

Pretty best friends



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Materials:

When using the suggested materials, it will be about 25 cm tall.

The listed wool and hook sizes are only suggestions. It is, of course, entirely your personal choice, which yarn you use.

Please keep in mind that different yarn may result in a bigger or smaller piece. Make sure to adapt your hook size according to your yarn and personal tension.

- Wool Aran weight (8 wpi) - for me: DROPS Air (about 2 balls for each animal)
- Some wool for nose and pads
- Hook size in suitable size (for me: 3.5 mm)
- Stuffing
- Eyes in suitable size (for me: 15 mm)
- optional: chalk pastels

Abbreviations (US Terms):

MR = magic ring	inc = increase
sc = single crochet	dec = decrease
hdc = half double crochet	st = stitch
dc = double crochet	ch = chain
tr = treble crochet	BLO = back loop only
slst = slip stitch	FLO = front loop only
(-) x = repeat inside of () for x nr of times	

Head - both the same:

1. sc 6 in MR (6)
2. inc x6 (12)
3. (sc 1, inc) x6 (18)
4. (sc 2, inc) x6 (24)
5. (sc 3, inc) x6 (30)
6. (sc 4, inc) x6 (36)
7. (sc 5, inc) x6 (42)
8. (sc 6, inc) x6 (48)
9. (sc 7, inc) x6 (54)
10. (sc 8, inc) x6 (60)
11. (sc 9, inc) x6 (66)
- 12.-22. (11 Rounds) sc in each st around (66)

If you're using safety eyes, attach them between round 17 and 18 with a distance of about 8 stitches.

23. (sc 9, dec) x6 (60)
24. (sc 8, dec) x6 (54)
25. (sc 7, dec) x6 (48)
26. (sc 6, dec) x6 (42)
27. (sc 5, dec) x6 (36)
28. (sc 4, dec) x6 (30)
29. (sc 3, dec) x6 (24)

Stuff the head.

30. (sc 2, dec) x6 (18)
31. (sc 1, dec) x6 (12)

Finish stuffing.

32. dec x6 (6)

Fasten off, leave a long tail for sewing.

Muzzle (Cat):

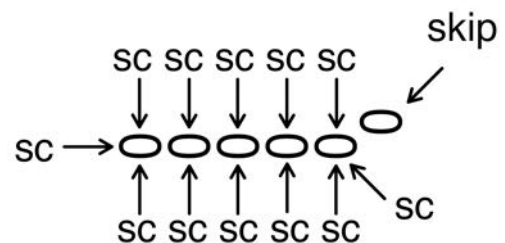
Start with an oval (see the diagram) as follows:

1. ch 6, starting in 2nd chain from hook: sc 4, sc 3 in last st, rotate 180 degrees and crochet along the opposite side of the foundation chain: sc 3, sc 2 in last st (12)
2. inc, sc 3, inc x3, sc 3, inc x2 (18)
3. sc 1, inc, sc 3, (sc 1, inc) x3, sc 3, (sc 1, inc) x2 (24)
4. sc 2, inc, sc 3, (sc 2, inc) x3, sc 3, (sc 2, inc) x2 (30)
5. sc 3, inc, sc 3, (sc 3, inc) x3, sc 3, (sc 3, inc) x2 (36)
- 6.-8. (3 Rounds) sc in each st around (36)

Fasten off, leave a long tail for sewing.

Stuff the muzzle, taking care not to overstuff. Pin in place (right below the eyes, if attached already) and, once you are happy with the position, sew using the remaining yarn tail. Lightly stuff a little more if needed, you will sculpt the cheeks later on. If your yarn tail was long enough, you can proceed directly to sculpting the cheeks. Guide your needle to come out directly below the middle of the muzzle. Now place the yarn in one straight line to the top of the muzzle. Insert your needle at the top and come back out at the bottom, through your initial stitch. Pull the yarn tight and

Crochet an oval



○ = chain
sc = single crochet

repeat this 2 or 3 times. Secure the yarn end with a knot and hide inside of the muzzle.



Next, embroider the nose. I recommend making the outline first, then filling the nose and lastly, going over the outline once more to neaten the edges. I started from the bottom of the head again and hid the tail ends in the head after knotting them securely.

