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CROCHET BABY PEACE PAL

This pattern was created for Knitting4Peace by Carrie Richardson
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The original pattern was intentionally developed by knitters of Knitting4Peace to create comforting companions for children in global areas of conflict. The current version reflects current needs, both at home and abroad. These dolls have delighted children across the United States and around the world.

Peace Pals are not to be sold or used for profit-based activity of any kind. They are intended to fulfill the mission and work of Knitting4Peace.

In our first 10 years, we served more than 100,000 individuals in communities across the United States and in countries around the world. If you would like more information about our work, please visit our website at www.knitting4peace.org.

Finished size: Up to 5 inches tall

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Materials:
Hook: E (4.3/5mm) or size needed for yarn to ensure tight enough stitches to hold stuffing in without gaps.

Yarn: For body – small amount of worsted weight
        For face: light, medium, or dark brown – please, no black or white
        Scraps for mouth and eyes

Tapestry or yarn needle for weaving in ends
Stitch marker
Polyester fiber-fill for stuffing

Directions:
Head and Face
1. With body color, ch 2; work 6 sc into first ch. Place marker to show beginning of a round. (6 sts)
2. 2 sc in each st around (12 sts)

3. *2 sc in next st, sc in next st* 6 times (18 sts)
4. *2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts* 6 times (24 sts)
5. *2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts* 6 times (30 sts)
6. For the next 3 rounds, 1 sc in each st around (30 sts)
7. *Change to face color, carrying body yarn behind. Sc in next 11 sts. Change to body color, carrying face color behind, sc in next 19 sts* for 6 rounds. (30 sts)
8. Cut the face color yarn, secure the end and continue with the body color only. SC in each st around for 2 rounds.
9. Use the tapestry or yarn needle to make eyes and mouth with scrap yarn.
10. Stuff the head with fiber-fill.

Body
1. *2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts * 6 times (36 sts)
2. *1 sc in each st around* repeating this until doll (36 sts) measures around 5 inches, about 20 rounds. (36 sts)
3. Stuff the head with fiber-fill making sure all ends are buried inside the head and the top is closed tightly

Decreasing for the Bottom
1. *sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts* 6 times (30 sts)
2. *sc2tog, sc in next 3 sts* 6 times (24 sts)
3. *sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts* 6 times (18 sts)
4. *sc2tog, sc in next st* 6 times (12 sts)
5. *sc2tog * 6 times (6 sts)
6. Adjust and/or add stuffing if needed. Cut yarn and pass end through remaining stitches. Pull tight and secure. Bury end inside the doll.

Finishing:
1. Decorate the top of the head with a pompom or tassel if you like
2. Make a 13 inch crochet chain or use a ribbon to tie around the baby to delineate the head from the body
3. Please do not use buttons beads or charms on Baby Peace Pals

Bless your completed project with a hug and your love. It will provide comfort, healing, and hope for the recipient.

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