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PLAYFUL DOLPHIN

DESIGNS BY SONJA HOOD

THE DESIGN DETAIL IN THIS ADORABLE LITTLE DOLPHIN IS SO REALISTIC THAT, IF MADE TO SCALE, HE WOULD LOOK VERY LIFELIKE! HIS COLORFUL LITTLE BALL GIVES HIM A FUN, PLAYFUL LOOK.

SKILL LEVEL  INTERMEDIATE

FINISHED SIZE

12½ inches long

MATERIALS

- Pisgah Yarn & Dyeing Co. medium (worsted) weight cotton yarn (2½ oz/122 yds/71g per ball):
 - 1 ball each #69 silver grey, #1 white and #2 black
- Size H/8/5mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle
- Fiberfill



GAUGE

4 sc = 1 inch; 5 sc rows = 1 inch

PATTERN NOTES

Work stitches tightly to create a firm fabric through which the stuffing will not show.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

DOLPHIN

Body Top

Row 1: Beg at nose, with silver grey, ch 2, sc in 2nd ch from hook, turn. (1 sc)

Row 2: Ch 1, 3 sc in sc, turn. (3 sc)

Rows 3–8: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.

Row 9: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st and in each st across, turn. (6 sc)

Row 10: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across with 2 sc in last st, turn. (8 sc)

Rows 11 & 12: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 13: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st and in each st across, turn. (16 sc)

Rows 14–20: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Rows 21–25: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across with 2 sc in last st, turn. (26 sc at end of last row)

Right-Side Fin

Row 1: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in each of next 2 sts, **sc dec** in next 2 sts, leaving rem sts unworked, turn. (5 sc)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc dec in first 2 sts, sc in each st across, turn. (4 sc)

Row 3: Ch 1, sc in each st across with sc dec in last 2 sts, turn. (3 sc)

Row 4: Ch 1, sc dec in first 2 sts, sc in last st, turn. (2 sc)

Row 5: Ch 1, sc in each st across. Fasten off.

Body Top Continued

Row 26: With Right-Side Fin in proper position on the right side of Body, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*) silver grey in next unworked st on row 25, ch 1, sc dec in same st and next st, sc in each of next 12 sts, sc dec in next 2 sts, leaving rem sts unworked. Turn. (14 sc)

Rows 27–34: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 35: Ch 1, sc dec in first 2 sts, sc in each st across with sc dec in last 2 sts, turn. (12 sc)

Rows 36–38: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 39: Rep row 35. (10 sc)

Row 40: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 41: Rep row 35. (8 sc)

Row 42: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 43: Rep row 35. (6 sc)

Rows 44–46: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 47: Rep row 35. (4 sc)

Row 48: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Rows 49–51: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across with 2 sc in last st, turn. (10 sc at end of last row)

Right Tail Fin

Row 52: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in each of next 4 sts, leaving rem sts unworked, turn. (6 sc)

Row 53: Ch 1, sc dec in first 2 sts, sc in each st across with 2 sc in last st, turn.

Row 54: Ch 1, sc in each st across with sc dec in last 2 sts, turn. (5 sc)

Row 55: Ch 1, sc dec in first 2 sts, sc in each st across with 2 sc in last st, turn.

Row 56: Ch 1, sc dec in first 2 sts, sc in next st, sc dec in last 2 sts, turn. (3 sc)

Row 57: Ch 1, sc dec in first 2 sts, sc in next st. Leaving long end to sew Body pieces tog, fasten off.

Left-Side Fin

Row 1: With Right-Side Fin in its proper position, join silver grey in next-to-last st on row 25, sc dec in same st and in next st, sc in each st across to last st, 2 sc in last st, turn. (5 sc)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in each st across with sc dec in last 2 sts, turn. (4 sc)

Row 3: Ch 1, sc dec in first 2 sts, sc in each st across, turn. (3 sc)

Row 4: Ch 1, sc in first st, sc dec in last 2 sts, turn. (2 sc)

Row 5: Ch 1, sc in each st across. Fasten off.

Left Tail Fin

Row 1: With Right Tail Fin in its proper position, join silver grey with sc in next unworked st on row 51 of Body Top, sc in each of next 3 sts, 2 sc in last st, turn. (6 sc)

Row 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across with sc dec in last 2 sts, turn.

Row 3: Ch 1, sc dec in first 2 sts, sc in each st across, turn. (5 sc)

Row 4: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across with sc dec in last 2 sts, turn.

