

Little 'Uns



Microceratus

When crocheted with yarn and hook specified, Microceratus measures 13 inches L with a standing height of 8 inches.

This pattern is crocheted in the amigurumi style of continuous rounds beginning from a double yarn loop. Marking the last stitch of increase and decrease rounds with a small length of yarn or a safety pin will help you to keep track.

Materials

F/5 3.75mm crochet hook

5 ounces Caron Simply Soft 'Sunshine' (or other soft worsted weight) yarn

2 ounces Caron Simply Soft 'Blue Mint' (or other soft worsted weight) yarn

1 yard tan yarn for mouth

15mm animal safety eyes (or 2 (5/8") solid-front buttons)

Sewing thread, needle and pins

Polyester fiberfill for stuffing (4 - 5 ounces)

Yarn needle



Pattern abbreviations

Rnd - Round

ch - chain

sc - single crochet stitch

hdc - half double crochet stitch

sc inc - single crochet increase (2 single crochet stitches into 1 stitch)

sc dec - single crochet decrease (insert hook into 1st sc, draw up loop, insert hook into next sc, draw up loop, yarn over and pull hook through all loops)

Sl st: Slip stitch

yo: yarn over

BLO: Back Loops Only

FLO: Front Loops Only

- Repeat directions between * as indicated

Mouth

Use tan yarn and F hook

Leaving a 6 inch length of yarn on end of ch, ch 5, tie off, leaving an 8 inch yarn length. With yarn needle, thread shorter yarn length and pull yarn to inside on one side under tip of snout to anchor, arrange mouth in preferred expression, thread yarn needle with longer end, pull to inside and back out through 1st ch on that end, sew in and out over chains to end, pull yarn to inside and tie together with shorter end, trim ends.

Head/Frill

Begin with Sunshine yarn and F hook

Crochet 6 sc into double loop, pull loop end to close

Rnd 1: *2 sc, 2 sc inc* 2 times (8 sc)

Rnd 2: 2 sc; *2 sc inc* 4 times; 2 sc (12 sc)

Rnd 3: *3 sc, 2 sc inc* 3 times (15 sc)

Rnd 4: 4 sc, 2 sc inc; *3 times (18 sc)

Rnd 5: 18 sc

Rnd 6: *4 sc, 2 sc inc* 3 times; 3 sc (21 sc)

Rnd 7: 5 sc; *2 sc, 2 sc inc* 3 times; 7 sc (24 sc)

Rnd 8: 5 sc, 2 sc inc; *3 sc, 2 sc inc * 3 times; 6 sc (28 sc)

Rnd 9: 28 sc

Rnd 10: 4 sc, 2 sc inc; *8 sc, 2 sc inc* 2 times; 5 sc (31 sc)

Rnd 11: 6 sc, 2 sc inc; *5 sc, 2 sc inc* 3 times; 6 sc (35 sc)

Rnd 12: 35 sc



Rnd 13: 5 sc, 2 sc inc; *7 sc, 2 sc inc* 3 times; 5 sc (39 sc)

Rnd 14: 39 sc

Sew on mouth

Rnd 15: 4 sc, 2 sc inc; *5 sc, 2 sc inc* 5 times; 4 sc (45 sc)

Rnds 16-18: 45 sc (3 rounds)

(Beginning frill) Work 6 sc, changing yarn to blue on last sc (tie blue yarn end to Sunshine yarn but do not cut Sunshine yarn); in BLO work 32 sc, ch 1, turn (32 sc)

Row 2: In FLO: *10 sc, 2 sc inc* 2 times; 10 sc, ch 1, turn (34 sc)

Row 3: In alternating BLO and FLO sc: 34 sc, ch 1, turn

Row 4: In FLO: *11 sc, 2 sc inc* 2 times, 10 sc, ch 1, turn (36 sc)

Row 5: In alternating BLO and FLO sc: 36 sc, ch 1, turn

Row 6: In FLO: *11 sc, 2 sc inc* 2 times; 12 sc, ch 1, turn (38 sc)

Row 7: In alternating BLO and FLO sc: 38 sc, ch 1, turn

Row 8: In FLO: 18 sc, 2 sc inc, 19 sc, tie off.

