



Hogar the Moose

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Abbreviations

ch(s) - chain(s)

sl st - slip stitch

sc - single crochet

dc - double crochet

sc2tog – single crochet decrease

st(s) - stitch(es)

Rnd(s) - round(s)

Stitches and crochet techniques used

Slip stitch - sl st

Insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and draw through all loops.

Single crochet - sc

Insert hook in next stitch and draw up a loop (2 loops on hook), yarn over, draw through both loops on hook.

Double crochet - dc

Yarn over, insert hook in next stitch and draw up a loop (3 loops on hook), (yarn over, draw through 2 loops) twice.

Invisible decrease - sc2tog

Insert the hook in front loop of first stitch and in the front loop of the second stitch (3 loops on hook). Yarn over and draw up a loop through the first two front loops on hook, yarn over again and draw through remaining 2 loops on hook.

Joining yarn (changing color)

Make a slip knot on hook. Insert hook into stitch where you need to join new color, yarn over and pull up loop, yarn over and pull through both loops on hook.

Magic adjustable ring

Make a loop with your yarn leaving 3” long tail. Insert hook in center of loop made, yarn over and draw up loop. Yarn over, pull through to make your first chain. (Do not count this as your first stitch.) Continue to crochet over the loop and the yarn tail until you have the required number of stitches for your first round. For example, if the pattern calls for 5 scs, then sc 5 times into the ring.

When counting stitches, don't count the one on the hook.
When you're finished, pull the tail to close the ring.

More instructions:

<http://www.pepika.com/free-patterns/amigurumi-course>

Materials

- 3.5 mm crochet hook
- DK weight acrylic yarn:
 - Color A - beige, 3.5 oz/100 g
 - Color B - dark brown, 1.75 oz/50 g
- small amount of white and black yarn
- soft stuffing
- stitch marker, a long tapestry needle, scissors and sewing pins

Note: The sample was done with Red Heart Lisa but the pattern works well with any type of yarn, just make sure you use the right hook and work tight enough so there are no holes and the stuffing doesn't show through.

Finished size

The size of finished moose head: approx. 15" (38 cm)

Gauge

In single crochet, using 3.5 mm hook and Red Heart Lisa:
20 sts = 4" (10 cm)

Instructions

NOTE: *Unless otherwise stated, all body parts are made by working in rounds without joining. Use a stitch marker to mark the end of each round so you know when you are starting another round. Move the marker up as your work progresses.*

Head



Image 1- Magic adjustable ring

Working from front of the head (muzzle) with magic adjustable ring and color A:

Rnd 1: 6 sc into the center of ring (6) (Image 1)

Pull the tail to close the ring.

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each st around (12)

Rnd 3: (Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st) around (18)

Rnd 4: Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, (sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st) 5 times, sc in last st (24)

Rnd 5: (Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (30)

Rnd 6: Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, (sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st) 5 times, sc in last 2 sts (36)

Rnd 7: (Sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (42)

Rnd 8: Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, (sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st) 5 times, sc in last 3 sts (48) (Image 2)

Rnd 9: (Sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (54)

Rnd 10: Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st, (sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st) 5 times, sc in last 4 sts (60)

Rnd 11: (Sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (66)

Rnd 12: Sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st, (sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st) 5 times, sc in last 5 sts (72)

From the next round work one round even and make the increases in the next round:

Rnd 13: Sc in each st around (72)

Rnd 14: (Sc in next 11 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (78)

Rnd 15: Sc in each st around (78)



Image 2- Rnd 8 finished



Image 3- Rnd 17 finished



Image 4



Image 5- Rnd 56 finished



Image 6

Rnd 16: Sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st, (sc in next 12 sts, 2 sc in next st) 5 times, sc in last 6 sts (84)

Rnd 17: Sc in each st around (84) (Image 3)

Rnd 18: (Sc in next 13 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (90)

Rnd 19: Sc in each st around (90)

Rnd 20: Sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st, (sc in next 14 sts, 2 sc in next st) 5 times, sc in last 7 sts (96)

Rnd 21: Sc in each st around (96)

Rnd 22: (Sc in next 15 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (102)

Rnd 23: Sc in each st around (102)

