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Materials:

- 81 yards, Worsted Size 4, I Love This Yarn Variegated 5 oz./142 grams, 252 yards/230 meters in Herb Garden.
- 130 yards, Worsted Size 4, I Love This Yarn Solid 7 oz./199 grams, 355 yards/325 meters in Soft Pink.
- 50 yards, Worsted Size 4, I Love This Yarn Metallic 5 oz./142 grams, 252 yards/230 meters in Teal Sparkle
- **HOOK:** US G/6 4.0 mm;
- Polyfil or your choice of stuffing
- Yarn needle to weave in ends
- Stitch markers
- Scissors
- Optional: Buttons and ponytail holders
- Optional: Safety Eyes

Experience Level: Advanced Beginner/Intermediate

Gauge:

12 ½ stitches across x 10 rows = 4 x 4" square using a G/4.0 mm hook

Pattern used for gauge: SC

Size:

18" Long x 10" wide x 3" tall approximately



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Pattern Key:

SC - Single Crochet

Sc2tog - single crochet decrease

SL ST - slip stitch

FO - Finish Off

ST(S) - Stitch/stitches

Ch - Chain

Rnd(s) - Round(s)

MC – Magic Circle

Color A - Herb Garden

Color B - Soft Pink

Color C - Teal Sparkle

Special Stitches:

Single Crochet Decrease (SC2TOG)

- Insert hook in the next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop. (2 loops on the hook)
Insert hook in the next stitch, yarn over and pull up loop. (You should have 3 loops on your hook now.) Yarn over, and pull yarn through all 3 hoops.

Notes:

- Read through the entire pattern first.
- The head is worked in continuous rounds. Do not join while making the head. Use stitch markers to know where your first stitch in the round is.
- Beginning chain **does not** count as a stitch throughout pattern.
- Sl St **does not** count as a stitch throughout the pattern.
- Repeat stitches between * and * around.
- Alternative to MC – Ch 2; x SC in the 2nd chain from the hook.
- I used safety eyes. As an alternative, you can use embroidery or crochet eyes.



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- I used rubber bands on the ends of my pigtail braids. I also used buttons to add to the top of the braids. This is totally optional. You can style hair however you like!

Pattern Instructions

Part 1: Mermaid Body

The mermaid body is worked in continuous rounds without joining. Body is worked from bottom up. Use a stitch marker to mark the first stitch of each round.

Rnd 1: Using Color A, ch 2. 4 SC in the 2nd chain from the hook. (4 sts)

Rnd 2: 2 SC in each st around. (8 sts)

Rnds 3-4: SC in each st around. (8 sts) (2 rounds total)

Rnd 5: * SC in the next st; 2 SC in the next st.* Repeat around. (12 sts)

Rnd 6: SC in each st around. (12 sts)

Rnd 7: *SC in the next 2 sts; 2 SC in the next st.* Repeat around. (16 sts)

Rnd 8: SC in each st around. (16 sts)

Rnd 9: *SC in the next 3 sts; 2 SC in the next st.* Repeat around. (20 sts)

Rnd 10: SC in each st around. (20 sts)

Rnd 11: *SC in the next 4 sts; 2 SC in the next st.* Repeat around. (24 sts)

Rnd 12: SC in each st around. (24 sts)

Rnd 13: *SC in the next 5 sts; 2 SC in the next st.* Repeat around. (28 sts)

Rnd 14: SC in each st around. (28 sts)

*****Start Stuffing body. Continue stuffing body as you work.*****

Rnd 15: *SC in the next 3 sts. 2 SC in the next st. SC in the next 3 sts.* Repeat around. (32 sts)

Rnd 16: SC in each st around. (32 sts)

Rnd 17: *SC in the next 3 sts. 2 SC in the next st. SC in the next 4 sts.* Repeat around. (36 sts)

Rnds 18-21: SC in each st around. (36 sts) (4 Total rounds)

Rnd 22: *SC in the next 3 sts. Sc2tog. SC in the next 4 sts.* Repeat around until the last 3 sts. SC in the last 3 sts. (32 sts)



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Rnd 23: *SC in the next 3 sts. Sc2tog. SC in the next 3 sts.* Repeat around. (28 sts)

Rnd 24: SC in each st around. (28 sts)

Rnd 25: *SC in the next 5 sts. Sc2tog.* Repeat around. (24 sts)

Rnd 26: SC in each st around. Change to Color B in the last st. (24 sts)

Rnd 27-28: SC in each st around. FO and change back to color A in the last st. (24 sts)

Rnd 29: *SC in the next 4 sts. Sc2tog.* Repeat around. (20 sts)

Rnd 30: *SC in the next 3 sts. Sc2tog.* Repeat around. (16 sts)

Rnd 31: *SC in the next 2 sts. Sc2tog.* Repeat around. (12 sts)

Rnd 32: SC in each st around. FO. (12 sts)

*****Finish stuffing mermaid body.****

Mermaid Head

Worked in continuous rounds. Use stitch marker to mark your place.

