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Shark **SWADDLE**

Dive into this quirky project now so your little one has a cute costume by Halloween!

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What You'll Need

YARN

RED HEART With Love, 7oz/198g skeins, each approx 370yd/338m (acrylic)

- 1 (1, 2) skeins #1001 White (A)
- 1 (1, 2) skeins #1814 True Blue (B)
- 1 skein #1012 Black (C)

CROCHET HOOK

 Size H/8 (5mm) crochet hook or any size to obtain correct gauge

NOTIONS

- Zipper, 12"/30cm long
- Stitch markers
- Fiberfill stuffing
- Yarn needle





With Love in True Blue



SIZE

3-6 months (9-12 months, 18-24 months)

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Chest 21 (25, 29)"/53.5 (63.5, 73.5)cm **Length** 13.5 (15.5, 17.5)"/34.5 (39.5, 44.5) cm, not including hood

GAUGE

16 sts and 16 rows = 4"/10cm over single crochet.

Remember to check gauge for best results!



SHARK SWADDLE RIGHT FRONT

Beginning at lower edge with A, ch 7 (9, 11). **Row 1** (RS) Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch across—6 (8, 10) sc. **Row 2** Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in first sc, sc in each sc across—7 (9, 11) sc.

Row 3 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Row 4 Repeat Row 2—8 (10, 12) sc.

Rows 5 and 6 Repeat Rows 3 and 4—9 (11, 13) sc.

Next 1 (3, 5) Rows Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Top of Leg Opening

Row 1 (WS) Ch 7 (9, 11) for top of leg opening, turn, sc in 2nd ch from hook and in next 5 (7, 9) ch, sc in each sc across—15 (19, 23) sc.

Row 2 Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in first sc, sc in each sc across—16 (20, 24) sc.

Rows 3–24 (28, 32) Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Shape Armhole

Row 1 (WS) Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in each sc across—15 (19, 23) sc.

Row 2 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Rows 3–12 (14, 16) Repeat last 2 rows 5 (6, 7) times—10 (13, 16) sc.

Next 2 Rows Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Shape Neck and Continue Armhole

Row 1 (WS) Ch 1, turn, sc in first 8 (10, 12) sc; leave remaining sts unworked—8 (10, 12) sc.

Row 2 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across to last 2 sc, sc2tog—7 (9, 11) sc.

Row 3 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Rows 4–7 Repeat last 2 rows twice—5 (7, 9) sc.

Row 8 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across. Fasten off.

LEFT FRONT

Beginning at lower edge with A, ch 7 (9, 11).

Row 1 (RS) Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch across—6 (8, 10) sc. **Row 2** Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across to

last sc. 2 sc in last sc—7 (9, 11) sc.

Row 3 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Row 4 Repeat Row 2—8 (10, 12) sc. **Rows 5 and 6** Repeat Rows 3 and 4—9 (11, 13) sc.

Next 1 (3, 5) Rows Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Top of Leg Opening

Remove loop from hook and place on a stitch holder so the stitch does not unravel. With a separate length of yarn, make a foundation for the top of leg opening, as follows:

With A, ch 6 (8, 10); join with sl st to first st of last row worked (at opposite end of row from the dropped loop).

Fasten off. Return dropped loop to hook.

Row 1 (WS) Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across to the top of leg foundation ch, sc in each of ch across—15 (19, 23) sc.

Row 2 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across to last sc, 2 sc in last sc—16 (20, 24) sc.

Rows 3–24 (28, 32) Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Shape Armhole

Row 1 (WS) Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across to last 2 sc, sc2tog—15 (19, 23) sc.

Rows 2 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across. **Rows 3–12 (14, 16)** Repeat last 2 rows 5 (6, 7) times—10 (13, 16) sc.

Next 2 Rows Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Shape Neck and Continue Armhole

Row 1 (WS) Ch 1, turn, sk first sc, sl st in next 1 (2, 3) sc, sc in each remaining sc across—8 (10, 12) sc.

Row 2 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across to last 2 sc, sc2tog—7 (9, 11) sc.

Row 3 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across. **Rows 4–7** Repeat last 2 rows twice—5 (7, 9) sc.

Row 8 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across. Fasten off.

LEFT BACK

Beginning at lower edge with B, ch 9 (11, 13).

Row 1 (RS) Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch across—8 (10, 12) sc.

Row 2 Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in first sc, sc in each sc across—9 (11, 13) sc.

Row 3 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Row 4 Repeat Row 2—10 (12, 14) sc. Rows 5 and 6 Repeat Rows 3 and

4—11 (13, 15) sc.

Next 1 (3, 5) Rows Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Top of Leg Opening

Row 1 (WS) Ch 9 (11, 13) for top of leg opening, turn, sc in 2nd ch from hook and in next 7 (9, 11) ch, sc in each sc across—19 (23, 27) sc.

