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Crochet Pattern

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Skill level: Experienced

Small dragon DragoFon

About this pattern

The toy is crocheted in continuous spirals without joining the rounds. You will need a stitch marker to keep track of where the beginning of each round starts. Move the marker up to the first stitch of the next round after finishing the previous one.
If you don't have a stitch marker you can always use a scrap of contrasting yarn instead. You can see it in my photos.

I use USA terminology for my pattern (don't worry if you use UK terms, all the differences are explained in the pattern).

Finished size

All the instructions are for a toy which is 7 cm tall and 10.5 cm long. You will need a US12 (0.75 mm) crochet hook and the same yarn which is stated in the pattern if you want to get the toy of the same size.

Happy crocheting!









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Materials and tools

- ✓ US12 (0.75 mm) steel crochet hook
- ✓ woolen embroidery thread (10 g). I used 5 different colors, but you can make the dragon using one or 2 colors. See the page with “Projects for inspiration” below. You can use any smooth or chenille yarn or thread.
- ✓ 2 toy eyes, 2 mm in diameter (the size of the eyes depends on the size of your toy), or you can crochet eyes and embroider pupils (instructions are given in the pattern).
- ✓ 0.3-mm nichrome wire or 0.6-mm copper wire (40 cm). The length of the wire for the frame is for the 7 cm tall and 10.5 cm long toy. *You can make the toy without the wireframe, but the neck is long, and the head might end up hanging.*
- ✓ fabric medical plaster to fix the wire frame.
- ✓ white modeling clay to make the eye whites.
- ✓ wadding polyester
- ✓ PVA Glue to fix the toes, fingers, and crest.
- ✓ A thread to embroider the mouth.
- ✓ Sewing needle and tapestry needle.
- ✓ Scissors.



