

Crochet pattern
Bulldog
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Skill Level
Experienced



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Materials and tools:

- Beige color yarn - I used approximately 1 skein of "Angora Gold" by YarnArt (70% mohair, 30% acrylic, 550m/100g)
- White color yarn - I used approximately 20g of "Angora Gold" by YarnArt (70% mohair, 30% acrylic, 550m/100g)
- Matching crochet hook - I used 1.25 mm
- Ready-made nose (I used 12x15 mm)
- A piece of white felt for the whites of the eyes and two black beads for the eyes- I used 8 mm in diameter (you can use plastic eyes instead)
- Fabric tape (optional) and wire for the wire frame - I used approximately 60 cm of PVC covered copper wire 1.5 mm in diameter
- Transparent glue, tapestry needle, scissors
- Dark brown thread to needle sculpt the toes
- Any material for tinting (I used oil pastels and stiff art brush) and a black or dark brown felt tip marker (optional)

The size of the dog is 17.5 x 14.5cm



GAUGE section

Crochet a swatch to make sure you chose the right yarn.

Rnd 1. 6 sc

Rnd 2. 6 inc = 12 sts

Rnd 3. (1 sc, 1 inc) x 6 = 18 sts

Rnd 4. (2 sc, 1 inc) x 6 = 24 sts

Rnd 5. (3 sc, 1 inc) x 6 = 30 sts

Rnd 6. (4 sc, 1 inc) x 6 = 36 sts

Rnd 7. (5 sc, 1inc) x 6 = 42 sts

Compare your swatch to the one in the picture. They should be of the same size. If not, take a bigger or smaller crochet hook depending on your result and crochet another swatch. If it doesn't help, choose another yarn and make another swatch.

Abbreviations

ch – chain

st - stitch

sc – single crochet

sl st – slip stitch

hdc - half double crochet

dc – double crochet

inc – increase (2 sc in one st)

dec – decrease (2 sc together)

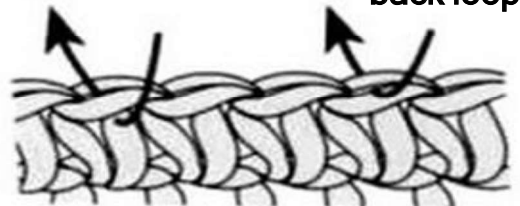
() x N – repeat instructions in brackets N times

Rnd – round

(N) – the number of sts at the end of the row/round

Front loop

back loop



The toy is worked in continuous spiral under the both loops of the stitch unless otherwise stated. Sometimes you will have to work into the front loop or the back loop only. I recommend that you use a round marker to know where each round begins.

Snout



Work with white color yarn.

Ch 10 and work, starting from 2nd st from the hook around the foundation chain:

Rnd 1. 8 sc, 3 sc in last st, rotate to work down the other side of the foundation chain: 7 sc, 1 inc (20)

Rnd 2. (1 inc, 3 sc) x 2, 5 inc, 3 sc, 4 inc (31)

Rnd 3. 5 sc, 2 inc, 5 sc, (1 sc, 1 inc) x 4, 3 sc, (1 inc, 1 sc) x 4 (41)

Rnd 4. 15 sc, (2 sc, 1 inc) x 4, 2 sc, (1 inc, 2 sc) x 4 (49)

Rnd 5. 17 sc, (3 sc, 1 inc) x 3, 8 sc, (1 inc, 3 sc) x 3 (55)

Rnd 6. 17 sc, (4 sc, 1 inc) x 3, 8 sc, (1 inc, 4 sc) x 3 (61)

Rnd 7. 20 sc into the front loop only, 38 sc, 3 sc into the front loop only (61)

Rnds 8-9. 61 sc

Rnd 10. (25 sc, 1 dec) x 2, 7 sc (59)

Rnd 11. 59 sc

Rnd 12. 20 sc through the sts of the current Rnd together with the unworked back loops of Rnd 7, 13 sc, 1 dec, 5 sc, 1 dec, 14 sc, 3 sc through the sts of the current Rnd together with the remaining unworked back loops of Rnd 7 (57)

Fasten off.



Lip

Work with white color yarn.

Rnd 1. 6 sc in magic ring

Rnd 2. 6 inc (12)

Rnd 3. (1 sc, 1 inc) x 6 (18)

Rnd 4. 2 sc, 1 inc, (1 sc, 1 inc) x 2, 11 sc (21)

