

Austin octopus

BODY

Using 3.75mm hook and Crocus Purple 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

Rnd 5: 1dc in each st to end Mark Rnd 6 with a st marker

Rnds 6-7: 1dc in each st to end Rnd 8: (dc2tog,

3dc) to end. 24 sts **Rnd 9:** (dc2tog, 2dc) to end. 18 sts

Insert a safety eye here and in marked rnd, approx seven sts apart

Rnd 10: (dc2tog, 1dc) to end. 12 sts Stuff

Rnd 11: (dc2tog) to end. Six sts Fasten off

TENTACLES

Using 3.75mm hook and Crocus Purple make a magic ring, work 8dc into ring. Eight sts

Rnd 1: (11ch, one sl st in second ch from hook, one sl st in each of next two ch, 4dc, 3htr, 1dc in next st of foundation rnd) eight times Fasten off, leaving a long tail

STRAP

Using 3.75mm hook and Iris Blue make 5ch

Row 1: 1tr in third ch from hook, 1tr in each st to end, turn. Three sts

Rows 2-16: 2ch, 1tr in each st to end, turn Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Sew in ends. Sew hole at base of Body closed. Sew Tentacles to base of Body. Use black embroidery thread to sew a small 'V' mouth in between eyes. Sew one end of blue Strap to top of Body. Sew a swivel clip to other end

Philip fish

BODY

TIGHTEN YOUR TENSION

determined by the way you hold your hook and how

so you could try adjusting your technique

Using 3.75mm hook and Crocus Purple make a magic ring, work

6dc into ring. Six sts

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

Rnd 2: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 3: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts

Rnd 4: rep Rnd 2 Change to Daffodil Yellow Mark Rnd 5 with a st marker

Rnd 5: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts

Rnd 6: rep Rnd 2 **Rnd 7:** (3dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 30 sts Insert safety eye here and in marked rnd, approx ten sts apart

Rnd 8: rep Rnd 2 Change to Spring Green

Rnds 9-12: rep Rnd 2 four times Change to

Iris Blue

Rnd 13: (dc2tog, 3dc) to end. 24 sts **Rnd 14:** rep Rnd 2 **Rnd 15:** (dc2tog, 2dc) to end. 18 sts Stuff

Rnd 16: rep Rnd 2 Change to Daffodil Yellow **Rnd 17:** (dc2tog, 1dc) to end. 12 sts

Stuff **Rnd 18:** (dc2tog) to end. Six sts Fasten off

TAIL

Using 3.75mm hook and Daffodil Yellow make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

Rnds 1-4: rep Rnds 1-4 of Octopus Body. 30 sts **Rnd 5:** (4dc, 2dc

in next st) to end.

Safety first



36 sts Fasten off, leaving a long tail

STRAP

Using 3.75mm hook and Spring Green work as for Octopus Strap

Make two (one on either side of body)

cute toy"

Liz Ward, Designer

Using 3.75mm hook, join Daffodil Yellow to last Daffodil Yellow rnd on side of Body

Row 1: 5ch, starting second ch from hook 1dc in next ch, 2htr, 1tr. Four sts Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Sew in ends. Sew

dummy – or even clipped to a pram as a

"These aquatic characters are

attached to a swivel clip so they

can be switched from dummy to

hole at end of Body closed. Fold in half and sew seams tog. Wrap Daffodil Yellow around centre of Tail to create fin shapes then sew to Body. Sew Tail to end of Body. Sew sides of Fins to Body. Sew one end of Strap to top of Fish. Sew a swivel clip to

other end

Mia mermaid

BODY

Using 3.75mm hook and Snowdrop White make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

Rnds 1-3: rep Rnds 1-3 of Octopus Body. 24 sts Mark Rnd 5 with a st marker

Rnds 4-6: 1dc in each st to end Rnd 7: (dc2tog, 2dc) to end. 18 sts Rnd 8: (dc2tog, 1dc) to end. 12 sts

Insert safety eye here and in marked rnd, approx five sts apart

Rnd 9: (dc2tog) to end. Six sts Stuff

Rnd 10: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

Rnd 11: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts

Rnd 12: (5dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 21 sts

Change to Forgetme-not Blue

Rnds 13-14: 1dc in each st to end Change to Snowdrop White

Rnds 15-16: rep Rnds 13-14 Change to Spring Green

Rnd 17: 1dc in each st to end Stuff tail as you work

Rnd 18: (dc2tog, 5dc) to end. 18 sts **Rnd 19:** (dc2tog, 7dc) to end. 16 sts **Rnd 20:** (dc2tog, 6dc) to end. 14 sts **Rnd 21:** (dc2tog, 5dc) to end. 12 sts **Rnd 22:** (dc2tog,

3dc) to end. Eight sts Rnd 24: (dc2tog, 2dc) to end. Six sts

Rnd 23: (dc2tog,

4dc) to end. Ten sts

TAIL

Fasten off

Using 3.75mm hook and Spring Green work as for Fish Tail

ARM

Make two

Using 3.75mm hook, join Snowdrop White to Body below head Row 1: 10ch,

starting second ch from hook 1dc in next ch, 1dc in each st to end. Nine sts Fasten off

STRAP

Using 3.75mm hook and Snowdrop White work as for Octopus Strap

TO MAKE UP

Sew in ends. Use red embroidery thread to embroider a small 'V' between eyes to form mouth. Cut lengths of Daffodil Yellow 30cm long. Lay over head and sew down middle parting to secure in three-strand clusters. Using Iris Blue embroider a few sts across centre of bikini. Wrap Iris Blue around neck and down to bikini to make straps. Wrap Spring Green around centre of Tail to create fin shapes then sew to Body. Sew one end of white Strap to head. Sew a swivel clip to other end



