# Bengali Babees



Ganesh

When crocheted with yarn and hook specified, Ganesh measures 14 inches L, 13 inches around the belly, and a sitting height of 10 inches. Crown is 14 inches in diameter and  $2\frac{1}{4}$  inches high at center front.

Ganesh is crocheted in the amigurumi style of continuous rounds beginning from a double yarn loop. Marking the last stitch of increase and decrease rounds with a small length of yarn or a safety pin will help you to keep track.



## **Materials**

F/5 3.75mm crochet hook

1 (6 ounce) skein Caron Simply Soft 'Bone' (or other soft worsted weight) yarn

1 ounces yellow or gold stiff worsted weight yarn (for crown)

Small amount of white yarn for tusks

Small amount of black yarn for the eyebrows

Black and white felt for the eyes

Sewing thread, needle and pins

Polyester fiberfill for stuffing (4 - 5 ounces)

Yarn needle

# **Pattern abbreviations**

Rnd - Round

ch - chain

sc - single crochet stitch

hdc: half double crochet stitch

dc - double crochet stitch

sc inc - single crochet increase (2 single crochet stitches into 1 stitch)

sc dec - single crochet decrease (insert hook into front loop of 1st sc, insert hook into

back loop of next sc, draw up loop, yarn over and pull hook through all loops)

Sl st: Slip stitch

BLO: Back Loops Only

FLO: Front Loops Only

\*-\* Repeat directions between \* as indicated

#### **Ears**

Bone yarn and F hook

Right

Crochet 6 sc into double loop, pull loop end to close, ch 1, turn

Rnd 1: 2 sc into each of 1<sup>st</sup> sc, 1 sc into next 3 sc, 2 sc into last 2 sc, ch 1, turn (9 sc)

Rnd 2: 1 sc into 1<sup>st</sup> sc, 2 sc into each next 2 sc, 1 sc into each next 5 sc, 2 sc into last sc, ch 1, turn (12 sc)

Rnd 3: 1 sc into 1<sup>st</sup> sc, 2 sc into next sc, 1 sc into each next 7 sc, 2 sc into next 2 sc, 1 sc into last sc, ch 1, turn (15 sc)

Rnd 4: 1 sc into 1<sup>st</sup> sc, 2 sc into each next 2 sc, 1 sc into each next 8 sc, 2 sc into each

next 3 sc, 1 sc into last sc, ch 1, turn (20 sc)

Rnd 5: 2 sc, dec, \*1 sc, 2 sc inc\* 8 times, 2 sc dec, ch 1, turn (26 sc)



Rnd 6: 1 sc into 1<sup>st</sup> sc, 2 sc into each next 2 sc, 1 sc into each next 18 sc, 2 sc into next 3 sc, 1 sc into next 2 sc, ch 1, turn (31 sc)

Rnd 7: 2 sc dec, \*2 sc, 2 sc inc\* 9 times, 2 sc dec, ch 1, turn (38 sc)

Rnd 8: 2 sc dec, 1 hdc into each next 4 sc, 1 sc into each next 20 sc, 1 hdc into each next 8 sc, 1 sc into each next 4 sc, ch 1 turn (37 sts)

Sc across straight side of ch row ends, tie off, leaving long enough yarn length to sew ear to head later.

#### Left

Crochet 6 sc into double loop, pull loop end to close, ch 1, turn

Rnd 1: 2 sc into each of 1<sup>st</sup> sc, 1 sc into next 3 sc, 2 sc into last 2 sc, ch 1, turn (9 sc)

Rnd 2: 1 sc into 1<sup>st</sup> sc, 2 sc into each next 2 sc, 1 sc into each next 5 sc, 2 sc into last sc, ch 1, turn (12 sc)

Rnd 3: 1 sc into 1<sup>st</sup> sc, 2 sc into next sc, 1 sc into each next 7 sc, 2 sc into next 2 sc, 1 sc into last sc, ch 1, turn (15 sc)

Rnd 4: 1 sc into 1<sup>st</sup> sc, 2 sc into each next 3 sc, 1 sc into each next 8 sc, 2 sc into each next 2 sc, 1 sc into last sc, ch 1, turn (20 sc)

Rnd 5: 2 sc, dec, \*1 sc, 2 sc inc\* 8 times, 2 sc dec, ch 1, turn (26 sc)

Rnd 6: 1 sc into each of 2 sc, 2 sc into each next 3 sc, 1 sc into each next 18 sc, 2 sc into next 2 sc, 1 sc into last sc, ch 1, turn (31 sc)

Rnd 7: 2 sc dec, \*2 sc, 2 sc inc\* 9 times, 2 sc dec, ch 1, turn (38 sc)

Rnd 8: 1 sc into each of 4 sc, 1 hdc into each next 8 sc, 1 sc into each next 20 sc, 1 hdc into each next 4 sc, 2 sc dec, ch 1 turn (37 sts)

Sc across straight side of ch row ends, tie off, leaving long enough yarn length to sew ear to head later.

