

Pet Turtle Toy



This friendly cotton turtle is loved by both pets and people (from kids to collectors)!

Sizes and Materials List ...

Size:	One size, approximately 6.5' wide by 8' long
Hook(s):	US G/6 (4.25 mm)
Yarn:	Pisgah Yarn & Dyeing Co., Inc. Peaches & Crème Article 930 [100% cotton, 122 yds/2.5 oz ball]
Colors & Approx. Yardage	(A) #89 Camel, 75 yds (B) #64 Olive, 50 yds (C) #52 Light Sage, 20 yds (D) #11 Sunburst, 30 yds
Notions	Yarn needle Fiberfill stuffing Optional - 1 jingle bell
Gauge:	16 sts and 16 rows = 4"/10 cm in single crochet. <i>Always take time to check your gauge</i>



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Notes ...

Working	<p>Turtle is worked in two pieces beginning with circular shell body. Head, legs and tail are attached by working back and forth in rows. Upper and lower body pieces are slip stitched together, with stuffing inserted before closure.</p> <p>Yarn ends can be left hanging to be worked over and stuffed inside when pieces are joined.</p> <p>For child and pet safety, eyes are embroidered.</p>
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Stitches Used	<p>Chain (ch) Slip Stitch (sl st) Single Crochet (sc) Single Crochet 2 Together (sc2tog) Single Crochet 3 Together (sc3tog)</p>
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Abbreviations	<p>Beginning (beg) Each (ea) Repeat (rep)</p>
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Magic loop beginning ring

Wind yarn around finger once, hold circle of yarn as you insert hook into it, yo and pull loop through, ch 1, work first round over strands of circle. After first two rounds are complete, pull on yarn tail gently to close center of ring.

Special Stitches

Single Crochet 2 Together (sc2tog)

*Insert hook in next st; yo, pull through st; rep from * once; yo, pull through all three lps on hook.

Single Crochet 3 Together (sc3tog)

*Insert hook in next st; yo, pull through st; rep from * twice; yo, pull through all four lps on hook.

Instructions ...

Upper Shell

Note: Upper shell is worked in two colors in rounds which are joined with slip stitch.

Round 1	<p>With B, make beginning ring (either by traditional ch 4, join into ring method or by magic loop method described above). Ch 1, work 6 sc in ring, join with sl st. (6 sc)</p>
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Round 2	(inc rnd) Ch 1, work 2 sc in ea sc around, join with sl st. Join D, drop B but do not cut it. (12 sc)
Round 3	(inc rnd) With D, ch 1, work 2 sc in ea sc around, join with sl st. Change to B, drop D but do not cut it. (24 sc)
Round 4	(inc rnd) With B, ch 1, work 2 sc in first sc, sc in next sc, *2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc, rep from * around, join with sl st. Change to D, drop B but do not cut it. (36 sc)
Round 5	With D, ch 1, sc in ea sc around, join with sl st. Change to B, cut D leaving 6" tail to stuff inside later. (36 sc)
Round 6	(inc rnd) With B, ch 1, work 2 sc in first sc, sc in next 2 sc, *2 sc in next sc, sc in next 2 sc, rep from * around, join with sl st. (48 sc)
Round 7	Ch 1, sc in ea sc around, join with sl st and fasten off. (48 sc)

Lower Shell

Note: lower shell is worked in one color in spiral crochet method.

Round 1	With C, make beg ring as on upper shell. Ch 1, work 6 sc in ring. Do not join but continue in spiral single crochet. Place stitch marker to note beg of rnds and move it up as you work. (6 sc)
Round 2	(inc rnd) Work 2 sc in ea sc around. (12 sc)
Round 3	(inc rnd) Work 2 sc in ea sc around. (24 sc)
Round 4	(inc rnd) Work 2 sc in first sc, sc in next sc, *2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc, rep from * around. (36 sc)
Round 5	Sc in ea sc around. (36 sc)
Round 6	(inc rnd) Work 2 sc in first sc, sc in next 2 sc, *2 sc in next sc, sc in next 2 sc, rep from * around, join with sl st and fasten off. (48 sc)
Round 7	Sc in ea sc around, join with sl st and fasten off. (48 sc)

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Appendages - Upper Shell

Note: work on upper shell piece first, then repeat same instructions on lower shell piece. You will be working around outside of circular piece in this order: head, skip 4 sc to left, first leg, skip 4 sc to left, second leg, skip 4 sc to left, tail, skip 4 sc to left, third leg, skip 4 sc to left, fourth leg.



Head

Row 1	Attach A to any st on last rnd of shell, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next 4 sc. (5 sc)
Rows 2-4	Turn, ch 1, sc in ea sc across. (5 sc)
Row 5	(inc row) Turn, ch 1, work 2 sc in first sc, sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in last sc. (7 sc)
Row 6	(dec row) Turn, ch 1, sc2tog, sc in next 3 sc, sc2tog. (5 sc)
Row 7	(dec row) Turn, ch 1, sc2tog, sc in next sc, sc2tog. Fasten off. (3 sc)

First Leg

Row 1	Skip next 4 scs to left on shell, attach A in next sc, ch 1, sc in same sc, sc in next 3 sc, turn (4 sc)
Rows 2-4	Turn, ch 1, sc in ea sc across. Fasten off at end of row 4. (4 sc)

Second Leg

Rows 1-4	Rep Rows 1-4 of first leg.
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Tail

Row 1	Skip next 4 scs to left on shell, attach A in next sc, ch 1, sc in same sc, sc in next 2 sc. (3 sc)
Rows 2-4	Turn, ch 1, sc in ea sc across. (3 sc)
Row 5	(dec row) Turn, ch 1, sc3tog. Fasten off. (1 sc)

Third Leg

Rows 1-4	Rep Rows 1-4 of first leg.
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Fourth Leg

Rows 1-4	Rep Rows 1-4 of first leg.
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Appendages - Lower Shell

Repeat head, legs, and tail on second shell piece.

Finishing ...

Upper body edging	Attach A to any sc on body, ch 1, sc evenly all around piece, placing sc in ea sc on body and working evenly around head, legs and tail, working around corners with 3 sc in ea corner and 3 sc at point of tail. Work over yarn ends as you go or lay them in center of piece to be stuffed inside later. Join with sl st to beg sc and fasten off. (approx. 120 sc)
Lower body edging	Rep upper body edging instructions.
Join upper and lower body	Hold pieces with wrong sides tog, matching head, tail and legs. Working through inner loops only of ea sc, attach D through both thicknesses in any sc between tail and leg. Sl st through inner loops of ea st around, leaving tail sts unworked until stuffing has been inserted. Stuff with fiberfill (inserting optional jingle bell in center of stuffing if desired), then sl st remaining sts tog to close.
Eyes	With B, embroider two French knots for eyes as shown. Bury all yarn tails inside stuffed body.

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