Snow Pea Shooter (with snow pea)

This adorable little guy will definitely keep the zombies off your lawn… though you may want to create an army if you want to ward them off for a long time.

The snow pea shooter is one of the many loveable "characters" (weapons?) found in the PopCap Games hit game Plants vs. Zombies. I claim no rights or affiliations to Plants vs. Zombies or PopCap Games.

I don't mind what you do with the finished product but please do not claim this pattern as your own, and give credit where credit is due.

Materials:

F or G Hook

Light blue worsted weight yarn

Green worsted weight yarn

Black worsted weight yarn

12-13mm safety eyes

Pipe Cleaners OR Wooden Dowels

Stuffing

Stitch marker (optional)



Instructions

I always work in continuous rounds since chaining at the beginning of a new row creates seams.

BLO-Back Loop Only

DEC- Decrease

INC- Increase

MC- Magic Circle

SC- Single Crochet

Mouth (Black; to be sewn to the inside of the head)

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1) 6sc into MC

2) inc around (12)

3) inc, sc around (18)

4) inc, 2sc around (24)

5) inc, 3 sc around (30)

Tie off.

Head (Light blue)

1) 6sc into MC

2) inc around (12)

3) inc, sc around (18)

4) inc, 2sc around (24)

5) inc, 3 sc around (30)

6) inc, 4 sc around (36)

7) inc, 5sc around (42)

8) inc, 6sc around (48)

9) inc, 7sc around (54)

10–21) sc around (54)

22) dec, 7sc around (48)

23) dec, 6 sc around (42)

24) dec, 5sc around (36)

25) sc around (36)

26) dec, 4sc around (30)

27) sc around (30)

28) dec, 3 sc around (24)

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29-32) sc around (24)

33) inc, 3 sc around (30)

34) sc around (30)

35) BLO inc, 4 sc around (36)

36) inc, 5sc around (42)

37) inc, 6sc around (48)

38) sc around (48)

39) dec, 6 sc around (42)

40) dec, 5sc around (36)

Tie Off. Fold the last few rows outward and sew row 40 to the front loops of row 35 to make the lip of your pea shooter.

Add safety eyes (one on each side of the head) and stuffing to your peashooter head. Sew in the mouth to Row 35 to close off the head.

Neck (Green; this is the little bump under the head, above the stem)

1) 8sc into MC

2) inc around (16)

3) inc, sc around (24)

4-5) sc around (24)

Tie off, leaving a LONG tail for sewing.

Attach to underside of head adding stuffing before closing off.

Stem (Green)

1) 4sc into MC

2) inc around (8)

3) sc, inc, sc, inc, 2 sc, inc, sc (11)

4-13) sc around (11)

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14) inc, 10sc (12)

15) 3sc, inc* repeat around (15)

16) sc around (15)

17) 4sc, inc* repeat around (18)

18) 5sc, inc* repeat around (21)

19) sc around (21)

20) 6sc, inc* repeat around (24)

Tie off. Leave a LONG tail for sewing. BEFORE you sew and stuff you will want to add your pipe cleaners or your first wooden dowel (see below). [I've also been told a wire coat hanger can work if you don't have pipe cleaners or dowels around. Feel free to be creative!] Carefully stuff and sew to the neck.

Pipe Cleaners*:* If using pipe cleaners, you will want to use quite a few to create stability in the stem and leaves. I suggest taking a minimum of four pipe cleaners and bending them so that they pierce through rows 3 and 4 (showing outside of the stem so that they will pierce the backside of the leaves once added) and that the ends of the pipe cleaners stick up above the end of the stem so that they will pierce the neck piece. To be safe I suggest about two pipe cleaners per leaf; and possibly more to push in a X pattern through row 4 or so that will pierce the leaves. There is no WRONG way to use the pipe cleaners, as long as you are able to get your Pea Shooter to stand up without falling over.

Wooden Dowels (SUGGESTED): If you use wooden dowels you will only need one dowel (I'd say about 1/4" thick) cut into three pieces. One piece should be around 5" and will go from the head, through the neck and into the center of the stem (once attached.) The other two pieces, roughly 4", will be added once the stem is attached to the neck. Attach the dowels so that they crisscross in an X pattern through row 5 or 6 of the stem. When attaching the leaves to the stem, pierce the center of the back of the leave (where your magic circle is) and push the leaves back to the stem.

