

lovey the lovely

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Lovey was born on Valentine's Day. She knew she was a little different, what with the horns and all, but with beautiful girly stripes, she decided to embrace her monstrous good looks and adorn her graceful horns with a tiny flower. She smiled, batted her eyelashes, and I took her picture. She wants to be a model when she grows up (in a calendar of course)!

Finished Size: 6½" tall.

Yarn: Worsted Weight (#4 Medium).

Shown Here: Cascade 220 (100% Peruvian highland wool; 220 yd [200 m]/3½ oz [100 g]; , #9478 (pink; MC), #7808 (purple; CC1), #8909 (fuchsia; CC2), #8509 (gray; CC3), 1 hank each.

Hook: Size E/4 (3.5 mm) Adjust hook size if necessary to obtain correct gauge.

Notions: White felt; st marker (m); two 9 mm black safety eyes; sewing needle and white thread; black embroidery floss; polyester fiberfill; craft glue.

Gauge: Gauge is not critical for this project.

Skill Level: Easy.

Notes

Exact gauge is not necessary for this project. Gauge should be tight enough to make a fabric that will hold the stuffing in place and keep its shape.

All pieces are worked in spirals. Do not join rnds. Use st marker (m) to indicate beg of rnd, move m up as each rnd is completed.

To change color, work last st of old color to last yo. Yo with new color and draw through all lps on hook. Proceed with new color. Fasten off old color.

Body is worked through Rnd 36, then eyes are made before cont body. This is for ease in attaching safety eyes.

STITCH GUIDE

Bobble: Yo, insert hook in indicated st and pull up lp (3 lps on hook), [yo, insert hook in same st and pull up lp] 2 times (7 lps on hook), yo and draw through all 7 lps on hook.

BODY

Rnd 1: With MC, make an adjustable lp (see Glossary), 6 sc in lp—6 sc.

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each st around—12 sc.

Rnd 3: [2 sc in next st, sc in next st] 6 times—18 sc.

Rnd 4: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts] 6 times—24 sc.

Rnd 5: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts] 6 times—30 sc.

Rnd 6: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts] 6 times—36 sc.

Rnd 7: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts] 6 times—42 sc.

Rnds 8–14: Sc around, change to CC1 in last st.

Rnds 15–17: Sc around, change to CC2 in last st.

Rnd 18: Sc around.

Rnd 19: [Sc2tog, sc in next 5 sts] 6 times—36 sc.

Rnds 20–21: Sc around.

Rnd 22: [Sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts] 6 times, change to MC in last st—30 sc.

Rnds 23–24: Sc around, change to CC1 in last st.

Rnd 25: Sc around, change to CC2 in last st.

Rnd 26: Sc around.

Rnd 27: [Sc2tog, sc in next 3 sts] 6 times—24 sc.

Rnd 28: Sc around, change to MC in last st.

Rnd 29: Sc around, change to CC1 in last st.

Rnd 30: Sc around.

Shape leg:

Rnd 31: Sc in next 12 sts, sk next 12 sts—12 sc.

Rnd 32: Beg at first st of Rnd 31, sc around, change to CC2 in last st.

Rnds 33–34: Sc around, change to MC in last st.

Rnd 35: Sc in next 7 sts, 3 hdc in next st, hdc in next 3 sts, 3 hdc in next st—16 sts.

Rnd 36: Sc in next 8 sts, [bobble (see Stitch Guide) in next st (for toe), sl st in next st] 3 times, sc in next 2 sts. Fasten off.

EYES (MAKE 2)

Cut 2 ovals from white felt. Cut tiny slits in center of felt and insert one safety eye into each oval. Attach safety eyes to face. Sew edges of white felt down with white thread. With black embroidery floss, embroider straight st eyelashes, using photograph as a guide. Stuff body.

SECOND LEG

Rnd 1: Join CC1 with sc in first skipped st of Rnd 30, sc in each rem skipped st around—12 sc.

Rnds 2–4: Rep Rnds 32–34 of shape leg to form other leg.

Rnd 5: Sc in next 2 sts, 3 hdc in next st, hdc in next 3 sts, 3 hdc in next st, sc in next 5 sts—16 sts.

Rnd 6: Sc in next 4 sts, [bobble in next st, sl st in next st] 3 times, sc in next 6 sts. Fasten off.



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SOLE OF FOOT (MAKE 2)

Rnd 1: With MC, ch 4, sc in bottom ridge lp of 2nd ch from hook and in next ch, 3 hdc in next ch, rotate to work across other side of ch, sc in next 2 ch, sc in beg ch; do not join—8 sts.

Rnd 2: Sc in next 2 sts, 3 hdc in next st, hdc in next st, 3 hdc in next st, sc in next 3 sts—12 sts.

Rnd 3: Sc in next 3 sts, 3 hdc in next st, hdc in next 3 sts, 3 hdc in next st, sc in next 4 sts—16 sts. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Stuff legs firmly. Sew soles of feet to bottom of each leg, making them a little flat so monster will stand.

ARMS (MAKE 2)

Rnd 1: Beg at hand, with CC2, make an adjustable lp, 6 sc in lp—6 sc.

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each st around—12 sc.

Rnds 3–5: Sc around, change to CC1 in last st.

Rnd 6: Sc in next 5 sts, bobble in next st, sc in next 6 sts.

Rnds 7–8: Sc around, change to MC in last st.

Rnds 9–10: Sc around, change to CC2 in last st.

Rnd 11: Sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 5 sts, change to CC2 in last st—11 sc.

Rnd 12: Sc around.

Rnd 13: Sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 7 sts—10 sc.

Rnds 14–15: Sc around, change to MC in last st.

Rnds 16–17: Sc around, change to CC2 in last st.

Rnds 18–20: Sc around, change to CC2 in last st.

Rnd 21: Sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts—9 sc.

Rnd 22: Sc around, change to MC in last st.

Rnds 23–25: Sc around, change to CC2 in last st.

Rnd 26: Sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts—8 sc. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Stuff arm firmly. Thread tail through sts of last rnd and pull to close opening. Sew arm to body.

HORNS (MAKE 2)

Rnd 1: With CC3, make an adjustable lp, 3 sc in lp—3 sc.

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each st around—6 sc.

Rnds 3–4: Sc around.

Rnd 4: [2 sc in next st, sc in next st] 3 times—9 sc.

Rnd 6–7: Sc in next 3 sts, hdc in next 3 sts, sc in next 3 sts.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Stuff and sew to head.

MOUTH

Using 6 strands of black embroidery floss, embroider a wide smile across face. Cut small triangle from white felt (for tooth) and glue to mouth.

FLOWER

Rnd 1: With CC2, make an adjustable lp, 9 sc in lp, sl st in first sc to join.

Rnd 2: *Ch 1, (dc, hdc) in next st, sl st in next st; rep from * around, working last sl st in joining sl st.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail. Sew onto head near one horn.

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