

# Ollie The Lion

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## *Ollie The Lion - Wrath:*

*Ollie is a peaceful lion and very likable, well most of the time anyway. He normally likes to make a cup of tea, curled up in his chair and knit while listening to his favourite music. But if he finds a mistake in his work, you wouldn't like to be anywhere near him. A single drop stitch is enough to transform him to a wild beast.*

*- Ollie, what did you do! Look at all that mess! It was nothing but a little mistake, you can't even tell where it is. Come on, pull yourself together and I will make you a cup of tea while you clean up and then we will fix your knitting.*

Ollie The Lion is part of the Seven Deadly Sins for crafters series.

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## MATERIALS

### Yarn:

Fingering weight, cotton yarn in yellow, brown and white.  
For my sample I use Scheepjes Catona in the colorways: Yellow Gold (208), Chocolate (507) and Snow White (106).

### Crochet Hook:

2.5 mm crochet hook.

### Notions:

Fiberfill for stuffing, 8 mm safety eyes, pins, tapestry needle, stitch marker, scissors.

## GAUGE

26 stitches and 27 rows in single crochet worked in the round, with 2.5 mm crochet hook = 10 cm.

Gauge is not important for this project. However, changes might affect the finished measurements and the safety eyes size.

## FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Approx. 14 cm (5.5 in) tall.

## ABBREVIATIONS

This pattern is written in US terminology.

**mc:** magic circle

**ch:** chain

**sc:** single crochet

**inc:** increase 1 st. (2 sc in the same st)

**dec:** decrease 1 st (single crochet 2 sts together)

**blo:** back loop only

**flo:** front loop only

**sl st:** slip stitch

**st(s):** stitch(es)

**rnds:** rounds

**{...}**: repeat enclosed instructions the amount of times indicated

**[...]**: the enclosed instructions are worked in the same st

**(...)**: total number of sts of the round and/or additional information

Unless otherwise noted, all the individual parts of the pattern are worked in continuous rounds. Use a stitch marker to keep track of your rounds.



*pic1*

## Head

Use yellow yarn.

**Round 1:** In mc work 6 sc. (6 sts).

**Round 2:** 6 inc. (12 sts).

**Round 3:** {1 sc, inc} 6 times. (18 sts).

**Round 4:** {2 sc, inc} 6 times. (24 sts).

**Round 5:** {3 sc, inc} 6 times. (30 sts).

**Round 6:** {4 sc, inc} 6 times. (36 sts).

**Rounds 7-11:** 5 rnds. 36 sc. (36 sts).

**Round 12:** 10 sc, 3 inc, 6 sc, 3 inc, 14 sc. (42 sts).

**Rounds 13-15:** 3 rnds. 42 sc. (42 sts).

**Round 16:** {5 sc, dec} 6 times. (36 sts).

**Round 17:** {4 sc, dec} 6 times. (30 sts).

Insert the safety eyes between rnds 10 and 11, in the same side as the increases, approx. 8 sts apart.

**Round 18:** {3 sc, dec} 6 times. (24 sts).

Stuff the head with fiberfill.

**Round 19:** {2 sc, dec} 6 times. (18 sts).

**Round 20:** {1 sc, dec} 6 times. (12 sts).

**Round 21:** 6 dec. (6 sts).

Fasten off and leave a long tail. Weave the tail through the front loops of the remaining 6 stitches, then pull to close the hole. Weave in the end. Pic1.



pic2

### Body and Neck Mane

The body and the neck mane are worked continuously and seamless. Pic2.

Use yellow and brown yarn.

Start with yellow.

**Round 1:** In mc work 6 sc. (6 sts).

**Round 2:** 6 inc. (12 sts).

**Round 3:** {1 sc, inc} 6 times. (18 sts).

**Round 4:** {2 sc, inc} 6 times. (24 sts).

**Round 5:** {3 sc, inc} 6 times. (30 sts).

**Round 6:** {14 sc, inc} 2 times. (32 sts).

**Rounds 7-10: 4 rnds.** 32 sc. (32 sts).

**Round 11:** {14 sc, dec} 2 times. (30 sts).

**Round 12:** {3 sc, dec} 6 times. (24 sts).

**Round 13:** 24 sc. (24 sts).

**Round 14:** {2 sc, dec} 6 times. (18 sts).

**Round 15:** 18 sc. (18 sts).

Stuff the body with fiberfill.

**Round 16:** {1 sc, dec} 6 times. (12 sts).

Change to brown.

The next 2 rnds are going to be the base for the hair strands of the neck mane. Pic3.



pic3

**Round 17:** {1 sc flo, inc flo} 6 times. (18 sts).

**Round 18:** {2 sc flo, inc flo} 6 times. (24 sts).

The next 2 rnds will form the hair strands. Round 19 is worked in the back loops of Round 18 and Round 20 is worked in the back loops of Round 17.

