One of our menagerie of amigurumi animals, Leo is sure to be a favorite.
Free Crochet Pattern from Lion Brand Yarn
Lion Brand® Wool-Ease® - Fun Fur
Leo The Lion
Pattern Number: 70460AD

SKILL LEVEL:  Easy +

SIZE: One Size
About 11 in. (28 cm) tall

CORRECTIONS: None as of Jun 24, 2009. To check for later updates, click here.

MATERIALS

• 620-171 Lion Brand Wool-Ease® Yarn: Gold
  2 Balls (A)
• 620-126 Lion Brand Wool-Ease® Yarn: Chocolate Brown
  1 Ball (B) small amount
• 320-126 Lion Brand Fun Fur Yarn: Chocolate
  1 Ball (C)
• Lion Brand Crochet Hook - Size H-8
• Lion Brand Stitch Markers
• Large-Eye Blunt Needles (Set of 6)
• Additional Materials
  Fiberfill stuffing

GAUGE:

17 sc + 17 rows = 4 in. (10 cm) with A. EXACT GAUGE IS NOT ESSENTIAL FOR THIS PROJECT.
BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE. When you match the gauge in a pattern, your project will be the size specified in the pattern and the materials specified in the pattern will be sufficient. If it takes you less stitches and rows to make a 4 in. [10 cm] square, try using a smaller size hook or needles; if more stitches and rows, try a larger size hook or needles.

STITCH EXPLANATION:

sc2tog (sc decrease) Insert hook into st and draw up a loop. Insert hook into next st and draw up a loop. Yarn over, draw through all 3 loops on hook.

NOTES:

Lion is worked in continuous rnds; do not join or turn unless otherwise instructed. Place a marker to indicate beg of rnd; move marker up as each rnd is completed.

HEAD
With A, ch 6.
Foundation Rnd: Sl st in 3rd ch from hook and next 3 ch, ch 2. Do not turn, working in free loops on opposite side of beginning ch, sc in first 4 ch, 3 sc in beg ch-2 sp; pivot to work in sl sts at beginning of rnd, sc in each of 4 sl sts, 3 sc in end ch-2 sp; do not join - 14 sc.
Place a marker to indicate beg of rnd; move marker up as each rnd is completed.
Rnd 1: Sc in next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc - 18 sc.
Rnd 2: Sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc, sc in next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 3 sc,
2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc - 22 sc.

**Rnd 3:** Sc in next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 6 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 2 sc - 26 sc.

**Rnds 4 and 5:** Sc in each sc around.

**Rnd 6:** (Sc in next 8 sc, sc2tog, sc in next sc, sc2tog) twice - 22 sc.

**Rnds 7 and 8:** Sc in each sc around.

**Rnd 9:** 2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 6 sc, (2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc) twice, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 6 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc - 28 sc.

**Rnds 10-12:** Sc in each sc around.

**Rnd 13:** Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 11 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 11 sc, 2 sc in next sc - 32 sc.

**Rnds 14-17:** Sc in each sc around.

**Rnd 18:** (Sc in next 2 sc, sc2tog) 8 times - 24 sc.

**Stuff Head with fiberfill.**

**Rnd 19:** (Sc in next sc, sc2tog) 8 times - 16 sc.

**Rnd 20:** (Sc2tog) 8 times - 8 sc.

**Rnd 21:** Sc in each sc around.

Sl st in next sc.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail. Weave tail through last rnd, gather tightly and fasten off.

**BODY**

**Note:** Work begins at neck.

With A, ch 3; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring.

**Rnd 1:** Work 6 sc in ring; do not join. Place a marker to indicate beg of rnd; move marker up as each rnd is completed.

**Rnd 2:** Work 2 sc in each sc around - 12 sc.

**Rnd 3:** Sc in each sc around.

**Rnd 4:** (Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc) around - 18 sc.

**Rnd 5:** (Sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around - 24 sc.

**Rnd 6:** Sc in each sc around.

**Rnd 7:** (Sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around - 30 sc.

**Rnd 8:** (Sc in next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around - 36 sc.

**Rnd 9:** Sc in each sc around.

Rep Rnd 9 until Body measures 8 in. (20.5 cm)

**Next Rnd:** (Sc in next sc, sc2tog) 12 times - 24 sc.

**Stuff Body.**

**Next Rnd:** (Sc in next sc, sc2tog) 8 times - 16 sc.

**Next Rnd:** (Sc in next 2 sc, sc2tog) 4 times - 12 sc.

**Last Rnd:** (Sc in next 2 sc, sc2tog) 3 times - 9 sc.

Sl st in next sc.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail. Weave tail through last rnd, gather tightly and fasten off.