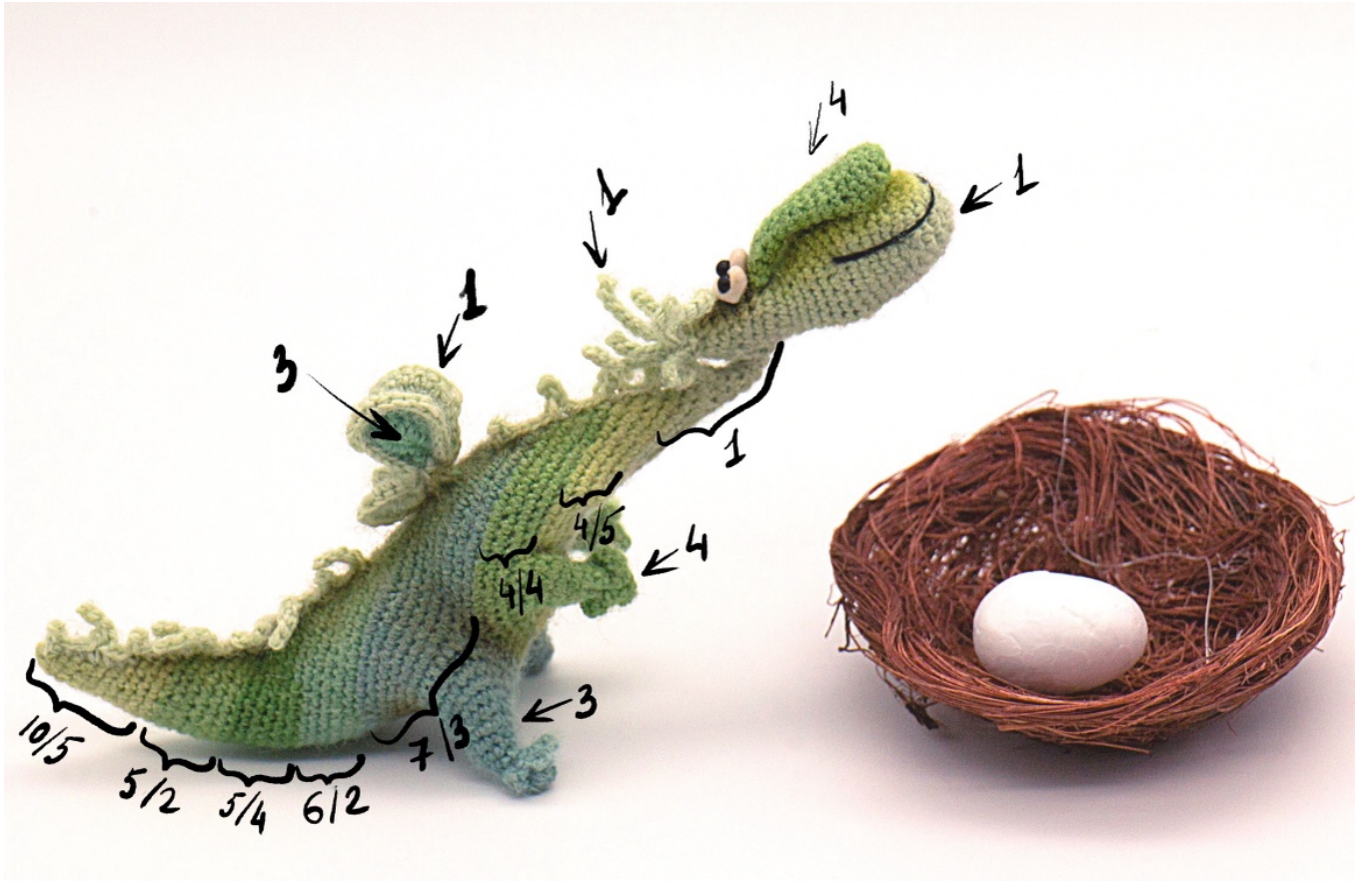
Example of my colors

I used 5 different colors to make the dragon.



10/5 – means crochet approximately 10 rounds using color 5.

Only number means use the color of that number.



You can use any colors to make your dragon.

Finished projects for inspiration.

Project by Elena Veremeeva

Size - 6.5 cm.






Thread – Embroidery wool thread (1 thread out of 2) approximately 1,5 skein of main color and a little bit of yellow and white.

Steel crochet hook – 0,5 mm.

Pupils – glass, 2 mm.

Project by Elena Vodorez

Size - 10-11 cm (without hair)






Yarn:

- Main KARTOPU NUBUK (550 m/100 gr) - pink
- Wings, crest, and hair – silver metallic embroidery thread

Steel crochet hook - 1,25 mm Clover amour

Eyes – felt plus half beads.

The back is decorated with small beads and a few silver bows are added along the crest.

Project by Elena Lukashova

Size - 12.5 cm from the feet to the top of the head.



Yarn – Thin Chinese velour 250m per 50 gr,

Steel crochet hook - 1.25 mm

Project by Natalya Trofimenko

Size – approx. 11 cm



Yarn –

- Ricignolo LINUS 5539 VERDE micro bouclé (1900 m/100 gr) 75% merino, 25% nylon. Dragon is made with 2 threads held together. **Plus** 1 thread out of 2 of Kartopu Kristal color 392 green. (450 m/100 gr) 100% acrylic.
- Hair and crest – Orange mohair Delicat+Mohair from Italy.

Steel crochet hook – 1.25 mm

The back is decorated with small circles made out of polymer clay and glued onto the body.

Project by Irina Jiteneva

Size - 13 cm x 13 cm



Yarn:

- Main color is Turkish velour Goksim 340 m/100 gr (100% polyester). I used approximately 10 gr.
- Additional color for the hair and crest - Alpina Andre Classic 530 m/100 gr. Few grams only.
- For the wings - Turkish velour Goksim 340 m/100 gr (100% polyester) Few grams only.

Steel crochet hook - Clover 1,5 mm

Eyes – 4 mm

I also added some glass granules into the tail for weight.

Fingers are fixed with PVA glue, the same as the crest.

Dragon is tinted along the spine and slightly on the head with oil pastel.

