

Crocheted Baby Guinea Pig

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Size: About 3 inches long

Materials:

- Red Heart Soft Yarn in color *Wheat* – one skein is enough to make several baby guinea pigs
- Red Heart Super Saver in color *Black* – small amount needed for nose/mouth
- Red Heart Soft Yarn in color *Toast*– small amount if you would like to make one leg a different color than all the others, as I did.
- Crochet Hook - Size US F-5 (3.75mm)
- Stitch marker. I use a small piece of a contrasting color of yarn.
- Fiberfill Stuffing
- 6 mm half round Darice eyes. **Note: This is not appropriate for giving to a child. Little fingers can pull off the plastic eyes!**
- Low Temperature glue gun for gluing on eyes



Gauge: Not important

Abbreviations: sc = single crochet, ch = chain, sl st = slip stitch, st = stitch,
sc dec = single crochet decrease

Notes: The guinea pig body and legs are worked in rounds. Rounds are worked in continuous spirals, do not join. Do not turn at the end of each round.

Pattern:

Body:

1. Chain 2
2. 4 sc in 2nd ch from hook. Mark first stitch for beginning of round and move marker up for each round.
3. 2 sc in each sc around – 8
4. sc in each sc around – 8
5. *2 sc in next stitch, 1 sc in each of next 3 sc* around – 10
6. *2 sc in next stitch, 1 sc in each of next 4 sc* around – 12
7. Stitch on nose and mouth now with black yarn. Knot the black yarn to keep the nose and mouth stitches from coming out.

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8. *2 sc in next st, 1 sc in each of next 5 sc* around – 14
9. sc in each sc around **for six rounds**– 14 each round
10. Stuff with fiberfill
11. sc dec around – 7
12. Add more stuffing if needed now.
13. Cut yarn leaving a long tail. Knot yarn by pulling the yarn tail through the loop of yarn that is on the hook.
14. Weave yarn in and out of the sc's all the way around the opening. Pull yarn tight to close body opening. Knot yarn and feed the excess yarn into the body to hide it. Cut off any extra yarn tail that comes out of the body.

Legs: Make 4:

1. Chain 2
2. 5 sc in 2nd ch from hook
3. sc in each sc around – 5
4. Cut yarn leaving a tail long enough to sew leg to body. Knot yarn by pulling the yarn tail through the loop of yarn that is on the hook.

Ears: Make 2:

1. Chain 2
2. 4 sc in 2nd ch from hook
3. Cut yarn leaving a tail long enough to sew ear to body. Knot yarn by pulling the yarn tail through the loop of yarn that is on the hook.

Assembly:

1. Glue eyes to body with low temperature glue gun.
2. Sew ears onto body.
3. Sew legs onto body.



You're finished!

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