# **ROARY THE TIGER**



#### head (in orange yarn)

Rnd 1: Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6] Rnd 2: inc 6 times [12] Rnd 3: (inc, sc in next st) repeat 6 times [18] Rnd 4: (inc, sc in next 2 st) repeat 6 times [24] Rnd 5: (inc, sc in next 3 st) repeat 6 times [30] Rnd 6: (inc, sc in next 4 st) repeat 6 times [36] Rnd 7: (inc, sc in next 5 st) repeat 6 times [42] Rnd 8: (inc, sc in next 5 st) repeat 6 times [48] Rnd 9: (inc, sc in next 7 st) repeat 6 times [54] Rnd 10: (inc, sc in next 8 st) repeat 6 times [60] Rnd 11: (inc, sc in next 9 st) repeat 6 times [66] Rnd 12: (inc, sc in next 10 st) repeat 6 times [72] Rnd 13: (inc, sc in next 11 st) repeat 6 times [78]

Rnd 14: (inc, sc in next 12 st) repeat 6 times [84]

**Rnd 15:** sc in all 84 st [84]

**Rnd 16:** Mark the first stitch of this round for later reference. (dec, sc in next 12 st) repeat 6 times [78]

Rnd 17: (dec, sc in next 11 st) repeat 6 times [72]

Rnd 18: (dec, sc in next 10 st) repeat 6 times [66]

Rnd 19: (dec, sc in next 9 st) repeat 6 times [60]

Insert the safety eyes:

Refer back to the stitch you marked in round 16. Count 4 stitches to the left of the marked stitch. Insert one safety eye into that spot between rounds 15 and 16. Then count 19 stitches to the left of that eye and insert the other safety eye between rounds 15 and 16. Secure the safety eyes by fastening the washers. Continue crocheting.

Rnd 20: (dec, sc in next 8 st) repeat 6 times [54]

Rnd 21: (dec, sc in next 7 st) repeat 6 times [48]

Rnd 22: (dec, sc in next 6 st) repeat 6 times [42]

Begin stuffing the head with fiberfill, and continue stuffing as you go.

Rnd 23: (dec, sc in next 5 st) repeat 6 times [36]

Rnd 24: (dec, sc in next 4 st) repeat 6 times [30]

Rnd 25: (dec, sc in next 3 st) repeat 6 times [24]

Rnd 26: (dec, sc in next 2 st) repeat 6 times [18]

Rnd 27: (dec, sc in next st) repeat 6 times [12]

Rnd 28: dec 6 times [6]

Fasten off and leave a 6 inch (15 cm) tail. Use the tail to sew the head shut, and then hide the rest of the tail by weaving it into the head.

#### <u>muzzle (in white yarn)</u>

Rnd 1: Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]
Rnd 2: inc 6 times [12]
Rnd 3: (inc, sc in next st) repeat 6 times [18]
Rnd 4: (inc, sc in next 2 st) repeat 6 times [24]
Rnd 5: (inc, sc in next 3 st) repeat 6 times [30]
Slip stitch into the next stitch, fasten off and leave a 16 inch (40 cm) tail for sewing.

## ears (make 2, start in orange yarn)

Rnd 1: Leave a 6 inch (15 cm) leading tail for sewing.
Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]
Rnd 2: inc 6 times [12]
Rnd 3: (inc, sc in next st) repeat 6 times [18]
Change to black yarn.
Rnd 4: sc in next 14 st [14]
Fasten off and leave a 36 inch (90 cm) tail for sewing (and for making the tiger's stripes).

#### **body** (in orange yarn)

 Rnd 1: Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]

 Rnd 2: inc 6 times [12]

 Rnd 3: (inc, sc in next st) repeat 6 times [18]

 Rnd 4: (inc, sc in next 2 st) repeat 6 times [24]

 Rnd 5: sc in next 24 st [24]

 Rnd 6: (dec in next st, sc in next 2 st) repeat 6 times [18]

Rnd 7: sc in all 18 st [18]
Rnd 8: (dec, sc in next st) repeat 6 times [12]
Rnd 9: sc in next 12 st [12]
Slst into the next stitch, fasten off and leave a 16 inch (40 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff the body with fiberfill.

### arms (make 2, start in white yarn)

Rnd 1: Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]
Rnd 2: inc 6 times [12]
Rnd 3: (inc, sc in next st) repeat 6 times [18]
Rnd 4: sc in all 18 st [18]
Rnd 5: (dec, sc in next st) repeat 6 times [12]
Rnd 6: dec 6 times [6]
Change to orange yarn.
Rnds 7-12: Sc in next 6 st [6]
Slst into the next stitch, fasten off and leave a 12 inch (30 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff the paws (white portion) with fiberfill.

### legs (make 2, start in white yarn)

Rnd 1: Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]
Rnd 2: inc 6 times [12]
Rnd 3: (inc, sc in next st) repeat 6 times [18]
Rnd 4: (inc, sc in next 2 st) repeat 6 times [24]
Rnd 5: (inc, sc in next 3 st) repeat 6 times [30]
Rnd 6: sc in all 30 st [30]
Rnd 7: (dec, sc in next 3 st) repeat 6 times [24]
Rnd 8: (dec, sc in next 2 st) repeat 6 times [18]
Rnd 9: (dec, sc in next st) repeat 6 times [12]
Change to orange yarn.
Rnds 10-12: sc in next 12 st [12]
Slst into the next stitch, fasten off and leave a 12 inch (30 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff paws (white portion) with fiberfill.

#### tail (start in black yarn)

Rnd 1: Start 6 sc in a magic ring [6]
Rnd 2: sc in all 6 st [6]
Change to orange yarn.
Rnds 3-9: sc in all 6 st [6]
Slst into the next stitch, fasten off and leave a 6 inch (15 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff with fiberfill.

#### assembly

#### Step 1: Muzzle.

Pick up the white muzzle you crocheted. Thread the pink yarn onto your yarn needle. Starting from the back side of the muzzle, create a nose by inserting your needle up through the center of round 1, then into a space between the stitches of round 4 and 5, then come back out through the center of round 1 and go into another space between round 4 and 5. Repeat this motion until the arch of your tiger's nose spans about 9 stitches wide and no white shows in between the pink yarn. Cut off and hide any excess yarn on the back side of the muzzle.

Use black yarn to create a mouth in the shape of the letter U. The mouth can be placed off center on top of two stitches in round 4. Cut off and hide any excess yarn on the back side of the muzzle.

Use the white yarn tail to sew the completed muzzle between the tiger's eyes. Hide the loose yarn tail when finished.

## Step 2: Ears and stripes

Using a yarn needle, attach both ears to the head. Use the orange yarn tails to attach the orange portion of the ears to the head, and use the black yarn tails to attach the black portion of the ears to the head. When the ears are attached, use the extra-long black yarn tail to create three stripes on the left and right sides of the tiger's head.

## Step 3: Body

Center the opening of the body around round 28 of the head (this is the bottom of the head). Sew them together.

## Step 4: Arms

Align the arms vertically with the muzzle. Attach the arms where the head meets the body, and then sew the length of the arms to the length of the body.

## Step 5: Legs

Position and sew on the legs. Make sure that the tiger can sit properly.

## Step 6: Tail

When the tiger is in the sitting position, center the tail on its buttocks. The length of the tail should be resting on the ground to give the tiger more base support.