# Eyebrows (make 2)

Black yarn and F hook

Leaving a 6 inch length of yarn on end of ch, ch 8, tie off, leaving a 10 inch yarn length. With yarn needle thread shorter yarn length, lay chain above eye with shorter yarn length near the inside area of the eye, pull yarn to the inside to anchor, thread yarn needle with longer yarn length, arrange eyebrow in preferred expression, pull yarn to inside and back out through 1<sup>st</sup> ch on that end, sew in and out over chains to end, pull yarn to inside and tie together with shorter end, trim.

#### Trunk/Head

Bone yarn and F hook

Crochet 6 sc into double loop, pull loop end to close

Rnd 1: \*1 sc, 2 sc inc\* 3 times (9 sc)

Rnd 2: FLO 9 sc

Rnds 3-4: 9 sc (2 rounds)



Rnd 5: FLO 9 sc

Rnds 6-8: Repeat rounds 3-5

Rnds 9-11: Repeat rounds 3-5

Rnd 12: 8 sc, 2 sc inc (10 sc)

Rnd 13: 10 sc

Rnd 14: FLO 10 sc

Rnd 15: \*4 sc, 2 sc inc\* 2 times (12 sc)

Rnd 16: 12 sc

Rnd 17: FLO 12 sc

Rnds 18-19: 12 sc (2 rounds)

Rnd 20: FLO 12 sc

Rnd 21: \*5 sc, 2 sc inc\* 2 times (14 sc)

Rnd 22: 14 sc

Rnd 23: FLO 14 sc

Rnd 24: \*6 sc, 2 sc inc\* 2 times (16 sc)

Rnd 25: 16 sc

Rnd 26: FLO 16 sc

Rnd 27: \*7 sc, 2 sc inc\* 2 times (18 sc)

Rnd 28: 18 sc

Rnd 29: FLO 18 sc

Rnd 30: \*5 sc, 2 sc inc\* 3 times (21 sc)

Rnd 31: 21 sc

Rnd 32: FLO 21 sc

Rnd 33: 3 sc, ch 2, skip 2 sc, 2 sc inc, \*2 sc, 2 sc inc\* 3 times, ch 2, skip 2 sc, 4 sc (20 sc)

Rnd 34: (Work sc into ch sts, this will create the openings for the tusks) 8 sc, 2 sc inc, \*2

sc, 2 sc inc\* 3 times, 7 sc (29 sc)

Rnd 35: FLO 29 sc

#### Make tusks:

1: Set Bone yarn aside and sl st White yarn into either corner of tusk opening, sc into same corner as sl st and into the other 5 sc around the opening (including the other corner)

2: 6 sc around in BLO

3: \*1 sc, 2 sc dec\* 2 times (4 sc)

4: \*2 sc dec\* 2 times, tie off, pull ends to inside and tie together.

#### Resume head:

Rnd 36: 10 sc, 2 sc inc; \*2 sc, 2 sc inc\* 3 times; 9 sc (33 sc)

Rnd 37: 8 sc, 2 sc inc; \*3 sc, 2 sc inc\* 4 times; 8 sc (38 sc)

Rnd 38: \*7 sc, 2 sc inc\* 4 times, 6 sc (42 sc)

Rnd 39: 8 sc, 2 sc inc; \*3 sc, 2 sc inc\* 6 times; 0 sc (49 sc)

Rnd 40: 49 sc

Rnd 41:14 sc, 2 sc inc; \*3 sc, 2 sc inc\* 5 times; 14 sc (55 sc)

Rnd 42: 55 sc

Rnd 43: 17 sc, 2 sc inc; \*4 sc, 2 sc inc\* 4 times; 17 sc (60 sc)

Rnd 44: \*14 sc, 2 sc inc\* 4 times (64 sc)



Rnds 45-52: 64 sc (8 rounds)

Cut white felt into 2 eye shapes about 1 ¼ inch long and ¾ inch in width at the center, cut black felt into about ½ inch in diameter rounds for pupils (also cut another, smaller third eye and pupil), place pupils on white eye shapes and sew eyes to face around the inside edge of pupil with dark thread, sew on eyebrows as directed above, sew third eye between and above eyebrows, sew ears to sides of head.

