## PREEMIE OCTOPUS



CH = Chain
SL ST = Slip Stitch
SC = Single Crochet
SC TOG = Single Crochet together (decrease)
HDC = Half Double Crochet
SIZE
LENGTH: 2.75"-4"
ARMS (outstretched): <8.25"

## MATERIALS

I00\% COTTON YARN*
50G 175 YDS
(C-E) CROCHET HOOK SCISSORS
TAPESTRY NEEDLE
STITCH MARKER
HYPO ALLERGINIC FILLING

## BODY

Use the main yarn. Crochet from top to bottom.
Round I. Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]
Round 2. 2sc in each sc around [12]
Round 3. (Sc in next sc, 2sc in next sc) rep 6 times [18]
Round 4. (Sc in each of next 2 sc , 2 sc in next sc) rep 6 times [24]
Round 5. (Sc in each of next $3 \mathrm{sc}, 2$ sc in next sc) rep 6 times [30]
Round 6. (Sc in each of next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc) rep 6 times [36]
Round 7. (Sc in each of next $5 \mathrm{sc}, 2$ sc in next sc) rep 6 times [42]
Rounds 8-12. Sc in each sc around
Round I3. (Sc in each of next 5 sc, sc2tog) rep 6 times [36]
Rounds 14-15. Sc in each sc around
Round 16. (Sc in each of next 4 sc, sc2tog) rep 6 times [30]
Round I7-I8. Sc in each sc around
Round 19. Working in the back loops only, (sc in each of next 3 sc, sc2tog) rep 6 times [24]

Round 20. (SC in each of the next 2 sc, sc2tog) repeat 6 times [I8]
Round 21. Stuff head with fiberfill
Round 21 . (SC in each of the next sc, sc2tog) repeat 6 times [I2]
Round 23. (SC in next sc, sc2tog) repeat 6 times [6]
Round 24. Cut yarn leaving a long end, fasten off, thread end of yarn through remaining 6 stitches. Pull tightly and fasten securely closing up bottom of the body.

## Tentacles

Join yarn with slip stitch to any of the front loop stitches. Tentacles will be worked around the front loop stitches.

Ch 30. 3hdc into $2^{\text {nd }}$ ch from hook. 3hdc in each chain to the end of the chain. Skip 3 sc of the front loop ring and slip stitch into next sc. Slip stitch into next 2 stitches.

* 100\% mercerized cotton which provides a silky soft finish and is easy to work with.
** you may change the size of the needle, but may need to increase/decrease your number of stitches to match gauge.

This pattern includes the magic circle at the beginning of the project and you'll work in a spiral.

Make sure you don't lose your stitch count by placing a stitch marker in the first stitch of every round. Once you reach it, take it out and do the same in the next round

Duplicate the Ist tentacle pattern 8 times around the front loop stitches. You may want to vary the lengths of the tentacles to add some fun and variety to the legs. (i.e. $30,25,35$ )

Fasten off last tentacle and weave ends.

## Eyes

Using black yarn or embroidery thread, sew on eyes and mouth as desired.

