardboard to fit inside of head, this will give a stable place for the hat to sit when

the dog is finished.

RND 8: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next 4 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (20 sts)

RND 9: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (15 sts)

RND 10-12: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 13: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (20 sts)

RND 14-17: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 18: Rep rnd 9. (15 sts)

RND 19: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next 3 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (12 sts)

Stuff dog.

RND 20: (Hdc dec next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, fasten off.

FRONT LEGS:

With Lilac and E hook ch-3, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 10 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (10 sts)

RND 2: Bk Lp hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 3-9: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. End rnd 9 fasten off.

-make 2. Stuff legs half way and sew to dog at neck.

BACK LEGS:

With Lilac and E hook rep rnd 1-7 of front legs. Fasten off end rnd 7.

-make 2. Stuff legs and sew to back of dog.

TAIL:

ROW 1: With Lilac and E hook ch-3, hdc 3rd ch from hook, ch-1, turn. (1 st)

ROW 2: 2 hdc only st, ch-1, turn. (2 sts)

ROW 3: Hdc ea st across, ch-1, turn.

ROW 4: 2 hdc ea st across, ch-1, turn. (4 sts)

ROW 5: Rep row 3, fasten off.

Fold the tail in half and sew tog. Sew to back of dog.

EAR:

ROW 1: With Lilac and E hook ch-4, hdc 3rd ch from hook, hdc last ch, ch-1, turn. (2 sts)

ROW 2: 2 hdc ea st across, ch-1, turn. (4 sts)

ROW 3: 2 hdc next st, hdc next 2 sts, 2 hdc last st, ch-1, turn. (6 sts)

ROW 4-8: Hdc ea st across, ch-1, turn. End row 8 fasten off.

-make 2. Sew one ea to ea side of dog at rnd 4-bk lp rnd.

MUZZLE:

With Lilac and E hook ch-3, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 8 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (8 sts)

RND 2-3: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 4: 2 hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, fasten off. (16 sts)

Stuff muzzle and sew to the center of the dog's face.

NOSE:

ROW 1: With Black thread and 7 hook ch-2, sc 2nd ch from hook, ch-1, turn. (1 st)

ROW 2: 2 sc only st, ch-1, turn. (2 sts)

ROW 3: 2 sc ea st across, ch-1, turn. (4 sts)

ROW 4: 2 sc next st, sc next 2 sts, 2 sc last st, fasten off. (6 sts)

Sew nose to muzzle at rnd 1.

EYE:

ROW 1: With Black thread and 7 hook ch-4, sc 2nd ch from hook, sc next ch, 3 hdc last ch, turn piece so you are now working across the bottom of the foundation ch (in bottom of sts just made), sc next 2, join White, fasten off Black, ch-1, turn. (7 sts)

ROW 2: Sc next 2 sts, (hdc, dc) next, 2 dc next, (dc, hdc) next, sc last 2 sts, ch-1, turn. (10 sts)

ROW 3: Sc next 3 sts, (hdc, dc) next, 2 dc next 2, (dc, hdc) next, sc last 3 sts, fasten off. (14 sts)

-make 2. Sew to dog's face.

COLLAR:

ROW 1: With Blue thread and 7 hook, ch-6, hdc 3rd ch from hook, hdc ea ch across, ch-1, turn. (4 sts)

ROW 2-28: Hdc ea st across, ch-1, turn. End row 28 fasten off.

Sew around neck of dog.

BOW TIE:

ROW 1: With Blue thread and 7 hook ch-10, hdc 3rd ch from hook, hdc ea ch across, ch-1, turn. (8 sts)

ROW 2-11: Hdc ea st across, ch-1, turn. End row 11 fasten off.

Gather center of tie tightly to form the bow tie. Sew tie to center front neck of dog.

TOP OF SOMBRERO:

With Blue thread and 7 hook ch-3, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 8 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (8 sts)

RND 2: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 3: (2 hdc next st, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (12 sts)

RND 4: Rep rnd 2.

