



USE YOUR Sunshine

yarn kit



PLUS
stuffing, toy
safety eyes,
tapestry
needle

SIZE
Height: 20cm



PRINCE THE PEACOCK

Transform your Sunshine yarn kit into
Janine Holmes' fancy avian friend

Over the last few years crochet has soared in popularity, and with fantastic project possibilities like our magnificent peacock, it's really no surprise. This majestic critter is made up in separate pieces that are worked in a spiral round, so it's easy for beginners to pick up and satisfyingly speedy to make once you've got the swing of the basic stitches – just turn to page 56 if you need a hand.

So go pick up your hook and you'll soon be shaking your tail feather with your new-found skills in no time!



Prince the peacock

EYE PATCH

Make two

Using 4.5mm hook and Shell White make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

Rnd 1: 1dc, (1dc, 1htr, 1tr, 1htr, 1dc) in next st, 1dc, one sl st. Seven sts

Fasten off

HEAD AND NECK

Using 4.5mm hook and Ocean Blue make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

Rnd 2: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts

Rnd 3: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts

Rnd 4: (3dc, 2dc

in next st) to end. 30 sts

Rnds 5-9: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 10: (3dc, dc2tog) to end. 24 sts

Insert safety eye into centre of each Eye Patch, then insert between Rnds 7-8 of Head, approx nine sts apart, so pointed part of Eye Patch faces back of Head

Rnd 11: (2dc, dc2tog) to end. 18 sts

Rnd 12: (1dc, dc2tog) to end. 12 sts

Rnds 13-16: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 17: (3dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 15 sts

Rnd 18: (4dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts

Rnd 19: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 20: (5dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 21 sts

Rnd 21: rep Rnd 19 Fasten off

BEAK

Using 4.5mm hook and Sandy Yellow make a magic ring, work 3dc into ring. Three sts

Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. Six sts

Rnd 2: 1dc in each st to end

Row 3: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. Nine sts

Row 4: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 12 sts

Fasten off

HEAD FEATHER TIP

Make three

Using 4.5mm hook and Ocean Blue make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

Rnd 1: 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off, leaving a 15cm tail

HEAD FEATHER STALK

Make three

Using 4.5mm hook and Dolphin Blue make 6ch. Six sts

Row 1: starting second ch from hook, 1dc in each st to end. Five sts

Fasten off, leaving a 15cm tail

BODY

Using 4.5mm hook and Ocean Blue make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

Rnds 1-7: rep Rnds 1-7 of Head and Neck. 30 sts

Rnd 8: (3dc, dc2tog) to end. 24 sts

Change to Dolphin Blue

Rnds 9-13: 1dc in each st to end

Change to Sky Blue

Rnds 14-17: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 18: (2dc, dc2tog) to end. 18 sts

Stuff

Rnd 19: (1dc, dc2tog) to end. 12 sts

Rnd 20: (dc2tog) to end. Six sts



“The rich royal blue in this issue’s Sunshine kit is perfect for making a peacock, while the variegated yarn adds an extra special dimension to the tail”

Janine Holmes, Designer

Great Advice

A NEATER FINISH

When sewing on the eye patches, wings and tail feathers, make small back stitches in between the V-shaped loops of the final round to create a neat finish



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Cut yarn, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem six sts, fasten off

WING

Make two

Using 4.5mm hook and Dolphin Blue make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

Rnd 2: 4dc, 2htr in next st, (1tr, 1dtr) in next st, (1dtr, 1tr) in next st, 2htr in next st, 4dc, one sl st in next st. 16 sts. Fasten off

TAIL LOBE

Make five

Using 4.5mm hook and Deckchair Blue make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

Rnds 2-4: 1dc in each st to end. Fasten off. **Note:**

sew in ends on first four Lobes, leave yarn attached on last Lobe and cont with Tail as follows:

TAIL

Using 4.5mm hook and Deckchair Blue still attached to final

Lobe work 12dc around this Lobe, 6dc in each of next three Tail Lobes, 12dc in last Tail Lobe, 6dc in each of next three Tail Lobes. 60 sts

Rnd 1: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 2: (3dc, dc2tog) to end. 48 sts

Rnd 3: (6dc, dc2tog) to end. 42 sts

Rnd 4: rep Rnd 1

Rnd 5: (5dc, dc2tog) to end. 36 sts

Change to Dolphin Blue

Rnd 6: rep Rnd 1

Rnd 7: (4dc, dc2tog) to end. 30 sts

Rnd 8: rep Rnd 1

Rnd 9: (3dc, dc2tog) to end. 24 sts

Rnds 10-11: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 12: (2dc, dc2tog) to end. 18 sts

Rnd 13: (1dc, dc2tog) to end. 12 sts

Rnd 14: (dc2tog) to end. Six sts

Cut yarn, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem six sts, fasten off

FRONT TAIL FEATHER

Make five

Using 4.5mm hook and Ocean Blue make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

Change to Dolphin Blue

Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

Change to Sandy Yellow

Rnd 2: 4dc, 2htr in next st, (1tr, 1dtr) in next st, (1dtr, 1tr) in next st, 2htr in next st, 4dc, one sl st in next st. 16 sts

Fasten off

BACK TAIL FEATHER

Make five

Using 4.5mm hook and Sandy Yellow work as for Wing

FEET

Using 4.5mm hook and Sandy Yellow make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

Rnd 2: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts

Rnd 3: working in front loops only, * (one sl st, 4ch, one sl st) in each of next three sts **,

one sl st in each of next two sts, rep from * to ** once, 8dc

Rnd 4: working in leftover back loops from prev rnd (1dc, dc2tog) to end. 12 sts

Rnd 5: (dc2tog) to end. Six sts

Cut yarn, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem six sts, fasten off

in half lengthways and use long yarn tails to sew edges tog. Thread tail of each Head Feather

Tip onto a tapestry needle and thread through rem six sts, insert end of each Head Feather

Stalk into a Head Feather Tip, pull tight to close hole and sew a few sts through stalk to secure. Fasten off.

Sew three Head Feather Tips tog at base and sew to top centre of Head.

Sew Wings to either side of Body with pointed part facing backwards. Sew Feet to base of Body with toes facing forwards.

Pin a Front Tail Feather to the top of each Tail Lobe and sew edges in place, making sure to place sts through Tail Feather and both layers of Tail to flatten

Sew a matching Back Tail Feather to back of each Tail Lobe, without going through both layers.

Oversew tops of Tail Feathers tog. Sew base of Tail to back of Body.

Sew sts through both layers of Tail and into Body from the base up to Rnd 10 until firmly attached

TO MAKE UP

Stuff Head and Neck. Sew to top front part of Body. Sew edges of Eye Patches to Head. Stuff Beak and sew in between Eye Patches. Fold each Head Feather Stalk

in half lengthways and use long yarn tails to sew edges tog. Thread tail of each Head Feather Tip onto a tapestry needle and thread through rem six sts, insert end of each Head Feather Stalk into a Head Feather Tip, pull tight to close hole and sew a few sts through stalk to secure. Fasten off.

Sew three Head Feather Tips tog at base and sew to top centre of Head. Sew Wings to either side of Body with pointed part facing backwards. Sew Feet to base of Body with toes facing forwards.

