



CROCHET
SKILL LEVEL
EASY

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What you will need:

RED HEART® Soft®: 1 ball each of 2515 Turquoise A and 4614 Black B

Susan Bates® Crochet Hook: 4mm [G-6 US]

Yarn needle, stuffing, black floss

GAUGE: 16 sts = 4" (10cm) in pattern with A; 16 rounds = 4" (10cm). **CHECK YOUR GAUGE.** Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.



RED HEART® Soft®, Art. E728 available in solid color 5 oz (141 g), 256 yd (234 m), print 4 oz (113 g), 204 yd (187 m), and heather 4oz (113g), 212 yd (194m) balls



Mustachio Mouse

This playful little mouse looks very dapper with his handsome moustache. Crochet him to brighten your day, or give him to a mustache-loving friend!

Mouse measures 6" (15 cm) tall

Special Stitches

sc2tog = [Insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop] twice, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

sc3tog = [Insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop in next st] 3 times, yarn over and draw through all 4 loops on hook.

Special Technique

Adjustable ring method—Holding the yarn a few inches from the end, wrap around your finger. Do not remove wrap from finger, insert hook into the wrap and draw up a loop of working yarn. Chain one to secure the loop, and remove ring from finger. Work stitches of first round in the ring. Pull gently, but firmly, on tail to tighten ring.

Notes

1. Head, ears, body, legs, and arm are worked in continuous rounds (spirals). Do not join and do not turn at ends of rounds.
2. Place a marker for beginning of round and move marker up as work progresses.
3. Mustache and tail are each worked as a single row.

MOUSE

Head

Beginning at nose, with **A**, make an adjustable ring.

Round 1 (right side): Work 6 sc in ring—6 sc.

Round 2: Sc in each sc around.

Round 3: Work 2 sc in each of next 3 sc, sc in next 3 sc—9 sc.

Round 4: Sc in each sc around.

Round 5: Work 2 sc in each of next 6 sc, sc in next 3 sc—15 sc.

Round 6: [Sc in next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 3 times—18 sc.

Round 7: Sc in next 5 sc, 2 sc in each of next 6 sc, sc in next 7 sc—24 sc.

Rounds 8–14: Sc in each sc around.

Round 15: [Sc in next 2 sc, sc2tog] 6 times—18 sc.

Round 16: [Sc in next sc, sc2tog] 6 times—12 sc. Stuff head.

Round 17: Sc2tog 6 times—6 sc. Fasten off, leaving tail for sewing.

With yarn needle, weave ending tail in and out of sts of Round 17 and draw head closed. Fasten off but do not cut tail.

Ear (make 2)

With **A**, make an adjustable ring.

Round 1 (right side): Work 6 sc in ring—6 sc.

Round 2: Work 2 sc in each sc around—12 sc.

Round 3: [Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] 6 times—18 sc.

Round 4: Slip st in each sc around. Fasten off, leaving tail for sewing.

Mustache

With **B**, ch 12.

Row 1: Slip st in 2nd ch from hook, sc3tog, sc in next 3 chs, sc3tog, slip st in last ch—5 sc. Fasten off, leaving tail for sewing.

Body

Beginning at bottom, with **A**, make an adjustable ring.

Work same as Rounds 1-3 of ear—18 sc.

Round 4: [Sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 6 times—24 sc.

Round 5: Working in back loops only, sc in each sc around.

Round 6: Sc in each sc around.

Round 7: Sc in next 9 sc, 2 sc in next 6 sc, sc in next 9 sc—18 sc.

Rounds 8–10: Sc in each sc around.

Round 11: Sc in next 9 sc, sc2tog twice, sc in next 4 sc, sc2tog twice, sc in next 9 sc—26 sc.

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Round 12: Sc in next 11 sc, sc2tog twice, sc in next 11 sc—24 sc.

Round 13: Sc in next 9 sc, sc2tog 3 times, sc in next 9 sc—21 sc.

Round 14: Sc in each sc around.

Round 15: [Sc in next 5 sc, sc2tog] 3 times—18 sc.

Round 16: [Sc in next sc, sc2tog] 6 times—12 sc. Stuff body.

Rounds 17 and 18: Sc in each sc around. Fasten off.

Leg (make 2)

With **A**, make an adjustable ring.

Work same as Rounds 1-3 of ear—18 sc.

Rounds 4–7: Sc in each sc around.

Round 8: [Sc in next sc, sc2tog] 6 times—12 sc. Stuff leg.

Round 9: [Slip st in first sc, ch 3, sc in 2nd ch from hook and next ch] 3 times (toes made), sc2tog 5 times, slip st in last sc. Fasten off, leaving tail for sewing. With yarn needle, weave ending tail in and out of sts of Round 9 and draw leg closed with toes in front.

Arm (make 2)

With **A**, make an adjustable ring.

Round 1 (right side): Work 6 sc in ring—6 sc.

Round 2: [Sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc] twice—8 sc.

Rounds 3–8: Sc in each sc around. Stuff arm lightly after Round 8.

Round 9: Sc2tog 3 times, slip st in next sc, [ch 3, slip st in 2nd ch from hook and next ch, slip st in same sc] 3 times (fingers made), slip st in last sc. Fasten off, leaving tail for sewing. Sew first 3 sts to bottom of fingers to close arm.

Tail

With **A**, ch 30.

Row 1: Slip st in back bar of 2nd ch from hook and in each ch. Fasten off, leaving tail for sewing.

FINISHING

With yarn tail, sew ears to top of head between Rows 8 and 9, spaced 8 stitches apart.

Using photograph as a guide for placement, embroider mouth, nose, and eyes with black floss.

Eyes: Working over one or 2 stitches each, embroider eyes with satin stitches on the row that is midpoint between the ears and the nose.

Nose: Over Round 1 of the nose, embroider an upside down triangle of stitches and fill in the triangle with satin stitches.

Mouth: Beginning under the bottom center of the nose, embroider an upside down “Y”-shaped mouth with straight stitches.

Sew head, arms, legs, and tail to body. Sew mustache slightly off center to the bottom of the nose. Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

A, B, C = Color A, Color B, Color C, etc.; **ch** = chain; **sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **[]** = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.