**Rounds 19-20:** {Ch 6, turn\*. Sl st in the second ch from hook and in the next 4, sl st in the base st of the ch and in the next 3 sts of the round\*\*. Pic4,5} repeat until you work all the sts. In the last st, ch 6, turn. Sl st in the second ch from hook and in the next 4 ch, sl st in the base of the ch.



pic4



pic5



\* For the first strand only, work from the back side of the ch. Pic4.

\*\* Before the last hair strand you will make 2 sl st instead of 3.

Fasten off and leave a long tail for sewing. Pic6.



## Mane

**For the wig cap.** Use brown yarn.

Work rnds 2 to 13 in the back loops only.

**Round 1:** In mc work 6 sc. (6 sts).

**Round 2:** 6 inc. (12 sts).

**Round 3:** {1 sc, inc} 6 times. (18 sts).

**Round 4:** {2 sc, inc} 6 times. (24 sts).

**Round 5:** {3 sc, inc} 6 times. (30 sts).

**Round 6:** {4 sc, inc} 6 times. (36 sts).

**Rounds 7-13:** 7 rnds. 36 sc. (36 sts).

Fasten off and leave a long tail for sewing. Pic7.

**For the hair strands.** Use brown yarn.

Attach yarn in the first loop on the top of the wig cap, Pic7, and {ch 6, turn. Sl st in the second ch from hook and in the next 4, sl st in the base of the ch and in the next 3\*\*\* sts of the wig cap} repeat until you work all the sts of the wig cap. In the last st, ch 6, turn. Sl st in the second ch from hook and in the next 4 ch, sl st in the base of the ch.

Fasten of and weave in the end. Pic8.

\*\*\* If the hair strands appear on top of each other, work 2 or 4 sl st in the beginning of each rnd. This way your strands will spread more.

## Snout

Use white yarn.

**Round 1:** In mc work 6 sc. (6 sts).

**Round 2:** 6 inc. (12 sts).

**Round 3:** {1 sc, inc} 6 times. (18 sts).

**Rounds 4-5:** 2 rnds. 18 sc. (18 sts).

Fasten off and leave a long tail for sewing.  
Pic9.



## Nose

Use brown yarn.

The nose is worked in rows.

**Row 1:** In mc work 2 sc. (2 sts).

**Row 2:** Ch 1, turn. 2 inc. (4 sts).

**Row 3:** Ch 1, turn. Inc, 2 sc, inc. (6 sts).

**Row 4:** Ch 1, turn. 6 sc. (6 sts).

**Row 5:** Ch 1, turn. Inc, 4 sc, inc. (8 sts).

Fasten off and leave a long tail for sewing.  
Pic10.



## Ears

Use yellow yarn.

**Round 1:** In mc work 4 sc. (4 sc).

**Round 2:** {1 sc, inc} 2 times. (6 sts).

**Round 3:** {2 sc, inc} 2 times. (8 sts).

**Round 4:** {3 sc, inc} 2 times. (10 sts).

**Round 5:** 10 sc. (10 sts).

Fasten off and leave a long tail for sewing.  
Pic11.



## Arms and Legs

Use yellow and white yarn. Make four.

Start with white.

**Round 1:** In mc work 6 sc. (6 sts).

**Round 2:** 6 inc. (12 sts).

**Round 3:** 3 inc, 9 sc. (15 sts).

Change to yellow.

**Round 4:** 15 sc blo. (15 sts).

**Rounds 5-6: 2 rnds.** 15 sc. (15 sts).

Stuff the arm (or leg) lightly with fiberfill.

**Round 7:** 4 sc, 3 dec, 5 sc. (12 sts).

**Rounds 8-9: 2 rnds.** 12 sc. (12 sts).



## Tuft

Use brown yarn.

The tuft is worked in a row.

**Row 1:** {Ch 6, turn. Sl st in the second ch from hook and in the next 4} 10 times. (50 sts).

Fasten off and leave a long tail for sewing.

Roll the tuft and make a few stitches with the yarn tail and a tapestry needle to secure it in place. Pic14.



**Round 10:** {1 sc, dec} 4 times. (8 sts).

**Round 11:** 8 sc. (8 sts).

Fasten off and leave a long tail for sewing. Weave the tail through the front loops of the remaining 8 stitches, then pull to close the hole. Leave the rest of the tail for sewing.

Use brown yarn to embroider 3 lines on each arm and leg. Pic12.

## Tail

Use yellow yarn.

**Round 1:** In mc work 5 sc. (5 sts).

**Rounds 2-8: 7 rnds.** 5 sc. (5 sts).

Fasten off and leave a long tail for sewing. Pic13.



## Assembly

- Stuff the snout with fiberfill and sew it to the head. Pic15.
- Sew the nose to the snout. Pic16.
- Sew the head to the body. Pic17.
- Sew the mane on the head. Pic18.
- Sew the ears on the head. Pic19.
- Sew the arms on the sides of the body. Pic20.
- Sew the legs on the bottom side of the body. Pic20.
- Sew the tuft on one side of the tail. Pic21.
- Sew the tail on the back side of the body. Pic22.
- Weave in any remaining ends.



*pic15*



*pic16*



*pic17*



*pic18*



pic19



pic20



pic21



pic22





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