# The Crochet Owl

by Val Pierce



#### SIZE

To fit an innocent smoothie

#### YARN

Stylecraft Special DK (100% Acrylic; 295m / 323yds per 100g ball) A: Silver (1203) B: Grey (1009) C: Cream (1005) Scraps of yellow yarn for beak

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#### YOU WILL ALSO NEED

- A 3.75mm (UK9 / USF) Pony crochet hook
- Small amount of toy stuffing
- 2 small buttons
- Yarn needle for finishing
- Scissors for finishing

#### **TENSION**

Tension is not critical for this project.

#### **PATTERN NOTES**

UK crochet terminology used throughout.

#### **ABBREVIATIONS**

ch Chain dc Double crochet dc2tog Double crochet 2 stitches together ea Each rep Repeat ss Slip stitch st(s) Stitch(es)

#### PATTERN

#### Hat

Using A make 2ch. Work 6dc in second ch from hook and join in a circle with ss. Round 1: 1ch (counts as 1dc throughout), 2dc in ea dc to end, join with ss. 12 dc Round 2: 1ch, [1dc in next dc, 2dc in next dc] to end, join with ss. 18 dc Round 3: 1ch, [1dc in next 2 dc, 2dc in next dc] to end, join with ss. 24 dc Round 4: 1ch, 1dc in ea dc to end, join with ss. Rounds 5-11: As round 4. Round 12: Work a round of dc from right to left in an anti-clockwise direction to create a corded edge. Join with ss and fasten off.

#### Wings (made in one piece)

Using B make 2ch. Work 1dc in second ch from hook, turn.

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#### Eyes (make 2)

Using C make 2ch. Work 6dc in second ch from hook and join in a circle with ss. Round 1: 1ch, 2dc in ea dc to end, join with ss. 12 dc Round 2: 1ch, [1dc in next dc, 2dc in next dc] to end, join with ss. 18 dc Fasten off.

#### **MAKING UP**

Attach the eye circles close together on the front of the body. Stitch the wings in place wrapping around the back, stretching slightly to fit and secure either side of the eyes using the picture as a guide. Leave the two wing ends loose. Sew two tiny buttons onto the cream circle eyes. Use a small length of yellow and embroider a beak.

#### **FINISHING**

Weave in all ends and trim.

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