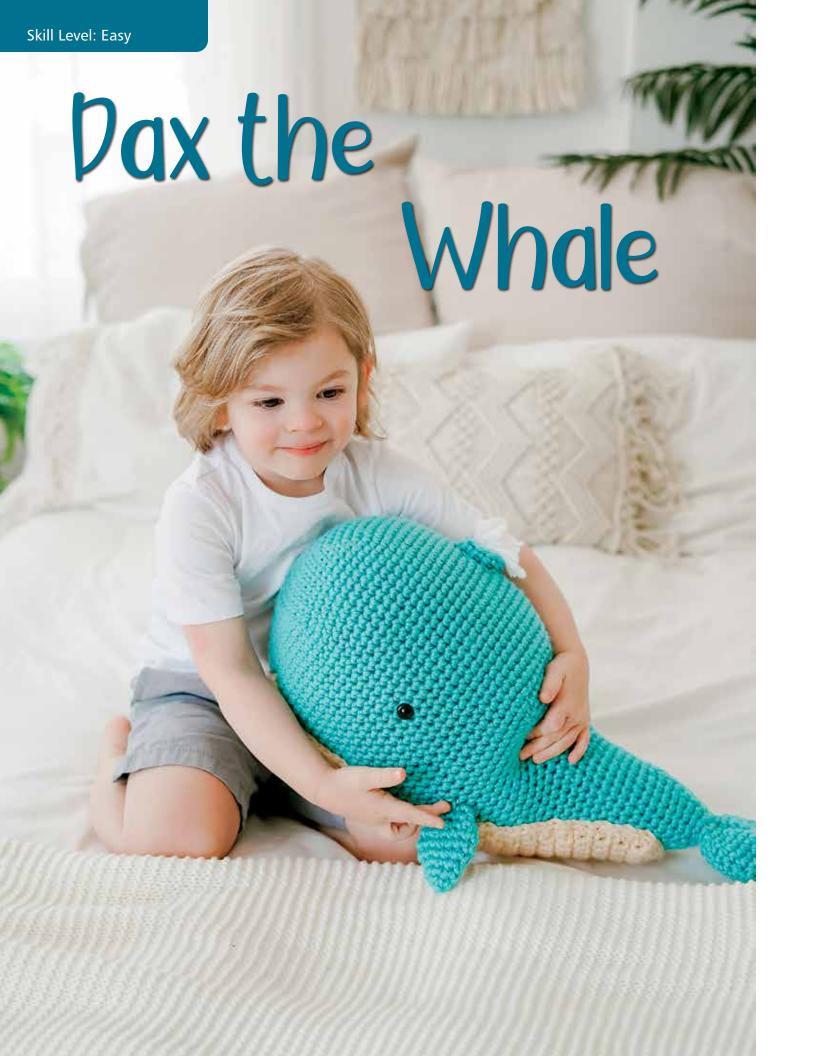




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This giant amigurumi whale is the ultimate stuffed animal! Your kids will love playing with him, and he is likely to become their new best friend. His playful stitch will keep you swimming back for more crochet time!

Yarn

Cascade Yarns Pacific Bulky; super bulky weight #6; 60% acrylic/40% superwash merino wool; 7.05 oz (200 g)/129 yds (118 m) per skein

- 3 skeins: 159 Dusty Turquoise (A)
- 1 skein each: 116 Lamb (B), 01 White (C)

Hook and Other Materials

- US size J-10 (6 mm) crochet hook
- Yarn needle
- Two 15 mm safety eyes
- Poly-fil stuffing
- Stitch markers

Finished Measurement

About 22 in (56 cm) long

Gauge

11 sc and 11 rows/rounds = 4 in (10 cm)

Adjust hook size if necessary to obtain gauge.

Special Stitch

Invisible single crochet 2 together (sc2tog): Insert hook in the FLO of next 2 sts, yarn over and draw through both sts, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook (1 stitch decreased).

Pattern Note

Dax the Whale is made in 7 pieces: Body, 2 Tail Fins, 2 Side Fins, Spout, and Belly.



INSTRUCTIONS

Body

Rnd 1 (RS): With A, create magic ring, 6 sc in ring; do not join. (6 sc) Place marker to indicate beginning of rnd.

Note: Loop a short piece of yarn around any stitch to mark Rnd 1 as right side. Move stitch marker up with each rnd.

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each st around. (12 sc)

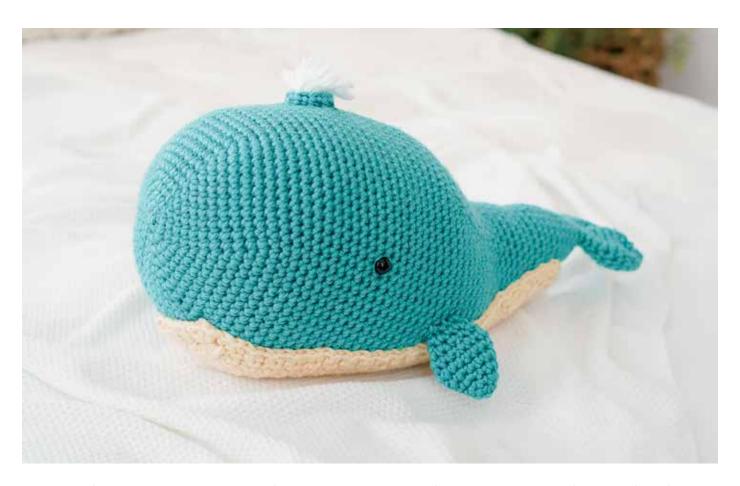
Rnd 3: (Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st) around. (18 sc)

Rnd 4: (Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st) around.