Rnd 5. 21 sc

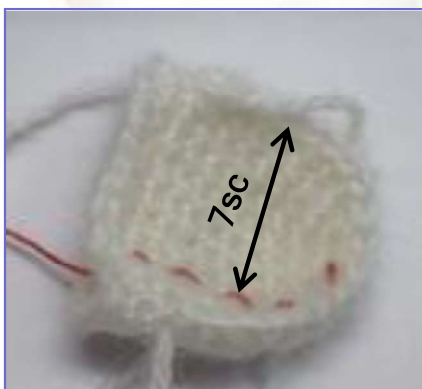
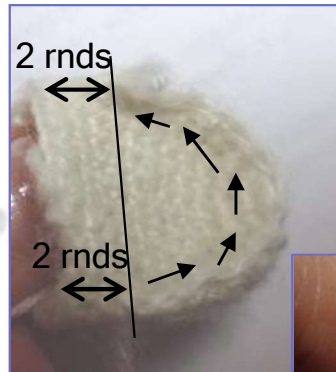
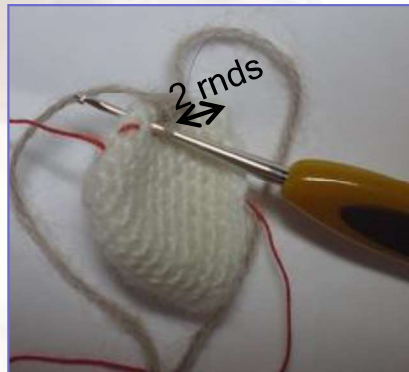
Rnd 6. 3 sc, 1 inc, (2 sc, 1 inc) x 2, 11 sc (24)

Rnd 7. 24 sc

Rnd 8. (3 sc, 1 inc) x 6 (30)

Rnds 9-12. 30 sc

Flatten the piece to form a "boat" (see picture below for reference). Step 2 rnds away from the open edge (see picture) and start to single crochet evenly around the piece hooking through both layers to shape the lip. You should go through the starting magic ring while single crocheting the piece around. The width of the lip is approximately 7 sts (see picture). Finish single crocheting the lip 2 rnds away from the open edge on the opposite side. Stuff the piece but not tightly.

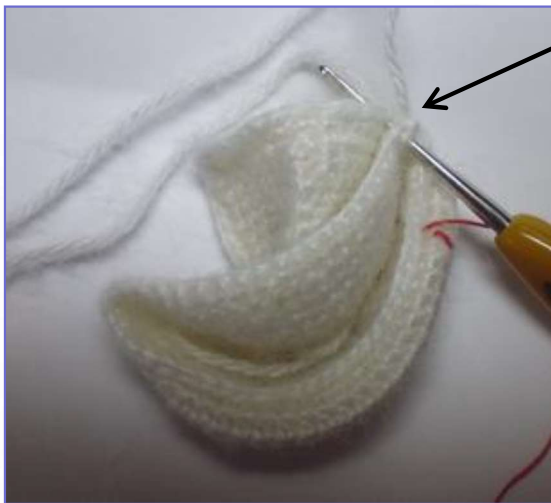
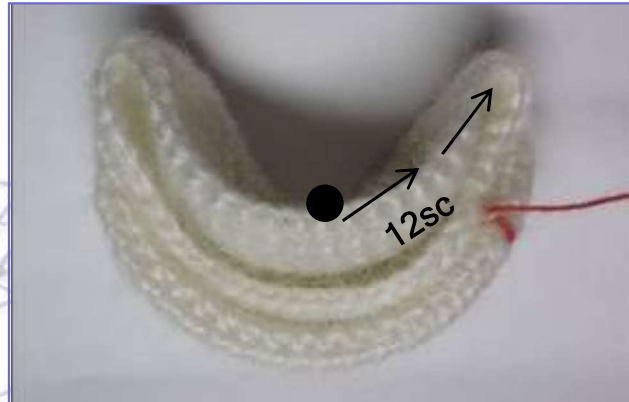
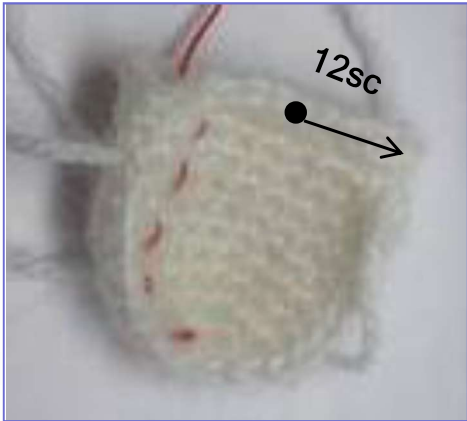


Head-body



Join the snout and the lip:

Find the middle of the lip's top part (see picture). Count 12 sts to the right of the middle and mark this place. Find the middle of the snout's bottom part. Count 12 sts to the right of the middle and mark this place too.



Put the pieces with the marked points together with the lip under the snout and the openings of the pieces away from you (see picture). Work as follows:

Rnd 1. 24 sc through the sts of the lip and the sts of the snout's bottom part to join, 6 sc along the lip - **place an additional marker here**

You will notice that the snout seems to "embrace" the lip.



Change to beige color yarn and work along the upper part of the snout first and then along the lower part of the lip.

