



Forget-Me-Knot Mermaid Tail

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Materials:

- Light Sportweight yarn or size 3 crochet cotton
- Size 2 steel hook
- Several 4mm to 6mm glass beads to weight the end of the tail
- Forget-Me-Knot doll made without the legs.

Gauge: 6sc = 1 inch

Tail: begins at the waist. Leave a long thread tail to sew mermaid tail to doll's torso.

1: ch25, sc in the second ch from the hook and each ch across. Join in the first sc, ch1. Do not turn this round. 24 sc.

2: (Sc, 2dc) in same st as ch1, [skip next two sts, (sc, 2dc) in the next st] around; skip the last two sts, join to the first sc, ch1, turn. 8 shells.

3: (Sc, 2dc) in the same st as ch1 and in each sc around, join to the first sc, ch1, turn.

4-7: Repeat round 3

8: (Sc, 2dc) in same st as ch1, [(sc, dc) in the next sc, (sc, 2dc) in the next sc] around; join to the first sc, ch1, turn. 20 sts

9: Repeat round 8

10: (Sc, dc) in same st as ch1, [(sc, dc) in the next sc] around; join to the first sc, ch1, turn. 16 sts

11: Repeat round 10

12: (Sc, dc) in the same st as ch1, sc in the next sc, (dc, sc) in the next sc, dc in the next sc, (sc, dc) in the next sc, sc in the next sc, (dc, sc) in the next sc, dc in the last sc; join to the first sc, ch1, turn. 12 sts.

13: (Sc in the next dc, dc in the next sc) around, join to the first sc, ch1, turn. 12 sts

14: Sc in every other st around; join to the first sc, ch4

First tail fluke:

- 1: 2trc in same st as ch4, 3trc in the next two sts, ch3, turn.
- 2: 2trc in the next seven sts, ch3, turn. 15 sts (including beginning ch3)
- 3: Trc in the next 13 sts, ch3, turn.
- 4: Trc in the next two sts, (trc dec in the two sts, trc in the next) three times, trc in the next st, ch1, turn.
- 5: Skip first st, (sc, ch1) in the next seven sts, sl st in the next st. Finish off.

Second tail fluke: join yarn in first unworked sc at the base of the mermaid tail, ch4 and repeat rows 1 through 5 of the first tail fluke.

Place several glass beads into the tail, to weight the end, then put a small amount of fiberfill in to keep the glass beads in place. Sew the tail to the torso of your doll.

Crochet two sea shells to cover her chest as follows:

Ch2, (sc, 5dc, sc) in the second ch from hook, sl st in same chain, finish off. Glue shells to mermaids chest.