With WS of frill facing you and using blue yarn, sl st into corner where frill and head meet, sc into same st, 6 sc along row ends, 3 sc into corner (through both loops), alternate 37 BLO and FLO sc along top, 3 sc into corner (through both loops), 7 sc into row ends, ch 1, turn

1 sc, ch 2, 1 sc into 1st sc, *skip 1 sc, 1 sc into each next 2 sc, 1 sc, ch 2, 1 sc into next sc* repeat between * along perimeter of frill, tie off, weave in ends.

Back of head

Insert hook into the 1st unworked front loop of the Sunshine yarn (behind frill), yo and pull through (making a sl st), work 44 sc around, working the front loops behind frill and through both loops on the rest of the sts

Rnd 1: (Sl st is 1st st of round) 45 sc

Rnd 2: *7 sc, 2 sc dec* 5 times (40 sc)

Rnd 3: *6 sc, 2 sc dec* 5 times (35 sc)

Rnd 4: 35 sc

Rnd 5: *5 sc, 2 sc dec* 5 times (30 sc)

Rnd 6: *4 sc, 2 sc dec* 5 times (25 sc)

Stuff head, shaping snout and face and adding more stuffing as necessary as you close

Rnd 7: *3 sc, 2 sc dec* 5 times (20 sc)

Rnd 8: *2 sc, 2 sc dec* 5 times (15 sc)

Rnd 9: *1 sc, 2 sc dec* 5 times (10 sc)

Rnds 10-11: *2 sc dec* 6 times to close.

Tie off, thread end with yarn needle, draw it through closing round and back out a couple rounds away, pull taut and snip close to head to keep end inside.



Arms (make 2)

Begin with blue yarn and F hook

Crochet 6 sc into double loop, pull loop end to close

Rnd 1: *1 sc, 2 sc inc* 3 times (9 sc)

Rnd 2: 1 sc into each of 3 sc, *1 sc, ch 4, 1 sc into 3rd ch from top, 1 sc into same sc as chs* 3 times, 1 sc into each of 3 sc (9 sc and 3 ch 'fingers')

Rnd 3: 1 sc into each of 3 sc, *1 sc between ch fingers* 2 times, 1 sc into each next 3 sc, changing yarn to Sunshine on the last sc (8 sc)

Rnds 4-10: 8 sc (7 rounds)

Rnd 11: *2 sc inc* 2 times, 1 sc into each next 2 sc, skip over 2 sc, 1 sc into each next 2 sc (8 sc)

Rnds 12-14: 8 sc (3 rounds)

Rnd 15: 7 sc, 2 sc inc (9 sc)

Rnd 16: 9 sc

Sl st into next sc, tie off, leaving long enough yarn length to sew arm to body later.

Legs (make 2)

Begin with blue yarn and F hook

Crochet 6 sc into double loop, pull loop end to close

Rnd 1: *2 sc into each sc* 6 times (12 sc)

Rnd 2: *1 sc, 2 sc inc* 6 times (18 sc)

Rnd 3: 2 sc into 1st sc, 1 sc into each next 4 sc, *1 hdc into next sc, 1 sc into each next 2 sc* 2 times, 1 hdc into next sc, 1 sc into each next 5 sc, 2 sc into last sc (20 sts)

Rnd 4: 2 sc into 1st sc, 1 sc into each next 5 sc, *3 hdc into next sc, 2 sc into next sc, 1 sc into next sc* 2 times, 3 hdc into next sc, 1 sc into each next 6 sc, 2 sc into last sc (30 sc)

Rnd 5: 1 sc into each of 7 sc, *skip hdcs, 1 sc into each next 3 sc* 2 times, skip hdcs, 1 sc into each next 7 sc, 2 sc into last sc (22 sc)

Rnd 6: 1 sc into each of 5 sc, *2 sc dec* 6 times, 1 sc into each of 5 sc (16 sc)

Rnd 7: 1 sc into each of 2 sc, *2 sc dec* 6 times, 1 sc into each of 2 sc, changing yarn to Sunshine on last sc (10 sc)

