CROCHET PATTERN

Origin of a new life, or Tubul, the Elephant.

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Difficulty level – above average.

The toy is approx. 30 x 25 cm. Pay attention that your toy can be smaller or bigger depending on the materials you use and your manner to crochet.

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PREFACE

Hello, my dear knitting yarn! Let's make a fantastic elephant called Tubul. He is a very young elephant, and he is carrying just a small piece of a new Discworld on his back. However, we can already see a tower of the Unseen University, a narrow crooked brook of the future Ank River going down the Universe in the waterfall.

The elephant is made based on Terry Pratchett's Discworld fantasy novels. Discworld is the Universe, described in Pratchett's novels and it is a disc planet, located on the backs of four elephants floating through the space on the back of Great A'Tuin, a giant turtle.







YOU WILL NEED

Elephant

- Body: any smooth yarn, preferably not very stretchy. I use Pehorka Camel Hair (65% camel wool, 35% acrylic; 600 m/100 g) two strands together. If you choose other yarn, look for Sport or DK yarn (300 m/100 g). You will need 2 skeins.

- Tusks: any cotton lace yarn. I use Vita Pelican (100% mercerized cotton, 330 m/50 g) – 3993 Ivory. You can make tusks with polymer clay.

- Toe nails: any smooth cotton or microfiber lace yarn. I use Alize Diva (100% microfiber, 350 m/100 g) – 368 Beige.



Town

You can use any lace cotton yarn. I use Vita Pelican (100% mercerized cotton, 350 m/50 g).

To make the disc you will need nylon cord (60 m/1200 tex).



Wool yarn to make grass. I use Taiga Classic Scottish Tweed (360 m/100 g).



To make the river I suggest using Alize Diva of any color you want. This yarn has a very nice silky color and fine waves. I use multicolor Batik, color 3282.



Elephant’s hat and cover

Any cotton yarn. Make sure you use rather thick yarn to make the hat and cover keep shape. I use Vita Rose (100% mercerized cotton, 150 m/50 g) of wine red color to make roofs of the town.

- Stuffing polyester
- Small metal granules – it is necessary to use granules for hind legs! You will need about 100 g.
- about 6 m of 1.0-1.5 mm copper wire. *You can buy this wire in a craft shop, but I suggest buying in an electronic goods store. There you can buy a 3*1.5 cord. Before buying the cord, make sure that the wire inside it is whole and does not consist of several thin wires. With a paper knife, remove the insulation. The cable inside consists of three copper wire cords, so having bought just a meter of cord you will have three meters of copper wire.*
- white fabric plaster or insulation tape
- a pair of toy eyes, size 12
- transparent glue
- a small golden bell to decorate the hat
- a small bead or a bell to make the well bucket
- strong sewing thread the color of the elephant’s body
- strong thread to form the body

TOOLS:

- 1.75 mm crochet hook (elephant, disc, cape, hat), 1.0 mm crochet hook (town)

Choose the hook according the yarn you use to make even fabric without holes.

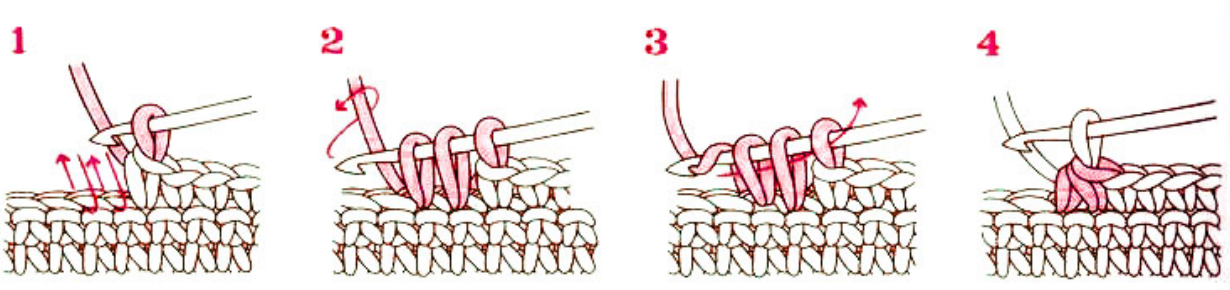
- wire cutter
- scissors
- sewing needle
- tapestry needle

