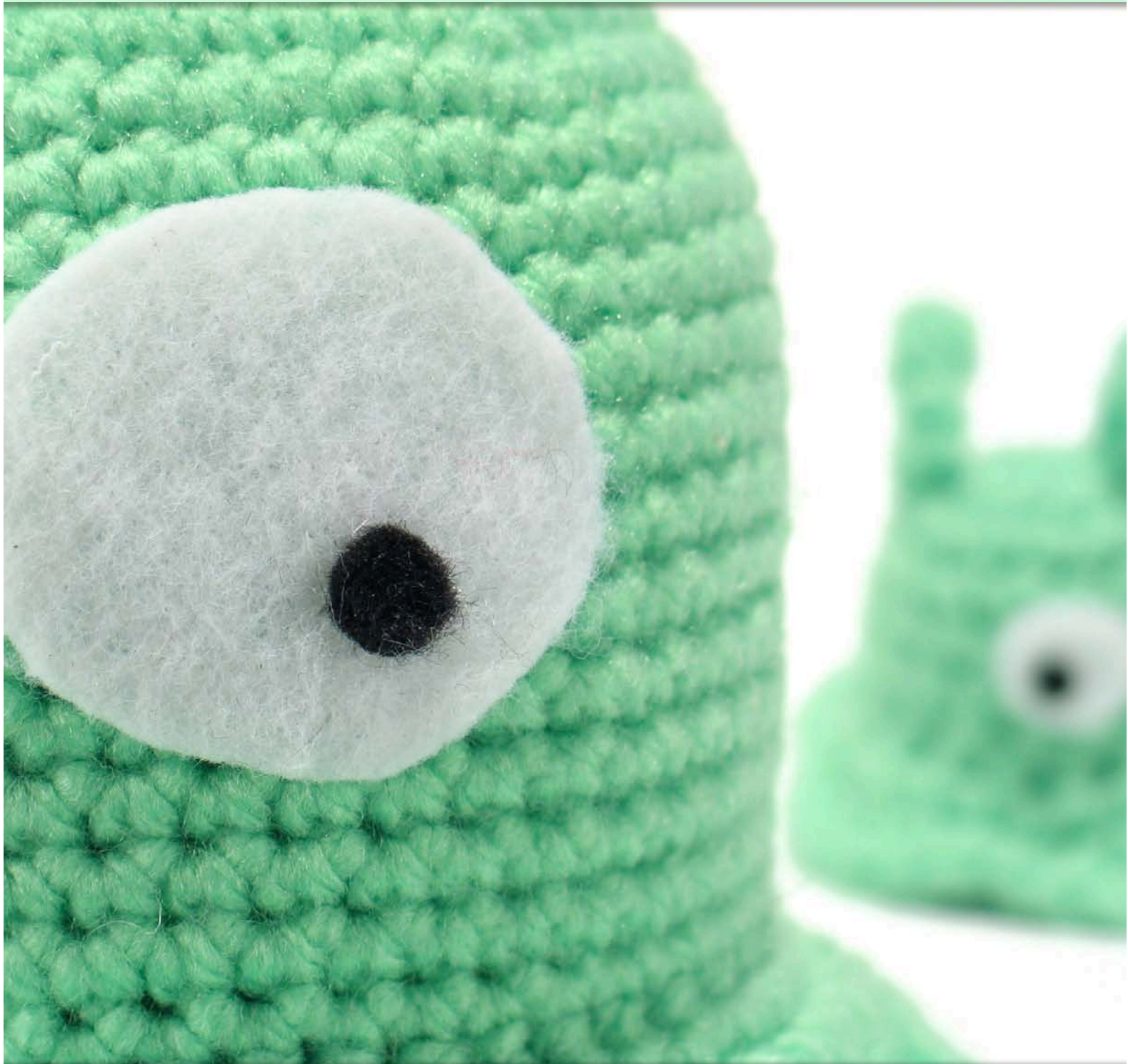


Brain Slugs

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Materials

Green Yarn (I used Bernat's Softee Chunky Solids, but any worsted or aran weight yarn will do.)
You'll need less than 100 yards of each
4.5mm/G Hook (or size to make a sturdy, tight Slug)
Black and White Felt (glue gun or thread and needle to attach it)
Crochet Stitch Marker
Stuffing

Abbreviations

ch – Chain
sc – Single Crochet
fpSC – Front Post Single Crochet
hdc – Half Double Crochet
dc – Double Crochet
trc – Triple Crochet
sc2tog – Decrease by crocheting 2 stitches together (If you find it to hard to do, skip a stitch instead)
sc 2 in 1 – Increase by crocheting 2 single crochets in the same stitch

So you didn't switch to a garlic shampoo and you are now infested with brain slugs...

Instructions

All of the slugs' parts are done in the round in spirals (use a stitch marker to keep track of the beginning of each row). Start with a magic ring with as many single crochets as required in row one. If you don't use the magic ring technique, chain 2, and insert as many single crochets as required in row one into the first chain.

Big Slug

You'll make the slug from top down, and at the end you'll add a bottom.

Body

1. sc 6
2. {sc 2 in1} 6 times (12)
3. {sc 1, sc 2 in1} 6 times (18)
4. {sc 2, sc 2 in1} 6 times (24)
5. {sc 3, sc 2 in1} 6 times (30)
6. {sc 4, sc 2 in1} 6 times (36)
7. {sc 5, sc 2 in1} 6 times (42)
8. {sc 6, sc 2 in1} 6 times (48)
- 9 to 22. Sc all around
23. {dc 5, dc 3 in 1} all around
24. Create an uneven edge by adding randomly some ruffles: sc or slip -stitch around, and where you want a ruffle go from sc to dc or trc incrementally (sc, then hdc, then dc, then trc) and down again to sc. I made some bigger (multiple trc), and some smaller (just going to dc). Bind off.
25. Through the inside (as seen in picture below), fpdc on the last or next to last row of single crochets. You should have 48 stitches at the end.
26. {sc 6, sc2tog} 6 times (42)
27. {sc 5, sc2tog} 6 times (36)
28. {sc 4, sc2tog} 6 times (30)
29. {sc 3, sc2tog} 6 times (24) Stuff firmly
30. sc2tog all around (12)
31. sc2tog all around (6)

Bind off and sew the remaining stitches together.



Antennae

1. ch 15
2. trc 1, slip stitch the rest through both loops

Bind off, leaving a bit of a tail to sew to head.

Little Slug

You'll make the slug from top down, and at the end you'll add a bottom.

Body

1. sc 6
2. {sc 2 in1} 6 times (12)
3. {sc 1, sc 2 in1} 6 times (18)
- 4 to 7. Sc all around
8. {sc 2, sc 3 in 1} all around
9. Create an uneven edge by adding randomly some ruffles: slip stitch around, and where you want a ruffle go from slip stitch to dc (slip stitch, sc, then hdc, then dc) and down again to slip stitch. I made some bigger (multiple dc), and some smaller (just going to hdc). Bind off.
10. Through the inside (as seen in picture above), fpdc on the last row of 18 single crochets. You should have 18 stitches at the end.
11. sc2tog all around (12) Stuff firmly
12. sc2tog all around (6)

Antennae

1. ch 5
2. hdc 1, slip stitch the rest through both loops

Bind off, leaving a bit of a tail to sew to head.

Finishing

- Sew antennae to head
- Cut a big circle in white felt, and a small circle in black felt for each eye (one eye per slug). Glue or sew them in place.
- You can sew the slugs to a headband, or attach a cord to tie them to your loved-ones heads.

Reference Pictures