Rnds 8-13: 10 sc (6 rounds)

Rnd 14: Skip over 1st sc, 1 sc into next sc, skip over next sc, 1 sc into each next 2 sc, 2 sc into each next 2 sc, 1 sc into each next 2 sc (10 sc)

Rnd 15: Skip over 1st sc, 1 sc into each next 4 sc, 2 sc into each next 2 sc, 1 sc into each next 3 sc (11 sc)

Rnd 16: 1 sc into each of 6 sc, 2 sc into next sc, 1 sc into each next 4 sc (12 sc)

Rnds 17-19: 12 sc (3 rounds)

Rnd 20: 11 sc, 2 sc inc (13 sc)

Rnds 21-22: 13 sc (2 rounds)

Rnd 23: 12 sc, 2 sc inc (14 sc)

Rnd 24: 14 sc

Sl st into next sc, tie off, leaving long enough yarn length to sew leg to body later.



Tail/Body

Begin with Sunshine yarn and F hook

Crochet 4 sc into double loop, pull loop end to close

Rnd 1: 3 sc, 2 sc inc (5 sc)

Rnd 2: 4 sc, 2 sc inc (6 sc)

Rnd 3: 5 sc, 2 sc inc (7 sc)

Rnd 4: 6 sc, 2 sc inc (8 sc)

Rnd 5: 7 sc, 2 sc inc (9 sc)

Rnds 6-8: 9 sc (3 rounds)

Rnd 9: 8 sc, 2 sc inc (10 sc)

Rnds 10-11: 10 sc (2 rounds)

Rnd 12: 9 sc, 2 sc inc (11 sc)

Rnd 13: 10 sc, 2 sc inc (12 sc)

Rnds 14-15: 12 sc (2 rounds)

Rnd 16: *5 sc, 2 sc inc* 2 times (14 sc)

Rnd 17: 14 sc

Rnd 18: *6 sc, 2 sc inc* 2 times (16 sc)

Rnd 19: 16 sc

Rnd 20: *7 sc, 2 sc inc* 2 times (18 sc)

Rnds 21-22: 18 sc (2 rounds)

Rnd 23: *5 sc, 2 sc inc* 3 times (21 sc)

Rnds 24-25: 21 sc (2 rounds)

Rnd 26: *6 sc, 2 sc inc* 3 times (24 sc)

Rnds 27-28: 24 sc (2 rounds)

Rnd 29: *5 sc, 2 sc inc* 4 times (28 sc)

Rnd 30: 28 sc

Rnd 31: *6 sc, 2 sc inc* 4 times (32 sc)

Rnd 32: *7 sc, 2 sc inc* 4 times (36 sc)

Rnd 33: 36 sc

Rnd 34: *8 sc, 2 sc inc* 4 times (40 sc)

Rnd 35: *9 sc, 2 sc inc* 4 times (44 sc)

Rnds 36-40: 44 sc (5 rounds)

Rnd 41: 6 sc, 2 sc dec; *8 sc, 2 sc dec* 3 times; 6 sc (40 sc)

Rnds 42-43: 40 sc (2 rounds)

Stuff and sew legs to the underside of body (underside is where round begins and ends)

Rnd 44: 7 sc, 2 sc dec; *6 sc, 2 sc dec* 3 times; 7 sc (36 sc)

Rnd 45: 36 sc

Rnd 46: 6 sc, 2 sc dec; *5 sc, 2 sc dec* 3 times; 7 sc (32 sc)

Rnds 47-50: 32 sc (4 rounds)

Rnd 51: 4 sc, 2 sc dec; *5 sc, 2 sc dec* 3 times; 5 sc (28 sc)

Rnds 52-58: 28 sc (7 rounds)

Stuff arms and sew to body 1 round below the last round worked. Stuff tail area

Rnd 59: *2 sc dec* 2 times; 22 sc, 2 sc dec (25 sc)

Rnd 60: 25 sc



Rnd 61: *2 sc dec* 2 times; 21 sc (23 sc)

Rnd 62: 23 sc

Sl st into next sc, tie off, leaving a long enough yarn length to sew head to body. Stuff body firmly, pin and sew on head.

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