



Hollie and Herman - Pram Chain

No. 1029-211-3339

Skill level: Intermediate

Crochet hook: 2.5 mm

Materials: 2 pairs of safety eyes 5 mm, 10 wood beads 15 mm, 6 wood beads 20 mm, 2 suspender clips, elastic ribbon 6.5 mm approx. 50 cm long, stuffing, pins, needle

Yarn: Friends Cotton 8/4

Grey (#119) - 1 skein

Natural White (#002) - 1 skein

Dusty Blue Green (#088) - 1 skein

Jeans Blue (#080) - 1 skein

Rust (#017) - 1 skein

Abbreviations:

sc - single crochet

dc - double crochet

sl st - slip stitch

blo - back loop only

bo - bobble stitch (3 unfinished dc in the same stitch, yarn over and pull through all loops on the hook)

inc - increase: 2 sc in the same st

dec - decrease: 2 sc together

(xx) - the number of stitches after ended round

[] - repeat instructions within brackets

TIP:

Prams can have many different widths. Therefore, be careful to measure your pram before assembling. This chain measures approx. 42 cm including suspender clips, however, if you want a longer chain, you just add more balls.

Head

Color: 119 Grey

Rnd 1: Start with a magic ring. 6 sc in the magic ring (6)

Rnd 2: inc x6 (12)

Rnd 3: [1 sc, inc] x6 (18)

Rnd 4: [2 sc, inc] x6 (24)

Rnds 5-6: 1 sc in each st (24)

Rnd 7: 3 sc, 1 bo, 7 sc, 1 bo, 12 sc (24)

Rnds 8-9: 1 sc in each st (24)

Rnd 10: [1 sc, dec] x8 (16)

Rnd 11: [1 sc, inc] x8 (24)

Rnd 12: [3 sc, inc] x6 (30)

Rnd 13: 1 sc in each st (30)

Rnd 14: [4 sc, inc] x6 (36)

Rnd 15: 1 sc in each st (36)

Rnd 16: [5 sc, inc] x6 (42)

Rnds 17-18: 1 sc in each st (42)

Now, attach the safety eyes with 5 stitches in between on rnds 12 and 13.

Rnd 19: [5 sc, dec] x6 (36)

Rnd 20: [4 sc, dec] x6 (30)

Rnd 21: [3 sc, dec] x6 (24)

Rnd 22: [2 sc, inc] x6 (18)

Rnd 23: [1 sc, dec] x6 (12)

Now, stuff the head.

Rnd 24: dec x6 (6)

Now, sew together the last 6 sts. Sew through the front loop of each of the 6 sts. Pull the thread to close the hole and weave in the end.

Horn

Color: 002 Natural White

You may want to use a hook 2.0 mm to obtain a tighter result.

Rnd 1: Start with a magic ring. 3 sc in the magic ring (3)

Rnd 2: inc x3 (6)

Rnds 3-4: 1 sc in each st (6)

Now, work 1 sl st in the first st, cut the yarn and stuff the head a bit. Then sew the horn onto the head between the nostrils.

Ear (make 2)

Color: 119 Grey

Rnd 1: Start with a magic ring. 6 sc in the magic ring (6)

Rnd 2: inc x6 (12)

Rnd 3: 1 sc in each st (12)

Finish with a sl st in the first st.

Cut off the yarn but be careful to leave a long tail for sewing the ears onto the head. Place the ears on the broadest part of the head and with 8 stitches in between. Weave in ends thoroughly.

Arm (make 2)

Color: 015 Grey

Rnd 1: Start with a magic ring. 6 sc in the magic ring (6)

Rnd 2: inc x6 (12)

Rnd 3: 1 sc in each st (12)

Rnd 4: 2 sc, 1 bo, 1 sc, 1 bo, 7 sc (12)

Rnd 5: 1 sc in each st (12)

Rnd 6: [4 sc, dec] x2 (10)

Rnds 7-12: 1 sc in each st (10)

Stuff the arm well in the hand and a little less in the actual arm. And finally, crochet the opening of the arm close with 5 sl st. Cut off the yarn but be careful to leave a long tail for

sewing the arms onto the body. Sew on the arms level with the neck. Weave in ends thoroughly.