The back is decorated with small beads Preciosa ornela size 10 (light green mat)

Project by Kate Shar



Watch a video about these four dragons on YouTube:

YouTube

https://youtu.be/Ld6TwarhXd8

TIP (yarn)

If you use different yarn, the toy will be bigger or smaller and you will need more or less yarn and wire than stated in the pattern (i.e., thicker yarn will produce a larger toy and you may require more yarn).

Tip (gauge)

When making toys, you should use a much smaller hook than recommended for the yarn you choose.
Make sure you crochet tight enough; otherwise, the stuffing will show through the holes.

USA/UK terminology comparison chart.

Abbreviations USA	Abbreviations UK
ch - chain	ch - chain
sc - single crochet	dc - double crochet
hdc - half double crochet	htr - half treble
dc - double crochet	tr - treble
tr - treble (triple crochet)	dtr - double treble
dtr - double treble	tr tr - triple treble
sl st - slip stitch	sl - slip stitch

Other differences in crochet terminology used:

Terminology USA	Terminology UK
fasten off	cast off
skip	miss
gauge	tension
yarn over (yo)	yarn over hook (yoh)

Steel crochet hook conversion chart

Metric (mm)	US	UK
0.75	14	-
0.85	13	7
1.0	12	6 1/2
1.1	11	6
1.3	10	5 1/2
1.4	9	5
1.5	8	4 1/2
1.65	7	4
1.8	6	3 1/2
1.9	5	3
2.0	4	2 1/2
2.1	3	2

Abbreviations

AM = additional marker
Beg = beginning
ch(s) = chain(s)
double inc = 3 sc in one st
hdc = half double crochet
st(s) = stitch(es)
sc(s) = single crochet(s)
dc = double crochet
inc(s) = increasing(s) (2 sc in 1 st)
dec(s) = decreasing(s) (sc2tog)
Rnd = round
tog = together
sl st = slip stitch
cl = cluster stitch
flo = through front loop only
blo = through back loop only
RS = right side
WS = wrong side
Prev = previous

If there is a record in the brackets in the pattern, multiplied by some number, for example (3 sc, 1 inc) x 3, it means you need to repeat this action 3 times, that is 3 sc, 1 inc, 3 sc, 1 inc, 3 sc, 1 inc.

Skill levels



Projects for first-time crocheters using basic stitches. Minimal shaping.



Projects using yarn with basic stitches, repetitive stitch patterns, simple colour changes, and simple shaping and finishing.



Projects using a variety of techniques, such as basic lace patterns or colour patterns, mid-level shaping and finishing.



Projects with intricate stitch patterns, techniques, and dimension, such as non-repeating patterns, multi-colour techniques, fine threads, small hooks, detailed shaping, and refined finishing.

Tip (shift stitch)

While working, you will need to keep the work symmetrical. As the work tends to twist to the right, you need to adjust the position of the marker periodically (beginning of round). If you notice that the marker moves right, you need to work one extra stitch at the end of the round and move the marker for one stitch (now the 2nd stitch of the round becomes 1St). If you notice that the marker moves left, you need to unravel one stitch (or more if needed). This is shift stitch – it is not included in the description of rounds.

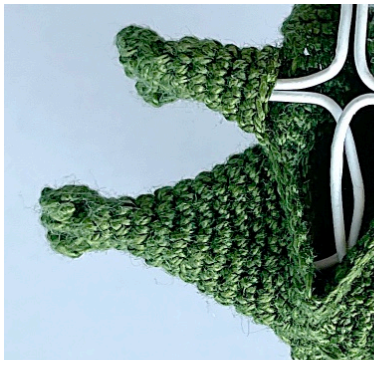
Usually, you have to do shift stitches every 3-5 rounds (depending on the yarn, hook, and your gauge). To check if it is time to work shift stitch(es), fold your work in half and check if the marker still goes straight.

You should keep the marker in a straight line on some parts of the toy. Instructions for the marker are given in the description of each part of the toy if needed.

You can read more about the Shift Stitch on the LittleOwlsHut website here:
https://www.littleowlshut.com/single-post/2017/01/18/what-is-a-shift-stitch-and-how-is-it-worked

"Right side" and "Wrong side" of the toy

Right side facing you.