Rnd 2. (1 sc, 1 inc) x 4, 3 sc, 1 inc, (1 sc, 1 inc) x 5, 3 sc, 1 inc, (1 sc, 1 inc) x 3, 1 sc, (1 inc, 1 sc) x 3 (56)

Rnd 3. (2 sc, 1 inc) x 4, 24 sc, 1 inc, (2 sc, 1 inc) x 3, 1 sc, (2 sc, 1 inc) x 3 (67)

Rnd 4. 1 inc, 19 sc, 1 inc, (2 sc, 1 inc) x 5, 19 sc, 1 inc, (3 sc, 1 inc) x 2, 3 sc (77)

Rnd 5. 1 sc, 1 inc, 61 sc, 1 inc, (4 sc, 1 inc) x 2, 3 sc (81)

Rnd 6. 2 sc, 1 inc, 62 sc, 1 inc, (5 sc, 1 inc) x 2, 3 sc (85)

Rnd 7. 85 sc

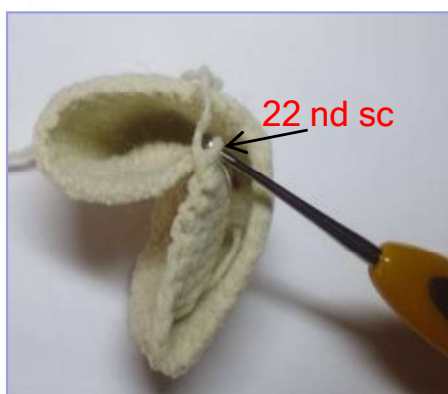
Rnd 8. 29 sc, 1 inc, (3 sc, 1 inc) x 3, 43 sc (89)

Rnd 9. 8 sc, 1 dec, (2 sc, 1 dec) x 2, 39 sc, 1 dec, (3 sc, 1 dec) x 2, 20 sc (83)

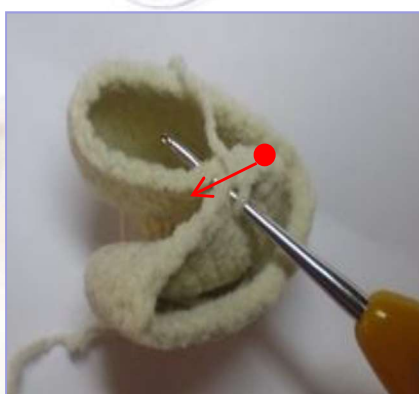
Rnd 10. 83 sc

Rnd 11. 2 sc, 1 dec, 60 sc, 1 dec, (5 sc, 1 dec) x 2, 3 sc (79)

Rnd 12. 17 sc, 1 dec, 31 sc, 1 dec, 22 sc (make a fold inwards - your current position is the top of the fold), 3 sc through the both layers of the fold, 2 sc (70)



There is 22nd loop on the hook



3 sc through the both layers of the fold



2 loops before the marker. Knit them.

The picture above shows another piece but I think you will get the idea how to make the fold.

Rnd 13. (1 sc, 1 inc) x 2, 3 sc, 17 sc into the front loop only, 18 sc, 17 sc into the front loop only, 3 sc, 1 inc, (1 sc, 1 inc) x 3, 1 sc (76)

Rnd 14. 1 sc, 1 inc, 2 sc, 1 inc, 60 sc, 1 inc, (2 sc, 1 inc) x 3, 1 sc (82)

Rnd 15. 2 sc, 1 inc, 3 sc, 1 inc, 61 sc, 1 inc, (3 sc, 1 inc) x 3, 1 sc (88)

Rnds 16-17. 88 sc



Rnd 18. 13 sc, 16 sc through the sts of the current Rnd together with the unworked back loops of Rnd 13, 5 sc, 1 inc, (3 sc, 1 inc) x 2, 5 sc, 16 sc through the sts of the current Rnd together with the unworked back loops of Rnd 13, 24 sc (91)

Make sure the folds are placed on both sides of the head symmetrically.

Rnd 19. 23 hdc into the front loop only, 33 sc, 35 hdc into the front loop only (91)

Rnds 20-21. 91 sc

Rnd 22. 23hdc, 2 sc, 1 dec, (4 sc, 1 dec) x 2, 2 sc, 1 dec, (4 sc, 1 dec) x 2, 1 sc, 35 hdc (85)



Sew each fold throughout with invisible stitches. Make sure there is no stuffing in the folds. The sewing line is marked with black in the picture. It is placed under the cheeks.

Rnd 23. 23 hdc through the sts of the current Rnd together with the unworked back loops of Rnd 19, 27 sc, 35 hdc through the sts of the current Rnd together with the unworked back loops of Rnd 19 (85)

Rnd 24. 3 sc, 1 inc, 4 sc, 1 inc, 59 sc, 1 inc, (4 sc, 1 inc) x 3, 1 sc (91)

Rnd 25. 91 sc

Rnd 26. 22 sc, 1 dec, 6 sc, 1 dec, 8 sc, 1 dec, 6 sc, 1 dec, 27 sc, 1 inc, (5 sc, 1 inc) x 2, 1 sc (90)

