

Hope's Birds



Free Pattern by
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*"Hope is the thing with feathers
That perches in the soul,"
-Emily Dickinson*

Materials

Light worsted weight yarn

I used Peruvian Highland Wool by Elann, color 7727 (named daffodil but not how I would describe this light yellow) Approximately 20 yards

Small amounts of contrast yarn for beak, neck band, tail or wings (if desired)

F/3.75mm crochet hook

Stitch marker

Yarn needle

Small crochet hook – C or D crochet hook for weaving in ends

Fiberfill small amount . I also like and save yarn bits for stuffing.

Eyes: plastic eyes, dressmaker or boutonniere pins, embroidery yarn

Stitches

Adjustable ring

ch chain

slst slip stitch

sc single crochet

hdc half double crochet

dc double crochet

sc2tog single crochet 2 stitches together (decrease)

hdc2tog half double crochet 2 stitches together (decrease)

dc2tog double crochet 2 stitches together (decrease)

Bird head, body and tail are worked as one piece.

Wings are made separately and sewn on with yarn.

Head and Body are worked in continuous rounds – use a stitch marker to help distinguish rounds.



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In adjustable ring

- Round 1 ch1, 3 sc (3sc)
Round 2 2 sc in each (6 sc)
Round 3 sc in each (6 sc)
Round 4 2sc, sc, 2sc, sc, 2sc, sc (9 sc)
Round 5 sc in each (9 sc)
Round 6 sc in each (9 sc)
Round 7 sc in each (9 sc)
Round 8 2sc, 2sc, sc, sc, sc, 2sc, sc, sc, sc (12 sc)
Round 9 sc in each (12 sc)
Round 10 sc in each (12 sc)
Round 11 2sc,sc, 2sc, sc, sc, sc, 2sc, sc, sc, sc, sc,sc (15 sc)
Round 12 sc in each (15 sc)
Round 13 sc in first 6, 2sc, 2sc, 2hdc, 2sc, 2sc, sc to end (20)
Round 14 sc, sc2tog, sc, sc2tog, sc to end, (18 sc)
Round 15 sc, sc, sc2tog, sc, sc, sc, sc, in front loops of next 4 stitches
hdc&dc, 2dc,2dc, dc&hdc, sc, sc, sc, sc, sc2tog
Round 16 sc, sc, sc, sc, sc2tog, sc in back loops of 4 stitches where tail was begun: sc, sc,
sc2tog, sc to end
Round 17 sc, sc2tog, sc, sc, sc, in tail: hdc, hdc, dc, dc&trc, trc&dc, dc, hdc, hdc, sc,
sc2tog, sc
Round 18 sc, *sc2tog, sc, sc* repeat. Stuff with fiberfill.
Round 19 *sc2tog, sc* repeat
Round 20 *sc2tog* repeat
Cut yarn, weave in end, tuck in under tail

Beak

In contrasting color yarn, leaving a 2-3" tail at beginning, ch 2, make sc in hump of chain
leave a 2-3" tail at end

Turn sideways, attach using tails, weaving tails inside bird head

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Wings

(leave a long tail at beginning to attach wings to body)

In adjustable ring

- Round 1 Ch1, 3sc
- Round 2 2sc in each (6 sc)
- Row 3 2dc, 2dc, 2dc, ch2, turn (6 dc)
- Row 4 dc2tog, dc, dc, dc2tog, ch2, turn (4 dc)
- Row 5 hdc, hdc, hdc, hdc, ch2, turn (4 hdc)
- Row 6 hdc2tog, hdc2tog, ch2, turn (2 hdc)
- Row 7 hdc, hdc, ch2, turn (2 hdc)
- Row 8 hdc2tog, ch1, turn (1 hdc)
- Row 9 sc, ch1, sl st make sure right side is facing
single crochet along side to middle of circle bottom,
slst up other side to top. Finish off, weave in end.



For other wing, after Row 9, slst along opposite side to circle and then single crochet to top. Finish off, weave in end.

Attach wings at "shoulders," stitching through edge of circle base

Finishing

Define neck by wrapping same or different yarn around rows 5-6
Insert eyes or use French knot to create eyes. Enjoy Hope's Birds!

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