Wrong side facing you.



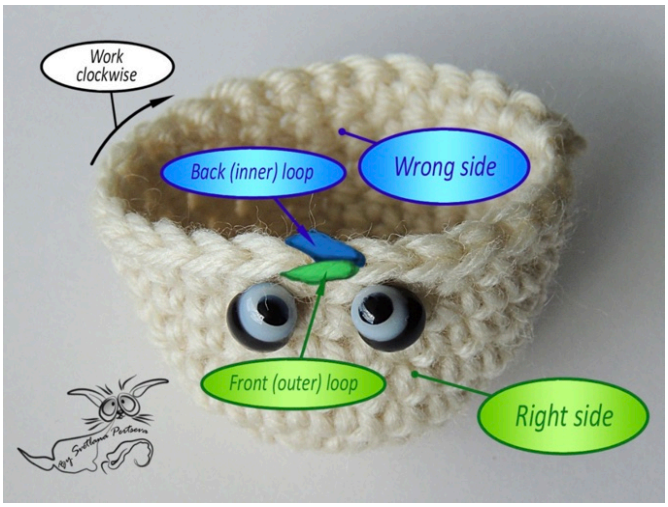


My toy is crocheted "Right side facing you". Some people crochet with the "Wrong side facing you" not knowing they are crocheting the wrong side out. To avoid confusion, work the toy "Right side out" because all the instructions are given for the "Right side facing you" crocheting.

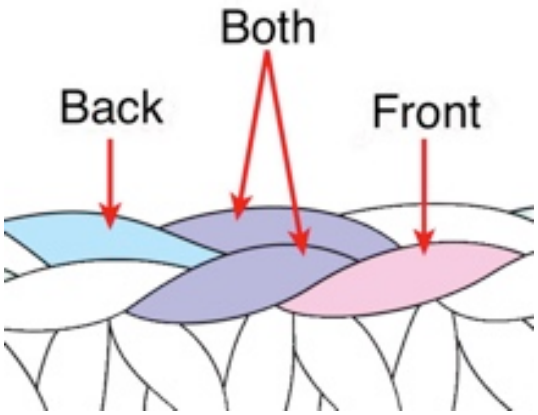
Inner (Back) loop and Outer (front) loop

Front (outer) loop: when crocheting with the "right side out", it is the loop that is *closer to you*, When crocheting with the "wrong side out," it is the loop that is *further away from you*.

Back (inner) loop: when crocheting with the "right side out," it is the loop that is *further away from you*. When crocheting with the "wrong side out," it is the loop that is *closer to you*.



If there are no special notes, the toy is crocheted under both parts of the loop. In some rows, there are special notes: 'under the front loop only' or 'under the back loop only'. In that case, you need to follow these instructions.



Need help?

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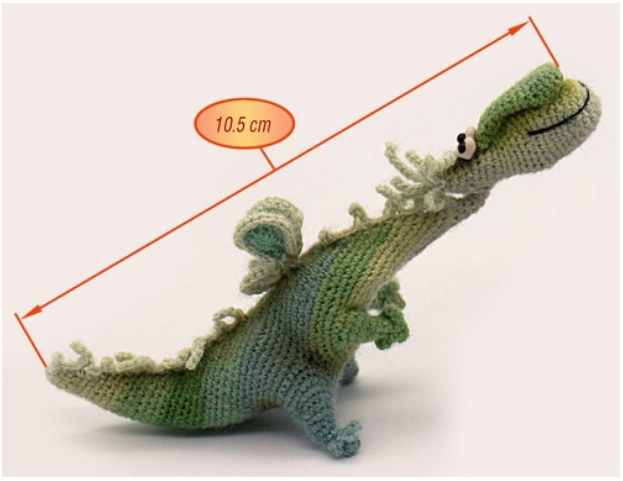
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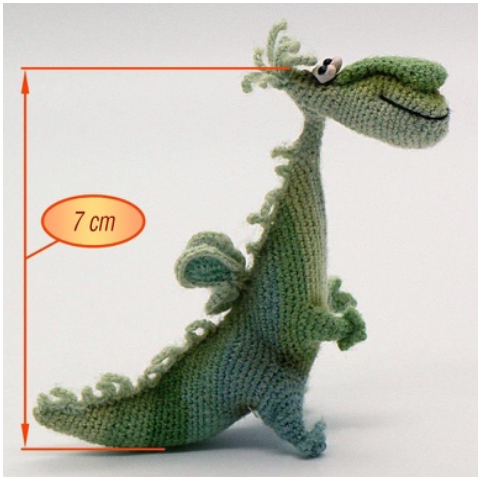
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People who have already made this toy may be able to help you with this project.

