

This is a pattern to crochet ↗

Merida

From the Disney movie
"BRAVE"



A pattern
made by

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I'm the licence! ✓

Few words before starting :)

Hello, and thank you for being about to try this pattern!
It was made with lot of love, and I hope it will be useful ♥

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MATERIAL NEEDED

NB: 3.5 hook was used only to make the hair. I used the 2.0 for everything else, to keep the crochet tight

- * 3.5 mm hook
- * 2.0 mm hook (2.5 is fine as well, depends on how loosely you work)
- * Tapestry needle
- * 1 pair of black safety eyes 10 mm or something similar
- * Stuffing: polyester fiberfill is the best, and it's washable (which is very important if you're making a toy for kids). However, if you don't have any, normal cotton wool will do the job.
- * Stitch markers (always! :D)
- * Light peach yarn for the skin (3.5 mm size)
- * Darker orange yarn for hair (2.5 mm size)
- * Lighter orange yarn for hair (3.5 mm size)
- * Green-blue yarn for the dress (2 mm size)
- * Beige yarn for the dress (2 mm size)
- * Dark brown yarn for arrows and bow (2.5 mm size)
- * Medium brown yarn for the bag (3.5 size)
- * Light brown for arrows and bow (2.5 mm size)
- * Very few black yarn for eyes details
- * Very few light-blue yarn for eyes details

Don't absolutely be afraid of using the supplies you already have!

The work varies a lot from person to person, so small variations in the supplies used will only make a marginal difference, as long as you know how to adapt :)



♥ DOLL'S BODY ♥

↓ the entire body is made in pale-peach yarn using 2.0 mm hook.

Start by making 2 legs. Don't cut off the yarn once the 2nd one is done

R1: 6 SC in magic ring (6)

R2-R12: 6 SC (6)

We're about to merge the two legs and proceed with the torso

R13: 3 SC in leg 1, ch 2, 6 SC in leg 2, 2 SC at the back of the chain, 3 SC in leg 1 (16)

R14: 16 SC (16)

R15: (1 SC, inc) x 8, 8 SC (20)

R16-R17: 20 SC (20)

R18: (1 SC, dec) x 8, 8 SC (16)

R19: (6 SC, dec) x 2 (14)

R20: (5 SC, dec) x 2 (12)

R21: (2 SC, dec) x 3 (9)

R22: (1 SC, dec) x 3 (6)

Now we're starting the neck

R23-R24: 6 SC (6)

... Well, that was short, wasn't it? Moving forward with the head :)

R25: 6 inc (12)

R26: 12 inc (24)

R27: (1 SC, inc) x 12 (36)

R28: 31 SC, move stitch marker to this last stitch (36)

R29: (1 SC inc) x 9, 18 SC (45)

R30-R33: 45 SC (45)

R34: (2 SC, dec) x 6, 21 SC (39)

R35-R42: 39 SC (39)

R43: (6 SC, dec) x 4, 7 SC (35)

R44: (dec, 5 SC) x 5 (30)

R45: (4 SC, dec) x 5 (25)

R46: (dec, 3 SC) x 5 (20)

→ Around this point, stop to check for holes in the thigh-gap. If you see any, pull the loose ends to make them disappear. Make a knot to secure the ends. No need to cut them, they will be part of the stuffing! :o Also, KEEP STUFFING while you move up!

Here, you're moving the stitch marker just upon the left shoulder. Modify the point if it should not correspond

When you reach round 45, it's time to stop and place the safety eyes!

The eyes must be placed between round 35 and round 36, and 10 stitches apart.

Always keep stuffing!

* check out the last page for tips on eye details and freckles to be applied at this point

R47: (2S, dec) x 4 (12)

R48: (1sc, dec) x 4 (8)

R49: 4 dec (4)

Pull out the yarn and cut it. With a tapestry needle, pass the yarn through each stitch of the last round, then pull. Make a knot and hide the yarn inside the body of the doll.

Now, it's time to work on the arms ↓. Make two, cut the yarn at the end and leave a long tail for sewing!