RND 5: Rep rnd 3. (18 sts)

RND 6: Rep rnd 2.

RND 7: Rep rnd 3. (27 sts)

RND 8: Rep rnd 2.

RND 9: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (36 sts)

RND 10: Rep rnd 2, fasten off.

BOTTOM FOR TOP OF SOMBRERO:

With Blue thread and 7 hook ch-3, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 8 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (8 sts)

RND 2-4: (2 hdc next st, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (12 sts)(18 sts)(27 sts)

RND 5: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, fasten off.

Stuff top of sombrero and sew bottom to it. Open heart shaped spring so that it forms a circle. Tie ea end

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spring tog so it will stay. You sill need to do that twice. Turn the spring so that the small curve of the heart forms the bottom and the larger curve the top, glue finished hat top to center of larger curve (top) of spring hat.

HAT TRIM:

ROW 1: With Blue thread and 7 hook ch-3, sc 2nd ch from hook, sc last ch, ch-1, turn. (2 sts)

ROW 2: Sc ea st across, ch-1, turn.

Rep row 2 until piece will fit around the spring hat.

Turn piece so you will be working across the long edge or in ends or ea row, (sl st next 6 rows, ch-10, sl st sa st as ch-10) across ending with sl st next 6 rows to the end, fasten off.

Glue one pom-pom to the end of ea ch-10 lp. Glue finished band around bottm edge of spring hat. Glue hat to dog.

Sombrero Detail



Sheep Dog With Plastic Spring “Fur”





Sheep Dog With Plastic Spring “Fur”

MATERIALS:

Bernat Baby Softee yarn in Lemon, size 10 crochet thread in Red, Black & White, size F & 7 crochet hooks or hooks to obtain gauge, needle to take yarn, stuffing, craft glue and 8 plastic springs.

GAUGE: 4 hdc sts = 1”, 3 rows hdc = 1”

FINISHED SIZE: 3” tall X 6” long

BODY:

With Lemon yarn and F hook ch-3, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 12 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (12 sts)

RND 2-3: (2 hdc next st, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (18 sts)(27 sts)

RND 4-13: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 14-15: (Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (18 sts)(12 sts)

Stuff body.

RND 16: (Hdc dec next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, fasten off. (6 sts)

LEGS:

With Lemon yarn and F hook ch-3, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 12 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (12 sts)

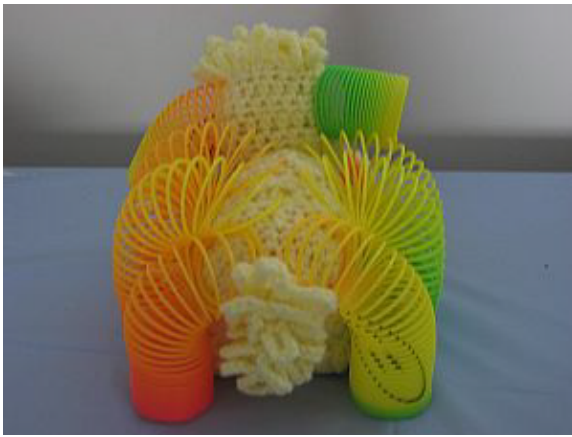
RND 2: Bk Lp hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

RND 3: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, fasten off.

-make four. Stuff ea leg and sew to the bottom of the body. Find the center along the dog’s back. Insert the

cut end of one spring bet sts and twist so it will stay. Rep twice more on that side and 3 times on the other side.

With needle and yarn tack to pulled out spring to the dog's side so that it slinks down to its feet. You will also need to tie the springs tog at their centers so that they form a continuous "fur" across ea side.



TAIL:

ROW 1: With Lemon yarn and F hook ch-6, sc 2nd ch from hook, sc ea ch across, turn. (5 sts)

ROW 2: (Ch-8, sl st next st) across, ch-1, turn. (5 lps made)

ROW 3: Press lps to bk of pieces, sc ea st across, turn.