ABBREVIATIONS

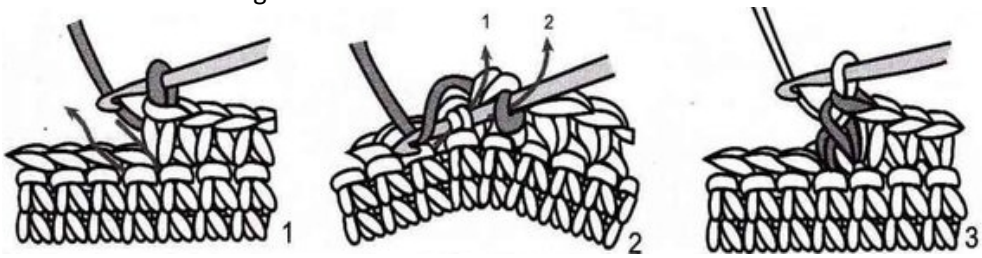
ch – chain
shift st – shift stitch – an additional sc in next st and only after that change the position of the marker
FO – fasten off, weave in the end
ss – slip stitch
sc – single crochet
sc blo – single crochet through back loop only
blo - crochet through back loop only
sc flo – single crochet through front loop only
fsc – front single crochet
hdc – half double crochet
4-st dc cluster – 4-stitch double crochet cluster
inc – increase (2sts in one st)
2-hdc inc – increase with 2hdc (2hdc in one st)
2-fsc inc – 2fsc in one st
dec – 2st tog
st(s) – stitch(es)
tog – together
MR – magic ring

Attention! In order to get thick even fabric without holes make decreases as it is shown in pictures below (and do not just skip on stitch!).

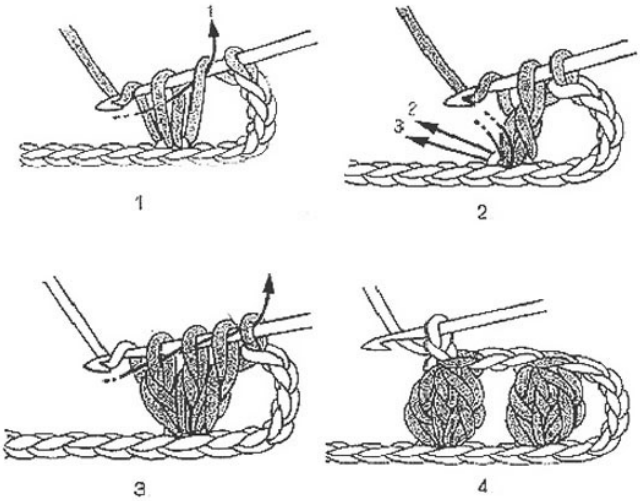
Decrease



fsc – front single crochet



4-st dc cluster



LEGS

Hinder legs

Work in continuous spiral. Change the position of the marker according to my instructions or whenever you think it is necessary – it must always be in the center of the back of the hinder leg. Work with wool yarn (the leg itself) and with beige color yarn (Alize Diva) (nails – 4-st dc clusters). **Do not remove the marker!**

RNDS	LEFT RIGHT	NUMBER OF STS
1	Make a MR, 6sc into ring	6
2	(2sc in next st) x 6	12
3	(sc, 2sc in next st) x 6	18
4	sc, (2sc in next st, 2sc) x 5, 2sc in next st, sc	24
5	(3sc, 2sc in next st) x 6	30
6	Work into blo: 12sc, 4-st dc cluster, 2sc, 4-st dc cluster, 2sc, 4-st dc cluster, 11sc 	30
7	sc in each st around	30
8	2sc in next st, 10sc, (2sc tog, sc) x 2, 2sc tog, 10sc, 2sc in next st	29
9	sc in each st around	29
10	14sc, 2sc tog, 13sc	28
11	sc in each st around. Measure the base of the foot and make a patter. Using the pattern cut an oval out of a piece of plastic or cardboard and insert into the foot.  	28
12	sc in each st around	28+shift st
13	13sc, 2sc tog, 13sc	27
14	sc in each st around	27
15	sc in each st around	27+shift st
16	sc in each st around	27
17	sc in each st around	27
18	sc in each st around	27
19	26sc, 2sc in next st	28
20	27sc, 2sc in next st	29

