

Biffer Duster Wig From Gherkin's Bucket



Materials

Size H (US 8) crochet hook

¼ oz worsted weight kitchen cotton (I used Sugar n Cream)

1 ¼ oz machine-washable novelty yarn (dependent upon type ~35 yards)

Abbreviations

Ch – chain

Sc – single crochet

Ea – each

Dc – double crochet

Tfl – through the front loops

Hdc – half double crochet

Sl st – slip stitch

St - stitch

Rep - repeat

Pattern

Ch 21

Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in ea ch across, turn (20 sc)

Create Round: Ch 2, * dc tfl of first 5 sc, hdc tfl in next 10 sc, dc tfl in last five sc, ch 2 *, turn work and rep from * to * working in remaining loops from the row of sc you just worked into (i.e., what was the back loop of each stitch), join with sl st to first dc of the round

Close Round: ch 1, sc tbl of both sides of previous round all the way across (this will create a pocket, and leave a ridge to attach the novelty yarn to later), turn (20 sc)

Repeat last two lines once more, fasten off and weave in ends.

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Attach novelty yarn to one loop of an edge stitch on the long side with a sl st, ch 10 loosely, sl st into loop of next st. (SEE NOTE BELOW)

* Sl st in loop of next stitch, ch 10 loosely, sl st in loop of next st *, rep from * to * across.

At the end of the row, ch 2 and turn, continue back in the same manner through the “ridge” of loops you created when you closed the round. Repeat for 2nd ridge and the other side edge; you will have four ridges of novelty yarn loops. Fasten off and weave in ends.

Slip prongs of Swiffer Duster into the two pockets and get dusting! Note that the first time you put it on it will be snug and may require some “scooching” to get the handle prongs all the way in.

NOTE – Use my directions for the fringe as a *guide*, if you have particularly bulky novelty, you may need to adjust these directions. Try making your chain length a little longer and slip stitching into every other loop, etc. It all just depends on how loose or compact you want the dusty part to be: looser and longer fringe will allow for more corner and small places dusting; compact and shorter fringe will make for a more “scrubby” duster.



You can also purchase these pre-made through my etsy shop, for those of you who are less than crochet-inclined. www.gherkinsbucket.etsy.com