ROW 4-11: Rep row 2-3. End row 11 fasten off.

Fold tail in half lengthwise and sew close. Sew tail on the dog's behind.

HEAD:

RND 1: With Lemon yarn and F hook ch-8, hdc 3rd ch from hook, hdc next 4 ch, 3 hdc last ch, turn piece so you are now working across the bottom of the foundation row (in bottom of sts just made), hdc next 4, 2 hdc last, sl st top beg hdc, turn. (14 sts)

RND 2: (Ch-8, sl st next st) around, ch-1, turn. (14 lps made)

RND 3: Press lp to bk of piece, 2 hdc next st, hdc next 4, 2 hdc next 3, hdc next 4, 2hdc last 2 sts, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (20 sts)

RND 4-10: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. End rnd 10 fasten off.

BOTTOM FOR HEAD:

RND 1: With Lemon yarn and F hook ch-8, hdc 3rd ch from hook, hdc next 4 ch, 3 hdc last ch, turn piece so you are now working across the bottom of the foundation row (in bottom of sts just made), hdc next 4, 2 hdc last, sl

st top beg hdc, turn. (14 sts)

RND 2: 2 hdc next st, hdc next 4, 2 hdc next 3, hdc next 4, 2hdc last 2 sts, sl st top beg hdc, fasten off. (20 sts)

DOG'S MUZZLE:

With Lemon yarn and F hook ch-2, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 12 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, turn. (12 sts)

RND 2: (Ch-8, sl st next st) around, ch-1, turn. (12 lps made)

RND 3: Press lps to bk of piece, (2 hdc next st, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, fasten off. (18 sts)
-make 2.

NOSE:

ROW 1: With Black thread and 7 hook ch-4, hdc 3rd ch from hook, hdc last ch, ch-1, turn. (2 sts)

ROW 2: 2 hdc next 2 sts, ch-1, turn. (4 sts)

ROW 3-5: 2 hdc next st, hdc ea st across to last st, 2 hdc last st, ch-1, turn. (6 sts)(8 sts)(10 sts)

ROW 6: Hdc ea st across, fasten off.

-make 2. Sew tog, stuffing as you sew.

TONGUE:

ROW 1: With Red thread and 7 hook ch-6, hdc 3rd ch from hook, hdc ea ch across, ch-1, turn. (4 sts)

ROW 2-3: 2 hdc next st, hdc ea st across to last st, 2 hdc last st, ch-1, turn. (6 sts)(8 sts)

ROW 4-8: Hdc ea st across, ch-1, turn. End row 8 fasten off.

EYE:

ROW 1: With Black thread and 7 hook ch-4, sc 2nd ch from hook, sc next ch, 4 dc last ch, turn piece so you are now working across the bottom of the foundation ch (in bottom of sts just made), sc last 2, join White, fasten off Black, ch-1, turn. (8 sts)

ROW 2: Sc next 3 sts, 3 dc next 2, sc last 3 sts, ch-1, turn. (12 sts)

ROW 3: Sc next 3 sts, 2 dc next 6, sc last 3 sts, fasten off. (18 sts)

-make 2.

PUTTING THE HEAD TOGETHER:

With needle and matching thread sew eyes and nose to dog's face. With a pair of scissors cut 8 rings off of last 2 springs. Set the smaller pieces aside. Twist the cut end of ea larger spring into side on dog's head to form the ears. Twist the cut end of ea of the smaller springs into dog's face to form the dog's muzzle (under his nose). Sew or glue tongue into place. Glue crochet muzzles onto top of spring muzzles. Stuff head and sew bottom close. Glue head to dog's body.

Head with ears and spring muzzle attached.



Head with ears, spring muzzle and
crochet muzzle on top of that.



Finished head on dog's body



Smiley Spring Hat





Smiley Spring Hat

MATERIALS:

4 ply yarn in Red and small amount in Black, size H crochet hook or hook to obtain gauge, needle to take yarn, and 7 yellow plastic spring with smiley faces.