Rnd 1: Using Color B, ch 2. 6 SC in the 2nd chain from the hook. (6 sts)

Rnd 2: 2 SC in each st around. (12 sts)

Rnd 3: *SC in the next st; 2 SC in the next st.* Repeat around. (18 sts)

Rnd 4: * SC in the next 2 sts; 2 SC in the next st.* Repeat around. (24 sts)

Rnd 5: * SC in the next 3 sts; 2 SC in the next st.* Repeat around. (30 sts)

Rnd 6: * SC in the next 4 sts; 2 SC in the next st.* Repeat around. (36 sts)

Rnds 7-12: SC in each st around. (36 sts) (6 total rounds)

*****Insert and secure eyes in the front of the head between rounds 9 and 10 with 4 stitches between the eyes.*****

Rnd 13: *SC in the next 4 sts; sc2tog.* Repeat around. (30 sts)

Rnd 14: *SC in the next 3 sts; sc2tog.* Repeat around. (24 sts)

*****Start Stuffing the Head.*****

Rnd 15: *SC in the next 2 sts; sc2tog.* Repeat around. (18 sts)

Rnd 16: *SC in the next st; sc2tog.* Repeat around. (12 sts)

Rnd 17-18: SC in each st around. FO with a 6" inch tail to sew to the body. (12 sts)

*****Finish stuffing head firmly.*****

Using the tail of the head, match up with the stitches of the body and sew the head onto the body.



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Mermaid Tail:

Worked in rows. Sewed to bottom of body

Row 1: Using Color A, ch 25. SC in the 2nd chain from the hook. SC in the next 10 chains. Sk next 2 chains. SC in the next 11 chains. Turn. Ch 1. (22 sts)

Row 2: SC in the first stitch. SC in the next 9 stitches. Sk next 2 stitches. SC in the next 10 sts. Turn. Ch 1. (20 sts)

Row 3: SC in the first stitch. SC in the next 8 sts. Sk next 2 sts. SC in the next 9 sts. Turn. Ch 1. (18 sts)

Row 4: SC in the first st. SC in the next 7 sts. Sk next 2 sts. SC in the next 8 sts. Turn. Ch. 1. (16 sts)

Row 5: SC in the first st. SC in the next 6 sts. Sk next 2 sts. SC in the next 7 sts. Turn. Ch. 1. (14 sts)

Row 6: SC in the first st. SC in the next 5 sts. Sk next 2 sts. SC in the next 6 sts. Turn. Ch. 1. (12 sts)

Row 7: SC in the first st. SC in the next 4 sts. Sk next 2 sts. SC in the next 5 sts. Turn. Ch 1. (10 sts)

Row 8: SC in the first st. SC in the next 3 sts. Sk next 2 sts. SC in the next 4 sts. Turn. Ch 1. (8 sts)

Row 9: SC in the first st. SC in the next 2 sts. Sk next 2 sts. SC in the next 3 sts. Turn.
Ch 1. (6 sts)

Row 10: SC in the first st. SC in the next st. Sk next 2 sts. SC in the next 2 sts. Turn.
Ch 1. (4 sts)



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Row 11: SC in first st, and in each st across. FO with a 6 inch tail to sew to the body. (4 sts)

Arms: Make 2

Worked in continuous rounds. Use stitch marker for beginning stitch of each round.

Rnd 1: Using Color B, ch 2. 6 SC in the 2nd chain from the hook. (6 sts)

Rnd 2: 2 SC in each st around. (12 sts)

Rnd 3: *SC in the next st; 2 SC in the next st.* Repeat around. (18 sts)

Rnd 4-11: SC in each st around. (18 sts) (8 total rounds)

Rnd 12: *SC in the next st; sc2tog.* Repeat around. (12 sts)

Rnds 13-16: SC in each st around. (12 sts) (4 total rounds)

****Stuff Arm****

Rnd 17: Sc2tog around. FO with 6 inch tail to sew to the body. Finish stuffing. With yarn needle, fold ends flat and sew them closed. (6 sts)

Hair:

Worked in continuous rounds. Use stitch marker for beginning stitch of each round.