Rnd 53: \*6 sc, 2 sc dec\* 8 times (56 sc)

Rnd 54: \*6 sc, 2 sc dec\* 7 times (49 sc)

Rnd 55: 49 sc

Rnd 56: \*5 sc, 2 sc dec\* 7 times (42 sc)

Rnd 57: \*5 sc, 2 sc dec\* 6 times (36 sc)

Rnd 58: 36 sc

Rnd 59: \*4 sc, 2 sc dec\* 6 times (30 sc) Stuff trunk firmly, stuff and shape face and head, adding more stuffing as necessary as you close

Rnd 60: \*4 sc, 2 sc dec\* 5 times (25 sc)

Rnd 61: \*3 sc, 2 sc dec\* 5 times (20 sc)

Rnd 62: \*2 sc, 2 sc dec\* 5 times (15 sc)

Rnd 63: \*1 sc, 2 sc dec\* 5 times (10 sc)

Rnd 64: \*2 sc dec\* 5 times to close

Tie off, thread yarn needle with end, push needle through last round and back out a couple rounds away, pull taut and snip end to hide it inside the head.

#### Arms

Bone yarn and F hook

Right (make 2)

Crochet 6 sc into double loop, pull loop end to close

Rnd 1: \*2 sc into each sc\* 6 times (12 sc)

Rnd 2: \*2 sc, 2 sc inc\* 4 times (16 sc)

Rnd 3: 1 sc into each of 3 sc, 3 dc into next sc, 1 sc into each next 2 sc, \*3 dc into next sc, 1 sc into next sc\* 3 times, 3 dc into next sc, 1 sc into each next 3 sc (26 sts)

Rnd 4: 1 sc into each of 3 sc, skip over dcs, 1 sc into each next 2 sc, \*skip over dcs, 1 sc into next sc\* 3 times, skip over dcs, 1 sc into next sc, 2 sc dec (10 sc)

Pull loop yarn end to inside with hook, pull firmly to tighten and tie off

Rnds 5-11: 10 sc (7 rounds)

Rnd 12: 9 sc, 2 sc inc (11 sc)

Rnds 13-17: 11 sc (5 rounds)

Rnd 18: 10 sc, 2 sc inc (12 sc)

Rnds 19-22: 12 sc (4 rounds)

Rnd 23: 11 sc, 2 sc inc (13 sc)

Rnd 24: 13 sc

Sl st into next sc, tie off, leaving long yarn length to sew arm to body later



# Left (make 2)

Crochet 6 sc into double loop, pull loop end to close

Rnd 1: \*2 sc into each sc\* 6 times (12 sc)

Rnd 2: \*2 sc, 2 sc inc\* 4 times (16 sc)

Rnd 3: 1 sc into each of 3 sc, \*3 dc into next sc, 1 sc into next sc\* 3 times, 3 dc into next

sc, 1 sc into each next 2 sc, 3 dc into next sc, 1 sc into each next 3 sc (26 sts)

Rnd 4: 2 sc dec, 1 sc into next sc, \*skip over dcs, 1 sc into next sc\* 3 times, skip over

des, 1 sc into each next 2 sc, skip over des, 1 sc into each next 3 sc (10 sc)

Pull loop yarn end to inside with hook, pull firmly to tighten and tie off

Rnds 5-11: 10 sc (7 rounds)

Rnd 12: 9 sc, 2 sc inc (11 sc)

Rnds 13-17: 11 sc (5 rounds)

Rnd 18: 10 sc, 2 sc inc (12 sc)

Rnds 19-22: 12 sc (4 rounds)

Rnd 23: 11 sc, 2 sc inc (13 sc)

Rnd 24: 13 sc

Sl st into next sc, tie off, leaving long yarn length to sew arm to body later

# Legs (make 2)

Bone yarn and F hook

Crochet 6 sc into double loop, pull loop end to close

Rnd 1: \*2 sc into each sc\* 6 times (12 sc)

Rnd 2: \*2 sc into each sc\* 12 times (24 sc)

Rnd 3: 1 sc into each of 7 sc, \*3 hdc into next sc, 1 sc into next sc\* 4 times, 3 hdc into

next sc, 1 sc into each next 8 sc (34 sts)

Rnd 4: 1 sc into each of 7 sc, \*skip over hdcs, 1 sc into next sc\* 4 times, skip over hdcs, 1

sc into each of 8 sc (19 sc)

Rnd 5: 1 sc into each of 6 sc, \*2 sc dec\* 3 times, 1 sc into each of 7 sc (16 sc)

Rnd 6: 1 sc into each of 6 sc, \*2 sc dec\* 2 times, 1 sc into each of 6 sc (14 sc)

Pull loop yarn end to inside with hook, pull firmly to tighten and tie off

Rnds 7-15: 14 sc (9 rounds)

Rnd 16: Skip over 1 sc, 1 sc into next sc, skip over 1 sc, 1 sc into each of 11 sc (12 sc)

Rnd 17 \*2 sc inc\* 2 times, 1 sc into each of 10 sc (14 sc)

Rnds 18-19: 14 sc (2 rounds)

Rnd 20: 13 sc, 2 sc inc (15 sc)

Rnds 21-22: 15 sc (2 rounds)

Rnd 23: 14 sc, 2 sc inc (16 sc)

Rnds 24-25: 16 sc (2 rounds)

Rnd 26: 15 sc, 2 sc inc (17 sc)

Rnd 27: 17 sc

Slip st into next sc, tie off, leaving long enough yarn length to sew leg to body later.