If desired, you can also sculpt eye sockets. To do this, mark the place of the eyes with a pin. They should be positioned directly above the muzzle. Starting again at the bottom of the head, insert your needle, exiting right next to your first marker. Remove pin, move your needle one stitch to the side of where the pin was and guide the needle back to the bottom. Pull the yarn and secure with a knot. Repeat the process for the other eye. See photos for guidance. If not done yet, attach the eyes.



Muzzle - Dog:

1. sc 6 in MR (6)
2. inc x6 (12)
3. (sc 3, inc x3) x2 (18)
4. (sc 4, inc, sc 1, inc, sc 1, inc) x2 (24)
5. (sc 5, inc, sc 2, inc, sc 2, inc) x2 (30)
6. (sc 6, inc, sc 3, inc, sc 3, inc) x2 (36)
- 7.-11. (5 Rounds) sc in each st around (36)

Fasten off, leave a long tail for sewing.

Stuff lightly and pin to head. Once positioned correctly, use the left over yarn tail to sew the muzzle to the head. Add a little more stuffing, if needed, before closing. To embroider the nose, insert a needle through the bottom of the head and stitch the outline first. Next, fill in the nose and then re-stitch the outline to give you a nice, neat finish. Make sure you come out at the bottom of the head when finishing. Knot securely and hide tail ends in the head.

You can make eye sockets the same way as stated for the cat above.



Ear - Cat (make 2):

1. sc 6 in MR (6)
2. (sc 2, inc) x2 (8)
3. (sc 3, inc) x2 (10)
4. (sc 4, inc) x2 (12)
5. (sc 5, inc) x2 (14)
6. (sc 6, inc) x2 (16)
7. (sc 7, inc) x2 (18)
8. (sc 8, inc) x2 (20)
9. (sc 9, inc) x2 (22)
10. (sc 10, inc) x2 (24)

Fasten off, leave a long tail for sewing.

Fold ear in half, do not stuff, do not close.

Ear - Dog (make 2):

You are starting off with an oval shape (The same instructions as for the cat muzzle apply):

1. ch 8, starting in 2nd chain from hook: sc 6, sc 3 in last st, rotate 180 degrees and crochet along the opposite side of the foundation chain: sc 5, sc 2 in last st (16)
2. inc, sc 5, inc x3, sc 5, inc x2 (22)
- 3.-7. (5 Rounds) sc in each st around (22) - For longer ears, simply add more rounds.
8. (sc 9, dec) x2 (20)
9. sc in each st around (20)
10. (sc 8, dec) x2 (18)
11. sc in each st around (18)
12. (sc 7, dec) x2 (16)
- 13.-15. (3 Rounds) sc in each st around (16)

Fold ear in half, do not stuff, close top with a row of sc. Fasten off, leave long tail for sewing.



Body - both the same:

1. sc 6 in MR (6)
2. inc x6 (12)
3. (sc 1, inc) x6 (18)
4. (sc 2, inc) x6 (24)
5. (sc 3, inc) x6 (30)
6. (sc 4, inc) x6 (36)
7. (sc 5, inc) x6 (42)
8. (sc 6, inc) x6 (48)
9. (sc 7, inc) x6 (54)
10. (sc 8, inc) x6 (60)
- 11.-25. (15 Rounds) sc in each st around (60)
26. sc 12, dec, (sc 5, dec) x5, sc 11 (54)
- 27.-28. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (54)
29. sc 11, dec, (sc 4, dec) x5, sc 11 (48)
- 30.-31. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (48)
32. sc 11, dec, (sc 3, dec) x5, sc 10 (42)
- 33.-34. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (42)
35. (sc 5, dec) x6 (36)
- 36.-37. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (36)
38. (sc 4, dec) x6 (30)
39. sc in each st around (30)
40. (sc 3, dec) x6 (24)
41. sc in each st around (24)
42. (sc 2, dec) x6 (18)
43. sc in each st around (18)

Fasten off, don't close, leave a long tail for sewing.

Stuff and shape the body, sew on the head (best using mattress stitch).

Back paws - both the same (make 2):

Start with an oval again.

1. ch 12, *starting in 2nd chain from hook*: sc 10, sc 3 in last st, *rotate 180 degrees and crochet along the opposite side of the foundation chain*: sc 9, sc 2 in last st (24)
2. inc, sc 9, inc x3, sc 9, inc x2 (30)
3. sc 1, inc, sc 9, (sc 1, inc) x3, sc 9, (sc 1, inc) x2 (36)
4. sc 2, inc, sc 9, (sc 3, inc) x3, sc 9, (sc 2, inc) x2 (42)
- 5.-9. (5 Rounds) sc in each st around (42)
10. (sc 12, dec) x3 (39)
11. (sc 11, dec) x3 (36)
12. (sc 10, dec) x3 (33)
13. (sc 9, dec) x3 (30)
- 14.-17. (4 Rounds) sc in each st around (30)
18. (sc 3, dec) x6 (24)
19. (sc 2, dec) x6 (18)
20. (sc 1, dec) x6 (12)

Shape and stuff, taking care not to overstuff so that you can still shape the toes.