Rnd 1: Using Color C, ch 2. 6 SC in the 2nd chain from the hook. (6 sts)

Rnd 2: 2 SC in each st around. (12 sts)

Rnd 3: *SC in the next st; 2 SC in the next st.* Repeat around. (18 sts)

Rnd 4: *SC in the next 2 sts; 2 SC in the next st.* Repeat around. (24 sts)

Rnd 5: *SC in the next 3 sts; 2 SC in the next st.* Repeat around. (30 sts)

Rnd 6: *SC in the next 4 sts; 2 SC in the next st.* Repeat around. (36 sts)

Rnds 7-10: SC in each st around. (36 sts) (4 total rounds)

Rnd 11: SC in the next 14 sts. HDC in the next 2 sts. SC in the next st. Sl st in the next 2 sts. SC in the next st. HDC in the next 2 sts. SC in the last 14 sts. Sl St in the next st. FO with a 6" tail to sew to the head. (36 sts)



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Assembly:

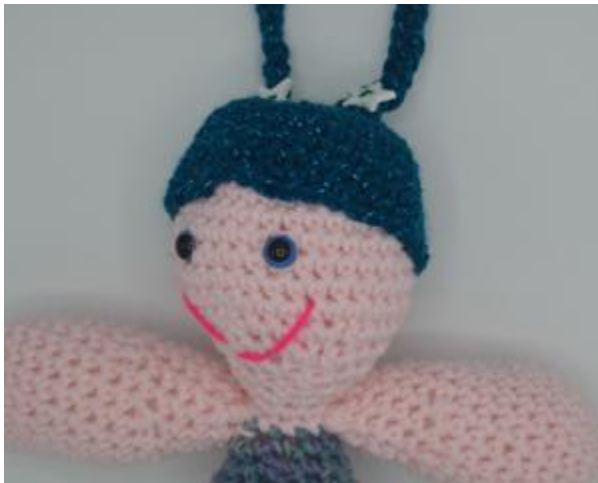
Sew the hair onto the body centering the 2 sl sts in the middle of the front the mermaid.

Ponytail:

Cut 20 individual strings 20" long (or however long you want for your pigtails) for pigtails. Using a crochet hook or needle, pull each string through a couple of stitches between rounds 2 and 3 on either side of the hair. Then braid the hair or style how you like! I braided the hair and did pigtails. Trim as necessary on the ends. I used a rubber band at the end. I also used embroidery thread and sewed buttons onto the top of the pigtails. That is totally optional!

Face of Mermaid Doll:

Using needle and embroidery thread, add a mouth. You can use the picture as a guide if you would like to.



Arms:

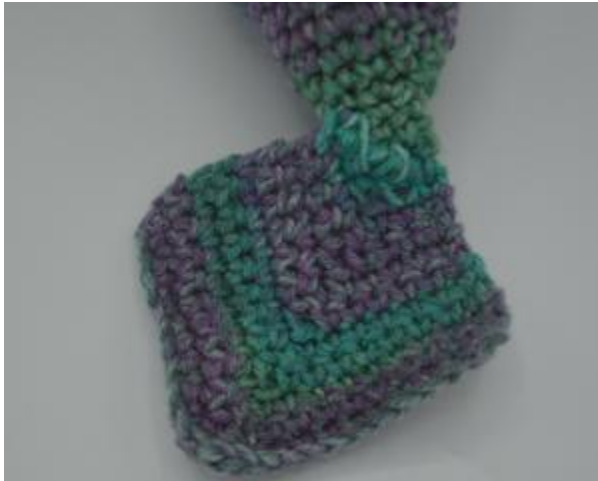
Sew arms on either side of mermaid using guide as a pictures above.



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Tail:

Sew tail on to the bottom of the mermaid body!



Congratulations! You now have a beautiful mermaid!



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Check out this beautiful mermaid by Anja Harrington. She did a beautiful job testing my mermaid pattern. I love the colors Anja used especially with the pooling in the body and tail of the mermaid. You can check out the rest of her pictures on our Ravelry shop under projects! Thank you Anja for testing the pattern for me. I look forward to working with you in the future!



Check out one of the beautiful pictures from my other tester May Fong! I love the colors she chose as well especially the hair. You can check out all her photos on our Ravelry shop under projects! Thank you May for testing my mermaid pattern! I look forward to working with you in the future.



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