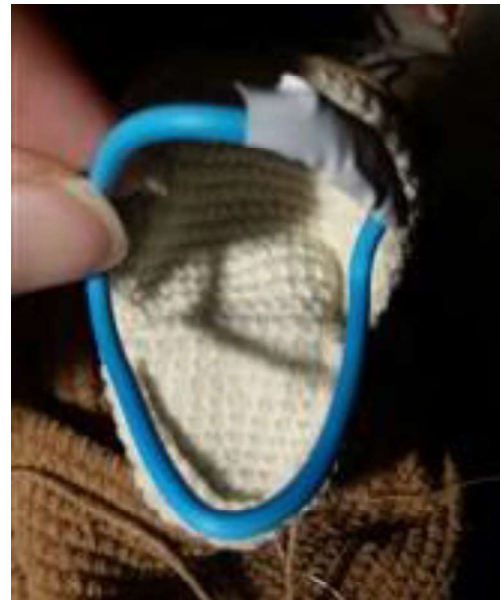
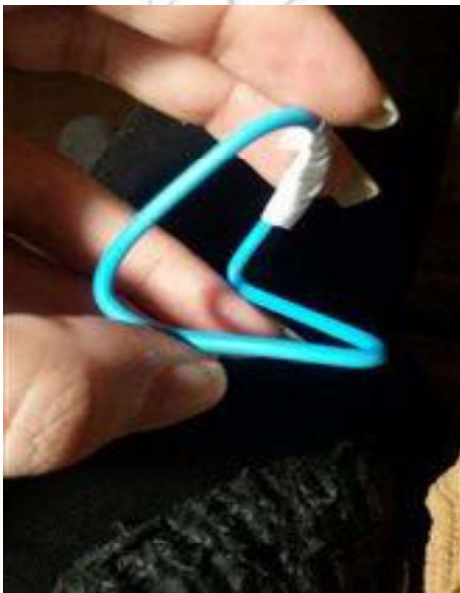
Stuff the lip slightly. It should be soft. If you overstuff the lip, it will push out too much.

Stuff the snout at the center. Don't stuff the sides. Press the lip to the snout when stuffing the head. Do not overstuff the head keeping in mind that you will have to needle sculpt it later.

You can insert wire into the snout and the lip (optional) - I didn't insert wire for this part of my toy. Please note that the quantity of this wire is not included in "Materials and tools" section. So if you decide to make this wire frame, you should take additional piece of wire of the same diameter as the wire that you will use for the body and legs.

Bend the wire the way shown in the picture below to fit the snout and the lip. Insert the frame inside the piece.

Stuff the snout. Stuff the lip under the wire slightly. Use pictures as a reference.



Attention: The folds must be symmetrical with respect to the middle of the back. You have to correct it if the folds are not symmetrical. (All people crochet differently).

Rnd 27. 90 sc

Rnd 28. (5 sc, 1 inc) x 2, 5 sc, 1 dec, 33 sc, 1 dec, (5 sc, 1 inc) x 6 (96)

Rnds 29-31. 96 sc

Rnd 32. 20 sc, 31 sc into the front loop only, 45 sc (96)

Rnd 33. 96 sc

Rnd 34. (6 sc, 1 inc) x 2, 46 sc, 1 inc, (6 sc, 1 inc) x 5 (104)

Rnd 35. 104 sc

Rnd 36. 22 sc, 31 sc through the sts of the current Rnd together with the unworked back loops of Rnd 32, 51 sc (104)

Rnds 37-38. 104 sc

Rnd 39. 13 sc, 50 sc into the front loops only, 41 sc (104)

Rnds 40-42. 104 sc

Rnd 43. 13 sc, 50 sc through the sts of the current Rnd together with the unworked back loops of Rnd 39, 41 sc (104)

Rnd 44. (11 sc, 1 dec) x 8 (96)

Rnds 45-47. 96 sc

Rnd 48. 15 sc, 42 sc into the front loops only, 39 sc (96)

Rnds 49-51. 96 sc

Rnd 52. 15 sc, 42 sc through the sts of the current Rnd together with the unworked back loops of Rnd 48, 39 sc (96)

Rnd 53. (14 sc, 1 dec) x 6 (90)

Rnds 54-56. 90 sc

Rnd 57. (13 sc, 1 dec) x 6 (84)

Rnd 58. 22 sc, 24 sc into the front loop only, 38 sc (84)

Rnds 59-60. 84 sc

Rnd 61. 22 sc, 24 sc through the sts of the current Rnd together with the unworked back loops of Rnd 58, 38 sc (84)

Rnd 62. (12 sc, 1 dec) x 6 (78)

Rnds 63-64. 78 sc

Rnd 65. 2 sc, 1 dec, 58 sc, 1 dec, 8 sc, 1 dec, 4 sc (75)

Rnd 66. 17 sc, 1 inc, (14 sc, 1 inc) x 2, 27 sc (78)

Rnds 67-68. 78 sc

Rnd 69. 3 sc, 1 dec, 10 sc, 1 inc, (9 sc, 1 inc) x 3, 10 sc, 1 dec, 9 sc, 1 dec, 9 sc (79)

Rnds 70-72. 79 sc

Rnd 73. 4 sc, 1 dec, 10 sc, 1 inc, (9 sc, 1 inc) x 3, 11 sc, 1 dec, 10 sc, 1 dec, 7 sc (80)

Rnds 74-78. 80 sc

Rnd 79. 1 sc, 1 inc, 26 sc, 1 dec, 10 sc, 1 dec, 26 sc, 1 inc, 11 sc (80)