R1: 5 sc in magic ring (5) → As an alternative, if the magic ring should be too tight for you, you can try this alternative:

R1: chain 2, 5 sc in 2nd loop from hook

It's less pretty, but it should make it easier to complete R2.

DRESS

↓ Start off with green-blue yarn, use hook 2.0

R1: chain 21, start working next round from 2nd stitch from hook (20)

R2: 3sc, chain 2, skip 4, 6sc, chain 2, skip 4, 3sc (16) → Here we're creating the holes for the arms

R3: 1sc, inc, 4sc, inc, 2sc, inc, 4sc, inc, 1sc (20)

R4: (4S, inc) x 4 (24)

R5-R10: 24 sc (24)

R11: (1sc, inc) x 12 (36)

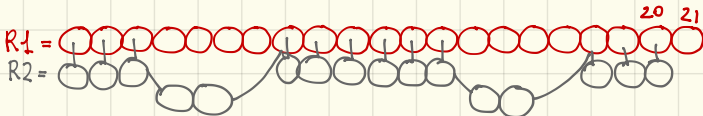
R12-R22: 36 sc (36)

Make a slip-stitch at the end. Pull out the yarn, secure it with a knot and cut it. Hide the tail within the dress (the longer you leave it, the easier it will be).

Now we freed the yarn and we can proceed with the sleeves :)

To start off the sleeve, you must join the yarn in the holes you created in R2, creating 8 stitches. This means that you have to make a stitch in each stitch of the hole (2 chain + 4 skip = 6 stitches) + you have to create 2 more by stitching in the junctures.

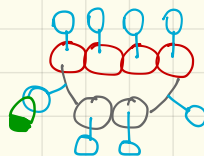
Dress rounds



Join the yarn for the sleeves

in this way →

↳ Keep using blue-green yarn



R1: 8sc (8)

R2-R4: 8sc (8)

Change yarn color to beige

R5-R6: 8sc (8)

Change color to blue-green again

R7-R10: 8sc (8)

Cut the yarn, secure it and hide it as usual.

And now, final color touch for the dress!

Join beige yarn at the beginning of round 1 and make 20 sc in the unused side of the chain.

Now the dress is completed! You can put it on your doll and sew it on the back.

NB: When, as in this case, the sleeves are made to be very tight, it might be difficult to make the arms pass through. I usually help myself pulling the arms with a piece of yarn (you tie it to the arm, pass it through the sleeve and pull).

SHOES

For the shoes, use the darker shade of brown, use 2.0 hook

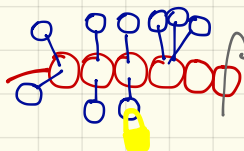
R1: Chain 5

R2: 3sc in 2nd loop from hook, 2sc, 2sc in same loop, 2sc (12)

R3: 9sc in back loop only (9)

R4: 2dec, 5sc (7)

Sew the shoes to the doll's feet!



Graphical explanation
of R1 and R2

R1
R2

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HAIR ♥

Use size 3.5 hook for the hair!

The hair is formed by two stratified layers, to make them curlier (an layer would have worked as well, but sewing the wig would make the curls flatter).

The curls are always alternated: 1 twisted made with thinner orange yarn, 1 simple hair made with thicker orange yarn (brighter color).

First half: You could also just make all hairs "simple" ones (even loops ones).

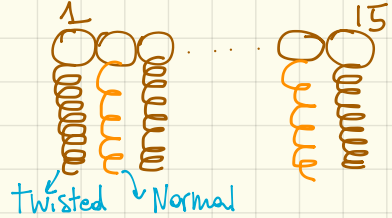
Chain 15, create one hair in each loop of

the chain:

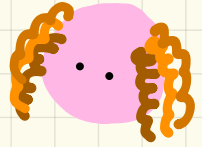
Odd loops: chain 22, 22 inc (twisted)

Even loops: chain 22, 22 sc

This one should curl up by itself



Saw this first half 8 rounds from the top of the head →



Second half:

Chain 19. Odd loops and even loops as above.

