Grey Totoro Amigurumi Pattern



Materials:

Approx 80g grey yarn, double knitting weight.

Approx 10g cream yarn, double knitting weight.

Note: double knitting weight is equivalent to light worsted, although worsted weight should work just fine, as long as you use the same weight of yarn throughout.

Small amount of white yarn or white felt for eyes.

Small amount of black yarn for nose and whiskers.

Optional: small amount of green yarn to make leaf. Stuffing.

1 pair 9 mm safety eyes.

Tapestry needle.

3.5mm hook (US E hook).

Finished size: approximately 9" tall.

Abbreviations:

ch = chain

st = stitch or stitches

ss = slip stitch

sc = single crochet (US), double crochet (UK)

hdc = half double crochet (US), half treble crochet (UK)

dc = double crochet (US), treble crochet (UK)

tog = together

sc2tog = decrease by working two sc together

YOH = Yarn over hook

FO = fasten off

Notes:

The grey Totoro is made in rounds. Do not join rounds unless told to, use a stitch marker to mark the start of a round - a small piece of different coloured yarn placed under the stitch at the start of the round will do. To start a round, you can use the magic ring method, but I prefer (ch2, work 6 sc into $1^{\rm st}$ ch). If you work the 6 sc over the tail of yarn as well you can use that to pull the hole tight. Whichever you use, always make sure that there is no hole in the first round before you continue.

The Totoro needs to be stuffed firmly to keep its shape. Start stuffing the body when it is about three-quarters made. A large shape like this takes a lot of stuffing, but keep working at it, putting in a bit at a time, and pushing it towards the top. You may find something like the handle of a large wooden spoon is useful to push it in firmly. Finish most of the stuffing when the hole is still big enough to get your fingers in, then complete it just before you sew up the hole at the bottom.





Eyes (make 2):

Using white yarn.

Ch 3, work 9 hdc into 1^{st} ch, join with ss into 1st hdc, FO, leaving a length of yarn. Make sure there is a hole in the centre to put the safety eyes through.

Or cut circles out of white felt approx. 20mm across, and snip a small hole in the centre.

Body:

Start at the top using grey yarn.

Round 1: Ch 2, work 6 sc into 1st ch - 6 st.

Round 2: 2 sc in each st around - 12 st.

Round 3: [2 sc in next st, sc in next st] 6 times - 18 st

Round 4: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 st] 6 times - 24 st.

Round 5: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 st] 6 times - 30 st.

Round 6: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 st] 6 times - 36 st.

Round 7: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 st] 6 times - 42 st.

Round 8: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 st] 6 times - 48 st.

Round 9: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 st] 6 times - 54 st.

Round 10: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 st] 6 times - 60 st.

Round 11 - 20: (10 rounds) Sc in each st around - 60 st.

Put the start of the current round at the back, then fit the eyes at the front. Push the safety eyes through each of the white eye parts then push through the body between rounds 14 and 15. Fit the washers on the eyes on the inside. You can do this later as long as you can still get your hands inside to fit the washers.

Round 21: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 st] 10 times - 70 st.

Round 22: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 st] 10 times - 80 st.

Round 23 - 43: (21 rounds) Sc in each st around - 80 st.

Round 44: [Sc2tog, sc in next 18 st] 4 times - 76 st.

Round 45: Sc in each st around - 76 st.

Round 46: [Sc2tog, sc in next 17 st] 4 times - 72 st.

Round 47: Sc in each st around - 72 st.

Round 48: [Sc2tog, sc in next 16 st] 4 times - 68 st.

Round 49: Sc in each st around - 68 st.

Round 50: [Sc2tog, sc in next 15 st] 4 times - 64 st.

Round 51: Sc in each st around - 64 st.

Round 52: [Sc2tog, sc in next 14 st] 4 times - 60 st.

Round 53: Sc in each st around - 60 st.

Round 54: [Sc2tog, sc in next 8 st] 6 times - 54 st.

Round 55: [Sc2tog, sc in next 7 st] 6 times - 48 st.

Round 56: [Sc2tog, sc in next 6 st] 6 times - 42 st.

Round 57: [Sc2tog, sc in next 5 st] 6 times - 36 st.

Round 58: [Sc2tog, sc in next 4 st] 6 times - 30 st.

Round 59: [Sc2tog, sc in next st] 10 times - 20 st.

Round 60: [Sc2tog] 10 times - 10 st.

Round 61: [Sc2tog] 5 times - 5 st.

FO, leaving a length of yarn. Finish stuffing and sew up hole. Sew the edges of the white eyes, either with the end of yarn if they're crocheted, or with fine thread if they're felt.

Tummy:

Using cream yarn.

Round 1: Ch 2, work 6 sc into 1st ch - 6 st.

Round 2: 2 sc in each st around - 12 st.

