

Tessa the Turtle



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Skill Level: Advanced Beginner

Materials:

- Worsted Medium (4) weight yarn in the following colors:
Green **CA**
Brown **CB**
- Small amount of polyfill.
- 2- 6mm Black Safety Eyes (if child playing with this is under 3, stitch the eyes on instead of using plastic eyes.
- Yarn Needle

Crochet Hook: 4mm [US-F/G]

Gauge: 2" = 10 SCs, and 12 rows

Finished Measurements: Approx. 6" long (from head to tail) x 4" wide.

CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge if you want it to be the same size as one pictured. Otherwise don't worry about gauge and just stitch it tight enough that the stuffing won't show through.

Watch a step-by-step video tutorial for this pattern at: www.crocheteveryafter.com

Tail

With **CA**, CH 2.

RND 1: Beginning in 2nd chain from hook, SC 6 times. 6 STS

Note: Pattern is worked in spirals from here on out. Use a stitch marker or piece of yarn to keep track of RNDs.

RND 2-5: SC in each ST around. 6 STS

Stuff tail (or leave unstuffed for a flat tail.)

Fasten off and leave a long tail.

Weave the tail in and out of the remaining 6 STS and pull hole closed. Put aside.

Feet (make 4)

With **CA**, CH 2.

RND 1: Beginning in 2nd chain from hook, SC 6 times. 6 STS

RND 2: SC 2 times in each ST around. 12 STS

RND 3: SC in each ST around. 12 STS

RND 4: [SC 2 times in next ST, SC] 6 times. 18 STS

RND 5: SC in each ST around. 18 STS

RND 6: [SC2TOG, SC] 6 times. 12 STS

RND 7: SC in each ST around. 12 STS

RND 8: [SC2TOG] 6 times. 6 STS

Stuff feet firmly (should be the shape of a ball.)

Fasten off and leave a long tail. Weave the tail in and out of the remaining 6 STS and pull hole closed. Put aside.

Head

With **CA**, CH 2.

RND 1: Beginning in 2nd chain from hook, SC 6 times. 6 STS

RND 2: SC 2 times in each ST around. 12 STS

RND 3: SC in each ST around. 12 STS

RND 4: [SC 2 times in next ST, SC] 6 times. 18 STS

RND 5: SC in each ST around. 18 STS

RND 6: [SC 2 times in next ST, SC in next 2 STS] 6 times. 24 STS

RND 7: SC in each ST around. 24 STS

Attach Eyes

If you like the placement of Tessa's eyes as pictured, place them between **RNDs 5** and **6** about 8 STS apart.

Or place them wherever you like.

RND 8: [SC2TOG, SC in next 2 STS] 6 times. 18 STS

RND 9: SC in each ST around. 18 STS

RND 10: [SC2TOG, SC] 6 times. 12 STS

RND 11: SC in each ST around. 12 STS

RND 12: [SC2TOG] 6 times. 6 STS

Stuff head firmly (should be the shape of a ball.)

Fasten off and leave a long tail. Weave the tail in and out of the remaining 6 STS and pull hole closed. Put aside.

Shell

RND 1: With **CB**, SC 6 times into a magic adjustable loop. 6 STS

RND 2: SC 2 times in each ST around. 12 STS

RND 3: [SC 2 times in next ST, SC] 6 times. 18 STS

RND 4: [SC 2 times in next ST, SC in next 2 STS] 6 times. 24 STS

RND 5: SC in each ST around. 24 STS

RND 6: [SC 2 times in next ST, SC in next 3 STS] 6 times. 30 STS

RND 7: SC in each ST around. 30 STS

RND 8: [SC 2 times in next ST, SC in next 4 STS] 6 times. 36 STS

RND 9: SC in each ST around. 36 STS

RND 10: [SC 2 times in next ST, SC in next 5 STS] 6 times. 42 STS

RND 11: SC in each ST around. 42 STS

RND 12: SC in **back loop only** in each ST around. 42 STS

RND 13-14: SC in each ST around. 42 STS

RND 15: [SC2TOG in **back loop only**, SC in **back loop only** in next 5 STS] 6 times. 36 STS

RND 16: [SC2TOG, SC in next 4 STS] 6 times. 30 STS

RND 17: [SC2TOG, SC in next 3 STS] 6 times. 24 STS

RND 18: [SC2TOG, SC in next 2 STS] 6 times. 18 STS

RND 18: [SC2TOG, SC] 6 times. 12 STS

RND 19: [SC2TOG] 6 times. 6 STS

Stuff shell firmly, but do not overstuff, you don't want the underside of the shell bulging.

Fasten off and leave a long tail. Weave the tail in and out of the remaining 6 STS and pull hole closed. Weave in end.

Attaching Pieces

Using your tails from each piece, sew each piece as pictured below.

Place the head on one of the "points" of the shell, and the tail on the opposite side.

Then place the legs close to the head and tail on each side.

Attach all pieces between **RNDs 12** and **15** on the shell.



Finished Product showing sewing placement.

Abbreviations Used:

CH: chain;

CA/CB: color A/ color B

RND: round;

SC: single crochet;

YO: yarn over;

SL ST: slip stitch;

ST(S): stitch(es);

SC2TOG: single crochet 2 together