


> A Burgundy Basket Pattern

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## Materials:

Yarns: Baby T was constructed with all Impeccable


Yarn: Misty Blue as the main color and a bit of Plum and Green Lagoon in his shirt.
-Hook: I used a G/4mm hook for most of this pattern.
-Safety Eyes (or yarn to embroider if you choose) and needle to embroider face.
-Stuffing. I have used Poly-Fill brand stuffing, but feel free to use what you prefer.

- I don't use Stitch markers, but if you do you will want those to keep track of your rounds. As a "free" stitch marker you can loop a bright colored piece of scrap yarn through your stitch to act as a marker - then just pull it out when you get back around to it and move it up one row. Easy marker!


## Hints and Tips for Stuffies, Ragdolls, Amigurumi etc.

## Spiral Crochet:

I crochet in the "spiral" for this project and for most of my work. This prevents the joining seam that can occur with crochet. What that means is that you don't join each round with a slip stitch and then chain 1, but rather keep on working the next stitch - the first one from the previous row. It may help to use a stitch marker to designate the beginning of the previous round. For example, if your round calls for 30 sc stitches, then sc 30 around, but instead of slip stitching to the first stitch and then chaining one, sc in the first stitch and keep on going for your next round.

## TIP Counting:

I also tend to open the calculator on my phone and keep track of "rounds" and stitches by my calculator. For example: if I need to do 4 rounds of 36 stitches I will do " $4 \times 36=144$ " on my calculator and then subtract as I go. So, I might do 30 sc and stop (144-30) get up and do something and come back and so forth until I get done. This keeps me on track and keeps me from having to use and move stitch markers. I only advise this if you are good with counting and have no distractions.

## Invisible Decrease:

Doing an invisible single crochet decrease is one of the best things I ever learned! There are many online tutorials on this so look up doing the invisible decrease single crochet online and you will not be sorry. Essentially, you will be doing your single crochet decrease in only the front loops of the crochets being decreased.

## Stitches Used:

Chain: Ch
Single Crochet: SC
Inc Sc: make two single crochet stitches in the same stitch as indicated
Invisible Decrease: inv. dec - this is an invisible single crochet decrease
HDC: half-double crochet
HDC Inc: increase in HDC
DC Inc: increase in DC
DC: double crochet
TR: treble crochet *US Terms apply

Head: This pattern starts at the back of the head and works toward the nose.
***This pattern is a modification of my Pink the Dragon pattern and as such I have left some of the photo tutorials from that pattern in this pattern - this is why some photos will not be the same color.

Ch 2 (you can also use a magic ring if that is your preferred method of starting a circle or amigurumi) Round 1: 6 sc in second chain from hook (6)
Round 2: 2 sc in each stitch around (12)
Round 3: *1 sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc** repeat around (18)

Round 4: *1 sc in next two sc, 2 sc in next sc** repeat around (24)
Round 5: ${ }^{*} 1 \mathrm{sc}$ in next three $\mathrm{sc}, 2 \mathrm{sc}$ in next sc** repeat around (30)
Round 6: *1 sc in next $4 \mathrm{sc}, 2 \mathrm{sc}$ in next $\mathrm{sc}{ }^{* *}$ repeat around (36)
Round 7: 1 sc in each stitch around (36)
Round 8: *1 sc in next $5 \mathrm{sc}, 2 \mathrm{sc}$ in next sc** repeat around (42)
Rounds 9-11: 1 sc in each stitch around working in a spiral (42)(42)(42)
Round 12: *sc in each of the next 5 sc , dec sc* repeat around (36)
Round 13: sc in each stitch around (36)
Round 14: ***place a stitch marker here in the first stitch. ${ }^{* * *}$ sc in each of the next 20 sc , chain 10 , slip stitch in marked first stitch, (see photos). Chain 1 and sc in each stitch around (30)


Rounds 15-16: sc in each stitch around (30)(30)
Round 17: *1 sc in next three sc, inv dec over the next 2 sc* repeat around (24)
Round 18: sc in each stitch around (24)
Round 19: *sc in each of the next 2 sc , dec sc* repeat around (18)
Round 20: sc in each stitch around (18)
Round 21: *sc, inv dec* repeat (12)
Round 22: inv dec around (6) - sew closed.

Finish off and leave a tail to sew closed.

You can add the nose at this point or wait until your head is finished.

The nose is a simple heart shape. Chain 2. Make all of the following stitches in the $2^{\text {nd }}$ chain from the hook: sc, hdc, dc, tr, chain 2 , slip stitch in the same space, chain 2 , $\mathrm{tr}, \mathrm{dc}, \mathrm{hdc}, \mathrm{sc}$, slip stitch and finish off with a tail to sew.

## Body:

Start body at back of head (see photo) - sc around piece *I got 29. This part isn't crucial - you may get a few more or a few less. It is okay. Just make sure your stitches are evenly spaced and don't look puckered. It should be around 30.

On the second round you are going to decrease to get 20 sc . You want to decrease this round evenly from whatever you had on the previous row. Just decrease around using inv. dec to get 20 stitches. So, for me since I had 29, I did ( $1 \mathrm{sc}, 1 \mathrm{dec}$ ) around.