Leaves (Green) Make 4

You start from the back of the leaf to the front point.

1) 8sc into MC (Leave a long tail sticking out of your leaf to use to sew to the stem and create the shape of the leaves)

2) inc around (16)

3) inc, sc around (24)

4) inc, 2sc around (32)

5) inc, 3 sc around (40)

6-9) sc around (40)

10) dec, 8 sc around (36)

11) dec, 7sc around (32)

12) dec, 6sc around (28)

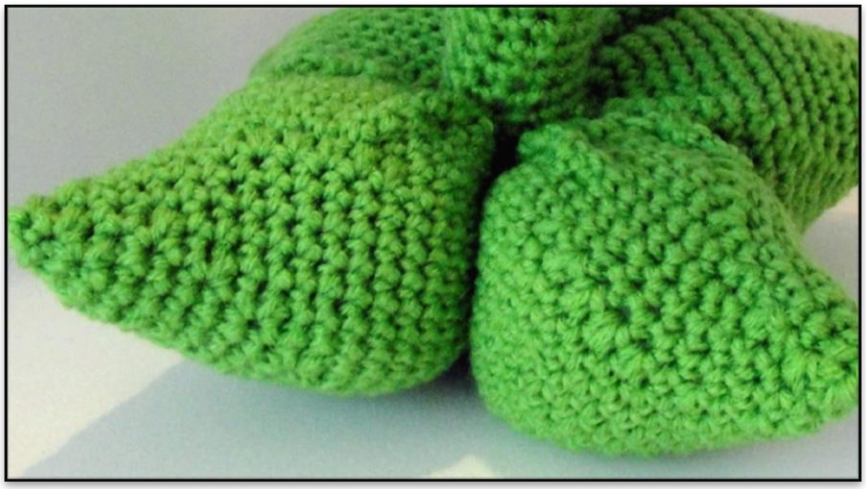
13) dec, 5sc around (24)

14) dec, 4sc around (20)

15) sc around (20)

16) dec, 3sc, around (16)

Stuff now



17) sc around (16)

18) dec, 2sc around (12)

19) sc around (12)

20) dec, 2 sc around (9)

21) dec, sc around (6)

22) dec around (3)

Tie off

You may notice that the leaves are round and do not have the pinched affect yet. When you sew the leaves to the stem, pinch the top of the leaves (I suggest using a pin to hold the pinched piece). Sew the leave to the stem and sew the yarn together at the top of the leaf as well to create a pinched affect.

Big Spikes (Light Blue; outside circle of spikes) Make 4

1) 4sc into MC

2) sc, inc around (6)

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3) 2sc, inc around (8)

4) 3sc, inc around (10)

5) 4sc, inc around (12)

6-8) sc around

9) 4sc, dec around (10)

Tie off. Leave a LONG tail for sewing. Flatten, do not stuff.

Little Spikes (Light Blue; inside circle of spikes) Make 4

1) 4sc into MC

2) sc, inc around (6)

3) 2sc, inc around (8)

4) 3sc, inc around (10)

5) 4sc, inc around (12)

6) sc around (12)

7) 4sc, dec around (10)

Tie off. Leave a LONG tail for sewing. Flatten, do not stuff.

Pin your spikes (unstuffed and flattened to look like a triangle) onto the back of the head with the bigger spikes on the outside and the little spikes on the inside. The bottom edge of one spike should be touching the bottom edges of the two on either side of it creating a circle/square. Sew the spikes to the back of the head.

Pea Accessory (make as many as desired)

1) 6sc into MC

2) inc around (12)

3) inc, sc around (18)

4) inc, 2sc around (24)

5-7) sc around (24)

8) dec, 2sc around (18)

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9) dec, sc around (12)

Stuff

10) dec around (6)

Tie off.

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Please share pictures of your finished product! I would love to see it.

Thank you so much for your interest in my pattern and let me know how it worked out for you.

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