# **Body**

## Bone yarn and F hook

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Crochet 6 sc into double loop, pull end to close.
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Rnd 1: \*2 sc into each sc\* 6 times (12 sc)

Rnd 2: \*1 sc into next sc, 2 sc inc\* 6 times (18 sc)

Rnd 3: \*1 sc into each next 2 sc, 2 sc inc\* 6 times (24 sc)

Rnd 4: \*1 sc into each next 2 sc, 2 sc inc\* 8 times (32 sc)

Rnd 5: \*1 sc into each next 7 sc, 2 sc inc\* 4 times (36 sc)

Rnd 6: \*1 sc into each next 2 sc, 2 sc inc\* 12 times (48 sc)

Rnd 7: \*1 sc into each next 7 sc, 2 sc inc\* 6 times (54 sc)

Rnd 8: 54 sc

Rnd 9: \*1 sc into each next 5 sc, 2 sc inc\* 9 times (63 sc)

Rnd 10: 63 sc

Rnd 11: 19 sc, 2 sc inc; \*11 sc, 2 sc inc\* 2 times; 19 sc (66 sc)

Rnds 12-20: 66 sc (9 rounds)

Rnd 21: \*9 sc, 2 sc dec\* 6 times (60 sc)

Rnd 22: \*8 sc, 2 sc dec\* 6 times (54 sc)

Rnd 23: 54 sc

Rnd 24: \*7 sc, 2 sc dec\* 6 times (48 sc)

Rnds 25-28: 48 sc (4 rounds)

Rnd 29: \*6 sc, 2 sc dec\* 6 times (42 sc)

Rnd 30: 42 sc

Stuff and sew on legs

Rnd 31: \*5 sc, 2 sc dec\* 6 times (36 sc)

Rnd 32: \*4 sc, 2 sc dec\* 6 times (30 sc)

Rnds 33-36: 30 sc (4 rounds)

Rnd 37: \*8 sc, 2 sc dec\* 3 times (27 sc)

Rnds 38-39: 27 sc (2 rounds)

Slip st into next sc, tie off, leaving long enough yarn length to sew head to body later.

## Crown

Yellow or gold yarn and F hook

Ch 56

Row 1: Sc down chain, ch 1, turn (55 sc)

Row 2: Skip 1<sup>st</sup> sc, 1 sc into next 14 sc, 3 dc into next sc, skip 3 sc, \*4 dc into next sc,

skip 3 sc\* 5 times, 3 dc into next sc, 1 sc into each next 15 sc, ch 1, turn (55 sts)

Row 3: Skip 1<sup>st</sup> sc, 1 sc into each of 18 sts, 3 dc into next st, skip 3 sts, \*4 dc into next st,

skip 3 sts\* 3 times, 3 dc into next st, 1 sc into each of 19 sts, ch 1, turn (55 sts)



Row 4: Skip 1<sup>st</sup> sc, 1 sc into each of 23 sts, 3 dc into next st, skip 3 sts, 4 dc into next st, skip 3 sts, 3 dc into next st, 1 sc into each of 22 sts, ch 1, turn (55 sts)

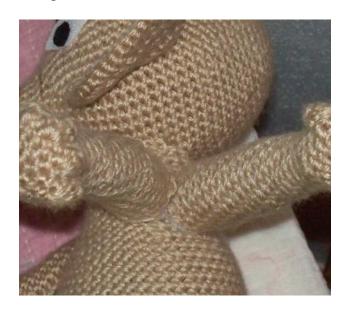
Row 5: Skip 1<sup>st</sup> sc, 1 sc into each of 25 sts, 3 dc into next st, 2 dc into next st, 1 sc into each of 27 sts. Tie off, leaving 6 inch long yarn length, thread yarn needle with yarn length and stitch ends together along row ends, weave in ends.



# **Assembly**

Stuff arms; pin and sew rear arms to upper back of body with the front of arms near the body sides, pin front arms to sides of body, slightly overlapping the area of the rear arms closest to the sides (see picture below), sew on. Stuff body, pin and sew on head, adding more stuffing to the neck area to keep head upright. Place crown on Ganesh and either wrap in a dhoti or make a pair of lounge pants (I used a fat quarter folded in half and traced around the lower half of Ganesh about an inch and a half away from the body and legs, sewed sides and inner legs, folded waist down an inch and sewed to create a casing for elastic, added the elastic and sewed the gap closed, then hand hemmed the legs.

# Arm placement





# **Pants**



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