21. je 2fM zusammen häkeln (6)

Fasten off, leave a long tail for sewing.

Using a long yarn end, you can now shape the toes. Use pins to mark the toe lines.

Insert your needle in the bottom into the stitch directly next to the stitch you marked.

Guide the yarn around the pin head, over the front of the paw and reinsert your needle right next to the marker on the top. Repeat this step 2 or 3 times, keeping the tension equally tight. The final exit should be on the bottom, where you started off, knot the end and hide any tail in the paw.

You can now draw on the pads with some chalk pastels or crochet the pads as follows:



optional:

Small pads (make 6):

pink (cat) black or brown (dog)

1. MR – 2 ch, 9hdc (9) – close ring with slst into the top of the ch2

Fasten off, leave tail for sewing.

Large Pads (make 2):

pink (cat) black or brown (dog)

1. MR – 4 ch, 15dc (15) - close ring with slst into the top of the ch4

Fasten off, leave tail for sewing.

Sew the pads to the bottom of the paws, see photos for guidance.



Front paw - both the same (make 2):

1. sc 6 in MR (6)
2. inc x6 (12)
3. (sc 1, inc) x6 (18)
4. (sc 2, inc) x6 (24)
5. (sc 3, inc) x6 (30)
- 6.-10. (5 Rounds) sc in each st around (30)
11. (sc 8, dec) x3 (27)
12. sc in each st around (27)
13. (sc 7, dec) x3 (24)
14. sc in each st around (24)
15. (sc 6, dec) x3 (21)
16. sc in each st around (21)
17. (sc 5, dec) x3 (18)

Shape and stuff, taking care not to overstuff so that you can still shape the paw.

- 18.-27. (10 Rounds) sc in each st around (18)
28. (sc 4, dec) x3 (15)
29. sc in each st around (15)
30. (sc 3, dec) x3 (12)

Lightly stuff the arm.

31. dec x6 (6)

Fasten off, leave a long tail for sewing.

Sculpt the front paws same way as the back paws.

You can color the pads with chalk pastels or crochet the pads and sew them on.

optional:

Small pads (make 6):

pink (cat) black or brown (dog)

1. sc 6 in MR (6)

Fasten off, leave a long tail for sewing.

Big pads (make 2):

pink (cat) black or brown (dog)

1. ch 3, dc 12 in MR (12)

Fasten off, leave a long tail for sewing.

Sew the pads to the paws.



Tail - Cat:

It is best to stuff the tail as you work. It is best not to stuff the tail too tightly so that you can still shape it nicely at the end.

1. MR mit 6fM (6)
2. jede fM verdoppeln (12)
3. jede 2. fM verdoppeln (18)
4. jede 3. fM verdoppeln (24)
- 5.-8. (4 Rounds) sc in each st around (24)
- Change color if desired*
- 9.-10. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (24)
11. dec, sc 22 (23)
- 12.-13. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (23)
14. dec, sc 21 (22)
- 15.-16. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (22)
17. dec, sc 20 (21)
- 18.-19. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (21)
20. dec, sc 19 (20)
- 21.-22. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (20)
23. dec, sc 18 (19)
- 24.-25. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (19)
26. dec, sc 17 (18)
- 27.-28. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (18)
29. dec, sc 16 (17)
- 30.-31. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (17)
32. dec, sc 15 (16)
- 33.-34. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (16)
35. dec, sc 14 (15)
- 36.-40. (5 Rounds) sc in each st around (15)

Fasten off, don't close, leave a long tail for sewing, finish stuffing.

To achieve a more sturdy shape for the tail you could add pipe cleaners or florist wire to the tail.

Tail - Dog:

1. sc 6 in MR (6)
2. inc x6 (12)
3. sc in each st around (12)

Fasten off, leave a long tail for sewing, don't close.

Pin all the arms, paws, ears and so on to the body and sew them on.

Your snuggly cat or dog is ready now :o)

