

Monsters Of Teen Craft

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Authors **Shannon Okey** and **Kim Werker** are hitting the road to promote their way fun books: ***Knitgrrl***, ***Knitgrrl2***, and ***Get Hooked***

Introducing

Humphrey & Puck

MOTC Tour Mascots!

Make some of your own & bring them to show off!

(Turn the page for the patterns)



Humphrey (Crocheted Dude)

Materials

- About 80 yds worsted weight yarn (I used Cascade 220)
- To make a smaller monster, use DK or sock weight yarn and a smaller hook. To make a bigger monster, use bulky weight yarn and a larger hook
- 4mm (US size G) crochet hook
- Stuffing (I used Polyfil)
- Yarn needle
- Plastic eyes or buttons and some embroidery floss to make the face

Pattern

Note: The monster is worked all in one piece in the round, starting from the bottom. Rounds are not joined, so a marker is used to indicate the first stitch of the round so you can keep track.

Round 1: Chain 2. Work 6 single crochets into the second chain from your hook. Pull on the yarn tail to tighten the ring slightly. - 6 single crochets total

Round 2: *Work 2 single crochets into next stitch.* Place marker in first stitch of round. Repeat from * to * around (until you reach the marker, indicating the beginning of the round) – 12 single crochets total.

Round 3: Remove the marker and replace it after working the first stitch of the new round; do this at the beginning of every round. *Single crochet into next stitch, work 2 single crochets into next stitch.* Repeat from * to * around – 18 single crochets total.

Round 4: *Single crochet into each of next 2 stitches, work 2 single crochets into next stitch.* Repeat from * to * around – 24 single crochets total.

Round 5: *Single crochet into each of next 3 stitches, work 2 single crochets into next stitch.* Repeat from * to * around – 30 single crochets total.

Round 6: *Single crochet into each of next 4 stitches, work 2 single crochets into next stitch.* Repeat from * to * around – 36 single crochets total.

Round 7: *Single crochet into each of next 5 stitches, work 2 single crochets into next stitch.* Repeat from * to * around – 42 single crochets total.

Round 8: *Single crochet into each of next 6 stitches, work 2 single crochets into next stitch.* Repeat from * to * around – 48 single crochets total.

Round 9: *Single crochet into each of next 7 stitches, work 2 single crochets into next stitch.* Repeat from * to * around – 54 single crochets total.

Round 10: *Single crochet into each of next 8 stitches, work 2 single crochets into next stitch.* Repeat from * to * around – 60 single crochets total.

Round 11: Single crochet into each stitch around – 60 single crochets total.

Round 12: *Work next 2 single crochets together (one decrease made), single crochet into each of next 8 stitches.* Repeat from * to * around – 54 single crochets total.

Round 13: Single crochet into each stitch around – 54 single crochets total.

Round 14: *Work next 2 single crochets together, single crochet into each of next 7 stitches.* Repeat from * to * around – 48 single crochets total.

Round 15: Single crochet into each stitch around.

Round 16: *Work next 2 single crochets together, single crochet into each of next 6 stitches.* Repeat from * to * around – 42 single crochets total.

Round 17: Single crochet into each stitch around.

Round 18: *Work next 2 single crochets together, single crochet into each of next 5 stitches.* Repeat from * to * around – 36 single crochets total.

Round 19: Single crochet into each stitch around.

Round 20: *Work next 2 single crochets together, single crochet into each of next 4 stitches.* Repeat from * to * around – 30 single crochets total.

Round 21: Single crochet into each stitch around.

Round 22: *Work next 2 single crochets together, single crochet into each of next 3 stitches.* Repeat from * to * around – 24 single crochets total.

Round 23: Single crochet into each stitch around. While the hole is still big enough, take this opportunity to stuff the monster as much as you can. Stuff it a lot so it holds its shape. Stop stuffing just before the fuzz gets in the way of making more stitches.

Round 24: *Work next 2 single crochets together, single crochet into each of next 2 stitches.* Repeat from * to * around – 18 single crochets total.

Round 25: Single crochet into each stitch around.

Round 26: *Work next 2 single crochets together, single crochet into the next stitch.* Repeat from * to * around – 12 single crochets total.

Round 27: Single crochet into each stitch around.

