Blue Totoro Amigurumi Pattern



Materials:

Approx 75g mid-blue yarn, double knitting weight.

Approx 10g white 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.

Stuffing.

1 pair 9 mm safety eyes.

Tapestry needle.

3.5mm hook (US E hook).

Finished size: approximately 8" 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 blue 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 mid-blue yarn.

Round 1: Ch 2, work 6 sc into 1st ch - 6 st. **Round 2:** 2 sc in each st around - 12 st.

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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.
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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.

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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: [Sc2tog, sc in next 17 st] 4 times - 72 st.
Round 46: [Sc2tog, sc in next 16 st] 4 times - 68 st.
Round 47: [Sc2tog, sc in next 15 st] 4 times - 64 st.
Round 48: [Sc2tog, sc in next 14 st] 4 times - 60 st.
Round 49: [Sc2tog, sc in next 8 st] 6 times - 54 st.
Round 50: [Sc2tog, sc in next 7 st] 6 times - 48 st.
Round 51: [Sc2tog, sc in next 6 st] 6 times - 42 st.
Round 52: [Sc2tog, sc in next 5 st] 6 times - 36 st.
Round 53: [Sc2tog, sc in next 4 st] 6 times - 30 st.
Round 54: [Sc2tog, sc in next st] 10 times - 20 st.
Round 55: [Sc2tog] 10 times - 10 st.
Round 56: [Sc2toq] 5 times - 5 st.
FO, leaving a length of varn. 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.
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Tummy:

Using white varn.

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Round 1: Ch 2, work 6 sc into 1<sup>st</sup> 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.
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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 - 13: (2 rounds) Sc in each st around - 70 st.

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

Sew the tummy to the body, with the top level with the top of round 21. You can embroider the nose 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.

Ears (make 2):

Using mid-blue 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: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 st] 2 times - 16 st.

Round 8: Sc in each st around - 16 st.

Round 9: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 st] 2 times - 18 st.

Round 10: Sc in each st around - 18 st.

Round 11: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 st] 2 times - 20 st.

Round 12: Sc in each st around - 20 st.

Round 13: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 9 st] 2 times - 22 st.

Round 14: Sc in each st around - 22 st.

Round 15: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 10 st] 2 times - 24 st.

Round 16 - 17: (2 rounds) Sc in each st around - 24 st.

Round 18: Ss in next 12 st, sc in next 12 st - 24 st.

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

Stuff firmly then sew to the top of the head. Make sure the second half of the last round of each ear is facing the sides of the head to make them stick upright as much as possible.

Tail:

Using mid-blue 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: Sc in each st around - 12 st.

Round 4: [2 sc in next st, sc in next st] 6 times - 18 st.

Round 5: Sc in each st around - 18 st.

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

Round 7: Sc in each st around - 24 st.

Round 8: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 st] 6 times - 30 st.

Round 9 - 17: (9 rounds) Sc in each st around - 30 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 mid-blue 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: Sc in each st around - 12 st.

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

Round 5 - 7: (3 rounds) Sc in each st around - 16 st.

Round 8: [2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 st] 4 times - 20 st.

Round 9 - 14: (6 rounds) Sc in each st around - 20 st.

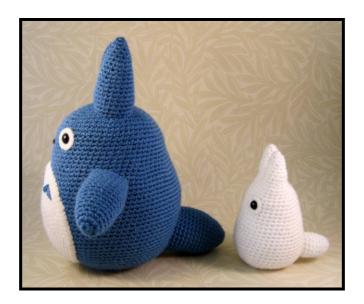
Round 15: [Sc2tog, sc in next 3 st] 4 times - 16 st.

Round 16 - 18: (3 rounds) Sc in each st around - 16 st.

Round 19: [Sc2tog, sc in next 2 st] 4 times - 12 st.

Ss into next st. FO, leaving length of yarn about 24" long. Stuff a little then flatten and sew the top edges together. Sew to the sides of the body roughly in line with the top of the tummy, then use the yarn to make three upside-down 'v' shapes on the tummy.

This blue Totoro goes perfectly with a white Totoro, so why not make one of those too?



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