5-Minute Mouse

A cat toy pattern from
A Dog In A Sweater by Jenna Wingate

Skill Level: Beginner

Size: About 2.5 inches long

Gauge: Not Important

Stitches used:
Single Crochet (sc)
Double Crochet (dc)
Back Loop Only (BLO)
Slip Stitch (slst)
Single Crochet Two Together (sc2tog) How To
Single Crochet Three Together (sc3tog) How To
Finish Off (FO)

Materials:
Small amount of worsted weight yarn
F hook
Small amount of polyfil
catnip (optional)
stitch marker
tapestry needle
Tip: I like to keep some polyfil in a ziploc with catnip. It's fast to access and it absorbs the scent while you can shake the messy part back into the bag. Just make sure you keep it where your cat can't get to it!

Stitch Marker cheat: This is such a small project, you can just use that free beginning tail to marker the end of your rounds. Use your hook to pull it through and move it as needed.This makes the mouse go a lot faster!

Pattern Usage
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Instructions:
Rnd 1- 6sc in a magic circle (6)
-or-
Rnd 1- Ch2. 6sc in 2nd chain from the hook. (6)

Work BLO throughout

Rnd 2- (2sc in next sc, 1sc in next sc) 3times (9)
Rnd 3- (2sc in next sc, 1sc in nect 2sc) 3times (12)
Rnd 4- (2sc in next sc, 1sc in next 3sc) 3times (15)
Rnd 5- sc around
Rnd 6- (2c in next sc, 1sc in next 4sc) 3times (18)
Rnds 7-9- sc around
Rnd 10- (sc2tog) 9times (9)

Stuff

Round 11- (sc3tog) 3times (3)
FO leaving a 6inch tail.

Tail:
Cut a 12inch length of yarn.
Using your hook, pull through open end of mouse.
Tie once to secure and close the opening.
Braid the 3 strands, knot and trim.

Ears:
Slst into any free front loop on round 5.
5dc in next free front loop.
Slst in next 3 free loops.
5dc in next free loop.
Slst in next free front loop.
FO.
Sew in beginning and ending tails.