Leg (make 2)

Color: 119 Grey

Rnd 1: Start with a magic ring. 6 sc in the magic ring (6)

Rnd 2: inc x6 (12)

Rnd 3: [5 sc, inc] x2 (14)

Rnd 4: 2 sc, 1 bo, 1 sc, 1 bo, 9 sc (14)

Rnd 5: 1 sc in each st (14)

Rnd 6: [5 sc, dec] x2 (12)

Rnds 7-10: 1 sc in each st (12)

Stuff the legs well in the foot and a little less in the actual leg. And finally, crochet the opening of the leg close with 6 sl st. Cut off the yarn but be careful to leave a long tail for sewing the leg onto the body. Place the legs under the tummy. They should point outward a bit. Weave in ends thoroughly.

Body

Color: 119 Grey

Rnd 1: Start with a magic ring. 6 sc in the magic ring (6)

Rnd 2: inc x6 (12)

Rnd 3: [1 sc, inc] x6 (18)

Rnd 4: [2 sc, inc] x6 (24)

Rnd 5: [3 sc, inc] x6 (30)

Rnd 6: [4 sc, inc] x6 (36)

Rnd 7: [5 sc, inc] x6 (42)

NOTE: When making Hollie, work rnd 11 in the blo.

Rnds 8-11: 1 sc in each st (42)

Rnd 12: [5 sc, dec] x6 (36)

Rnds 13-14: 1 sc in each st (36)

Rnd 15: [4 sc, dec] x6 (30)

Rnds 16-17: 1 sc in each st (30)

Rnd 18: [3 sc, dec] x6 (24)

Rnds 19-20: 1 sc in each st (24)

Rnd 21: [2 sc, inc] x6 (18)

Rnd 22: 1 sc in each st (18)

Rnd 23: [1 sc, dec] x6 (12)

Stuff the body well. NOTE: When making Hollie, crochet the dress onto the body before stuffing the body.

Cut off the yarn but be careful to leave a long tail for sewing the head onto the body. The head must point downwards a little. It can be helpful to pin the head to the body first. Sew through the stitches of the body and then through the head. And finally, stuff some extra stuffing into the neck before closing it completely to avoid a wobbly head. Weave in ends thoroughly.

Dress

Color: 088 Dusty Blue Green

Insert the hook on the back (where the beginning and end of rnd 11 meet) in the front loop of rnd 11. Hollie's bottom must point away from you and Hollie's neck towards you. Pull the yarn through the front loop and make 1 sc.



The picture shows where to insert the hook to begin making Hollie's dress. I did it in the front loop where the beginning and end of rnd 11 meet. The picture is from the instructions for the large Hollie but the principal is the same for mini Hollie.

Rnd 1: 1 sc in each st (42). When you reach the end of the round, work 1 sc in the st where you pulled the yarn through to begin making the dress. This sc replaces the st you made at the beginning meaning that you now have 42 sts.

Rnd 2: 2 dc in each st (84)

Finish with a sl st in the first st. Weave in end.

Straps

Then tightly ch 50. Cut off the yarn. Do this 2 times. Then sew the straps onto the dress where you prefer.

Finally, plait a small tail and sew it on the back of the body just beneath the dress.

Pants

Color: 080 Jeans Blue

Ch 42, join into a ring with 1 sl st in the first st.

Rnds 1-6: 1 sc in each st (42)

Rnd 7: [5 sc, dec] x6 (36)

Rnds 8-12: 1 sc in each st (36)

Now you are going to make the legs of the pants. Work 1 sc and place a stitch marker in this stitch. Work another 16 sc. In the next st (st no. 17) insert the hook into the stitch and then into the 1 stitch where the stitch marker is placed (and remove the stitch marker). You now have two stitches on the hook and are about to form a ring. Then pull the yarn through both stitches and make 1 sc. You have now closed the gap at the beginning of the pants leg and can continue making the legs with 18 sts on the round. Work 2 rounds of sc. Cut off the yarn and weave in end.

Insert the hook into a st on the other pants leg and pull the yarn through. Ch 1 and 1 sc in the same st. Work 3 rounds of sc. Cut off the yarn and weave in end.

Tightly ch 30 and cut off the yarn. Do this 2 times.

When you have assembled Herman, you can put the pants on him. It can be a bit tricky but once you have managed to get his feet through the legs, it will go smoothly. When you have placed the pants, you can sew the straps on as you prefer and perhaps let the straps cross over at the back.

Bow/butterfly

Color: 088 Dusty Blue Green and 080 Jeans Blue

Rnd 1: Ch 14, join into a ring with 1 sl st.

Rnds 2-5: 1 sc in each st (14)

Cut off the yarn leaving a long tail. Now, wind the tail around the bow in the middle part and tighten.

