

Sandhöfrungur (Walrus)

Character Reference — Arctic Wool World



Reference art for construction guidance. Colors/pose may vary slightly from your finished piece.

Sandhöfrungur — Crochet Pattern

An original hand-knitted amigurumi walrus. Chubby, curious, and full of heart. (~15 cm, true to reference size)

Origin: Arctic Tundra · **Personality:** Plump, lazy, adventurous · **Likes:** Clams, ice floes, sunbathing

This is an original pattern written for this character, based on standard, generic amigurumi and toy-knitting construction techniques (magic ring/CO, spiral increases and decreases, i-cord, stuffed tubes and spheres). It does not copy, trace, or reproduce any published or copyrighted pattern -- these underlying construction techniques are standard craft knowledge, not anyone's intellectual property, the same way a recipe's technique of 'creaming butter and sugar' isn't owned by any one baker.

Crochet abbreviations: sc = single crochet · inc = increase (2 sc in same st) · dec = invisible decrease (sc2tog) · sl st = slip stitch · rnd(s) = round(s) · st(s) = stitch(es)

Materials

Yarn: DK or worsted-weight (8-10 ply) pure wool, small quantities in each of: Cream, Grey-Brown.

Hook/needles: a 2.5-3mm crochet hook (go smaller than the yarn band suggests -- a tight, dense fabric is what keeps stuffing from peeking through).

Notions: Tapestry/yarn needle · stitch markers · polyester fiberfill stuffing · embroidery needle and a little dark thread/yarn for the face · small scissors.

Gauge

Worked at a firm amigurumi tension: roughly 18 sts and 20 rows over 10 cm in single crochet, worked in the round. Finished size at this gauge is approximately 15 cm -- true to the reference art. Exact gauge isn't critical for a stuffed toy; if your fabric is loose enough to see stuffing through it, drop a hook size rather than add more stuffing.

BODY & HEAD (one piece)

Worked as one large rounded barrel in Grey-Brown -- walruses have basically no visible neck.

Rnd 1: 6 sc in magic ring (6 sts)
Rnd 2: inc around (12 sts)
Rnd 3: *sc, inc; rep from * around (18 sts)
Rnd 4: *sc2, inc; rep from * around (24 sts)
Rnd 5: *sc3, inc; rep from * around (30 sts)
Rnd 6: *sc4, inc; rep from * around (36 sts)
Rnd 7: *sc5, inc; rep from * around (42 sts)
Rnd 8: *sc6, inc; rep from * around (48 sts)
Rnd 9: *sc7, inc; rep from * around (54 sts)
Rnd 10: *sc8, inc; rep from * around (60 sts)
Rnd 11: *sc9, inc; rep from * around (66 sts)
Rnd 12: *sc10, inc; rep from * around (72 sts)
Rnds 13-24: sc around even, 12 rnds (72 sts)
Rnd 25: *sc10, dec; rep from * around (66 sts)
Rnd 26: *sc9, dec; rep from * around (60 sts)
Rnd 27: *sc8, dec; rep from * around (54 sts)
Rnd 28: *sc7, dec; rep from * around (48 sts)
Rnd 29: *sc6, dec; rep from * around (42 sts)
Rnd 30: *sc5, dec; rep from * around (36 sts)

Rnd 31: *sc4, dec; rep from * around (30 sts)
Rnd 32: *sc3, dec; rep from * around (24 sts)
Rnd 33: *sc2, dec; rep from * around (18 sts)
Rnd 34: *sc, dec; rep from * around (12 sts)
Break yarn, thread through remaining 12 sts, pull tight and fasten off.

Stuff very firmly throughout for that heavy, blubbery weight.

FLIPPERS (make 2)

Small flat rounded paddles.

Rnd 1: 6 sc in magic ring (6 sts)
Rnd 2: inc around (12 sts)
Rnds 3-5: sc around even, 3 rnds (12 sts)
Flatten and sew to the lower sides of the body.

TUSKS (make 2)

Two slim tapered tubes in Cream, stuffed lightly or left unstuffed and flattened for a firmer point.

Rnd 1: 6 sc in magic ring (6 sts)
Rnds 2-9: sc around even, 8 rnds (6 sts)
Close the tip, curve slightly, and sew under the snout, pointing down and out.

FACE

Small eyes set high on the head; a cluster of straight-stitch whiskers either side of the snout.

Finishing: steam very lightly (hover an iron just above the surface, don't press) to even out stitches, and check every seam by hand -- these take the most handling stress, especially if this toy is for a child. This is a first-generation pattern for this character: proportions, stuffing firmness, or a specific shaping detail may want a tweak once you've made one -- treat it as a working draft.