

Zero the Ghostly Dog (from Tim Burton's - Nightmare Before Christmas)



****Note**** the original base pattern for this item belongs to [Knitted Toy Box](#) and is offered for free so they get full credit. I modified the pattern to be a crochet format rather than knitted and added a few additions but because the core of the project is not mine I will not sell the pattern. It just doesn't seem right to me.

So here it is:

Materials:

- Worsted weight yarn or any type but be sure that the weight of all colors used is the same
- Size I (5.50mm) crochet hook
- Tapestry needle
- Toy Stuffing

Gauge: Not really important in this project

Design Notes:

- This pattern is worked flat then seamed it is not worked in rounds
- This pattern has not really been tested other than by me so please let me know if you have any questions or find any errors at meg-ann@yarnydoom.com

Directions:

Body

Chain 2 - 2 sc in the second chain from the hook

2. and every even row - Sc straight
3. 2 Sc in each stitch (4 sts)
5. inc, Sc in the next 2, inc (6 sts)
7. inc, Sc in the next 4, inc (8 sts)
9. inc, Sc in the next 6, inc (10 sts)
11. inc, Sc in the next 8, inc (12 sts)
13. inc, Sc in the next 10, inc (14 sts)
15. inc, Sc in the next 12, inc (16 sts)

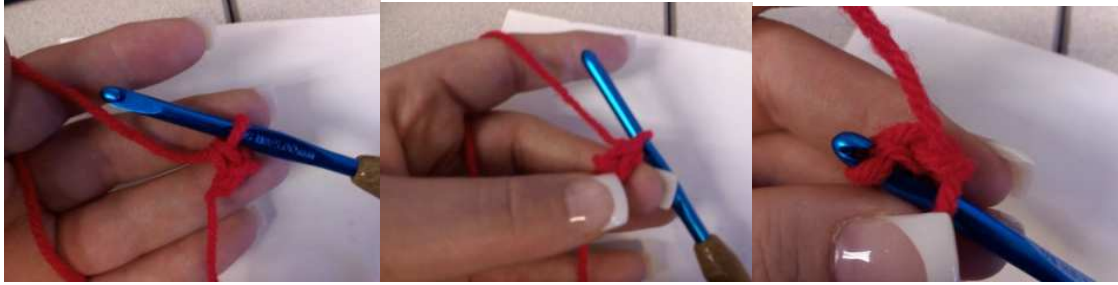
Finish off

Repeat steps 1-15 without finishing then continue below

16. Sc straight attaching the additional point to the end of the row (32 sts)
- 17 - 23 Sc straight (32 sts)
24. dec, Sc until last 2 st, dec (30sts)
25. Sc straight
26. Repeat rows 24-25 until 10 sts remain (22 rows all together)
48. dec 5 times (5 sts)
- 49 - 51. Sc straight
- 52 . dec, sc, dec (3 sts)
- 53 -56. Sc straight
57. dec, sc (2 sts)
- 58 - 61. Sc straight
62. dec last 2 stitches together (1 st)
- 63 - 65. Sc straight

Finish off

****Suggestion on sc with short rows: If you chain 1 at the turn you can then do your sc in the chain one bump at the end of the row and make the line straighter ****



Head

Ch 2. 2 Sc in the 2nd chain from the hook (or magic loop)

1. inc 2x (4 sts)
2. Sc Straight
3. inc 2x (8 sts)
- 4 - 23. Sc Straight (19 rows)
24. *sc in the next 2, inc* repeat 2 times, sc 2 (10 sts)
25. Sc Straight
26. *sc in next 2, inc*repeat 3 times, sc (13 sts)
27. Sc Straight
28. *sc in next 3, inc* repeat 3 times, sc (16 sts)
29. Sc Straight
30. *sc , inc* repeat 8 times (24 sts)
31. Sc Straight
32. *sc in next 4, inc* repeat 4 times, sc 4 (28 sts)
- 33 -35. Sc Straight 3 rows
36. *sc in next 4, dec* repeat 4 times, sc 4 (24 sts)
37. Sc Straight
38. *sc in next 2, dec* repeat 6 times (18 sts)
39. Sc Straight
40. *sc, dec* repeat 6 times (12 sts)
41. Sc Straight
42. *dec* repeat 6 times (6 sts)
43. Sc Straight

Cut a tail of yarn approx 6" and use a needle to pull through the remaining stitches and pull tightly. Use the yarn tail to start joining all row ends using mattress stitch until half way down the head. Stuff the ball of the head and then continue to mattress stitch the row ends right up to the chain row and then stuff the rest of the head/nose. Pull the yarn through the first 2 sc and fasten off and then weave in the ends.

Ears (make 2)

Chain 7, sc in the second chain till the end (6 sts)

- 1 - 19. Sc Straight for 19 rows
20. *dec* 3 times (3 sts)
- 21 - 23. Sc Straight

Cut a tail in the yarn approx 5" long and use a yarn needle to pull through the end sc to make a point. Use the remaining yarn tail to join the row ends up until the cast on stitches, and then sew onto the head.

Nose *this item worked in rounds*******

- 2 sc in magic loop
1. Increase all stitches (4 sts)
2. Inc, sc, inc, sc (6 sts)
3. inc, sc in next 2, inc, sc 2 (8 sts)
4. Sc Straight
5. dec, sc in next 2, dec, sc 2 (6 sts)
6. dec, sc, dec, sc (4 sts)
7. *dec* times 2 (2 st)

Finish off. You can stuff the nose if you would like to I did not find a need for it. Embroider a small pumpkin face on the nose and attach. (attach a stem if you would like using a smaller hook and chain 4 sl down the back of the chain and add to the top of the pumpkin)

Lower Jaw (make 2 one in white and one black)

- Ch 2, 1 sc in 2nd chain(1 st)
- 1 - 3. Sc Straight
4. sc 3x in the one stitch (3 sts)
- 5 -7. Sc Straight
8. inc, sc, inc (5 sts)
- 9 - 10.Sc Straight
11. inc, sc in next 2, inc (7 sts)
- 12 - 13. Sc Straight
14. inc, sc in next 3, inc (9 sts)
15. Sc Straight

Finish off

Underbelly

- Ch 9, Sc in second chain from the hook till the end (8 sts)
1. Sc straight
2. Sc, inc, sc in next 4, inc, sc (10 sts)
3. Sc Straight
4. Sc, inc, sc in next 6, inc, sc (12)

5 - 13 . Sc Straight

14. sc, dec, sc in next 6, dec, sc (10 sts)

15. Sc Straight

16. sc, dec, sc in next 4, dec, sc (8 sts)

17. Sc Straight

18. sc, dec, sc in next 2, dec, sc (6 sts)

19. Sc Straight

Finish Off

Finishing:

Stitch the Underbelly to the body about 2 rows back from where you joined the point in the front at row 16. Stuff before finishing and weaving ends in. Attach head to body at roughly the same position as underbelly on the top side. To attach the lower jaw place the black section on top of the white and stitch together with white around the outside edge then attach to the bottom of the head out from the neck in a position that looks comfortable. Ears attach to the back of the head. You can use felt circles for eyes or embroider them or use the following pattern for simple black circles and attach those

Eyes (see notes above optional)

6 sc in magic loop in next round *sc, inc* till the end then finish off leaving tail to attach it to the head

As always Have fun, Give credit where credit is due, Let me know if you have any issues with it and I will get it corrected, and please don't sell the pattern as I haven't either. I hope you enjoy it. Feel free to post the finished items either on here or the Ravelry page for the pattern. I look forward to seeing them - till then back to the yarn with me :D