Round 28: *Work next 2 single crochets together.* Repeat from * to * around – 6 single crochets total.

Round 29: Single crochet into each stitch around.

Slip stitch in next stitch. Fasten off, leaving an 8" tail. Using your pinky or the end of your crochet hook to help, finish stuffing the monster. Stuff until the stuffing is almost popping out the top. Weave the yarn tail in and out of the last 6 stitches and pull it tight to close up the hole. Weave the tail into the stitches using the yarn needle, and then hide the tail inside the monster by poking the needle all the way through the monster to the other side. Tug on the yarn and cut the end close to the monster's body; the end of the tail will get sucked inside to be hidden forever.

Using glue or thread, attach the eyes to the monster where you want the face to be. Sew on a mouth if you want. Accessorize so your monster feels the bling.

If you share your photos on Flickr, make sure to tag them [MOTCmascot!](#)



Puck (Knit Dude)

Materials

- About 40 yds worsted weight yarn (I used Southwest Trading Company's Karaoke, in color 278)
- 5mm (US size 8) double pointed needles or small circular needle (DPNs might be easier)
- Stuffing (I used poly quilt batting and a loose teabag filled with lentils so he'd stand up on his own)
- Yarn needle
- Buttons for eyes
- Scrap yarn for mouth and hair
- Embroidery thread or scrap yarn for mouth



Pattern

Note: The monster is worked all in one piece in the round.

Cast on 22 stitches and join in the round, being careful not to twist the stitches. Knit every stitch in the round until monster is 5-6 inches tall (he can be taller if you like!). Bind off.

Run hot water in your sink and rub the monster back and forth as if you were trying to get something off your hands. Switch to cold water. Repeat alternating hot and cold water until the stitches fuzz together a little bit.

Now comes the fun part: decoration! Puck has button eyes sewn on with sewing thread, but depending on the size of the holes in your button, you may want to use a yarn needle and yarn to sew them on. Or give him embroidered eyes – nothing fancy, please; Puck is an ordinary kind of guy.

Puck's mouth is embroidered in chain stitch with pink yarn. You could also make a little "O" mouth, or even make a straight line, if he's feeling bitter.

Stitch around the top opening of the monster with the same color yarn as you used for the body, and draw the opening shut, stitching the top closed. To make hair, wind yarn around two fingers, butterfly-style; tie a knot around the center and stitch to the top of Puck's head. If your Puck wants to be hairier, use more yarn or even a pompom instead.

If you want to add some weight to the monster so he can stand up on his own, fill a teabag with lentils and quilt batting. Now stuff your Puck with batting, putting the teabag in last. Sew around the bottom opening and pull closed like a drawstring, sewing and tying off the final stitch to anchor.

Voila! Monster mania!

I'd love to see what you make – email photos to admin@knitrr.com!

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Monsters Of Teen Craft Tour Dates

October 1st (Sun.): We're kicking off the tour at the CIBC Run For The Cure in Toronto, ON, raising funds as part of Team Knitty to fight breast cancer. Visit get-hooked.net or knitgrrl.com to make a donation today!
Event at Lettuce Knit to follow.

October 3rd (Tue.): Yarne Source - Rochester, NY
12:00-5:00pm
Signing and Meet & Greet

October 4th (Wed.): Adirondack Yarns - Lake Placid, NY
6:00-8:00
Beginner Crocheted Flower Workshop

October 7th (Sat.): Mind's Eye Yarns - Cambridge, MA
(details TBA)

October 8th (Sun.): WEBS - Northampton, MA (details TBA)

October 9th (Mon.): Modern Yarn
Montclair, NJ
11:00am-1pm
Book Signing

October 10th (Tue.): New York Public Library, Teen Central - New York, NY

October 11th (Wed.): Knitty City - NY, NY
5:00-6:30
Book Signing and Meet & Greet

October 12th (Thu.): Rosie's Yarn Cellar - Philadelphia, PA (details TBA)

October 14th (Sat.): Stitch DC, Capitol Hill - Washington, DC
12:00-2:00
Workshop, TBA
2:30-3:30
Book Signing

October 15th (Sun.): Woolwinders - Rockville, MD
2:00-4:00
"Sunday in the Salon" - Book signing and stitching