Size

The toy is 7 cm tall (when standing on the hindlegs and tail).





Key for the schemas

O – *chain (ch);*

\+ – *single crochet (sc);*

● – *slip stitch (sl st).*

Legs (make two)

My dragon is made with the ***"right side facing you".***

The marker goes along the central line on the back of the leg.

Work shift sts when necessary to make the marker go straight.

Do NOT stuff the leg at this stage.

Work with your main color or color number 3 (if you are going to change colors of the body).

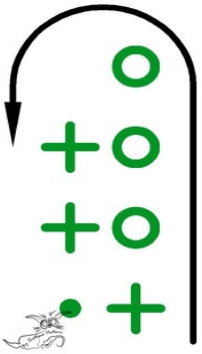
I'm using thicker yarn for better pictures.

Rnd 1: make an MR (adjustable magic ring), 6 sc into the ring = 6 sts

Rnd 2: 2 sc *under both loops*, (***Toe element under front loop only (flo)*** - sc, ch 3, sc in second ch from hook, sc in next ch, sl st in first sc) x 3 times, 1 sc *under both loops* = 6 sts

A video explanation of how to make toes can be found here: https://youtu.be/ObwCDrGrY9E

Toe element schema:





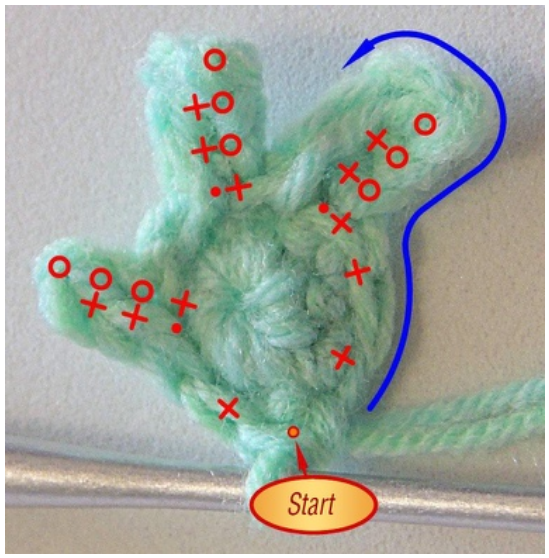












In the next round, the **toes** should be folded towards you, and you will be working sc stitches behind the toes under the **back loops** left from the previous round.

Rnd 3: 2 sc *under both loops*, 3 sc under remaining *loops of toes*, inc *under both loops* = 7 sts



Rnd 4: 6 sc, inc = 8 sts

A video explanation of how to make the shift stitch can be found here
https://youtu.be/ObwCDrGrY9E?t=744

Rnd 5: (2 sc, inc) x 2 times, 2 sc = 10 sts

Rnd 6: 2 sc, inc, 4 sc, inc, 2 sc = 12 sts

Rnd 7: 2 sc, inc, 5 sc, inc, 3 sc = 14 sts

Rnd 8: (6 sc, inc) x 2 times = 16 sts

Rnd 9: 3 sc, inc, 8 sc, inc, 3 sc = 18 sts

Rnd 10: (8 sc, inc) x 2 times = 20 sts

Rnd 11: 4 sc, inc, 10 sc, inc, 4 sc = 22 sts

Right leg:

Rnd 12: (10 sc, inc) x 2 times = 24 sts

Fasten off and hide loose ends.

