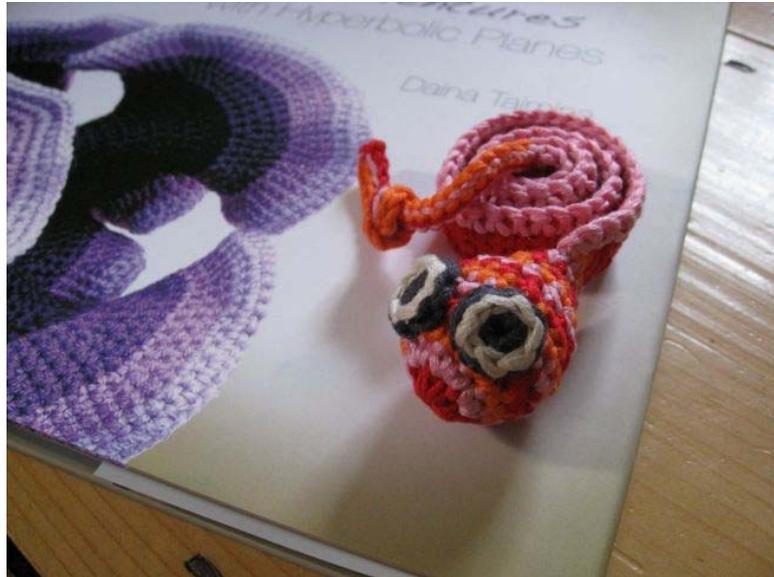


The Bookworm ~ A Marker of Books:



Materials:

Yarn colours needed: 3 balls of cotton for stripy body + dark and white for eyes.

Stuffing, appropriate size hook.

Notice: This pattern uses UK crochet terminology *not* US

Head: Make an adjustable ring in red (mouth), work 5 double crochet (dc) into ring. Work one dc into drawn ring and then now work a sphere working in dc throughout as follows in a spiral fashion.

Note: Make sure to change colour at the end of each row as follows: Work the new colour on the last motion of the last stitch in the previous colour.

Row 1: increase (inc) into every sts.

Row 2: inc into every 3rd sts

Row 3: inc into every 3rd sts

Row 4 –5: work these two rows with no inc.

Row 6-8: Decrease (dec) every 3rd st.

You now have 6 sts left. Stuff the head well and then close the hole by crocheting a line of 3 sts through the two layers. You have now reached the point where you are working the long straight piece which is the body.

Body: In dc continue to crochet the piece as long as you want your Bookworm to be over 3 sts. Then dec 3 sts into one and work 11 cm in ch sts which to be used for the tail. Now work 1 row of each of the three original colours in sl st on the tail only. You can also work a row of dc all the ways up the spine for a fun effect.

Eyes: In dark colour, make an adjustable ring and work 6 doubles into ring and join, break yarn. In white contrast colour work 1 row of sl sts inc into every sts from the top of the eye. Sew away ends and sew on eyes.

Assembly: Sew away ends neatly and tie a neat knot on the tail.

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