Rnds 80-82. 80 sc

Rnd 83. 1 sc, 1 inc, 26 sc, 1 dec, 11 sc, 1 dec, 26 sc, 1 inc, 10 sc (80)

Rnds 84-86. 80 sc

Make the wire frame for the body. Cut a piece of wire = the length of the body + the length of the tail + 3 cm/1.2 inches. The wire will go through the body to the tip of the tail through the tail's opening. Make a loop at one end of the wire, wrap it around with fabric tape if needed and insert it into the head. Stuff the body firmly as you go but **don't stretch the piece lengthwise!**



Rnd 87. (14 sc, 1 dec) x 5 (75)

Rnd 88. (13 sc, 1 dec) x 5 (70)

Rnd 89. (12 sc, 1 dec) x 2, 5 sc, ch 6, skip 6, 1 sc, 1 dec, (12 sc, 1 dec) x 2 (65)

You will notice an opening - it is for the tail.

Rnd 90. (11 sc, 1 dec) x 2, 5 sc, 6 sc along the chain of sts, 1 dec, (11 sc, 1 dec) x 2 (60)

Rnd 91. (8 sc, 1 dec) x 6 (54)

Rnd 92. (7 sc, 1 dec) x 6 (48)

Rnd 93. (6 sc, 1 dec) x 6 (42)

Rnd 94. (5 sc, 1 dec) x 6 (36)

Rnd 95. (4 sc, 1 dec) x 6 (30)

Rnd 96. (3 sc, 1 dec) x 6 (24)

Rnd 97. (2 sc, 1 dec) x 6 (18)

Rnd 98. (1 sc, 1 dec) x 6 (12)

Rnd 99. 6 dec

Fasten off and close up the opening.



Tail

Go back to the tail opening. Join beige color yarn at any st of the opening and work 12 sc around the opening to form a circle. It is a starting round. Do not count it as Rnd 1.

Rnds 1-5. 12 sc

Cut extra wire for the tail if needed and wrap the end with fabric tape.

Rnd 6. 6 dec

Fasten off and close up the opening.

Weave in loose ends.

Eyelid (make 2)

Work with beige color yarn.

Rnd 1. 6 sc in magic ring

Rnd 2. 6 inc (12)

Rnd 3. 12 sc

Rnd 4. (3 sc, 1 inc) x 3 (15)

End with a sl st. Fasten off, leaving a tail for sewing.



Ear (make 2)

Rnd 1. 6 sc in magic ring

Rnd 2. (1 sc, 1 inc) x 3 (9)

Rnd 3. (2 sc, 1 inc) x 3 (12)

Rnd 4. (3 sc, 1 inc) x 3 (15)

Rnd 5. (4 sc, 1 inc) x 3 (18)

Rnd 6. (5 sc, 1 inc) x 3 (21)

Rnd 7. (6 sc, 1 inc) x 3 (24)

Rnd 8. 24 sc

Rnd 9. 12 sl st, 12 hdc (24)

Rnd 10. 12 sc, 12 hdc (24)

Rnd 11. 24 sc

Rnd 12. (7 sc, 1 inc) x 3 (27)

Rnd 13. 27 sc

Rnd 14. (7 sc, 1 dec) x 3 (24)

Fasten off, leaving a tail for sewing.

Note: You can make both ears with one color or one ear with white and the second ear with beige.



Front legs

Work with white color yarn.

Ch 9 and work starting from 2nd st from the hook around the foundation chain:

Rnd 1. 7 sc, 3 sc in last st, rotate to work down the other side of the foundation chain: 6 sc, 1 inc (18)

Rnd 2. 8 inc, 10 sc (26)

Rnds 3-6. 26 sc

Rnd 7. 2 sc, 7 dec, 2 sc, 3 hdc, 1 hdc dec, 3 hdc (18)

Rnd 8. 2 sc, 8 sl st, 2 sc, 6 hdc (18)

Rnd 9. 1 dec, 8 sc, 1 dec, 6 hdc (16)

Rnds 10-11. 16 sc

Change to beige color yarn.

Rnd 12. 16 sc

Rnd 13. 4 sc, 5 sc into the front loop only, 7 sc (16)

Rnds 14-15. 16 sc

Rnd 16. 4 sc, 5 sc through the sts of the current Rnd together with the unworked back loops of Rnd 13, 7 sc (16)

Rnd 17. 16 sc

Rnd 18. (3 sc, 1 inc) x 4 (20)

Rnd 19. (4 sc, 1 inc) x 4 (24)

Rnd 20. 24 sc

The left and the right front legs are worked differently starting from Rnd 21.

Front legs



For the right front leg

Rnd 21. 9 sc, 1 inc, (3 sc, 1 inc) x 3, 2 sc (28)

Rnds 22-24. 28 sc

Rnd 25. 10 sc, 1 inc, (4 sc, 1 inc) x 3, 2 sc (32)

Rnd 26. 32 sc

Rnd 27. 1 inc, 19 sc, 1 dec, 2 sc, 1 dec, 4 sc, 2 inc (33)

Rnd 28. 20 sc, 1 dec, 1 sc, 1 dec, 8 sc (31)

Rnd 29. 31 sc

Rnd 30. 1 dec, 10 sc, 1 inc, (2 sc, 1 inc) x 3, 5 sc, 2 dec (32)

Now work in rows, not in rounds!