Row 2 Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in first sc, sc in each sc across—20 (24, 28) sc.

Row 3 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across. **Rows 4 and 5** Repeat last 2 rows—21 (25, 29) sts.

Row 6 Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in first sc, [sc in next 4 (6, 7) sc, 2 sc in next sc] 3 times, sc in each remaining sc across—25 (29, 33) sts.

Rows 7–23 (27, 31) Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Shape Armhole

Row 1 (RS) Ch 1, turn, sc in first 20 sc; leave remaining sts unworked for underarm—20 sc.

Row 2 Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in each remaining sc across—19 sc.

Row 3 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across. **Row 4–13 (9, 5)** Repeat last 2 rows 5 (3, 1) time(s)—14 (16, 18) sc.

Next 10 (16, 22) Rows Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Fasten off.

RIGHT BACK

Beginning at lower edge with B, ch 9 (11, 13).

Row 1 (RS) Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch across—8 (10, 12) sc.



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Row 2 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across to last sc, 2 sc in last sc—9 (11, 13) sc.

Row 3 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Row 4 Repeat Row 2—10 (12, 14) sc.

Rows 5 and 6 Repeat Rows 3 and 4—11 (13, 15) sc.

Next 1 (3, 5) Rows Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Top of Leg Opening

Remove loop from hook and place on a stitch holder (or safety pin) to ensure that the stitch does not unravel. With a separate length of yarn, make a foundation for the top of leg opening, as follows: With B, ch 8 (10, 12); join with sI st to first st of last row worked (at opposite end of row from the dropped loop). Fasten off. Return dropped loop to hook.

Row 1 (WS) Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across to the top of leg foundation ch, sc in each of ch across—19 (23, 27) sc.

Row 2 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across to last sc, 2 sc in last sc—20 (24, 28) sc.

Row 3 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Rows 4 and 5 Repeat last 2 rows—21 (25, 29) sts.

Row 6 Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in first sc, [sc in next 4 (6, 7) sc, 2 sc in next sc] 3 times, sc in each remaining sc across—25 (29, 33) sts.

Rows 7–23 (27, 31) Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Shape Armhole

Row 1 (RS) Ch 1, turn, sk first st, sl st in next 4 (8, 12) sc for underarm, sc in each remaining sc across—20 sc.

Row 2 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across to last 2 sc, sc2tog—19 sc.

Row 3 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Rows 4–13 (9, 5) Repeat last 2 rows 5 (3, 1) time(s)—14 (16, 18) sc.

Next 10 (16, 22) Rows Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Fasten off.

BACK SLEEVE

(Make 2)

Beginning at top of Sleeve with B, ch 26 (28, 30).

Row 1 Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch across—25 (27, 29).

Rows 2 and 3 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Row 4 Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in each sc across to last 2 sc, sc2tog—23 (25, 27) sc.

Row 5 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Rows 6–13 Repeat last 2 rows 4 times—15 (17, 19) sc.

Rows 14 and 15 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Row 16 Repeat Row 4—13 (15, 17) sc. **Next 1 (3, 5) Rows** Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Row 18 (20, 22) Repeat Row 4—11 (13, 15) sc.

Next 3 Rows Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Row 22 (24, 26) Repeat Row 4—9 (11, 13) sc.

Row 23 (25, 27) Ch 1, turn, sc in first sc, hdc in next sc, dc in each sc across to last 2 sc, hdc in next sc, sc in last sc.

Row 24 (26, 28) Repeat Row 4—7 (9, 11) sc.

Row 25 (27, 29) Ch 1, turn, sc n each sc across.

Fasten off.

FRONT SLEEVE

(Make 2)

Beginning at top of Sleeve with A, ch 24 (26, 28).

Row 1 Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch across—23 (25, 27).

Rows 2–18 (20, 22) Work same as Rows 2–18 (20, 22) of back sleeve—9 (11, 13) sc at the end of Row 18 (20, 22).

Row 19 (21, 23) Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Fasten off.



RIGHT HOOD

With B, ch 19 (21, 23).

Row 1 (RS) Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch across—18 (20, 22) sc. **Rows 2 and 3** Ch 1, turn, sc in each

sc across.

Row 4 Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in first sc, sc in each sc across—19 (21, 23) sts.

Row 5 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across. **Rows 6–9** Repeat last 2 rows twice—21 (23, 25) sts.

Next 18 (20, 22) Rows Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across. Fasten off.

LEFT HOOD

With B, ch 19 (21, 23).

Row 1 Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch across—18 (20, 22) sc.

Rows 2 and 3 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across. Row 4 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across to last

sc, 2 sc in last sc—19 (21, 23) sts. **Row 5** Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Rows 6–9 Repeat last 2 rows twice—21 (23, 25) sts.

