



Forget-Me-Knot crochet kids

baw 2-28-2013

5 1/2 inches tall

Materials:

- Sport weight yarn (I used Paton's Astra)
- Size 2 steel crochet hook
- 6mm acrylic eyes, or embroidery floss for French knot eyes
- two 1/2" flat buttons (for bottom of foot)
- carpet or craft thread
- long embroidery needle
- black embroidery floss for French knot eyes; rose embroidery floss for mouth
- crayon to blush cheeks
- fingering yarn, laceweight yarn, or embroidery floss for hair.

Gauge: 6sc = 1 inch

Do NOT join rounds.

Head: starts at the top of the head

1: Ch2, eight sc in second ch from hook

2: Two sc in each sc around. 16 sc

3: (Sc in the next three sc, two sc in the next) around. 20 sc

4-10: Sc in each sc around.

11: (Sc in the next three, sc next two sc tog) around. 16 sc. Insert the 6mm eyes between rows 8 and 9, four stitches apart. Stuff top of the head.

12: (Sc in the next two sc, sc next two sc tog) around. 12 sc. Stuff some more.

13: (Sc in the next four, sc next two sc tog) around. 10 sc. Finish off and finish stuffing the head.

Ears: for the left ear, join yarn low on the left side of the head with a sl st. Working toward the top of the head, three sc around the next st, sl st around the next st and fasten off. Leave a long tail to stitch the eyelid. For the right ear, leave a long tail, then join with a sl st on the right side of the head even with the eye row. Working toward the neck, three sc around the next st, sl st around the next st and fasten off. Use the yarn tails to shape the bottom of the ear, and to stitch with a single straight stitch,

the eyelid across the top of the eyes.

Mouth: For a tiny doll like this, a very simple mouth, or even none at all, works well. My girl has just a simple straight stitch, worked over one sc st, with six strands of rose embroidery floss. You could make a mouth with a French knot, or with a small 'V' for a little smile.

Using a rosy crayon shade, add a bit of color to the cheeks. To even it out, rub in the color with a piece of white cotton knit fabric.

Body; starts at the neck

1: Ch2, eight sc in the second ch from hook.

2-4: Sc in each sc around. 8 sc.

5: Two sc in each sc around. 16 sc.

6. (Sc in next three sc, two sc in next sc) around. 20 sc.

7-8. Sc in sc around. 20 sc

9. (Sc in the next three sc, sc next two sc tog) around. 16 sc

10-11. Sc in each sc around. 16 sc

12. (Sc in the next seven sc, two sc in the next) around. 18 sc

13-15. Sc in each sc around. 18 sc

16. (Sc in next four sc, sc next two sc tog) around. 15 sc.

17. (Sc in next three sc, sc next two sc tog) around. 12 sc. Stuff body firmly but don't allow stuffing to show through the stitches.

18. (Sc in next two sc, sc next two sc tog) around. 9 sc.

19. (Sc in next sc, sc next two sc tog) around. 6 sc. Fasten off.

Finish stuffing bottom of body. Flatten round 16 and stitch together with three stitches.

Arm; the arm is not stuffed; leave long tails at the beginning of the work to sew the arms to the body.

1. Ch 2; six sc in second ch from hook. Work in rounds, do not join.

2-10. Sc in each sc around. 6 sc.

for hand and fingers:

11. Flatten round 10 and sc together with two sc.

12. Ch3, sl st in first sc. Ch2, two dc in next sc, ch2, sl st in same sc. Fasten off.

Leg:

1. Ch2, five sc in second ch from hook. Work in rounds, do not join.

2: 2sc in each sc around. 10 sc

3-4. Sc in each sc around. 10 sc.

5: Decrease one sc around. 9 sc

6-10. Sc in ea sc around. 9 sc

11: Decrease one sc around. 8 sc, stuff leg.

12-14. Sc in each sc around. 8 sc

15. (Sc in next two sc, sc next two sc tog) around. 6 sc. Stuff leg.
16. Sc in each sc around.
17. Two dc in next three sc, sc in the next sc, 2sc in the next sc, sc in the last sc. Fasten off, finish stuffing leg lightly. Flatten the top of the foot and glue buttons to the bottom of the feet with the flat side out.