Rnd 5: (Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st) around. (30 sc)

Rnd 6: (Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st) around. (36 sc)





Rnd 7: (Sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st) around. (42 sc)

Rnd 8: (Sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st) around. (48 sc)

Rnd 9: (Sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st) around. (54 sc)

Rnd 10: (Sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st) around. (60 sc)

Rnd 11: (Sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st) around. (66 sc)

Rnd 12: (Sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st) around. (72 sc)

Rnds 13–35: Sc in each st around.

Rnd 36: (Sc in next 10 sts, sc2tog) 4 times, sc in each st around. (68 sc)

Rnd 37: (Sc in next 9 sts, sc2tog) 4 times, sc in each st around. (64 sc)

Rnd 38: (Sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog) 4 times, sc in each st around. (60 sc)

Rnd 39: (Sc in next 7 sts, sc2tog) 4 times, sc in each st around. (56 sc)

Rnd 40: (Sc in next 6 sts, sc2tog) 4 times, sc in each st around. (52 sc)

Rnd 41: (Sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog) 4 times, sc in each st around. (48 sc)

Rnd 42: (Sc in next 6 sts, sc2tog) around. (42 sc)

Rnd 43: Sc in each st around.

Rnd 44: (Sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog) around. (36 sc) Stuff Body firmly.

Lay Body with the decreased section on top. Add safety eyes between Rnds 25 and 26 on each side about 39 sts apart.

Rnds 45–46: Sc in each st around.

Rnd 47: (Sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog) around. (30 sc)

Rnds 48–49: Sc in each st around.

Rnd 50: Sc2tog, sc in each st around. (29 sc)

Rnd 51: Sc in each st around.

Rnd 52: Sc2tog, sc in each st around. (28 sc)

Rnd 53: Sc in each st around.

Rnd 54: Sc2tog, sc in each st around. (27 sc)

Rnd 55: (Sc in next 7 sts, sc2tog) around. (24 sc)

Rnd 56: (Sc in next 6 sts, sc2tog) around. (21 sc) Stuff firmly.

Rnd 57: Sc in each st around.

Rnd 58: (Sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog) around. (18 sc)

Rnd 59: (Sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog) around. (15 sc)

Rnd 60: Sc in each st around.

Rnd 61: (Sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog) around. (12 sc) Do not fasten off.

Stuff firmly.

Tail Fin 1

Rnd 1: Sc in next 5 sts, sk 6 sts, sc in next st; do not join. (6 sc)

Rnd 2: (Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st) around. (9 sc)

Rnd 3: (Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st) around. (12 sc)

Rnd 4: Sc in each st around.

Rnd 5: (Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st) around. (16 sc)

Rnd 6: Sc in each st around.

Rnd 7: (Sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog) around. (12 sc)

Rnd 8: (Sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog) around. (9 sc)

Rnd 9: (Sc in next st, sc2tog) around. (6 sc)

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for closing.

Thread yarn needle and close Rnd 9.

Tail Fin 2

Pull up a loop of A in next unworked st of Rnd 61 of Body, ch 1, sc in next 6 sts; do not join. (6 sc) Rnds 2–9: Repeat Rnds 2–9 of Fin 1.

Side Fins (make 2)

Rnd 1 (RS): With A, create magic ring, 4 sc in ring; do not join. (4 sc) Place marker to indicate beginning of rnd.

Note: Loop a short piece of yarn around any stitch to mark Rnd 1 as right side. Move stitch marker up with each rnd.

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each st around. (8 sc)

Rnd 3: Sc in each st around.

Rnd 4: (Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st) around. (12 sc)

Rnd 5: (Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st) around. (16 sc)

Rnd 6: Sc in each st around.

Rnd 7: (Sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog) around. (12 sc)

Rnd 8: (Sc in next st, sc2tog) around. (8 sc)

Rnd 9: Sc in each st around; join with sl st to first sc.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Do not stuff.

Belly

With **B**, ch 12.

Row 1 (RS): Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across, turn. (11 sc)

Rows 2–4: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 5: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st, turn. (13 sc)

Rows 6–7: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 8: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in next 11 sts, 2 sc in next st, turn. (15 sc)

Rows 9–13: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 14: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in next 13 sts, 2 sc in next st, turn. (17 sc)

Rows 15–17: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 18: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in next 15 sts, 2 sc in next st, turn. (19 sc)

Rows 19-38: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 39: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc in next 15 sts, sc2tog, turn. (17 sc)

Rows 40-42: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 43: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc in next 13 sts, sc2tog, turn. (15 sc)

Rows 44–46: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 47: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc in next 11 sts, sc2tog, turn. (13 sc)

Row 48: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 49: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc in next 9 sts, sc2tog, turn. (11 sc)

Row 50: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc in next 7 sts, sc2tog, turn. (9 sc)

Row 51: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog, do not turn. (7 sc)

Belly Trim

Rnd 1: Ch 1, sc 50 evenly down ends of rows, sc 11 across Row 1, sc 50 evenly down ends of rows, sc2tog, sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog; join with sl st to first sc. (116 sc)

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Spout

With A, ch 4.

Rnd 1 (RS): 9 dc in 4th ch from hook; join with sl st to beg ch-4. (10 dc)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, working in the BLO, sc in each st around; join with sl st to first sc.



Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.
Cut ten 3 in (7.6 cm) strands of **C**. Fold strand in half, pull center around dc post, pull ends through center loop and pull tight. Repeat with all strands and trim evenly.

Use yarn needle to sew the Spout on top center of Body using the exposed loops from Rnd 2.

Assembly

Use photos as a guide. Sew Belly to base of Body between Rnds 10 and 56. Sew Side Fins to Body.