GAUGE: 4 hdc sts = 1", 3 rows hdc = 1"

FINISHED SIZE: will fit most adults.

HAT:

With Red and h hook ch-3, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 12 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (12 sts)

RND 2-3: (2 hdc next st, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (18 sts)(27 sts)

RND 4: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 2 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (36 sts)

RND 5: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 3 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (45 sts)

RND 6: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 4 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (54 sts)

RND 7: (2 hdc next st, hdc next 5 sts) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (63 sts)

RND 8-21: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. End rnd 21 join Black, fasten off Red.

RND 22-23: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. End rnd 23 fasten off.

Beg at the center top of hat, insert cut end of spring bet a couple of sts, twist until several of the spring's rings are to the wrong side of the hat. Rep with the remaining 6 spring placing then around the first spring you place onto the hat. With needle and matching thread sew the springs to the wrong side of the hat.



EYES:

RND 1: With Black and H hook ch-5, hdc 3rd ch from hook, hdc next, 3 hdc last, turn piece so you are now working across the bottom of the foundation ch (in bottom of sts just made), hdc next, 2 hdc last, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (8 sts)

RND 2: 2 hdc next 2 sts, hdc next, 2 hdc next 3, hdc next, 2 hdc last st, sl st top beg hdc, fasten off. (14 sts)
-make 2. Sew eyes to front of hat.

Additional views of hat.



Star Spring Necklace and Bracelet





Star Spring Necklace

MATERIALS:

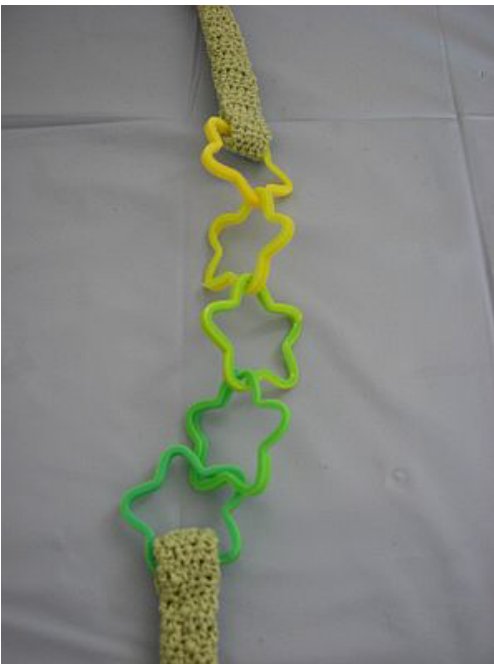
Size 10 crochet thread in Lime Green, size 7 crochet hook or hook to obtain gauge, needle to take thread and

1 star shaped plastic spring.

GAUGE: 9 hdc sts = 1", 7 rows hdc = 1"

FINISHED SIZE: 34" long.

NECKLACE:



With thread and 7 hook ch-4, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 10 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (10 sts)

RND 2-182: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. End rnd 182 fasten off.

Cut 5 full star shapes from the spring. Link stars into a chain.

With needle and crochet thread sew one end around the first star in the chain and the other end around the last star in the chain.



Star Spring Bracelet

MATERIALS:

Size 10 crochet thread in Light Blue, size 7 crochet hook or hook to obtain gauge, needle to take thread and 1 star shaped plastic spring.

GAUGE: 9 hdc sts = 1", 7 rows hdc = 1"

FINISHED SIZE: will stretch to fit.

STRAP:

With thread and 7 hook ch-4, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 10 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (10 sts)

RND 2: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn.

Rep rnd 2 until strap will fit around your wrist minus 3", fasten off.

Find center ring to spring and cut at that point.

With needle and crochet thread sew ea end around at least 2 rings on ea end of spring.



Heart Spring Purse





Heart Spring Purse

MATERIALS:

4 ply yarn in Black, size H crochet hook or hook to obtain gauge, needle to take yarn, 8 heart shaped plastic springs, small amount of fabric for lining, sewing needle and matching sewing thread.