Row 31. 1 dec, 2 sc, ch 1, turn

Row 32. skip 1, 2 sc, 1 dec, 17 sc (20), ch 1, turn

Row 33. skip 1, 17 sc, 1 dec (18), ch 1, turn

Row 34. skip 1, 4 sc, 1 dec, 3 sc, 1 dec, 4 sc, 1 dec (14), ch 1, turn

Row 35. skip 1, 11 sc, 1 dec (12), ch 1, turn

Row 36. skip 1, 9 sc, 1 dec (10), ch 1, turn

Row 37. skip 1, 7 sc, 1 dec (8), ch 1, turn

Row 38. skip 1, 5 sc, 1 dec (6), ch 1, turn

Row 39. skip 1, 3 sc, 1 dec (4), ch 1, turn

Fasten off, leaving a tail for sewing.

Cut a piece of wire for the wire frame = the length of the leg + 1.5 cm for the loop + 3 cm. Make a loop at one end. Insert the wire into the leg with the loop going first. Stuff the leg firmly. The wire should stick out of the leg by 1.5-2 cm (for the toy of the size 17.5x14.5 cm). You will insert it into the body later.



For the left front leg

Rnd 21. 1 sc, 1 inc, (3 sc, 1 inc) x 2, 11 sc, 1 inc, 2 sc (28)

Rnds 22-24. 28 sc

Rnd 25. 2 sc, 1 inc, (4 sc, 1 inc) x 2, 13 sc, 1 inc, 1 sc (32)

Rnd 26. 1 inc, 3 sc, 1 dec, 2 sc, 1 dec, 20 sc, 2 inc (33)

Rnd 27. 5 sc, 1 dec, 1 sc, 1 dec, 23 sc (31)

Rnd 28. 31 sc

Rnd 29. 1 dec, 1 sc, 1 inc, (2 sc, 1 inc) x 3, 14 sc, 2 dec (32)

Now work in rows, not in rounds!

Row 30. 1 dec, 16 sc, ch 1, turn

Row 31. skip 1, 17 sc, 2 dec, 1 sc (20), ch 1, turn

Row 32. skip 1, 17 sc, 1 dec (18), ch 1, turn

Row 33. skip 1, 4 sc, 1 dec, 3 sc, 1 dec, 4 sc, 1 dec (14), ch 1, turn

Row 34. skip 1, 11 sc, 1 dec (12), ch 1, turn

Row 35. skip 1, 9 sc, 1 dec (10), ch 1, turn

Row 36. skip 1, 7 sc, 1 dec (8), ch 1, turn

Row 37. skip 1, 5 sc, 1 dec (6), ch 1, turn

Row 38. skip 1, 3 sc, 1 dec (4)

Fasten off, leaving a tail for sewing.

Cut a piece of wire for the wire frame = the length of the leg + 1.5 cm for the loop + 3 cm. Insert the wire into the leg with the loop going first. Stuff the leg firmly. The wire should stick out of the leg by 1.5-2 cm (for the toy of the size 17.5x14.5 cm). You will insert it into the body later.



Back legs

Work with white color yarn.

Ch 9 and work starting from 2nd st from the hook around the foundation chain:

Rnd 1. 7 sc, 3 sc in last st, rotate to work down the other side of the foundation chain: 6 sc, 1 inc (18)

Rnd 2. 8 inc, 10 sc (26)

Rnds 3-6. 26 sc

Rnd 7. 2 sc, 7 dec, 2 sc, 3 hdc, 1 hdc dec, 3 hdc (18)

Rnd 8. 2 sc, 8 sl st, 2 sc, 6 hdc (18)

Rnd 9. 1 dec, 8 sc, 1 dec, 6 hdc (16)

Rnds 10-13. 16 sc

Change to beige color yarn.

Rnds 14-15. 16 sc

Now work in rows, not in rounds!

Row 16. 4 sc, ch 1, turn

Row 17. skip 1, 9 sc, ch 1, turn

Row 18. skip 1, 6 sc, 1 dec (7), ch 1, turn

Row 19. skip 1, 4 sc, 1 dec (5), ch 1, turn

Row 20. skip 1, 2 sc, 1 dec - place an additional marker here and continue working in rounds, not in rows!

Rnd 21. 3 sc along the side of the opening, 6 sc along the front, 3 sc along the 2nd side of the opening, 4 sc along the back until you reach the marker (16)

Rnd 22. 5 sc, 1 inc, 3 sc, 1 inc, 4 sc, 1 dec (17)

Rnd 23. 17 sc

Rnd 24. 9 sc, 1 inc, 7 sc (18)

Rnd 25. (2 sc, 1 inc) x 6 (24)

Rnds 26-27. 24 sc

Rnd 28. (3 sc, 1 inc) x 6 (30)

Rnds 29-30. 30 sc

Rnd 31. (4 sc, 1 inc) x 6 (36)

Rnds 32-33. 36 sc

Rnd 34. (5 sc, 1 inc) x 6 (42)

Rnd 35. 42 sc

The left and the right back legs are worked differently starting from Rnd 36.