Then weave in the end on the back side still being careful to leave a tail for sewing the bow on.

The bow in the color Dusty Blue Green is sewn on in front of Hollies left ear, and the butterfly in the color Blue Jeans is sewn onto Herman right under his head.

Star

Color: 017 Cognac

Rnd 1: Start with a magic ring. 6 sc in the magic ring (6)

Rnd 2: inc x6 (12)

Rnd 3: [1 sc, inc] x6 (18)

Rnd 4: [2 sc, inc] x6 (24)

Rnd 5: [3 sc, inc] x6 (30)

Rnd 6: [4 sc, inc] x5, 5 sc (35)

Now you are going to make the star points:

Work 7 sc, turn

Ch 1, skip 1 st, 6 sc, turn

Ch 1, skip 1 st, 5 sc, turn

Ch 1, skip 1 st, 4 sc, turn

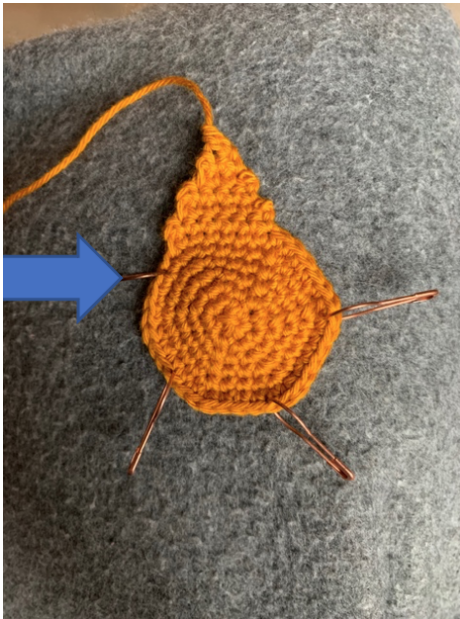
Ch 1, skip 1 st, 3 sc, turn

Ch 1, skip 1 st, 2 sc, turn

Ch 1, dec.

Cut off the yarn and weave in end.

To make the next point, insert the hook into the 8th st from the beginning of the round, pull the yarn through and repeat the above step. In the picture below, the markers indicate every 8th stitch. The next picture shows how to pull the yarn through.



To make the next points, insert the hook into sts no. 15, 22 and 29 from the beginning of the round. Each marker on the above picture indicates where to insert the hook to begin making the next point.

You have now made 1 side of the star - make another side identical to this first one.



When you have made the last point of the 2nd side, don't cut off the yarn but crochet the two sides together as follows:

Place the two stars wrong side facing wrong side and thus having a right side facing yourself. Now, work a sc edge all the way around crocheting through both sides. Work 2 sc in the tip of each point and 6 sc along each edge of the points. When you reach the last point, stuff the star and crochet the last part together. Cut off the yarn and weave in end.

Balls

Here you are going to use the 20 mm wood beads.

Color: 2 x 029 Jeans Blue, 2 x 079 Dusty Blue Green, 2 x 101 Rust

Rnd 1: Start with a magic ring. 6 sc in the magic ring (6)

Rnd 2: inc x6 (12)

Rnd 3: [1 sc, inc] x6 (18)

Rnds 4-7: 1 sc in each st (18)

Now, insert the wood bead into the half circle that you just made.

Rnd 8: [1 sc, dec] x6 (12)

Rnd 9: dec x6 (6)

Now, sew together the last 6 sts. Sew through the front loop of each of the 6 sts. Pull the thread to close the hole and weave in end.

Assembling

1: Sew the suspender clips onto the elastic ribbon

Fold approx. 1.5 cm of elastic ribbon around the suspender clip as shown in the picture below. Sew the 1.5 cm of elastic ribbon onto the long part of the elastic ribbon to secure the suspender clip.



2: Assemble the pieces on the elastic ribbon

Now, assemble the pieces on the elastic ribbon. I prefer to use a long wool needle without tip to pull through the animals, stars and balls. It's a good idea to start with a bead as you can then slide the bead over the seam at the suspender clip and this way hide the seam.

3: Sew the last suspender clip on

Now, pull the elastic ribbon well to make it tight, make sure that the balls are placed as close to each other as you want them to be and then cut the elastic ribbon leaving 1.5 cm of elastic ribbon to go around your suspender clip, just as at the beginning. And sew the elastic ribbon together around the suspender clip in the same way as before. Slide the last bead on the ribbon over the seam as you did at the beginning.

Voila, your pram chain is now finished! :)

Enjoy!

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