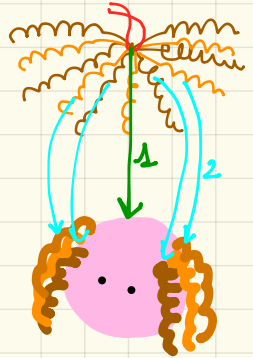
With the help of a tapestry needle, pass the yarn through the loops of the chain 19. Make a Knot and tie it up to make all the loops converge



Saw this second half on the top of the head first. → 1

Then saw each hair to the head in correspondence → 2

of the first half. Be aware not to pull them too much, or you risk to spoil the curls!



ARROW-CARRIER BAG

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Use the middle shade of brown for the bag, use 2.0 hook

Shoulder Strap

R1: chain 29

R2: Slip stitch in each loop of the chain

Pull and cut the yarn. Leave a long tail for sewing.

Bag:

R1: 6 sc in magic ring (6)

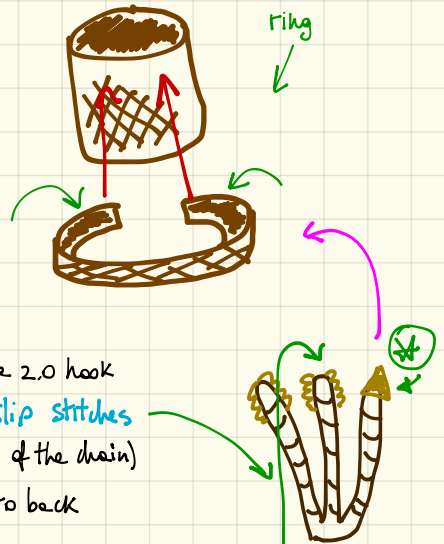
R2: 6 inc (12)

R3: 12 sc in back loop only (12)

R4-R7: 12 sc (12)

Sew the bag and the shoulder strap in this way →

Bend the shoulder strap as to make a ring



ARROWS

Arrows

Start with the darker shade of brown, use size 2.0 hook

Each arrow is a stripe formed by chain 6 + 5 slip stitches

R1: chain 7, go back with 5 slip stitches (1 each loop of the chain)

R2: in the last loop remaining of R1's chain, chain 6. Go back with 5 slip stitches

R3: Using the same first loop as R2, chain 6. Go back with 5 slip stitches.

To make the back part of the arrows

Use the lighter shade of brown

Stitch in the final part of the arrows contouring the end.

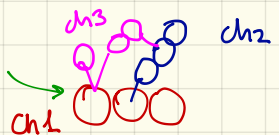
To make the pointy part of the arrow, always in lighter shade of brown

Chain 3, sc in 1st loop from hook, chain 2, sc in 1st loop from hook, chain 1,

sc in 1st loop of the first chain

Then, sew it on one of the arrows!

I swear, this produces a triangle



BOW

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Use the darker brown for this part, use 2.0 hook

R1: chain 21

R2: 20 sc (20)

R3: 20 sc (20)

Bend the brown stripe you've just created and sew R1 and R3.

This should also give it an arched shape!

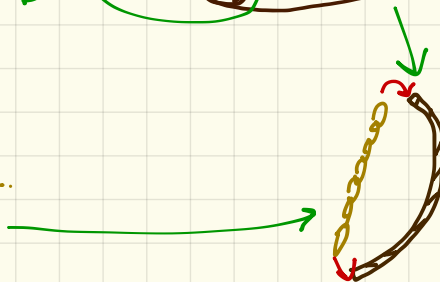
Sew together ↓



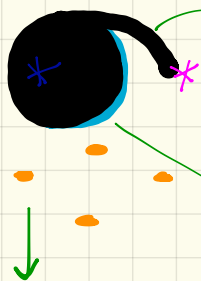
To prepare the bow string:

Simply chain 15 in light brown.

Then sew it to the bow



EYES DETAILS



To make this part, use the black yarn.

You should pull the yarn out from this point* (close to the base of the eye), make it turn around the eye and put it back in this point*.

To make this part, use the light blue yarn.

The freckles are disposed in diamond shape.

It's not compulsory to add all this details. You could just use the safety eyes... the doll will be cute either way! ♥

FEW DETAILS !!!



Here you can see well the eye details and the freckles

Better view of the dress



color difference in the hair



Bag and arrows

Bow