Rnd 24: Sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st, (sc in next 16 sts, 2 sc in next st) 5 times, sc in last 8 sts (108)

Rnd 25 & 26: Sc in each st around (108)

Start decreasing

Rnd 27: (Sc in next 16 sts, sc2tog) around (102)

Rnd 28 & 29: Sc in each st around (102)

Rnd 30: (Sc in next 15 sts, sc2tog) around (96)

Rnd 31 & 32: Sc in each st around (96)

Rnd 33: (Sc in next 14 sts, sc2tog) around (90)

Rnd 34 & 35: Sc in each st around (90)

Rnd 36: (Sc in next 13 sts, sc2tog) around (84)

Rnd 37 & 38: Sc in each st around (84)

Rnd 39: (Sc in next 12 sts, sc2tog) around (78)

Rnd 40 & 41: Sc in each st around (78)

Rnd 42: (Sc in next 11 sts, sc2tog) around (72) (Image 4)

Rnd 43 - 56: Sc in each st around (72) (Image 5)

Rnd 57: (Sc in next 10 sts, sc2tog) around (66)

Rnd 58: (Sc in next 9 sts, sc2tog) around (60)

Rnd 59: (Sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog) around (54)

Rnd 60: (Sc in next 7 sts, sc2tog) around (48)

Rnd 61: (Sc in next 6 sts, sc2tog) around (42)

Rnd 62: (Sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog) around (36)

Rnd 63: (Sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog) around (30)

Stuff! (Image 6) The head should be stuffed firmly but be careful not to put too much stuffing so it shows through stitches.



Image 7 - Weave tail through the front loops of last 6 sts



Image 8 - Finished head



Image 9



Image 10

Rnd 64: (Sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog) around (24)

Rnd 65: (Sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog) around (18)

Add some more stuffing!

Rnd 66: (Sc in next st, sc2tog) around (12)

Rnd 67: (Sc2tog) around (6)

Fasten off! With tapestry needle, weave the tail through the front loops of the remaining 6 stitches and pull it tight to close.

(Images 7 & 8)

Eyes (make 2)

Pupil and iris

With magic adjustable ring and black yarn:

Rnd 1: 6 sc into the center of ring (6)

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each st around (12)

Sl st in next st and fasten off! Join color B. (Image 9) (Please, see instructions on page 1 on how to join yarn).

Rnd 3: (Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st) around (18)

Rnd 4: [Sc in next 8 sts, (dc, ch1, dc) in next st] 2 times (22)

Sl st in next st and fasten off leaving tail long enough to sew to eyeball! (Image 10)

Eyeball

With magic adjustable ring and white yarn:

Rnd 1: 6 sc into the center of ring (6)

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each st around (12)

Rnd 3: (Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st) around (18)



Image 11

Rnd 4: Sc in next 4 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts. (22)

Rnd 5: Sc in next 5 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts. (26)

Rnd 6: Sc in next 6 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 12 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts. (30)

Rnd 7: Sc in next 7 sts.

Fasten off leaving tail long enough to sew to the head! (Image 11)



Image 12 Attaching pupil and iris to the eyeball

Center pupil and iris on top of the eyeball and stitch in place.

(Image 12)

Make two straight stitches coming out from the center of eye for an “eye shine” effect. (Image 13)



Image 13

Eyelids (make 2)

Make an eyelid using color A and following the same 7 rounds as for the eyeball. (Image 14 - 1)

Flatten opening closed and sc in next 15 stitches through both layers. (Image 14 - 2) Fasten off leaving tail long enough to sew to head. (Image 14 - 3)

Ears (make 2)

Working from tip of the ear, with magic adjustable ring and color A:

Rnd 1: 4 sc into the center of ring (4)

Rnd 2: (Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st) around (6)

Rnd 3: (Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (8)

Rnd 4: (Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (10)

Rnd 5: (Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (12)