Round 3: 2 sc in each st around - 24 st.

Round 4: Sc in each st around - 24 st.

Round 5: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 st] 8 times - 32 st.

Round 6: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 st] 8 times - 40 st.

Round 7: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 st] 5 times - 45 st.

Round 8: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 st] 5 times - 50 st.

Round 9: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 9 st] 5 times - 55 st.

Round 10: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 10 st] 5 times - 60 st.

Round 11: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 st] 10 times - 70 st.

Round 12: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 st] 10 times - 80 st.

Round 13 - 15: (3 rounds) Sc in each st around - 80 st.

Ss into next st. FO, leaving length of yarn.

Sew the tummy to the body, with the top at about the same level as round 23. You can embroider the details on the face now, and hide the end of the black yarn behind the tummy. The nose is several horizontal lines with a small vertical line at the bottom. The whiskers are three single lines under the eyes on each side. The mouth is a single very small horizontal line. You could make the big smile that Totoro sometimes has with some white felt, glued or sewn neatly on, with black vertical lines sewn across with thread.

Ears (make 2):

Using grey yarn.

Round 1: Ch 2, work 4 sc into 1st ch - 4 st.

Round 2: [2 sc in next st, sc in next st] 2 times - 6 st.

Round 3: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 st] 2 times - 8 st.

Round 4: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 st] 2 times - 10 st.

Round 5: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 st] 2 times - 12 st.

Round 6: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 st] 2 times - 14 st.

Round 7: Sc in each st around - 14 st.

Round 8: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 st] 2 times - 16 st.

Round 9: Sc in each st around - 16 st.

Round 10: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 st] 2 times - 18 st.

Round 11: Sc in each st around - 18 st.

Round 12: [Sc2tog, sc in next st] 6 times - 12 st.

Round 13 - 15: (3 rounds) Sc in each st around - 12 st.

Ss into next st. FO, leaving length of yarn.

Stuff firmly then sew to the top of the head, roughly in line with the eyes.

Tail:

Using grey yarn.

Round 1: Ch 2, work 6 sc into 1st ch - 6 st.

Round 2: 2 sc in each st around - 12 st.

Round 3: [2 sc in next st, sc in next st] 6 times - 18 st.

Round 4: Sc in each st around - 18 st.

Round 5: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 st] 6 times - 24 st.

Round 6: Sc in each st around - 24 st.

Round 7: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 st] 6 times - 30 st.

Round 8: Sc in each st around - 30 st.

Round 9: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 st] 6 times - 36 st.

Round 10 - 19: (10 rounds) Sc in each st around - 36 st.

Ss into next st. FO, leaving length of yarn.

Stuff firmly then sew to the body, with the second half of the round at the bottom (this stops the tail from pointing down too much).

Arms (make 2):

Using grey yarn.

Round 1: Ch 2, work 6 sc into 1st ch - 6 st.

Round 2: 2 sc in each st around - 12 st.

Round 3: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 st] 4 times - 16 st.

Round 4: Sc in each st around - 16 st.

Round 5: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 st] 4 times - 20 st.

Round 6 - 8: (3 rounds) Sc in each st around - 20 st.

Round 9: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 st] 4 times - 24 st.

Round 10 - 15: (6 rounds) Sc in each st around - 24 st. **Round 16:** [Sc2tog, sc in next 4 st] 4 times - 20 st.

Round 17 - 19: (3 rounds) Sc in each st around - 20 st.

Round 20: [Sc2tog, sc in next 3 st] 4 times - 16 st.

Round 21: Sc in each st around - 16 st.

Round 22: [Sc2tog, sc in next 2 st] 4 times - 12 st.

Ss into next st. FO, leaving length of yarn at least 24" long.

Stuff a little then flatten and sew the top edges together. Sew to the sides of the body at round 22 of the body, then use the yarn to make seven upside-down 'v' shapes on the tummy.

Leaf:

Using green yarn

Round 1: Ch 2, work 6 sc into 1st ch - 6 st.

Round 2: 2 sc in each st around - 12 st.

Round 3: 2 sc in each st around - 24 st.

Round 4: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 st] 8 times - 32 st.

Continue with rows to make a dip shape at top of leaf.

Row 5: Ss into next st, ch 1, turn, miss next st, (2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 st) 7 times, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 st - 39 st.

Row 6: Ch 1, turn, miss next st, (2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 st) 9 times, sc in next st, ss in next st - 47 st.

Row 7: Ch 1, turn, miss next st, sc in next 45 st, ss in next st, ss into edge of row and into the dip at the top of leaf.

To make stalk: ch 3, miss ch nearest hook, ss in next 2 ch, ss back into dip. FO and weave in ends, making sure stalk sticks upwards.

This grey Totoro goes well with the little blue Totoro and the tiny white Totoro.



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