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## Lion



Like all my stuffed toys, all rounds are worked in continuous spirals. Use a stitch marker to mark the beginning of each round. Move the marker up each time you start a new round.

My Lion is 20cm, but this will depend on the type of yarn you choose to use. You may use any yarn, not only soft plush ones.

Sometimes the same yarns are different in thickness, and this may also effect the result/size.

### **The required materials:**

- one skein of Himalaya Dolphin Baby yarn in main color (120m). You can use any yarn, not just plush,
- several meters of the same yarn in other color for the muzzle,
- half a skein of the same yarn in other color for hair and tail,
- safety eyes – I am using 14-16mm size,
- optional, false eyelashes and glue to attach them to the safety eyes,
- safety nose, the size is up to you, I used a heart nose 17mm size,
- crochet hook: 4mm if you are using chenille yarn,
- needle with large eyelet for sewing,
- a marker or a piece of yarn for marking rounds,
- silicone filling, fiberfill stuffing,
- lighter for burning ends.

### **Abbreviations:**

MR – magic ring

ch - chain

sl – slip stitch

sc – single crochet

st - stitch

V – increase (two sc in one st)

^ – decrease (two sc together)

x - the number of repetitions

**Here we go! :)**

## **Legs – make two:**

Make a slip stitch at the end of the first leg. Cut the yarn and finish off, but only on the first leg. When finishing the other leg, don't cut the yarn, because you will continue to join the legs and make the body.

Legs, body and head will be made with the main color.

1. 6sc in MR (6)
2. V x2; 1sc; V x2; 1sc (10)
- 3.-5. 10sc (10)
6. (4sc, V) x2 (12)
- 7.-8. 12sc (12)

As I wrote above, cut the yarn for the first leg and continue working to the end of the second leg.



## **Body - joining legs:**

1. ch1, insert the hook in the last single crochet of round 8 from the first leg. Connect the two legs by making a single crochet. Move the marker to this stitch. It will be the new ending point of the round.

Make sc around this leg (12sc). When you get to the joining point, make 4sc here (2sc in the sc, and 2sc in the ch1).

Then make sc around the other leg (12sc). Now you should be at the joining point on the other side. Make here also 4sc (2 in the ch1, and 2 in the sc).

This round should give a total of 32 stitches. However, if you have more or less, don't worry about it, you can increase or decrease it on the next round to get 32sc.

2. 32sc (32) – as I wrote above, if you are missing stitches or you have too many of them, you can increase or decrease single crochet in this round to compensate for it. It will not have any effect on the appearance of the toy.

3. 32sc (32)
4. (14sc, /\) x2 (30)
5. (13sc, /\) x2 (28)
6. (12sc, /\) x2 (26)
7. (11sc, /\) x2 (24)
8. (10sc, /\) x2 (22)
9. (9sc, /\) x2 (20)
10. (8sc, /\) x2 (18)
11. (1sc, /\) x6 (12)



Start to stuff. Then stuff in a bit on a regular basis.

Don't cut the yarn, because you will continue with the head.



## **Head:**

Insert the safety eyes in round 9 in the 25th and 33th stitch. When making this round, insert a marker in these places, so you will know later where to insert the safety eyes.

Before you close them, check if they are symmetrical to the entire toy, because the given place is indicative, and depends on your individual work technique, your tension and what yarn you use.

1. (1sc, V) x6 (18)

2. (2sc, V) x6 (24)

3. (3sc, V) x6 (30)

4. (4sc, V) x6 (36)

5. (5sc, V) x6 (42)

6. (6sc, V) x6 (48)

7.-10. 48sc (48)

11. (6sc,  $\wedge$ ) x6 (42)

12. (5sc,  $\wedge$ ) x6 (36)

13. (4sc,  $\wedge$ ) x6 (30)

14. (3sc,  $\wedge$ ) x6 (24)

15. (2sc,  $\wedge$ ) x6 (18)

16. (1sc,  $\wedge$ ) x6 (12)

17.  $\wedge$  x6 (6)

Cut the yarn and hide it into the head.



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## **Muzzle:**

Make with white color.

1. 6sc in MR (6)

2. V x6 (12)

3. (1sc, V) x6 (18)

4. (5sc, V) x3 (21)

5. 21sc (21)

Put the safety nose on.

Don't put it in the middle of the muzzle. I put the nose in the 3rd round. Stuff it.

Cut the yarn, leaving a tail for sewing. Sew it close to the eyes.



## **Hands** – make two:

Make with the main color.

1. 6sc in MR (6)
2. (1sc, V) x3 (9)
3. 9sc (9)
4. 2sc;  $\wedge$  x2; 3sc (7)
- 5.-10. 7sc (7)
11. 6sc – don't finish this round.

Stuff it. Fold it in half and close with 3sc.

Cut the yarn, leaving a tail for sewing.



## **Ears** – make two:

Make with the main color.

1. 6sc in MR (6)
2. V x6 (12)
3. (1sc, V) x6 (18)
- 4.-6. 18sc (18) – finish with a sl.

Don't stuff it.

Cut the yarn, leaving a tail for sewing.



## **Hair:**

On my Instagram I have a video tutorial about how to make the hair for the lion, you can find it here:

[https://www.instagram.com/p/CKwBIN\\_Hm-o/](https://www.instagram.com/p/CKwBIN_Hm-o/)

## **Tail:**

Make with the main color ch13, turn, start in the the second stitch from the hook and make 12sc. Cut the yarn, leaving a tail for sewing.

### End of the tail.

Make with brown color.

1. 6sc in MR (6)
2. V; 5sc (7)
3. 3sc; V; 3sc (8)
4. V; 7sc (9)
5. 4sc; V; 4sc (10)
6. 10sc (10)

Stuff it.

7.  $\wedge$  x5 (5)

Cut the yarn. Leave a tail for sewing. Join these two parts together and sew it to the body.

Now all you have to do is sew the lion parts together.

I am waiting in the group to see the results of your work :)



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