Back legs



Continue working in rows, not rounds!

Left back leg

Row 36. 22 sc, ch 1, turn

Row 37. skip 1, 30 sc, ch 1, turn

Row 38. skip 1, (5 sc, 1 dec) x 3, 6 sc, 1 dec (25), ch 1, turn

Row 39. skip 1, 22 sc, 1 dec (23), ch 1, turn

Row 40. skip 1, 3 sc, 1 dec, (4 sc, 1 dec) x 2, 3 sc, 1 dec (18), ch 1, turn

Row 41. skip 1, 15 sc, 1 dec (16), ch 1, turn

Row 42. skip 1, 13 sc, 1 dec (14), ch 1, turn

Row 43. skip 1, 11 sc, 1 dec (12), ch 1, turn

Row 44. skip 1, 9 sc, 1 dec (10), ch 1, turn

Row 45. skip 1, 7 sc, 1 dec (8), ch 1, turn

Row 46. skip 1, 5 sc, 1 dec (6), ch 1, turn

Row 47. skip 1, 3 sc, 1 dec (4)

Fasten off, leaving a tail for sewing.

Cut a piece of wire for the wire frame and make a loop at one end. Insert the wire into the leg with the loop going first. Stuff the leg firmly. The wire should stick out of the leg by 1.0-1.5 cm (for the toy of the size 17.5x14.5 cm). You will insert it into the body later.

For the right back leg

Row 36. 1 sc, ch 1, turn

Row 37. skip 1, 32 sc, ch 1, turn

Row 38. skip 1, 29 sc, 1 dec (30) ch 1, turn

Row 39. skip 1, (5 sc, 1 dec) x 3, 6 sc, 1 dec (25), ch 1, turn

Row 40. skip 1, 22 sc, 1 dec (23), ch 1, turn

Row 41. skip 1, 3 sc, 1 dec, (4 sc, 1 dec) x 2, 3 sc, 1 dec (18), ch 1, turn

Row 42. skip 1, 15 sc, 1 dec (16), ch 1, turn

Row 43. skip 1, 13 sc, 1 dec (14), ch 1, turn

Row 44. skip 1, 11 sc, 1 dec (12), ch 1, turn

Row 45. skip 1, 9 sc, 1 dec (10), ch 1, turn

Back legs



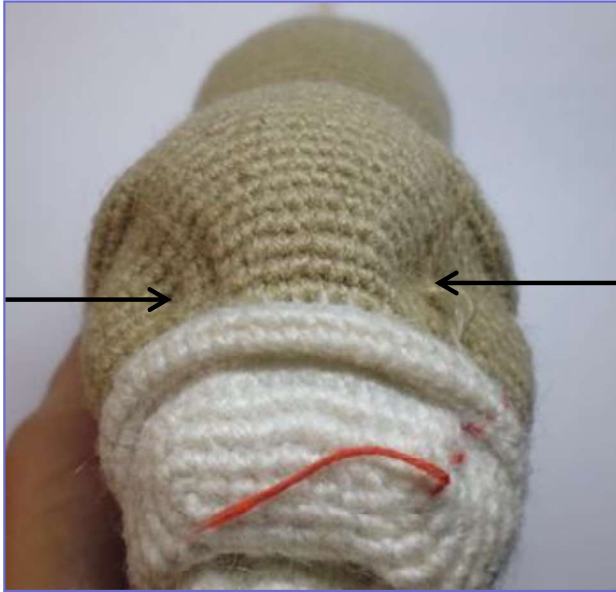
Row 46. skip 1, 7 sc, 1 dec (8), ch 1, turn
Row 47. skip 1, 5 sc, 1 dec (6), ch 1, turn
Row 48. skip 1, 3 sc, 1 dec (4)
Fasten off, leaving a tail for sewing.

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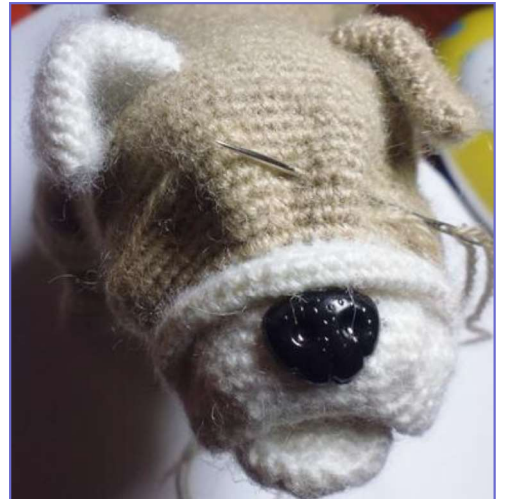
*Make sure the top part
of each leg looks
symmetrical.*

Assembling



Needle sculpt the eyes.

