Otis The Cat

Crochet pattern by kouvarakia

Otis The Cat - Envy:

Otis spends most of his day on social media watching other people's work and feeling envious of them. He doesn't realise that he has the skills and the knowledge to make everything he wants. The only thing that he actually lacks is confidence.

- Otis, crafting is not a competition, it's supposed to make you feel happy! Stop scrolling through the posts and focus on the things you love! I believe you will do great things.

Otis The Cat is part of the Seven Deadly Sins for crafters series.

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MATERIALS

Yarn:

Fingering weight, cotton yarn in light gray, dark gray, white and black.
For my sample I use Scheepjes Catona in the colorways: Mercury (074), Metal Grey (242), Snow White (106) and Jet Black (110).

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. 12 cm (4.7 in) tall.

ABBREVIATIONS

This pattern is written in US terminology.
mc: magic circle
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
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.

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Head

Use light and dark gray yarn.

Start with light gray.

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 7-9: 3 rnds. 36 sc. (36 sts).

The next 4 rnds are crochet in two colors, light gray and dark gray. Change to dark gray yarn as indicated with bold and underlined numbers.

Round 10: 3 sc, **7 sc,** 11 sc, **7 sc,** 8 sc. (36 sts).

Round 11: 2 sc, **7 sc,** 13 sc, **7 sc,** 7 sc. (36 sts).

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

Round 13: 3 sc, **8 sc,** 16 sc, **8 sc,** 7 sc. (42 sts).

Continue with light gray yarn only.

Rounds 14-15: 2 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.

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Body

Use light and dark gray yarn.

Start with light gray.

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).

The next 6 rnds are crochet in two colors, light gray and dark gray. Change to dark gray yarn as indicated with bold and underlined numbers.

Round 6: 4 sc, **22 sc,** 4 sc. (30 sts).

Round 7: 5 sc, **20 sc,** 5 sc. (30 sts).

Rounds 8-9: 2 rnds. 30 sc. (30 sts).

Round 10: 3 sc, dec, 2 sc, **1 sc, dec, {3 sc, dec} 3 times,** 3 sc, dec. (24 sts).

Round 11: 7 sc, **12 sc,** 5 sc. (24 sts).

Stuff the body with fiberfill.

Round 12: {2 sc, dec} 6 times. (18 sts).

Round 13: 18 sc. (18 sts).

Round 14: {1 sc, dec} 6 times. (12 sts).

Fasten off and leave a long tail for sewing. Pic2.

Ears

Use light gray. Make two.

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

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).

Fasten off and leave a long tail for sewing. Pic3.

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pic4

Arms and Legs

For the striped: Use white, light and dark gray yarn. Make two.

Start with white.

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

Round 2: 6 inc. (12 sts).

Round 3: 12 sc blo. (12 sts).

Change to light gray.

Rounds 4-5: 2 rnds. 12 sc. (12 sts).

Change to dark gray.

Round 6: 12 sc. (12 sts).

Stuff the arm (or leg) lightly with fiberfill.

Round 7: {1 sc, dec} 4 times. (8 sts).

Change to light gray.

Round 8: 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. Pic4.

For the plain: Use white and light gray yarn. Make two.

Start with white.

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

Round 2: 6 inc. (12 sts).

Round 3: 12 sc blo. (12 sts).

Change to light gray yarn.

Rounds 4-6: 3 rnds. 12 sc. (12 sts).

Stuff the arm (or leg) lightly with fiberfill.

Round 7: {1 sc, dec} 4 times. (8 sts).

Round 8: 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. Pic4.

Tail

Use white, light and dark gray yarn.

Start with white.

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

Round 2: 5 sc. (5 sts).

Change to light gray.

Round 3-4: 2 rnds. 5 sc. (5 sts).

Change to dark gray.

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

Change to light gray.

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

Change to dark gray.

Round 9: 5 sc. (5 sts).

Change to light gray.

Round 10: 5 sc. (5 sts).

Fasten off and leave a long tail for sewing. Weave the tail through the front loops of the remaining 5 stitches, then pull to close the hole. Leave the rest of the tail for sewing. Pic5.

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Assembly

- Use black yarn to embroider the nose. Pic6.

- Sew the ears to the head. Pic7.

- Use dark gray yarn to embroider the stripes on the head. Pic7.

- Sew the head to the body. Pic8.

- Sew one plain and one striped arm on the sides of the body. Pic9.

- Sew one plain and one striped leg on the bottom side of the body. Pic9.

- Sew the tail on the back side of the body. Pic10.

- Weave in any remaining ends.

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pic8

pic9

pic10