Rounds 3-4: Sc in each stitch around (20)(20)
Start stuffing head and stuff as you go. Insert safety eyes if you are using them.
Round 5: Increase this round by 4 evenly spaced stitches to end up with 24.
Rounds 6-8: sc around (24)(24)(24)
Round 9: *1 sc in next three sc, 2 sc in next sc** repeat around (30)
Rounds 10-12: sc around (30)(30)(30)
Round 13: *1 sc in next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc** repeat around (36)

Round 14: sc around (36)


Round 15: *1 sc in next $5 \mathrm{sc}, 2 \mathrm{sc}$ in next sc** repeat around (42)

Round 16: sc around (42)
Round 17: *1 sc in next $6 \mathrm{sc}, 2 \mathrm{sc}$ in next sc** repeat around (48)
Rounds 18-22: sc around (48)
Round 23: *sc in each of the next 6 sc , dec sc* repeat around (42)
Round 24: *sc in each of the next 5 sc , dec sc* repeat around (36)
Round 25: *sc in each of the next 4 sc , dec sc* repeat around (30)
Round 26: *sc in each of the next 3 sc , dec sc* repeat around (24)
Round 27 : *sc in each of the next 2 sc , dec sc* repeat around (18)
Round 28: *sc in the next sc, dec sc* repeat around (12) FO and sew opening closed.

## Ears (make 2 in each color) - USE YOUR H/5mm hook

Ch 2 (you can also use a magic ring if that is your preferred method of starting a circle or amigurumi) Round 1: 6 sc in second chain from hook (6)
Round 2: 2 sc in each stitch around (12)
Round 3: *1 sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc** repeat around (18)
Round 4: *1 sc in next two sc, 2 sc in next sc** repeat around (24)
Rounds 5-9: sc in each stitch around
Round 10: *sc in each of the next 2 sc , dec sc* repeat around (18)
Round 11: *sc in the next sc, dec sc* repeat around (12) FO and leave a tail to sew.

## Feet/Legs (make two):

Ch 2
Round 1: 6 sc in second chain from hook (6)
Round 2: 2 sc in each stitch around (12)
Round 3: *1 sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc* repeat around (18)
Round 4: *1 sc in next two sc, 2 sc in next sc* repeat around (24)
Rounds 5-7: 1 sc in each stitch around (24)(24)

Start your Decreases and stuff as you go. Stuff how it is easiest for you. I usually stuff around my 18 sc round. Stuff the feet firm, but don't over stuff the legs. I didn't add any stuffing to my legs.
Round 8: *sc in next 2 sc , inv dec over next 2* repeat around (18)
Round 9: *sc in next sc, inv dec over next 2 sc* repeat around (12)
Round 10: sc in each sc around (12)
Round 11: repeat round 8 (9)
Single crochet in each stitch around until you reach the length you desire for your legs. I ended up with 15 total rows in my example.

## Arms (make two):

Ch 2
Round 1: 6 sc in second chain from hook (6)
Round 2: 2 sc in each stitch around (12)
Round 3: *1 sc in next $3 \mathrm{sc}, 2 \mathrm{sc}$ in next sc** repeat around (15)
Rounds 4-6: 1 sc in each stitch around (15)(15)
Start your Decreases and stuff as you go. Don't overstuff your arms. I only add stuffing to the bottoms in the "hands" and leave the arm free.
Round 7: *sc in next 3 sc , inv dec over next 2* repeat around (12)
Rounds 8: (sc dec over the next 2 stitches) $x$ 2, then sc in the next 8 sc (10)
Rounds 9-20: sc in each sc around (10)
Finish off, but leave a long tail for sewing to the body.

please feel free to do this if you prefer.

## Shirt/Dress:

With your H/5mm hook, chain 49 *please note that you may have to modify your shirt size depending on your gauge, stuffing etc if your bear is a different than mine. Work a few rows and then see how it lays across the belly and adjust as needed.

Row 1: single crochet across the chain (48) and join the last stitch to the first stitch to make a circle. *I work in continuous round and do not join and chain up, but

Round 2: sc around (48)
Round 3: sc around (48)
Round 4: sc 6, dec sc * repeat around (42)
Round 5: sc around (42) **If you want to add more rounds to make this shirt into a dress, add more rounds here for (42) around and more rounds of (36) around below. Do the decreases starting on round 7 after almost the desired length is reached.

Round 6: sc 5, dec sc * repeat around (36)
Round 7: sc 4, dec sc * repeat around (30)
Round 8: sc 3, dec sc *repeat around (24)
Round 9: sc around (24)
Round 10: sc 6 , chain 6 , skip 4 , sc 10 , chain 6 , skip 4 *continuous rounds so while this is the end of round 10 keep going:

Round 11: sc 6 , hdc 8 in the chain 6 space, sc 10, hdc 8 in the chain 6 space (32)
Round 12: sc 6, dec sc 4 times (these dec sc are in the 8 hdc on the arm), sc 10, dec sc 4 times
Slip stitch or invisible join and weave in the end.
Attach second color to the bottom and sc around. Attach yarn to the arm hole and work evenly around in sc until desired length is obtained.


