



Duck Toy in Crochet

MATERIALS: J. & P. COATS KNIT-CRO-SHEEN,
2 balls of Ecru and 1 ball of Dark Yellow.

Steel Crochet Hook No. 4.

Cotton batting.

2 black beads for eyes.

2 pencils 4 inches long.

GAUGE: 6 sc make 1 inch; 6 rows make 1 inch.

Use a double thread throughout.

BODY (Make 2) . . . With Ecru, ch 13. **1st row:** Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across (this is tail end—place a marker). Ch 1, turn. **2nd row:** 3 sc in 1st sc (2 sc increased), sc in each sc across, 3 sc in last sc (2 more sc increased). Ch 1, turn.

Repeat the 2nd row until there are 36 sc in the row. Work without increasing until piece measures $2\frac{1}{4}$ inches in all, ending at Tail end. Ch 1, turn.

TAIL . . . **1st and 2nd rows:** Sc in next 4 sc. Ch 1, turn. **3rd and 4th rows:** Sc in next 2 sc. Ch 1, turn. On next row work off these 2 sc as 1 sc and break off. Attach thread to next sc on 3rd row and work the other 2 sc of 4 sc-group to correspond with those just completed. Break off.

Attach thread to base of Tail and work as follows: **1st row:** Sc in each sc across. Ch 1, turn. **2nd row:** Sc in each sc, decreasing the last 2 sc—to dec 2 sc, work off 2 sc as 1 sc twice. Ch 1, turn. **3rd row:** Dec 2 sc, sc in each sc across. Ch 1, turn. Repeat the 2nd and 3rd rows until 16 sc remain.

NECK . . . **1st row:** Starting at front edge, make sc in next 8 sc. Ch 1, turn. Work over these 8 sc until Neck measures $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches, ending at front edge. Ch 7, turn.

HEAD . . . **1st row:** Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across, sc in each sc across (15 sc). Ch 1, turn. **2nd row:** Sc in each sc across, 2 sc in last sc. Ch 1, turn. **3rd row:** 2 sc in 1st sc, sc in each sc across. Ch 1, turn. **4th row:** 2 sc in 1st sc, sc in each sc across, 2 sc in last sc. Ch 1, turn. Work without increasing until Head measures $1\frac{1}{8}$ inches from ch-7. Now dec 2 sc at both

ends of each row until 3 sc remain. Break off. Sew the Body pieces together from ch-7 at Neck around Head and across back to Tail end.

GUSSET . . . With Ecru, ch 2. **1st row:** 3 sc in 2nd ch from hook. Ch 1, turn. **2nd and 3rd rows:** 2 sc in 1st sc, sc in each sc across, 2 sc in last sc. Ch 1, turn. Work without increasing until piece reaches from ch-7 of Head to first half of Tail. Then dec 1 sc at both ends of each row until 1 sc remains. Break off.

Sew Gusset in place, leaving openings for stuffing and for Legs.

Stuff Body very firmly and sew up opening.

LEG (Make 2) . . . With Dark Yellow, ch 6. Join. **1st rnd:** Sc in each ch around. Repeat the 1st rnd until Leg measures $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches in all. Break off.

Wind sufficient cotton batting around a pencil to stuff Legs. Stuff and insert Leg into opening and sew opening all around Leg. Finish other Leg in the same way.

FOOT (Make 4) . . . With Dark Yellow, ch 3. **1st row:** Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in next ch. Ch 1, turn. **2nd row:** 2 sc in next 2 sc. Ch 1, turn. **3rd and 4th rows:** Sc in each sc across. Ch 1, turn. **5th row:** 2 sc in 1st sc, sc in each sc across, 2 sc in last sc. Ch 1, turn. Now work without increasing until Foot measures $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches in all. Break off.

Cut a piece of cardboard slightly smaller than Foot and place it between 2 Feet. Sew edges neatly together, then sew Foot to Leg. Finish other Foot in the same way.

BILL . . . With Dark Yellow, ch 5. **1st rnd:** Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across, 3 sc in last ch; place a marker. Work along other side of chain, making sc in each ch, 3 sc in last ch, place another marker. **2nd rnd:** Sc in each sc around. Repeat the 2nd rnd, decreasing 1 sc over each marker every other rnd until 7 sc remain. Work without decreasing until Bill measures $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches. Break off. Stuff firmly and sew to Head.

Sew a bead on each side of Head for eye. With Yellow, work outline stitch all around eyes and embroider wings on each side of Body in satin stitch. With a scrap of Black make 3 straight stitches at front of each Foot about $\frac{1}{4}$ inch apart.