

Yellow Pink and Sparkly

Paddington Bear

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“Please look after this Bear”

Mr and Mrs Brown first met Paddington on a railway platform. In fact, that was how he came to have such an unusual name for a bear, for Paddington was the name of the station.

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For my Paddington I used:

100g balls of double knitting yarn (Sirdar Country Style) in brown, navy and red

3 mm and 3.50 mm crochet hooks (US sizes D and E)

Notions - toy stuffing, safety eyes, 3 toggles, black embroidery floss.

PATTERN

English terms used

dc (British) = sc (American)

Finished size - approximately 29 cm (11 ½ inches) tall.

Body

With brown and 3 mm hook make 2 chain.

1st round: 6 dc (US = sc) into 2nd chain from hook. Join with a slip st into 1st dc.

2nd round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, [2 dc into next dc] 5 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (12 dc)

3rd round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next dc] 5 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (18 dc)

4th round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 2 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 2 dc] 5 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (24 dc)

5th round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 3 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 3 dc] 5 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (30 dc)

6th round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 4 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 4 dc] 5 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (36 dc)

7th round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 5 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 5 dc] 5 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (42 dc)

8th round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 6 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 6 dc] 5 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (48 dc)

9th - 17th rounds: 1 ch, 1 dc into each stitch to end, sl st into first dc.

18th round: 1 ch, [dc2tog, 1 dc into next 6 dc] 6 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (42 dc)

19th - 22nd rounds: 1 ch, 1 dc into each stitch to end, sl st into first dc.

23rd round: 1 ch, [dc2tog, 1 dc into next 5 dc] 6 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (36 dc)

24th - 27th rounds: 1 ch, 1 dc into each stitch to end, sl st into first dc.

28th round: 1 ch, [dc2tog, 1 dc into next 4 dc] 6 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (30 dc)

29th - 31st rounds: 1 ch, 1 dc into each stitch to end, sl st into first dc.

32nd round: 1 ch, [dc2tog, 1 dc into next 3 dc] 6 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (24 dc)

33rd - 34th rounds: 1 ch, 1 dc into each stitch to end, sl st into first dc.

35th round: 1 ch, [dc2tog, 1 dc into next 2 dc] 6 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (18 dc)

36th round: 1 ch, 1 dc into each stitch to end, sl st into first dc.

Fasten off and stuff body. Do not close neck opening.



Head

With brown and 3 mm hook make 2 chain.

1st round: 6 dc into 2nd chain from hook. Join with a slip st into 1st dc.

2nd round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, [2 dc into next dc] 5 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (12 dc)

3rd round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 3 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 3 dc] 2 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (15 dc)

4th round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 4 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 4 dc] 2 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (18 dc)

5th round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 5 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 5 dc] 2 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (21 dc)

6th round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 6 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 6 dc] 2 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (24 dc)

7th round: 1 ch, 1 dc into each stitch to end, sl st into first dc.

8th round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 3 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 3 dc] 5 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (30 dc)

9th round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 4 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 4 dc] 5 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (36 dc)

10th round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 5 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 5 dc] 5 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (42 dc)

11th round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 6 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 6 dc] 5 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (48 dc)

12th round: 1 ch, 1 dc into each stitch to end, sl st into first dc.

13th round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 7 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 7 dc] 5 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (54 dc)

14th - 16th rounds: 1 ch, 1 dc into each stitch to end, sl st into first dc.

17th round: 1 ch, [dc2tog, 1 dc into next 7 dc] 6 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (48 dc)

18th round: 1 ch, 1 dc into each stitch to end, sl st into first dc.

19th round: 1 ch, [dc2tog, 1 dc into next 6 dc] 6 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (42 dc)

20th round: 1 ch, 1 dc into each stitch to end, sl st into first dc.

21st round: 1 ch, [dc2tog, 1 dc into next 5 dc] 6 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (36 dc)

22nd round: 1 ch, 1 dc into each stitch to end, sl st into first dc.

23rd round: 1 ch, [dc2tog, 1 dc into next 4 dc] 6 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (30 dc)

24th round: 1 ch, 1 dc into each stitch to end, sl st into first dc.

If using safety eyes, it would be advisable to fit these now, before the hole in the head gets too small.