Row 5: Ch 1, sc dec in first 2 sts, sc in each st across with sc dec in last 2 sts, turn. (3 sc)

Row 6: Ch 1, sc in first st, sc dec in last 2 sts. Fasten off. (2 sc)

Body Bottom

Rows 1–12: With white, rep rows 1–12 of Body Top.

Row 13: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across with 2 sc in last st, turn. (10 sc)

Rows 14 & 15: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 16: Rep row 13. (12 sc)

Rows 17–20: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Rows 21–25: Rep row 13. (22 sc at end of last row)

Right-Side Fin

Work same as Right-Side Fin on Body Top.

Body Bottom Continued

Row 26: With Right-Side Fin in proper position on the right side of Body, join silver grey in next unworked st on row 25, sc in each of next 11 sts, turn. (12 sc)

Rows 27–34: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 35: Ch 1, sc dec in first 2 sts, sc in each st across with sc dec in last 2 sts, turn. (10 sc)

Rows 36–38: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 39: Rep row 35. (8 sc)

Rows 40–42: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Rows 43–51: Rep rows 43–51 of Body Top Continued.

Right Tail Fin

Work same as Right Tail Fin on Body Top.

Left-Side Fin

With white work same as Left-Side Fin on Body Top.

Left Tail Fin

With white work same as Left Tail Fin on Body Top.

Dorsal Fin

Side

Make 2.

Row 1: Beg at base, with silver grey, leaving long end, ch 7, sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each across, turn. (6 sc)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc dec in first 2 sts, sc in each st across with sc dec in last 2 sts, turn. (4 sc)

Row 3: Ch 1, sc dec in first 2 sts, sc in next st, 2 sc in last st, turn.

Row 4: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in next st, sc dec in last 2 sts, turn.

Row 5: Ch 1, sc dec in first 2 sts, sc in next st, 2 sc in last st, turn.

Row 6: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc dec in next 2 sts, leaving last st unworked. Fasten off.

Finishing

Using **French knots** (see Fig. 1), with black, embroider 3 French knots close tog for each eye 3 sts from each edge of row 14 on Body Top.

Sew Body Top to Body Bottom firmly stuffing as you sew.

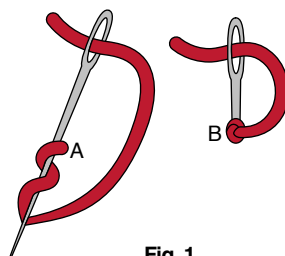


Fig. 1
French Knot

Sew Dorsal Fin Sides tog, leaving bottom edge open. Firmly stuff and sew to Body Top with center front of Fin positioned in center of Body Top on row 28.

GAUGE

4 sc = 1 inch; 5 sc rows = 1 inch

PATTERN NOTES

Work stitches tightly to create a firm fabric through which the stuffing will not show.

Work in continuous rounds, do not turn or join unless otherwise stated.

Mark first stitch of round.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

BALL

SKILL LEVEL INTERMEDIATE

FINISHED SIZE

1¾ inches diameter

MATERIALS

- Pisgah Yarn & Dyeing Co. medium (worsted) weight cotton yarn (2½ oz/122 yds/71g per ball):
 - 1 ball each #10 yellow and #19 peacock
- Size H/8/5mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle
- Fiberfill
- Stitch marker



BALL

Rnd 1: Wrap yellow around index finger 3 times, leaving 4-inch end, roll yarn from finger, forming ring, insert hook in ring, pull lp through, ch 1, 12 sc in ring, **do not join** (see Pattern Notes), pull 4-inch end to close ring.

Rnds 2–4: Sc in each st around and, **at the same time**, evenly sp [2 sc in next st] 3 times on each rnd. At end of last rnd, fasten off. (21 sc at end of last rnd)

Rnd 5: Join peacock with sc in any st, sc in each st around. Fasten off.

Rnd 6: Join yellow with sc in any st, sc in each st around and at same time, evenly sp [sc dec in next 2 sts] 3 times. Stuff. (18 sc)

Rnds 7–9: Sc in each st around and, **at the same time**, evenly sp [sc dec in next 2 sts] 3 times on each rnd. At end of last rnd, leaving long end, fasten off. Stuff. (9 sc at end of last rnd)

Weave long end through top of sts on last rnd, pull to close. Secure and leave long end to attach ball to tip of dolphin's nose. **C!**



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