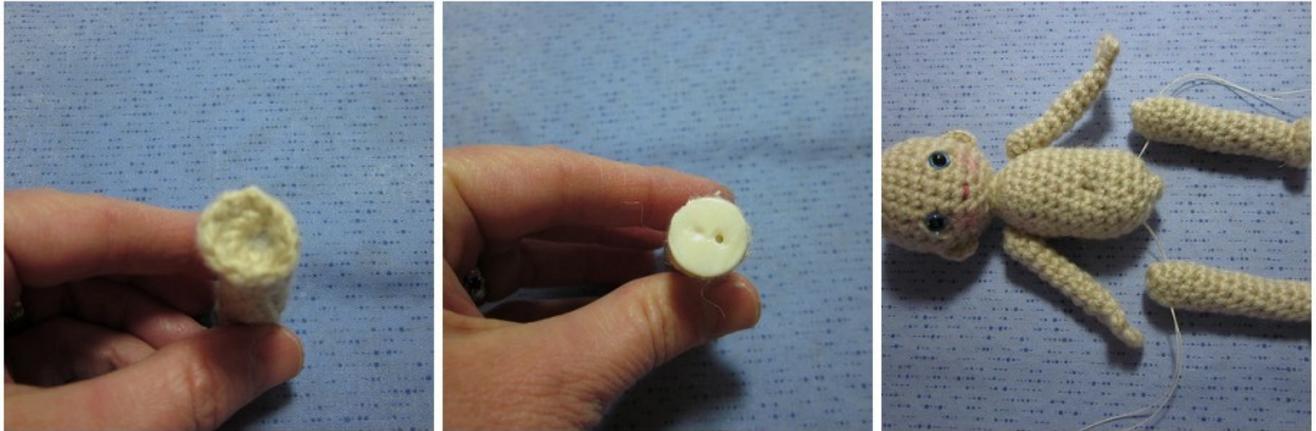
Assembly:



- Thread a long length of carpet or craft thread into a long (2 1/2 inch) embroidery needle and knot the ends together. Beginning at the top of the head, thread the needle through the head coming out of the neck opening. Thread through the fourth row of the neck on the body, then back into the neck opening of the head and out the top of the head. Pull gently to bring the body neck into the neck opening of the head and seat the two firmly together. Tie off the thread at the top of the head with a square knot and bury the ends in the head. You now have a move-able head joint!



-For the arms, use the long tails from the top of the arms to sew the arms to the body. Make sure the thumbs are pointing to the front of the body and thread the yarn tail to the top inside of the arm. Use two or three stitches into the side of the body and into the arm to join. Repeat for the other arm.



-For the legs, thread a long length of carpet or craft thread into a long embroidery needles and knot the ends together. Thread the needle through the top of the leg, into the body, into the other leg, then back again, starting between the second and third row from the top of the leg, and passing into the body between the third and fourth row from the bottom of the body. Make a second pass with the needle and thread, making sure you go in and out of the same stitches. Pull the threads gently but tightly to tighten up the hip joints, then tie off on one side with a square knot. Bury the thread ends in the leg. Your doll should be perfectly able to stand on her own!



Hair

Crochet a wig cap with the fingering weight yarn, laceweight yarn, or embroidery floss. Check the fit of your cap after six rows or so, and add or subtract stitches as necessary. The wig cap has some give to it, and you want it to fit snugly.

1. Ch2, 8 sc in second ch from hook.
2. 16 sc
3. 24 sc
4. 32 sc

work even in sc around until wig cap covers head as desired. Work the last two or three rounds in one loop only to allow loops for hooking hair strands into. I like to sew the wig cap to the head before adding yarn for hair, but you can add the yarn first. If you do add the yarn before sewing the cap to the head, you can change wigs at will!

For bangs, hook shorter strands into the front 10 sts, hooking into the last row and the next to the last row. You can add some additional strands for thicker bangs.

For Ponytail, hook long strands all around the wig cap. Pull the strand up and to the back and tie with a ribbon or clasp in a tiny hair clip.

For Pigtails, chain 20 or so (long enough to run from center back to center front of wig cap), then hook long strands into each side of the chain. Hook long strands all around the wig cap, pull each side up into a separate ponytail and secure with a ribbon or tiny hair clip.

For braids, braid each ponytail :-)