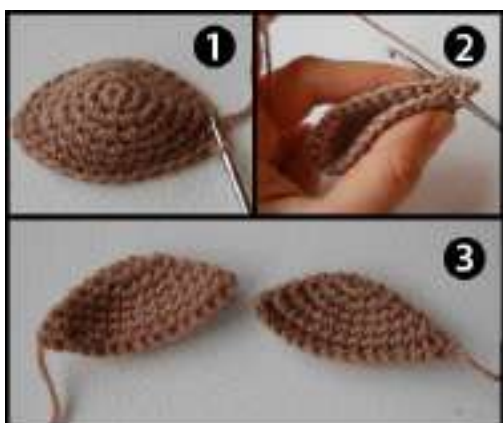


Image 14 - Both eyelids finished



Image 15

- Rnd 6:** (Sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (14)
- Rnd 7:** (Sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (16)
- Rnd 8:** (Sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (18)
- Rnd 9:** (Sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (20)
- Rnd 10:** (Sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (22)
- Rnd 11:** (Sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (24)
- Rnd 12:** (Sc in next 11 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (26)
- Rnd 13:** (Sc in next 12 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (28)
- Rnd 14:** (Sc in next 13 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (30)
- Rnd 15:** (Sc in next 14 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (32)
- Rnd 16:** (Sc in next 15 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (34)
- Rnd 17:** (Sc in next 16 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (36)
- Rnd 18:** (Sc in next 17 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (38)
- Rnd 19:** (Sc in next 18 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (40)
- Rnd 20:** (Sc in next 19 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (42)
- Rnd 21:** (Sc in next 20 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (44)

(Image 15)



Image 16 - Sc through both thicknesses

Flatten opening closed and sc in next 22 stitches through both layers. (Image 16)

Fold the base of the ear in half and sc in next 11 stitches through both layers. (Image 17)

Fasten off leaving tail long enough to sew ear to the head.



Image 17 - Sc through both thicknesses

Antlers (make 2)

With magic adjustable ring and color B. For branch A:

- Rnd 1:** 6 sc into the center of ring (6)
- Rnd 2:** 2 sc in each st around (12)
- Rnd 3:** (Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st) around (18)
- Rnds 4-9:** Sc around (18)

Sl st in next st and fasten off leaving 10" (25 cm) long tail!



Image 18

(Image 18)

For branch B follow the same 1-9 steps:

Rnd 1: 6 sc into the center of ring (6)

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each st around (12)

Rnd 3: (Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st) around (18)

Rnds 4-9: Sc around (18)

Don't fasten off, instead continue with round 10:

Rnd 10: Sc in next 9 sts



Image 19 - Merging branches

To join branches together, insert hook into first stitch after the sl st on branch A (Image 19) and make 1 sc in all 18 stitches. Insert hook back into branch B and work 1 sc in the last 9 stitches. (36)

Rnd 11: Sc around (36)

With the tail from branch A close the gap between the two branches. (Image 20)



Image 20

Rnd 12: (Sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog) around (30)

Rnd 13: (Sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog) around (24)

Rnd 14: (Sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog) around (18)

Add some stuffing to branches.

Rnd 15 - 30: Sc around (18)

Stuff!

Rnd 31: (Sc in next st, sc2tog) around (12)

Rnd 32: (Sc2tog) around (6)

Fasten off leaving tail long enough to sew to the head. With tapestry needle, weave the tail through the front loops of the remaining 6 stitches and pull it tight to close. (Image 21)



Image 21

Make the third branch (branch C):



Image 22

Rnd 1: 6 sc into the center of ring (6)

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each st around (12)

Rnd 3: (Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st) around (18)

Rnds 4-9: Sc around (18)

Fasten off leaving tail! (Image 22)

Sew branch C to the base piece aligning it in the middle between the head and the top branching segment. Stuff as you sew. (Image 23)



Image 23

Nostrils (make 2)

With magic adjustable ring and color A:

Rnd 1: 6 sc into the center of ring (6)

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each st around (12)

Rnd 3: (Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st) around (18)

Flatten opening closed and sc in next 9 stitches through both layers.

Fasten off leaving tail long enough to sew to the head. (Image 24)



Image 24

Lips

Top lip

With magic adjustable ring and color B:

Rnd 1: 6 sc into the center of ring (6)

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each st around (12)

Rnd 3: (Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st) around (18)

Rnd 4: Sc in each st around (18)

Rnd 5: (Sc in next st, sc2tog) around (12)

Sl st in next stitch and fasten off leaving long tail which you'll use later to close the gap between the top and bottom lips.



