

Baby Penelope

Materials

B crochet hook
1/2 ounce flesh fingering weight yarn
½ ounce contrasting color for onesie
Tapestry needles to weave in ends
1 yard contrasting color embroidery floss for facial features
We used the rest of the yarn from the bear to make hair.
Embroidery needle
One yard each of desired color for eyes and desired color for nose and mouth
Small amount of polyester stuffing

Abbreviations

MC = Main Color
CCA = Contrasting Color A
CCB = Contrasting Color B
ch(s) = chain(s)
sl st = slip stitch
sc(s) = single crochet(s)
hdc(s) = half double crochet(s)
dc(s) = double crochet(s)
dec = decrease
inc = inc
sts(s) = stitch (es)

Notes

- 1) Since Penelope is going to be stuffed you can knot threads together on inside rather than sewing in the ends.
- 2) Penelope is worked in a spiral. It's a good idea to mark the first st of each round with a safety pin. If you find it difficult to maintain the correct number of sts, mark the half way point as well.

Leg 1

Round 1 - Ch2, 6sc into 1st ch (6sts)
Round 2 - Inc in each st (12)
Rounds 3 - 8 – Work even (12)
Rounds 9 - 10 – Change to yarn for onesie, sc in each st
Sl st in next st. Pull yarn through and cut, leaving a 6" tail

Leg 2

Repeat Leg 1 but don't sl st or cut yarn

Body

Round 1 - Continuing on Leg 2, sc in next 6 sts (it's a very good idea to mark the first st), sc in 6 sts on front of Leg 1 (a marker here doesn't hurt), sc in remaining sts on Leg 1, sc in remaining sts on Leg 2. The legs are now joined (24)
Round 2 – 8 – Sc around (24)
Round 9 – Change to onesie color, sc around

Stuff legs and lower body firmly using the eraser end of a pencil if the legs are small. Polyester stuffing tends to soften with time. Don't stuff up to the row you're working on because the polyester fibers get caught in your yarn and make it difficult to take out stitches. As you continue to work, add more stuffing every three or four rows.

Rounds 2 – 8 – Sc around

Round 9 - Dec 4 sts evenly in round (26)

Round 10 – Repeat Round 9 making sure that decreases are staggered (22)

Round 11 – Repeat Round 9, making sure that decreases are staggered (18)

*Round 12 – Change back to flesh color *Dec over next 2 sc, sc 7, Repeat from * (16)*

Head

Round 13 - Sc in each st around (16)

Round 14 – Inc 2 stitches evenly on round (18)

Round 15 – Inc 4 sts even on round (22)

Round 16– Repeat Round 15 making sure increases is staggered (26)

Round 17– Repeat Round 15 making sure increases is staggered (30)

Rounds 18 – 22 – Work even (30)

*Round 23 – *Dec, sc4. Repeat from * around. 6 sts decreased (24)*

*Round 24 – *2sc, dec. Repeat from * around 6 sts decreased (18)*

*Round 25 - *2sc, dec. Repeat from * around 6 sts decreased (12)*

Round 26 – Dec around. 6 sts decreased. (6)

Round 27 - Sl st in next st, cut yarn leaving a 10 inch tail and pull it through each remaining st. Pull to close top of head and fasten off.

Arms (make 2)

Round 1 - Ch2, 6sc into 1st ch (6sts)

Round 2 - 2sc into each st (12)

Round 3 – 7 - Sc in each st around (12)

Round 8 – Change to onesie color and sc around.

Sl st in next st. Pull yarn through and cut, leaving a 6" tail

Finishing

1. Stuff arms and sew to body.
2. Embroider eyes on face,
3. Embroider mouth on face
4. Weave in yarn at top of head
5. Cut about 40 4 inch long strands of yarn for hair. Starting at top of head, double each piece of yarn in half, push hook from bottom to top through a stitch or post, catch loop of yarn on hook, pull loop through st and pull strands of yarn through loop to fasten them. Work down, making sure you leave room for Penelope's forehead
6. Tie back Penelope's hair with a piece of contrasting yarn from Peapod.
7. Weave in remaining loose ends.