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Pattern: Linda, the Cat in the Striped Shirt

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It took me a while to write another pattern. In the meantime, so many things happened, that the blog ended up getting a bit sideways. We spent 3 months in Brazil. And there I ended up dedicating more to the orders and to the family. When we got back to the US, I had to reorganize our whole life here. And when I noticed, it was December already.

Anyway, the new pattern is here. Once I saw a kitten like that on the lid of a paper box: a charming kitten with a scarf around her neck and a striped shirt. I fell in love!

And I decided to try to create my very own cat. This pattern is a bit more complicated than the previous ones, but nothing too difficult. I hope you like it. As I always say, it was created with love!

Materials:

- 100% cotton yarn in four colors - dark gray, black, off-white and dark pink;
- crochet hook according to the yarn weight you are using (I used a 3,25 mm);
- 12mm safety eyes;
- stitch markers;
- polyester fiber;
- scissors;
- tapestry needle;
- embroidery floss in two colors - beige and light pink.

Abbreviations:

inc - increase

dec - invisible decrease

ch - chain

sl st - slip stitch

sc - single crochet

dc - double crochet

[] total number of stitches at the end of each round

Final size:

With the materials I used, my Linda was approximately 13"/33 cm.

Notes:

Always remember to crochet in rounds. Use a stitch marker at the end of each round.

Head:

With gray yarn.

Row 1) 6 sc in the magic ring [6]

Row 2) 6 inc [12]

Row 3) 1 sc, 1 inc - repeat 6 times [18]

Row 4) 2 sc, 1 inc - repeat 6 times [24]

Row 5) 3 sc, 1 inc - repeat 6 times [30]

Row 6) 4 sc, 1 inc - repeat 6 times [36]

Row 7) 5 sc, 1 inc - repeat 6 times [42]

Row 8) 6 sc, 1 inc - repeat 6 times [48]

Row 9) 7 sc, 1 inc - repeat 6 times [54]

Row 10) 8 sc, 1 inc - repeat 6 times [60]

Row 11) 9 sc, 1 inc - repeat 6 times [66]

Rows 12 - 25) 1 sc in each one of the 66 stitches [66]

Place the eyes between rounds 17 and 18. The distance between them is 11 stitches. Embroider some eyelashes.

Using light pink embroidery floss, embroider the nose between rows 19 e 20. Embroider the cat whiskers using beige embroidery floss. See picture below.

Row 26) 9 sc, 1 dec - repeat 6 times [60]

Row 27) 8 sc, 1 dec - repeat 6 times [54]

Row 28) 7 sc, 1 dec - repeat 6 times [48]

Row 29) 6 sc, 1 dec - repeat 6 times [42]

Row 30) 5 sc, 1 dec - repeat 6 times [36]

Start stuffing the head using polyester fiber. Continue stuffing while crocheting until the end.

Row 31) 4 sc, 1 dec - repeat 6 times [30]

Row 32) 3 sc, 1 dec - repeat 6 times [24]

Fasten off. It isn't necessary to leave a long tail.

Body:

With gray yarn.

Row 1) 6 sc in the magic ring [6]

Row 2) 6 inc [12]

Row 3) 1 sc, 1 inc - repeat 6 times [18]

Row 4) 2 sc, 1 inc - repeat 6 times [24]

Row 5) 3 sc, 1 inc - repeat 6 times [30]

Row 6) 4 sc, 1 inc - repeat 6 times [36]

Row 7) 5 sc, 1 inc - repeat 6 times [42]

Row 8) 6 sc, 1 inc - repeat 6 times [48]

Row 9) 7 sc, 1 inc - repeat 6 times [54]

Row 10) 8 sc, 1 inc - repeat 6 times [60]

Rows 11 - 17) 1 sc in each one of the 60 stitches [60]

Row 18) 8 sc, 1 dec - repeat 6 times [54]

Row 19) 7 sc, 1 dec - repeat 6 times [48]

Change to black yarn.

****Note:** the gray yarn will be used again to make the last row of the body. It's up to you to fasten it off now or later. In my case, I fastened it off, and joined it again later before starting the last row. **

****Tip:** there are several videos on YouTube that teach how to make the color change for amigurumis.**

Rows 20 and 21) 1 sc in each one of the 48 stitches [48]

Change to off-white yarn.

Row 22) 6 sc, 1 dec - repeat 6 times [42]

Rows 23 and 24) 1 sc in each one of the 42 stitches [42]

Change to black yarn.

Row 25) 5 sc, 1 dec - repeat 6 times [36]

Change to off-white yarn.

Rows 26 - 28) 1 sc in each one of the 36 stitches [36]

Change to black yarn.

Row 29) 4 sc, 1 dec - repeat 6 times [30]

Change to off-white yarn.

Rows 30 - 32) 1 sc in each one of the 30 stitches [30]

Start stuffing the body using polyester fiber. Continue stuffing while crocheting until the end. Don't forget to make sure the neck is firmly stuffed!

Change to black yarn.