**BACK LEG (make 2)**

With A, ch 3; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring.

**Rnd 1:** Work 6 sc in ring; do not join. Place a marker to indicate beg of rnd; move marker up as each rnd is completed.

**Rnd 2:** Work 2 sc in each sc around - 12 sc.

**Rnd 3:** (Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc) around - 18 sc.

**Rnds 4 and 5:** Sc in each sc around.

**Rnd 6:** (Sc in next sc, sc2tog) around - 12 sc.

**Rnds 7-13:** Sc in each sc around.

**Note:** Change to working back and forth in rows.

**Row 14:** Ch 1, turn sc in first 6 sc; leave remaining sts unworked.

**Row 15:** Ch 1, turn, sc in first 4 sc; leave last 2 sc unworked.

**Row 16:** Ch 1, turn, sc in first 2 sc; leave last 2 sc unworked.

**Row 17:** Ch 1, turn, sc in first 2 sc, sc in unworked sc in row below; leave 1 sc unworked - 3 sc.

**Row 18:** Ch 1, turn, sc in first 3 sc, sc in unworked sc in row below; leave 1 sc unworked - 4 sc.

**Row 19:** Ch 1, turn, sc in first 4 sc, sc in unworked sc in row below - 5 sc.

**Row 20:** Ch 1, turn, sc in first 5 sc, sc in unworked sc in row below - 6 sc.

**Rnd 21:** Ch 1, turn, sc in first 6 sc; insert hook in edge of work and draw up a loop, insert hook in unworked sc in row below and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through all loops on hook (edge-sc2tog made); sc in next 4 sc; insert hook in next sc and draw up a loop, insert hook in edge of work and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through all loops on hook (edge-sc2tog made); do not join - 12 sc.

**Note:** Change to working in rnds.

**Rnds 22 and 23:** Sc in each sc around.

**Rnd 24:** (Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc) around - 18 sc.
Rnd 25: Sc in each sc around.
Rnd 26: (Sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around - 24 sc.
Rnd 27: Sc in each sc around.
Rnd 28: (Sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around - 30 sc.
Rnd 29: Sc in each sc around.
Rnd 30: (Sc in next 9 sc, 2 sc in next sc) 3 times - 33 sc.
Rnds 31 and 32: Sc in each sc around.
Rnd 33: (Sc in next 9 sc, sc2tog) 3 times - 30 sc.
Rnd 34: (Sc in next sc, sc2tog) around - 24 sc.

Stuff Leg.
Rnd 35: (Sc in next 2 sc, sc2tog) around - 18 sc.
Rnd 36: (Sc in next sc, sc2tog) around - 12 sc.
Rnd 37: (Sc2tog) 6 times - 6 sc.
Sl st in next sc.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail. Weave tail through last rnd, gather tightly and fasten off.

FRONT LEG (make 2)
Work Rnds 1-6 as for Back Leg.
Rnd 7: Sc in each sc around.
Rep Rnd 7 until Leg measures 7 in. (18 cm). Fasten off.

EAR (make 2)
With A, ch 3; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring.
Rnd 1: Work 6 sc in ring; do not join.
Place a marker to indicate beg of rnd; move marker as each rnd is completed.
Rnd 2: 2 sc in each sc around - 12 sc.
Rnds 3 and 4: Sc in each sc around.
Sl st in next sc.
Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing. Flatten Ear.

TAIL
With A, ch 3; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring.
Rnd 1: Work 6 sc in ring; do not join.
Rnd 2: Sc in each sc around.
Rep Rnd 2 until Tail measures 7 in. (18 cm). Fasten off.

FINISHING
Sew Head to Body.

Mane
With 2 strands of C held together, and leaving a 3 in. (7.5 cm) yarn tail, work surface sl sts around back of Head and top of back of Body, as follows:
1) Insert hook into Lion around a stitch.
2) Yarn over with C.
3) Draw loop of C back through stitch of Lion.
4) Insert hook around next stitch of Lion.
Rep from step 2, working Mane randomly around Head and shoulders of Lion. To finish, cut C leaving a 3 in. (7.5 cm) tail. Draw tail through last loop of C. Draw tails of C into Lion to hide.

Tail Tuft
Work as for Mane around tip of Tail. Weave yarn ends through beg ring.


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<td>ch(s) = chain(s)</td>
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*Fun Fur (Article #320) is a novelty "eyelash" yarn. Solids: 1¾/50g; 60 yd/54m per ball Prints: 1½ oz/40g; 57 yd/52m per ball 100% polyester.

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