

Earth Day-Baby Polar Bear



A fun original design from Wee Woolly Wonderfuls

Welcome to the woolly world of Wee Woolly Wonderfuls!

You're going to LOVE it here! We are a small family business, and we are obsessed with crochet and knitting, and want to teach the world how to do it too. We have several complete beginner kits with step-by-step video tutorials, so you can learn to crochet as you create your Wee Woolly. This pattern is not a beginner pattern, but if you can do the basics of crochet, you should be able to make him. You can find helpful video tutorials for the required stitches on our YouTube Channel, enter bit.ly/WWWCrochetVideos into your browser.

We care about climate change, and we reuse and recycle wherever possible. We wanted to create this fun pattern to raise awareness of climate change - make him and share him everywhere, tag us so other people can do the same! We hold the earth in our hands and the future of polar bears, and every other creature on our beautiful planet, and everything we do matters! As this is a free pattern, please consider making a donation to a Climate Change Charity - thank you!

All of the technical bits - please read carefully before you begin!

This pattern is written in UK crochet terms. If you prefer US terms, simply substitute DC for SC (Single Crochet) throughout. Work in continuous rounds unless otherwise stated, using your stitch marker to mark the end of each round. Each numbered row represents one round. Your finished Baby Polar Bear will be 14cm seated and 20cm at full height.

Materials Required for your Baby Polar Bear holding the world:

- 60g of Stylecraft Special Chunky in White
- A 4mm Crochet Hook
- 20g of Quality Toy Stuffing
- A strand of Stylecraft Special Double Knit in Black for the facial features
- A metre of Stylecraft Special Chunky in Aspen (green) and Royal (blue) for the earth
- A wide eyed needle for sewing, a stitch marker, scissors, and a few pins

You can use a different thickness wool, simply use a hook a few sizes smaller than the wool ball band suggests to ensure stuffing is not visible through the stitches. If you use a different thickness yarn, your Baby Polar Bear will be larger or smaller than ours.

Abbreviations used:

- MC Make a Magic Circle with the number of stitches stated
- DC Double Crochet
- Dec Decrease by crocheting two stitches together
- Inc Increase by crocheting two DCs into one DC stitch
- () repeat the instructions inside the brackets by the number of times stated eg (DC, Inc) x 3 would mean DC, Inc, DC, Inc, DC, Inc.
- The number stated in brackets at the end of each round indicates the number of stitches you should have after completing the round.
- Don't add anything detachable if the polar bear is for a child under 3 years old, as it could pose a choking hazard.



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Let's begin your Baby Polar Bear! Use White throughout unless otherwise stated. Body - make one beginning at the base

- 1. MC 5 DC stitches (5)
- 2. (Inc) x 5 (10)
- 3. (DC, Inc) x 5 (15)
- 4. (2 DC, Inc) x 5 (20)
- 5. (3 DC, Inc) x 5 (25)
- 6. (4 DC, Inc) x 5 (30)
- 7 10. DC x 4 rounds (30)
- 11. (4 DC, Dec) x 5 (25)
- 12. (3 DC, Dec) x 5 (20)
- 13. (2 DC, Dec) x 5 (15)
- 14 15. DC x 2 rounds (15) Stuff.

Slip stitch & fasten off leaving a 30cm

strand for sewing on later.

Legs - make 2 beginning underneath the paw

- 1. MC 5 DC stitches (5)
- 2. (Inc) x 5 (10)
- 3. 3 DC, (Inc) x 4, then 3 DC (14)
- 4. DC (14)
- 5. DC, (Dec) x 6, then DC in the final stitch (8)
- 6 12. DC x 7 rounds.

13. 3 DC, then leave the rest of the round unworked. Stuff the foot only. Double Crochet to close - do this by holding the two sides together, then DC through both a front and back stitch together to close the opening, leaving a 20cm strand for sewing on later.

Head - make one beginning at your Baby Polar Bear's nose

- 1. MC 4 DC stitches (4)
- 2. (Inc) x 4 (8)
- 3. (3 DC, Inc) x 2 (10)
- 4. (4 DC, Inc) x 2 (12)
- 5. (DC, Inc) x 6 (18)
- 6. (2 DC, Inc) x 6 (24)
- 7. (3 DC, Inc) x 6 (30)
- 8 10. DC x 3 rounds (30)
- 11. (3 DC, Dec) x 6 (24)
- 12. (2 DC, Dec) x 6 (18) Stuff head firmly.
- 13. (DC, Dec) x 6 (12)

14. (Dec) x 6 (6) Fasten off, and gather the final 6 stitches with your needle to close, pull tight and sew in and out of the head a few times, pull and fasten off so that the end retracts inside the head. You can see how to do this on our YouTube Video

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Tail - make one in White

- 1. MC 4 DC stitches (4)
- 2. (DC, Inc) x 2 (6)
- 3. (2 DC, Inc) x 2 (8)

Slip stitch and fasten off, leaving a 20cm strand for sewing on later.

Arms - make 2 beginning at the paw

- 1. MC 5 DC stitches (5)
- 2. (Inc) x 5 (10)





3 - 5. DC x 3 rounds (10) 6. (3 DC, Dec) x 2 (8)

7 - 13. DC x 7 rounds (8)

Stuff the paw, and the arm very lightly, leaving the top empty. DC to close and fasten off leaving a 20cm strand for sewing on later.

Ears - make 2

- 1. MC 5 DC stitches (5)
- 2. (Inc) x 5 (10)
- 3. DC (10)

DC to close and fasten off, leaving a 20cm strand for sewing on later.

Now sew all parts together using your wide eyed needle and matching wool, using the photos overleaf as a guide. Using black, add a triangular-shaped nose, and a small vertical line below the nose, and a small smile.

Now your adorable little Polar Bear is finished, next let's make the earth!

The earth - beginning with Green

Leave both colours attached as you work, and carry them loosely across the back. Accuracy with the colour changes is not essential, we tried to create an earth mainly covered in ocean, with green land dotted around.

- 1. Beginning with **Green** MC 5 DC stitches (5)
- 2. (Inc) x 5 (10)

Change to Blue

- 3. (DC, Inc) x 5 (15)
- 4. DC (15)

Change to Green

- 5. Green 3 DC, Blue 5 DC, Green 3 DC, Blue 3 DC, Green 1 DC (15)
- 6. Green 3 DC, Blue 4 DC, Green 4 DC, Blue 4 DC (15) Stuff your earth.
- 7. Blue (DC, Dec) x 5 (10) Fasten off the Blue and continue in Green only.
- 8. (Dec) x 5 (5). Fasten off, then using your needle sew around the final 5 stitches, pull tight to close the opening. Sew in and out a few times to secure, pull your strand taut and then cut your strand, so it disappears inside the earth.

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