

## Amigurumi Ponies

Designed by Nancy Anderson.
Pony measures 7" high.
RED HEART® "Stripes ${ }^{\text {TM } ": ~} 1$ ball 942 Cancun Stripe MC or 944 Breezy Stripe MC.
RED HEART® "Super Saver®": 1 skein each 311 White A and 312 Black B.

Crochet Hooks: 4 mm [US G-6] and 3.75 mm [US F-5]. Yarn needle, polyester stuffing, two black $1 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ ( 5 mm ) buttons, sewing needle, black thread, plastic pellets (optional).

Gauge: 16 sts = 4"; 16 rnds = 4" in sc with larger hook. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the specified gauge.

NOTES: Body is worked from tail end to neck. Hooves are done by matching color patterns of yarn for each hoof. Use one of the colors that has a shorter run so hooves will be different from legs.

If using plastic pellets to weight the body, place about 3 or 4 tablespoons of them in the toe of a knee-high stocking \& tie the top securely. Stuff this into the tail-end to offset the weight of the head.

Work in continuous rnds without joining unless otherwise specified. Mark first st of each rnd and move marker up each rnd.

## Special Abbreviation:

sc2tog = [draw up a loop in next st] twice, yo and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

## PONY

Body-Rnd 1: With larger hook and MC, ch 2; 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook.
Rnd 2: 2 Sc in each sc around - 12 sc .
Rnd 3: [2 Sc in next sc, sc in next sc] 6 times - 18 sc.
Rnd 4: [2 Sc in next sc, sc in next 2 sc ] 6 times -24 sc .
Rnd 5: [2 Sc in next sc, sc in next 3 sc ] 6 times -30 sc .
Rnds 6 and 7: Sc in each sc around.
Rnd 8: [Sc2tog, sc in next 3 sc$] 6$ times - 24 sc .
Rnds 9-14: Repeat Rnd 6.
Rnd 15: [Sc2tog, sc in next 2 sc$] 6$ times - 18 sc .
Rnd 16: [Sc2tog, sc in next sc] 6 times - 12 sc.
Stuff firmly with polyester filler (and plastic pellets, as desired).
Rnd 17: [Sc2tog] 6 times - 6 sc. Fasten off. Weave yarn tail through last 6 sc , draw up firmly; fasten securely.
Weave in ends.

Head-Rnds 1-4: Work same as Body Rnds 1-4.
Rnd 5: Sc in each sc around.
Rnd 6: [Sc2tog, sc in next 2 sc$] 6$ times - 18 sc.
Rnd 7: Repeat Rnd 5.
Rnd 8: [2 Sc in next sc, sc in next 2 sc$] 6$ times - 24 sc .
Rnd 9: [2 Sc in next sc, sc in next 3 sc$] 6$ times -30 sc .
Rnd 10: [2 Sc in next sc, sc in next 4 sc ] 6 times -36 sc .
Rnd 11: Repeat Rnd 5.
Rnd 12: [Sc2tog, sc in next 4 sc$] 6$ times - 30 sc .
Rnd 13: Repeat Rnd 5.
Rnd 14: [Sc2tog, sc in next 3 sc$] 6$ times - 24 sc.
Rnd 15: Repeat Rnd 5.
Rnd 16: [Sc2tog, sc in next 2 sc$] 6$ times - 18 sc .
Rnd 17: [Sc2tog, sc in next sc] 6 times - 12 sc.
Stuff head firmly with polyester.
Rnd 18: [Sc2tog] 6 times - 6 sc. Fasten off. Weave yarn tail through last 6 sc , draw up firmly; fasten securely. Weave in ends.

Legs (Make 4)-Rnd 1: With larger hook and MC, ch 2; 6
sc in 2nd ch from hook; join with a slip st in first sc.
Rnd 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in each sc around; join -12 sc.
Rnd 3: Ch 1, working in back loops only, sc in each sc around; join.
Rnds 4 and 5: Ch 1, sc in each sc around; join.
Rnd 6: Ch 1, [sc2tog, sc in next 3 sc ] twice, sc2tog; join 9 sc .
Rnds 7-11: Repeat Rnd 4. Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing. Stuff legs.

Eyes (Make 2)-Rnds 1 and 2: With smaller hook and A, ch 2; 6 sc in 2 nd ch from hook.
Rnd 2: 2 Sc in each sc around - 12 sc .
Rnd 3: [Sc2tog, sc in next 3 sc ] twice, sc2tog - 9 sc .
Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing. Stuff lightly.
Weave yarn tail through last 9 sc , draw up firmly; fasten securely.

Eyelids (Make 2)-Row 1: With smaller hook and MC, ch 13; sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across; turn 12 sc.
Row 2: Ch 1, sc in first 2 sc, hdc in next 3 sc, slip st in next 2 sc , hdc in next 3 sc , sc in last 2 sc . Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing.

Ears (Make 2)-Rnd 1: With smaller hook and MC, ch 2; 4 sc in 2nd ch from hook.
Rnd 2: Sc in each sc around.
Rnd 3: 2 Sc in each sc around - 8 sc .
Rnd 4: Repeat Rnd 2.
Rnd 5: [Sc2tog, sc in next 2 sc$]$ twice - 6 sc.
Rnd 6: [Skip first sc, sc in next sc] 3 times - 3 sc. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Tail: With smaller hook and MC, ch 5. Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing. Cut three 4" strands of yarn. Fold strands in half forming a loop; insert the crochet hook into the end of the chain and draw the loop through, then draw the yarn ends through the loop and tighten. Pull plies apart to fluff and trim to about 1 ".

## Finishing

Sew all 4 legs to each other at the top of the legs, using the un-trimmed yarn ends. Tack the legs as needed to keep them from flailing out.
Attach the 4 joined legs by sewing securely to the bottom of the body, positioning them more towards the back to offset the weight of the head. Attach tail at the very back of the body.

Pin head to body as pictured. Attach by sewing with yarn tail. Sew on eyes. Sew buttons to eyeball with needle and black thread. Pin eyelid on with the curved edge over the top of the eyes; sew in place, tacking down in a few places in the middle of the 2 eyes.

Using B and sharp yarn needle, embroider the mouth using an outline or running st. Make the nostrils using a French knot st. Outline eyelids with Busing a running or outline st. Weave in ends.

Mane: Cut ten 4" strands of yarn. Fold 2 strands in half forming a loop; insert the crochet hook into a loop on the back of the head and draw the loop through, then draw the yarn ends through the loop and tighten. Repeat with remaining cut strands. Pull plies apart to fluff and trim to about $1^{\prime \prime}$.

RED HEART® "Stripes ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ ",
Art. E760 available in $3.5 \mathrm{oz}(100 \mathrm{~g})$, 170 yd ( 155 m ) balls.

RED HEART® "Super Saver®", Art. E300 available in Solid 7 oz (198 g), 364 yd (333 m); Multi, Fleck and Print 5 oz $(141 \mathrm{~g}), 244 \mathrm{yd}(223 \mathrm{~m})$ skeins.

ABBREVIATIONS: $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}=$ color $\mathrm{A}, \mathrm{B} ; \mathbf{c h}=$ chain; hdc = half double crochet; $\mathbf{M C}=$ main color; mm = millimeters; rnd = round; sc = single crochet; tog = together; yo = yarn over; * = repeat whatever follows the * as indicated; [ ] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.