21	28sc, 2sc in next st	30
22	(14sc, 2sc in next st) x 2	32
23	sc in each st around	32
24	sc in each st around	32
25	14sc, (2sc in next st) x 3, 14sc, 2sc in next st	36+shift st
26	2sc in next st, 34sc, 2sc in next st	38
27	2sc in next st, 15sc, (sc, 2sc in next st) x 3, 15sc, 2sc in next st	43+shift st
28	42sc, 2sc in next st	44
29	18sc, 2sc in next st, (2sc, 2sc in next st) x 2, 18sc, 2sc in next st	48
30	47sc, 2sc in next st	49
31	21sc, (1sc, 2sc in next st) x 3, 21sc, 2sc in next st	53
32	52sc, 2sc in next st	54
33	23sc, 2sc in next st, (2sc, 2sc in next st) x 2, 23sc, 2sc in next st 	58

Fold the piece in half; make sure that the marker is right in the middle of the back of the leg. Fasten off, weave in the end. Continue working in flat rows, cutting yarn at the end of each row and joining it at the beginning of each new row. Work only on RS. Do not forget to weave in all the ends. **Do not remove the marker!**

34	23sc from the marker, FO	Join yarn into 33rd st of Round 33, sc in the same st, 22sc FO	23
35	Join yarn into 56th st of Round 33, 2sc in the same st, 25sc, FO	Join yarn in 1st st of Row 34, sc in the same st, 23sc, FO	27/23
36	Join yarn into 5th st of Row 35, sc in the same st, 22sc, FO	Jon yarn into 1st st of Row 35, sc in the same st, 22sc, FO	23
37	Join yarn into 3rd st of Row 36, sc in the same st, 19sc, FO	Join yarn into 2nd st of Row 36, sc in the same st, 19sc, FO	20
38	Join yarn into 2nd st of Row 37, sc in the same st, 17sc, FO	Join yarn into 2nd st of Row 37, sc in the same st, 17sc, FO	18
39	Join yarn into 2nd st of Row 38, sc in the same st, 15sc, FO	Join yarn into 2nd st of Row 38, sc in the same st, 15sc, FO	16
40	Join yarn into 2nd st of Row 39, sc in the same st, 13sc, FO	Join yarn into 2nd st of Row 39, sc in the same st, 13sc, FO	14
41	Join yarn into 3rd st of Row 40, sc in the same st, 9sc, FO	Join yarn into 3rd st of Row 40, sc in the same st, 9sc, FO	10
42	Join yarn into 2nd st of Row 41, sc in the same st, 6sc, FO	Join yarn into 3rd st of Row 41, sc in the same st, 6sc, FO	7

43	With ss join yarn into 3rd st of Row 35 and make a row of 40sc along the edges of Rows 34-42. You have to finish at Rnd 33. Fasten off, weave in the end. Make sure the edge is even and not too loose or stretched.	With ss join yarn into 31st st of Rnd 33 and make a row of 48sc along the edges of Rows 34-42. You have to finish at Rnd 33. Fasten of, weave in the end. Make sure the edge is even and not too loose or stretched.	





Stuff the both legs with polyester. As the left front leg is bended and does not touch the ground, it is necessary to make the right hinder lag heavier. Thus, Tubul will not fall down, but will stand firmly on three legs. To make the elephant stand firmly add about 20 g of granules in the both hinder legs.

If you want to make the legs even stronger, you can insert wire into them. Cut a piece of wire approx. 40 cm long. At one end, make a loop the same size as the foot, Bend the rest of the wire upwards. Insert the loop into the foot, add granules and then stuff with polyester.



If you like this pattern and want to finish this project, find full version of the pattern in one of my shops.

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