Left leg:

Rnd 12: 10 sc, inc, 2 sc, *place* ***additional marker***, 8 sc, inc = 24 sts

Fasten off and hide loose ends.

Leave all the markers in place until the toy is finished unless it is specified that you may remove a particular marker now.

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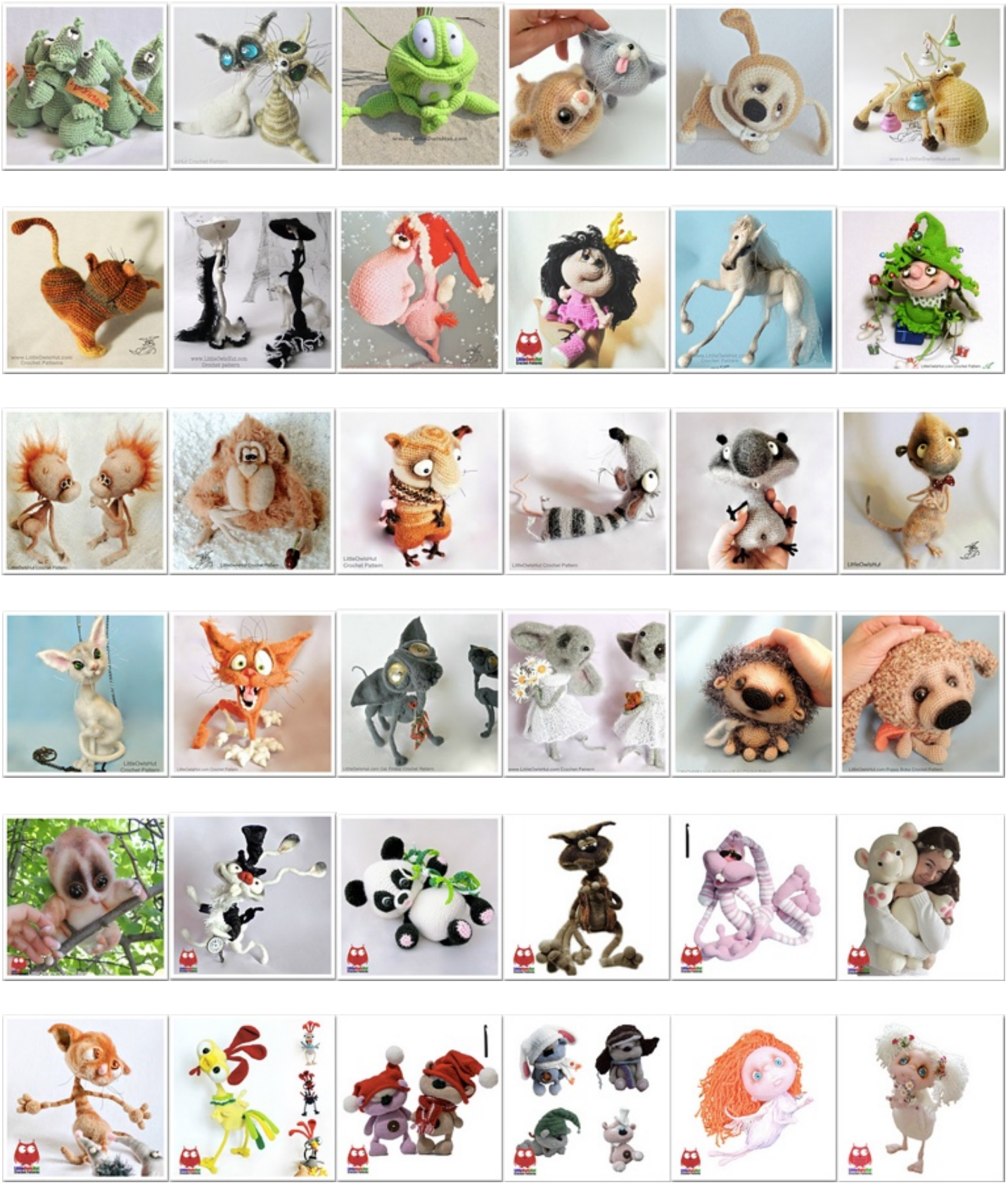
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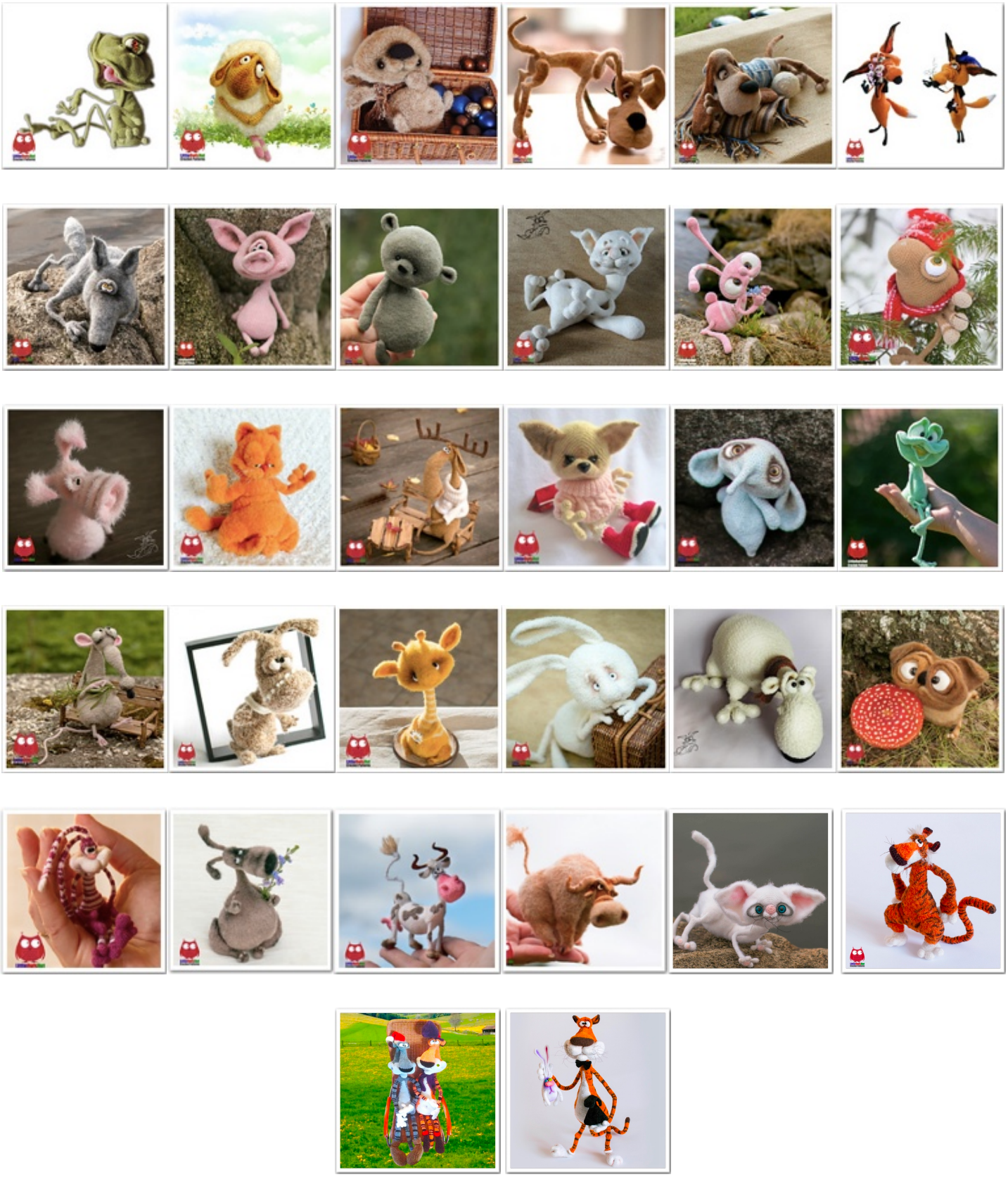
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