Next 18 (20, 22) Rows Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Fasten off.

LEFT DORSAL FIN

With B. ch 16.

Row 1 Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch across—15 sc.

Rows 2-4 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Row 5 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across to last 2 sc, sc2tog—14 sc.

Row 6 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Row 7 Ch 1, turn, sc2tog,sc in each sc across to last 2 sc, sc2tog—12 sc.

Row 8 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Row 9 Repeat Row 5—11 sc.

Row 10 Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in each sc across—10 sc.

Rows 11–18 Repeat Rows 9 and 10 four times—2 sc at the end of Row 18.

Easten off.

RIGHT DORSAL FIN

Work same as Left Dorsal Fin through Row 4—15 sc.

Row 5 Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in each sc across—14 sc.

Row 6 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Row 7 Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in each sc across to last 2 sc, sc2tog—12 sc.

Row 8 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Row 9 Repeat Row 5—11 sc.

Row 10 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across to last 2 sc, sc2tog—10 sc.

Rows 11–18 Repeat Rows 9 and 10 four times—2 sc at the end of Row 18. Fasten off.

TAIL FIN

(Make 2)

With B, ch 9.

Row 1 Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch across—8 sc.

Rows 2–5 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across. **Row 6** Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in first sc, sc in each sc across to last sc, 2 sc in last sc—10 sc.

Rows 7–12 Repeat Rows 5 and 6 three times—16 sc.

Row 13 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Row 14 Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in first sc, sc in next 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 5 sc, 2 sc in last sc—20 sc.

Rows 15 and 16 Repeat Rows 5 and 6—22 sc.

Row 17 Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Split End of Fin

First Half Ch 3, turn, dc in first sc, dc in next



4 sc, hdc in next sc, sc in next 3 sc; leave remaining sts unworked—10 sts. Fasten off.

Second Half Sk next 4 unworked sts following first half of split fin, join B with sc in next unworked st, sc in next 2 sc, hdc in next sc, dc in next 4 sc, 2 dc in last sc—10 sts.

Fasten off.

EYES

Eyeball (Make 2)

With A, ch 2.

Round 1 Work 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook—6 sc. Place marker for beginning of round. Move marker up as work progresses.

Round 2 Work 2 sc in each sc around—12 sc.

Round 3 [Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] 6 times—18 sc.

Rounds 4 and 5 Sc in each sc around. Fasten off.

Pupil (Make 2)

With C, work same as Eyeball through Round 2—12 sc.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail. Use long tail to sew Pupil to Eyeball.

FINISHING

Note Sew seams from WS, then turn piece RS out.

Assemble Body

Sew shoulder seams. Sew back seam. Sew lower seams, easing back lower edge to fit across front lower edges (lower portion of back is slightly fuller). Sew front seam beginning at lower edge for about 1 (1.75,

2)"/2.5 (4.5, 5) cm. Sew side seams.

Assemble Sleeves

Sew top of Back Sleeve into back armhole and across one half of underarm edge. Sew top of Front Sleeve into front armhole and across other half of underarm edge. Sew Sleeve seams. Repeat for other Sleeve.

Note Back Sleeve is fuller because it is two stitches larger than the Front Sleeve. Front Sleeve is about 1.5"/4cm shorter than Back Sleeve.

Edging

With RS facing, join B with sc in Sleeve edge, sc evenly spaced around; join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off.

Assemble Hood

Sew back seam (shaped edges) and top seam. Turn hood right side out. Sew lower edge of hood to neck edge of body, matching the back seams and leaving 1-3 stitches on each side of neck edge unsewn. Fold down the top point of the hood about 1.5"/4cm and sew to back of hood. Sew eyes to sides of hood near top.

TEETH

Row 1 (RS) With RS facing, join A with sc in front corner of neck to work around front edge of hood, work 59 (64, 69) more sc evenly spaced across front edge of hood to opposite front corner—60 (65, 70) sc. Fasten off. **Row 2** (RS) With RS facing, join A with sc in first sc of Row 1, sc in next 2 sc, *(sc, hdc) in next sc, (dc, tr, dc) in next sc, (sc, hdc) in next

sc, sl st in next 2 sc; repeat from * across to

last 2 sc, sc in last 2 sc. Fasten off.

Assemble Fins

Sew Dorsal Fin pieces together and turn RS out. Sew Dorsal Fin to back seam of body, about four rows below neck edge. Sew Tail Fin pieces together and turn RS out. Sew Tail Fin to back seam six to eight rows below bottom of Dorsal Fin. Attach Fins securely by sewing edges to each side of back seam.

Insert Zipper

Keeping the zipper closed, pin it in place along right and left front edges. Open zipper. With sewing needle and matching thread, sew the zipper securely in place. Remove pins. Weave in ends.





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