25th round: 1 ch, [dc2tog, 1 dc into next 3 dc] 6 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (24 dc)

26th round: 1 ch, [dc2tog, 1 dc into next 2 dc] 6 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (18 dc)

27th round: 1 ch, [dc2tog, 1 dc into next 1 dc] 6 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (12 dc)

Stuff head at this point.

28th round: 1 ch, [dc2tog,] 6 times. Sl st into 1st dc. Fasten off and close hole in back of head.

Attach to top of body.

Embroider a nose and mouth with black embroidery floss.

Ears

With brown and 3 mm hook make 2 chain.

1st round: 6 dc into 2nd chain from hook.

Join with a slip st into 1st dc.

2nd round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, [2 dc into next dc] 5 times.



Sl st into 1st dc. (12 dc)

3rd round; 1ch, 2 ch into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next dc, 2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next dc, 1 htr and 1 tr in next dc, 1 tr and 1 dtr in next dc, 1 dtr and 1 tr in next dc, 1 tr and 1 htr in next dc, [1 dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc] 2 times, sl st into 1st dc.

Fasten off.

Sew on to side of head.

Legs

With brown double knitting and 3mm hook, chain 10.

1st round: 1dc into 2nd chain from hook. 1 dc into next 7 ch, 2dc into last chain. Working other side of foundation chain, work 2 dc into same place as last dcs. 1 dc into next 7 dc, 3 dc into the same chain as 1st dc worked. Sl st into 1st dc. (22dc)

2nd round: 1ch, 1 dc into same stitch as chain, 1dc into next 8 dc, 2 dc into next 2 dc, 1 dc into next 9 dc, 2 dc into 2 dc. Sl st into 1st dc. (26dc)

3rd and 4th round: 1 ch, 1 dc into each stitch to end, sl st into first dc.

5th round: 1 ch, 1 dc into next 7 dc, [dc2tog] 4 times, 1 dc into next 11 dc. Sl st into 1st dc. (22dc)

6th round: 1 ch, 1 dc into next 7 dc, [dc2tog] 2 times, 1 dc into next 11 dc. Sl st into 1st dc. (20dc)

7th - 13th rounds: 1 ch, 1 dc into each stitch to end, sl st into first dc.

14th round: 1 ch, 1 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc in next 7 dc, dc2tog, 1 dc in next 8 dc, dc2tog, sl st into first dc. (18sts)

15th - 16th rounds: ch, 1 dc into each stitch to end, sl st into first dc.

Fasten off and stuff.

Sew to base of body.



Arms

With brown and 3 mm hook make 2 chain.

1st round: 6 dc into 2nd chain from hook. Join with a slip st into 1st dc.

2nd round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, [2 dc into next dc] 5 times.

Sl st into 1st dc. (12 dc)

3rd - 7th rounds: 1 ch, 1 dc into each stitch to end, sl st into first dc.

8th round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 3 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 3 dc] 2 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (15 dc)

9th - 23rd rounds: 1 ch, 1 dc into each stitch to end, sl st into first dc.

24th round: 1 ch, [dc2tog, 1 dc into next 3 dc] 3 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (12 dc)

25th round: 1 ch, [dc2tog, 1 dc into next 2 dc] 3 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (9 dc)

Fasten off and stuff.

Sew across the opening to close and attach arms to the sides of the body.



Hat

With red and 3 mm hook make 2 chain.

1st round: 6 dc (US = sc) into 2nd chain from hook. Join with a slip st into 1st dc.

2nd round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, [2 dc into next dc] 5 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (12 dc)

3rd round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next dc] 5 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (18 dc)

4th round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 2 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 2 dc] 5 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (24 dc)

5th round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 3 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 3 dc] 5 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (30 dc)

6th round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 4 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 4 dc] 5 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (36 dc)

7th round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 5 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 5 dc] 5 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (42 dc)

8th round: 1 ch, working in back loops only, 1 dc into each stitch to end, sl st into first dc.

9th round: 1 ch, 1 dc into each stitch to end, sl st into first dc.

10th round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 13 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 13 dc] 2 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (45 dc)

11th round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 14 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 14 dc] 2 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (48 dc)

12th - 13th rounds: 1 ch, 1 dc into each stitch to end, sl st into first dc.