Image 25



Image 26



Image 27



Image 28

Bottom lip

With magic adjustable ring and color B:

Rnd 1: 6 sc into the center of ring (6)

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each st around (12)

Rnd 3: (Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st) around (18)

Rnd 4: (Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st) around (24)

Rnd 5: (Sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog) around (18)

Rnd 6: (Sc in next st, sc2tog) around (12)

Rnd 7: Sc in next 6 sts

To join the lips, insert hook into first stitch after sl st made on top lip and sc in all 12 stitches (Image 25), insert hook back into the bottom lip and sc in remaining 6 stitches. (24)

With the tail from top lip close the gap between the two lips.

(Image 26)

Rnd 8 : Sc in each st around (24)

Rnd 9: (Sc2tog) around (12)

Stuff lips. Fasten off leaving long tail to sew to the head.

(Image 27)

Hanging loop

With magic adjustable ring and color A:

Rnd 1: 15 sc into the center of ring (15)

Pull magic circle tight, but leave opening big enough to allow stitches to lay flat. Join with sl st to first sc. Fasten off leaving tail long enough to sew to the head. (Image 28)



Image 29

Assembling and finishing

After you made all the parts, pin them together and see how they fit together. This will give you a feeling of where you're going.

Shaping head and sewing eyes, eyelids and nostrils

Make eye sockets

Using a long needle and a double strand of strong yarn, insert the needle where the inner eye corner should appear (40th round of the head), run through the head to the other side, to the spot where the inner corner of the second eye should appear (the sockets should be 25 stitches apart). Insert it back 2 rounds below the stitch where the needle came out (in 38th round) and again back through the head, coming out 2 rounds below the spot where you first inserted the needle. (Image 29)



Image 30

Make double knot and pull tight to form eye sockets on both sides. Weave in ends. (Image 30)

Make nose sockets

Make sure you align them properly so they appear centered below the eye sockets. To do that, mark with pin the stitch in the middle between eye sockets, then draw an imaginary line down to the round 18 where nose sockets should be made. Then count 10 stitches on each side of that spot and those are spots where you should insert needle to start making nose sockets. (Image 31)



Image 31

Follow the same steps as for eye sockets to make nose sockets. They should appear somewhere between 18th and 16th round of the head and there should be 20 stitches between them. (Image 32)



Image 32



Image 33

Sew eyes, eyelids and nostrils

Using yarn ends and tapestry needle, sew eyes to the head placing the inner eye corner just next to the eye socket.

(Image 33)

Sew 3/4 then put stuffing and finish sewing.

Place eyelid over eyeball and turn it so that the stitched edge is covering the upper part of the pupil/iris. Sew the folded edge to the head with yarn tail and tapestry needle following the rounded shape of the eye. (Image 34)



Image 34

Using yarn ends, sew the nostrils above the nose sockets following the circular shape of the holes. Then apply some brown blush to the “nose holes” so they really pop.

(Image 35)

Sew ears

Attach ears on each side of the head between rounds 51 and 60. Use image 36 to help you position them correctly.

Turn ear opening to front and stitch in place using yarn end and tapestry needle. (Image 36)



Image 35

Sew antlers

Sew 30th round of antlers to the head placing them next to ears, some 3-4 rows to center top of the head. (Image 37)

Be careful to turn them correctly so the third branches are facing each other.



Image 36



Image 37

Sew lips

Sew lips to the head over the first 3-4 rounds of the head.

(Image 38)

Sew hanging loop

Attach hanging loop to the back of the head. Be careful to attach it to the upper part of the head, otherwise the head will be hanging down. (Image 39)

And your moose head is finished! (Image 40)



Image 38



Image 39



Image 40



Congratulations

on completing your moose head wall mount!

I truly hope that the instructions were easy to follow and that you're satisfied with the outcome. If you have any questions or need any further guidance, please don't hesitate to reach out to me at sanda@pepika.com.

I would love to see the result of your work and creativity.

Connect with me on Instagram as [@pepika.sanda](https://www.instagram.com/pepika.sanda) and don't forget to tag me in your photos. I really like to see the wonderful creations that you bring to life using my patterns.

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