GAUGE: 4 hdc sts = 1", 3 rows hdc = 1"

FINISHED SIZE: 9" tall, 11" wide and 2" deep.

FRONT-BACK:

ROW 1: With yarn and H hook ch-42, hdc 3rd ch from hook, hdc ea ch across, ch-1, turn. (40 sts)

ROW 2-25: Hdc ea st across, ch-1, turn. End rnd 25 fasten off.

-make 2.

SIDE-BOTTOM:

ROW 1: With yarn and H hook ch-8, hdc 3rd ch from hook, hdc ea ch across, ch-1, turn. (6 sts)

ROW 2-34: Hdc ea st across, ch-1, turn. End row 34 fasten off.

TOP GUSSET:

ROW 1: With yarn and H hook ch-6, hdc 3rd ch from hook, hdc ea ch across, ch-1, turn. (4 sts)

ROW 2-34: Hdc ea st across, ch-1, turn. End row 34, fasten off.

-make 2.

STRAP:

ROW 1: With yarn and H hook ch-5, hdc 3rd ch from hook, hdc ea ch across, ch-1, turn. (3 sts)

ROW 2-85: Hdc ea st across, ch-1, turn. End row 85 fasten off.

PUTTING IT ALL TOGETHER:

Cut the 8 heart springs in half. Arrange the cut springs onto the front of the purse in four rows of four springs ea. Take the cut end of ea spring and twist several rings to the back of the piece. This will take several attempts to get them all spaced right and in line. With needle and yarn sew the springs to the back of the piece.

Using the front as a guide, cut one out of your lining material. Fold edges under so that there is about a 1\4" space bet it and the front of the purse when laid tog. With needle and thread sew lining to wrong side of front in order to cover the springs.

Sew the long edge of the side-bottom around 3 sides of the front. Sew the back to this.

Sew one gusset long one long edge and across the side along top edge of purse. Rep with other gusset on other side-there will be an over-lap of 2 stitches.

Sew strap to ea side of purse.

Front of purse with cut heart springs attached.



Detail of sewn hearts on the wrong side of purse



Wrong side of purse front with lining sewn on.



Abbreviations used in this book

Ch = Chain

St = Stitch

Sl St = Slip Stitch

Sc = Single Crochet

Hdc = Half Double Crochet

Dc = Double Crochet

Trc = Treble Crochet

Rnd = Round

Beg = Beginning

Rep = Repeat

Bet = Between

Sk = Skip

Dec = Decrease

Tog = Together

Ea = Each

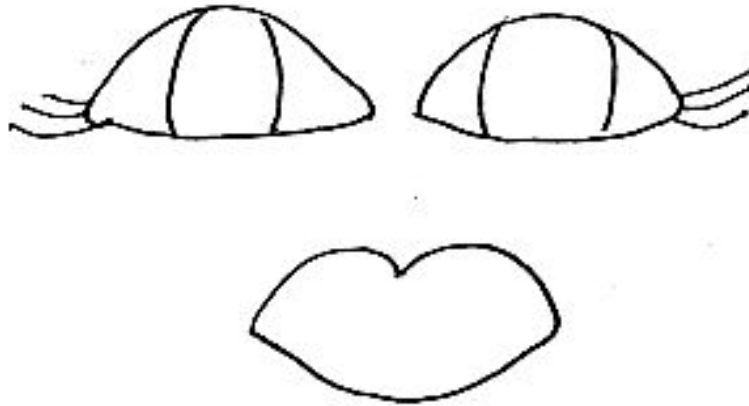
Sa = Same

Lp = Loop

Sp = Space

Bk = Back

Pattern for Doll with Curls



Resources

All items needed to make each project are listed under the section: Materials at the beginning of every pattern. All yarns are listed by brands names and were found at my local craft stores. All of the plastic springs were bought at my local party store and can easily be found on the web key word: plastic springs.