*Needle sculpt the eyebrows.
Try to insert the needle between
the sts to make the stitches less
visible.*



Sew each eyebrow throughout.

Assembling



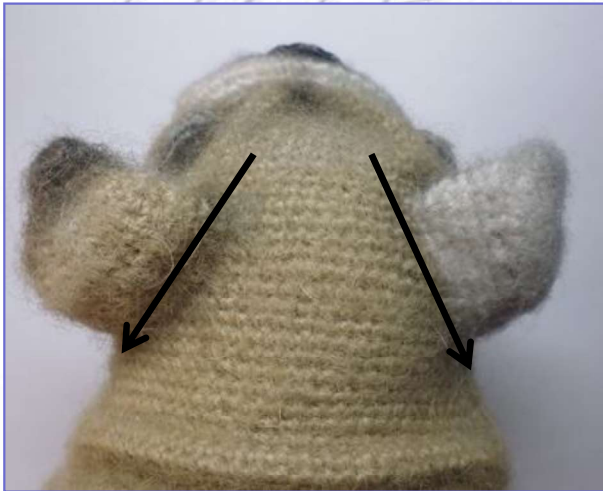
You can make any shape of the eyebrows you like. This variant gives the dog pleading look. Here are some design options for the bulldog's face. It is up to you to decide!



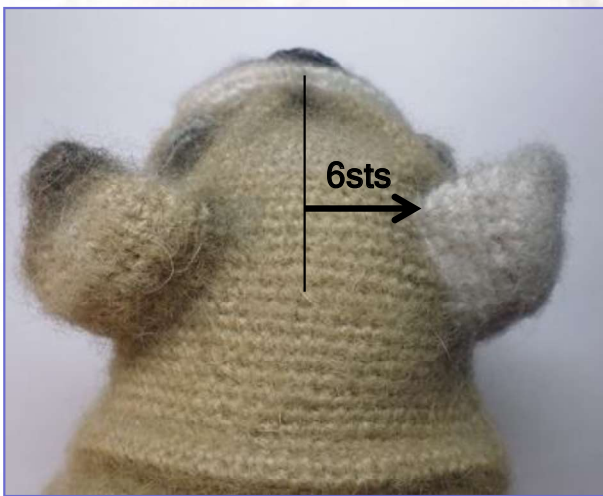
Assembling



*Slightly needle sculpt the cheeks to define them.
If you stuff the cheeks firmly, you might not need to needle sculpt them.*



Find the right position for the ears at an angle and sew them onto the head.



Assembling



Sew the eyelids above the cheeks. Cut out the whites of the eyes out of a piece of white felt and glue it inside the eyelid. Glue the half beads onto the whites of the eyes.



Glue the nose onto the snout.

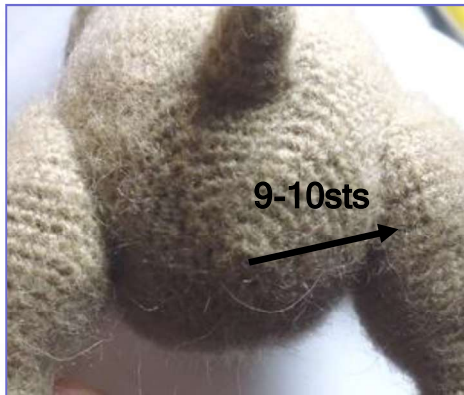
Tint the triangle area between the eyebrows, around the ears, around the nose, eyes, upper part of the lip, tips of the ears.

Use stiff brush to apply the tinting material. I use oil pastels. First apply some tinting material, then add it gradually making it darker where needed. Draw the dots of the whiskers using a felt-tip marker if you like.

Tip: I recommend that you crochet a swatch first to try tinting. When you are satisfied with the result, tint the toy.

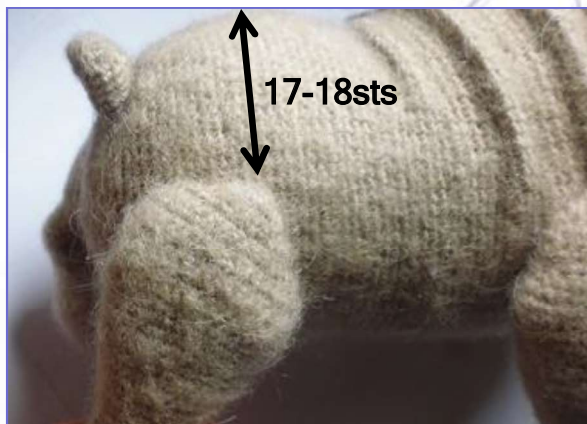


Assembling



Find the right position for the back legs and sew them onto the body at an angle. There are 9-10 sts between the final rnd of the body and the back side of the back leg. There are 17-18 sts between the middle of the back and the top of the back leg. See pictures.

You can slightly brush up the dog but make sure it is not fluffy!



Find the right position for the front legs and sew them onto the body. The top part of the front leg reaches the 2nd fold of the back,



Needle sculpt the toes with dark color thread. You can tint the areas between the toes and folds of the body.



These bulldogs are crocheted according to this pattern.