Row 33) 3 sc, 1 dec - repeat 6 times [24]

Change to gray yarn.

Row 34) 1 sc in each one of the 24 stitches [24]

Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing.

Arms:

Make two. With gray yarn.

Row 1) 5 sc in the magic ring [5]

Row 2) 5 inc [10]

Rows 3 - 13) 1 sc in each one of the 10 stitches [10]

Slightly stuff the arm until this row. Do not stuff it anymore in the next rows.

Change to black yarn.

Rows 14 and 15) 1 sc in each one of the 10 stitches [10]

Change to off-white yarn.

Rows 16 - 18) 1 sc in each one of the 10 stitches [10]

Change to black yarn.

Row 19) 1 sc in each one of the 10 stitches [10]

Change to off-white yarn.

Rows 20 - 22) 1 sc in each one of the 10 stitches [10]

Change to black yarn.

Row 23) sew the arm close with a row of sc [5]

Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing.

Legs:

Make two. With gray yarn.

Row 1) 6 sc in the magic ring [6]

Row 2) 6 inc [12]

Row 3) 3 sc, 3 inc - repeat 2 times [18]

Row 4) 6 sc, 3 inc - repeat 2 times [24]

****Note:** this way of distributing the stitches will make the foot slightly oval.**

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Rows 5 - 9) 1 sc in each one of the 24 stitches [24]

Row 10) 2 sc, 1 dec - repeat 6 times [18]

Start stuffing the foot and the leg, and keep stuffing it as you crochet. Slightly stuff it as you approach the final rows.

Row 11) 4 sc, 1 dec - repeat 3 times [15]

Rows 12 - 37) 1 sc in each one of the 15 stitches [15]

Row 38) sew the leg close with a row of sc [7]. Please be careful so the foot is in the correct position (observing its slightly oval shape). If necessary, crochet more or less sc at row 37. See picture below.



Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing. Embroider 3 fingers with beige embroidery floss.

Ears:

Make two. With gray yarn.

Row 1) 4 sc in the magic ring [4]

Row 2) 1 sc, 1 inc - repeat 2 times [6]

Row 3) 2 sc, 1 inc - repeat 2 times [8]

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Row 4) 3 sc, 1 inc - repeat 2 times [10]

Row 5) 4 sc, 1 inc - repeat 2 times [12]

Row 6) 5 sc, 1 inc - repeat 2 times [14]

Row 7) 6 sc, 1 inc - repeat 2 times [16]

Row 8) 7 sc, 1 inc - repeat 2 times [18]

Row 9) 8 sc, 1 inc - repeat 2 times [20]

Row 10) 9 sc, 1 inc - repeat 2 times [22]

Row 11) 1 sc in each one of the 22 stitches [22]

Do not stuff. Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing. Close the ear sewing a few stitches using the tapestry needle. Embroider a few lines using light pink embroidery floss.

Tail:

With gray yarn.

Stuff the tail as you crochet. Slightly stuff it as you get close to the final rows.

Row 1) 5 sc in the magic ring [5]

Row 2) 5 inc [10]

Rows 3 - 45) 1 sc in each one of the 10 stitches [10]

Row 46) sew the tail close with a row of sc [5]

Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing.

Hat (opcional):

****Note:** Unlike the rest of the amigurumi, the hat is almost all worked in double crochet - dc. In addition, it is made in joined rows. This means, each new row will start with ch 3, and will end with a sl st to join it to the previous row.**

Using black yarn.

Row 1) make a magic ring, ch 3, 11 dc inside the magic ring [12]

Row 2) 12 inc [24]

Row 3) 1 dc, 1 inc - repeat 12 times [36]

Row 4) 2 dc, 1 inc - repeat 12 times [48]

Row 5) 1 dc in each one of the 48 stitches [48]

Row 6) 2 dc, 1 dec - repeat 12 times [36]

****Tip:** there are several videos on YouTube that teach how to decrease double crochet stitches. ******

****Note:** the next two (2) rows will be worked in single crochet - sc.

Rows 7 and 8) 1 sc in each one of the 36 stitches [36]

Fasten off (it's up to you to leave or not a long tail to sew the hat to the head later. Mine I just placed over the head) . Embroider details using off-white yarn.

Scarf:

With dark pink yarn.

Ch 54. From third ch, make one dc in each one of the next ch until the end. [52]

Fasten off.

Assembly:

Sew the body to the head. Sew the ears to the head between rounds 5 and 14. Sew the arms to the body at round 33 (the last one made in black yarn). Sew the legs to the body between rounds 5 and 6. Sew the tail to the body between rounds 8 and 9. Place the scarf at her neck. Optional: use makeup to add some blush to the cheeks and place the hat to the head .



Your Linda is ready! And if you decide to give my pattern a try, I'll love to see your pictures. Tag me on Facebook and Instagram (@amiimaker) and use #amiimaker so I can see your amigurumi. Feel free to sell any amigurumi made using this pattern. The only thing I ask in return is to give me the credits for the design. See you soon! :)

