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## Ballerina Mouse

No. 1009-192-2248

Level: Intermediate
Crochet hook:B/1-C/2 (2.5 mm)
Materials: embroidery yarn \& needle, safety eyes 0.3 inches ( 8 mm ), fiber filling Yarn: Rainbow Cotton 8/4: light grey (1 skein), white (1 skein), rose (1 skein).

Buy the yarn here:
http://shop.hobbii.com/
ballerina-mouse

Abbreviations:
MR = magic ring
ch = chain stitch
$\mathbf{s c}=$ single crochet
[...] = number of stitches
(...) = number of rounds

Inc $=2 \mathrm{sc}$ in the same stitch
Dec $=$ work 2 sc together
*...* $=$ repeat the stitches written between the stars: *...*

## Head in grey

Round 1: 6 sc in a MR [6]
Round 2: inc 6 times [12]
Round 3-5: 1 sc in each s (3 rounds) [12]
Round 6: *1 sc, inc*, repeat *-* 6 times [18]
Round 7: 1 sc in each s [18]
Round 8: *2 sc, inc*, repeat *-* 6 times [24]
Round 9: 1 sc in each s [24]
Round 10: *3 sc, inc*, repeat *-* 6 times [30]
Round 11: 1 sc in each s[30]
Round 12: 9 sc, 6 inc, 15 sc [36]
Round 13: 12 sc, 6 inc, 18 sc [42]
Round 14: 1 sc in each s [42]
Round 15: *6 sc, inc*, repeat *-* 6 times [48]
Place safety eyes in rnd 12, before and after the increases.
Stuff the head with fiber filling and stuff it continuous as your work develops.
Round 16-22: 1 sc in each s (7 rnds) [48]
Round 23: *6 sc, dec*, repeat *-* 6 times [42]
Round 24: *5 sc, dec*, repeat *-* 6 times [36]
Round 25: *4 sc, dec*, repeat *-* 6 times [30]
Round 26: *3 sc, dec*, repeat *-* 6 times [24]
Round 27: *2 sc, dec*, repeat *-* 6 times [18]
Round 28: *1 sc, dec*, repeat *-* 6 times [12]
Round 29: dec 6 times [6]
Put the last fiber filling into the head and shape the nose thoroughly.
Cut the yarn, insert the thread through the front loops of the 6 sc of rnd 29. Tighten and weave in the ends.

## Body

Start in white.
Round 1: 6 sc in a MR [6]
Round 2: inc 6 times [12]
Round 3: *1 sc, inc*, repeat *-* 6 times [18]
Round 4: *2 sc, inc*, repeat *-* 6 times [24]
Round 5: *3 sc, inc*, repeat *-* 6 times [30]
Round 6: *4 sc, inc*, repeat *-* 6 times [36]
Round 7: *5 sc, inc*, repeat *-* 6 times [42]
Round 8-10: 1 sc in each s (3 rnds) [42]
Round 11: work only in the back loops. 1 sc in each s [42], this is where you start the ballet skirt later on.

Round 12: *5 sc, dec*, repeat *-* 6 times [36]
Round 13: 1 sc in each s [36]
Round 14: *4 sc, dec*, repeat *-* 6 times [30]

Round 15-19: 1 sc in each s (5 rnds) [30]
Round 20: *3 sc, dec*, repeat *-* 6 times [24]
Change to grey, and stuff the body with fiber filling as your work develops.
Round 21: *2 sc, dec*, repeat *-* 6 times [18]
Round 22-24: 1 sc in each s (3 rnds) [18]
Cut the yarn and leave a long tail for sewing the head onto the body.
Stuff the rest of the body.

## Tutu skirt

Work in the front loops only of rnd 11 of the body:
Round 1: 1 sc in each s [42]
Round 2: *1 sc, inc*, repeat *-* 21 times [63]
Round 3: *1 sc, inc*, repeat *-* 31 times [93]
Now, you can add a round of picot stitches like this: *3 sc, ch 2, work in the 2nd ch from the hook, 1 $s c^{*}$, repeat till the end of the round.

## Tail

In grey, ch 28. Attach the tail to the back of the body in rnd 5.

## Ears 2x, grey

Round 1: 6 sc in a MR [6]
Round 2: inc 6 times [12]
Round 3: *1 sc, inc*, repeat *-* 6 times [18]
Round 4: 2 sc, inc*, repeat *-* 6 times [24]
Round 5: *3 sc, inc*, repeat *-* 6 times [30]
Round 6: *4 sc, inc*, repeat *-* 6 times [36]
Round 7-9: 1 sc in each s (3 rnds) [36]
Round 10: *4 sc, dec*, repeat *-* 6 times [30]
Round 11: *3 sc, dec*, repeat *-* 6 times [24]
Round 12: *2 sc, dec*, repeat *-* 6 times [18]
Round 13: *1 sc, dec*, repeat *-* 6 times [12]
Cut the yarn,do not stuff the ears. Fold them flat and sew them onto the head in rnd 18 with and interspace of 12 stitches.

## Nose in rose

Round 1: 6 sc in a MR [6]
Round 2: inc 6 times [12]
Round 3-4: 1 sc in each s (2 rnds) [12]
Cut the yarn and place the nose above the first rnds from the head. It can be a bit difficult, but then it will stay in place!

## Shoulder straps

In white, ch 11, work 1 sc in the 2 nd ch from the hook, work 9 sc. [10]
Cut the yarn and sew it onto the front and the back in rnd 24 of the body. Please see the picture.


## Arms

Round 1: 6 sc in a MR [6]
Round 2: inc 6 times [12]
Round 3: *3 sc, inc*, repeat *-* 3 times [15]
Round 4-5: 1 sc in each s (2 rnds) [15]

Stuff the hands a tiny bit. The arms are not stuffed.
Round 6: *3 sc, dec*, repeat *** 3 times [12]
Round 7: *2 sc, dec*, repeat *-* 3 times [9]
Round 8-26: 1 sc in each s (19 rnds) [9]
Cut the yarn and leave a long tail and sew the arm onto the body in rnd 23 of the body. Crochet one more arm the same way.

## Cheeks $2 x$ in rose

Round 1: 6 sc in a MR [6]
Round 2: inc 6 times [12]
Cut the yarn and sew the cheeks onto the face.

## Feet and legs

## Start in white

Round 1: 6 sc in a MR [6]
Round 2: inc 6 times [12]
Round 3: *1 sc, inc*, repeat *-* 6 times [18]
Round 4: *2 sc, inc*, repeat *-* 6 times [24]
Round 5: *3 sc, inc*, repeat *-* 6 times [30]
Round 6: *4 sc, inc*, repeat *-* 6 times [36]
Round 7: work sc in the back loops only[36]
Round 8-9: 1 sc in each s (2 rnds) [36]
Round 10: 6 sc, dec 12 times, 6 sc [24]
Round 11: 6 sc, dec 6 times, 6 sc [18]
Change to grey, stuff the foot and stuff the legs as you crochet along.
Round 12: work sc in the back loops only [18]
Round 13: 3 sc , dec 6 times, 3 sc [12]
Round 14-34: 1 sc in each s ( 21 rnds) [12]
Insert the last fiber filling in the leg and sew it onto the body so the inner side of the leg is placed next to the MR of rnd 1 . Work one more leg the same way.

Grab a long piece of white yarn and attach it to the back of the foot where the yarn changes from grey to white, so you have two laces. Now, make 1 cross 2 times on the front of the leg, and attach the yarn by tying a bow in the front. Please see picture below.


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