

Mouse (Crochet) – Updated version

- Worsted Weight Yarn. Sample shown in photos is Berroco Comfort worsted #9770
- apx. 24" black yarn to embroider eyes & nose
- Size G Crochet Hook (gauge is not critical)
- Tapestry Needle, stitch marker
- Poly-fil fiber stuffing or stuffing of your choice

Head & Body

Round 1: Ch 2, make 4 SC in second chain from the hook, pull tight and continue to SC in rounds – do not join, mark the beginning of the round, moving stitch marker up each row. (4 SC)

Round 2: 2SC in each stitch around (8 SC)

Round 3: SC in each stitch around (8 SC)

Round 4: 2SC in first st, SC in next; repeat around (12 SC)

Round 5: To make ears: 1SC, (1 SC, 3DC, 1SC in FLO) in the next stitch, 2SC, (1SC, 3DC, 1SC n FLO) in next stitch, SC to the end of the round (12 SC) Note - each ear counts as 1 stitch) (12 SC)

Round 6: 1 SC, 2SC in BLO in next stitch behind the first ear, 1SC in next 2 sts between the ears, 2SC in BLO in next stitch behind the second ear, *1SC in next 2 sts, 2SC in next st, around from *, ending 1SC (16 SC)

Round 7: SC in each st around (16 SC)

Round 8: 2SC in first st, SC in next 3, repeat around (20 SC)

Round 9-11: SC (20 SC)

Round 12: SC Decrease, SC in next 3, repeat around (16 SC)

Round 13: SC Decrease, SC in next 2, repeat around (12 SC)

Now is a good time to stuff with filling of your choice.

Round 14: SC Decrease, SC in next st, repeat around (8 SC)

Top off filling. Do not fasten, cut yarn leaving long tail about 18". Weave tail through the front loop of all stitches, pull very tight and secure with a slip stitch, do not cut yarn - proceed to the Tail instruction.

Tail

With slipped stitch on needle as the first loop, chain 10, fasten off leaving a long tail, apx. 18". Weave tail into the chain through the "bumps", trim yarn at the base of the tail.

Eyes

Embroider eyes with black yarn. Eyes should be between round 4 and 5; space 3 stitches between the eyes

Nose

Whip stitch with black yarn over the 4 stitches on Round 1.

Glossary

St/sts = stitch/stitches

SC = single crochet stitch

FLO = front loop only

BLO = back loop only

Ch = chain

DC = double crochet stitch