14th round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 15 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 15 dc] 2 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (51 dc)

15th round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 16 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 16 dc] 2 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (54 dc)

16th round: : 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 8 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 8 dc] 5 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (60 dc)

17th round: : 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 9 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 9 dc] 5 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (66 dc)

18th round: : 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 10 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 10 dc] 5 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (72 dc)



19th round: : 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 11 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 11 dc] 5 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (78 dc)

20th round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 12 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 12 dc] 5 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (84 dc)

21st round: 1 ch, 2 dc into same stitch as chain, 1 dc into next 13 dc, [2 dc into next dc, 1 dc into next 13 dc] 5 times. Sl st into 1st dc. (90 dc)

22nd round: 1 ch, 1 dc into each stitch to end, sl st into first dc.

Fasten off.

Duffle Coat

With 3.50mm hook (NB larger hook used for coat) and navy, chain 81.

1st row: 1 dc in 2nd ch from hook, 1 dc in next ch, (miss 1 ch, 1 dc in each of next 2 ch) to end, turn (54 dc)

2nd row: 1 ch, 1 dc in each dc to end, turn.

Repeat row 2 six more times.

9th row: 1 ch, (1 dc in next 9 dc, dc2tog) 2 times, 1 dc in next 10 dc, (dc2tog, 1 dc in next 9 dc) 2 times, turn. (50 dc)

10th - 16th rows: as row 2

17th row: 1 ch, (1 dc in next 8 dc, dc2tog) 2 times, 1 dc in next 10 dc, (dc2tog, 1 dc in next 8 dc) 2 times, turn. (46 dc)

18th - 22nd rows: as row 2

23rd row: 1 ch, (1 dc in next 7 dc, dc2tog) 2 times, 1 dc in next 10 dc, (dc2tog, 1 dc in next 7 dc) 2 times, turn. (42 dc)

24th row: as row 2

Divide for armholes

Next row: 1 ch, 1 dc in next 8 dc, turn. (8dc)

Working on these 8 sts only for right front, work 1 dc in each dc for 5 further rows.

Fasten off.

With right side facing, miss 6 dc for armhole, rejoin yarn to next dc, 1 ch, 1 dc in same place, 1 dc in next 13 dc, turn (14 dc)

Working on these 14 sts only for back, work 1 dc in each dc for 5 further rows.

Fasten off.

With right side facing, miss 6 dc for armhole, rejoin yarn to next dc, 1 ch, 1 dc in same place, 1 dc in next 7 dc, turn (8 dc)

Working on these 8 sts only for left front, work 1 dc in each dc for 5 further rows, turn.

DO NOT FASTEN OFF.

Next row: 1 ch, 1 dc in next 8 dc, 4 ch, 1 dc in each of the 14 dc across back, 4 ch, 1 dc in each of next 8 dc of right front, turn.

Next row: 1 ch, 1 dc in next 8 dc, 4 dc in chain loop, 1 dc in next 14 dc, 4 dc

in chain loop, 1 dc in next 8 dc, turn. (38 dc)

Next row: 1 ch, 1 dc in each dc to end, turn.

Increase row to form hood: 1 ch, 1 dc in next 10 dc, (2 dc in next dc, 1 dc in next 2 dc) 6 times, 2 dc in next dc, 1 dc in next 9 dc, turn. (45 dc)

Next row: 1 ch, 1 dc in each dc to end, turn.

Repeat the last row 24 times more.

Fasten off.

Fold hood in half and sew up seam to form the hood.

Sleeves

With 3.50mm hook and navy, chain 30.

1st row: 1 dc in 2nd ch from hook, 1 dc in next ch, (miss 1 ch, 1 dc in each of next 2 ch) to end, turn (20 dc)

2nd row: 1 ch, 1 dc in each dc to end, turn.

Repeat row 2 fourteen more times.

Making up

Fold sleeves in half, sew up seams and sew into armholes.

Sew three toggles on front of coat.

Make three loops of 16 ch each and attach these to the other front to correspond with the toggles.



As a final touch, you can always add the luggage label saying “Please look after this Bear”.