

# HELGA the HEDGEHOG

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## Materials

I love this yarn – Greybeard (95 yds)  
I love this yarn – Peacock, Amethyst or  
Hot Rose (2 yds)  
Vanna's Choice – Beige (7 yds)  
12 mm Safety eyes  
12 mm safety animal noses  
Size E crochet hook  
Large eye blunt needle  
Polyfiberfill

## Abbreviations

SC - Single Crochet  
Ch- Chain  
INC - SC 2 stitches into same stitch  
DEC – SC two stitches together  
BLO - Back loops only  
LS – Loop Stitch  
TC – Triple crochet  
DC – Double Crochet

Gauge – Gauge is not important for this project, but if you are making it from the kit, you should use the right size needle to ensure you don't run out of yarn.

## Notes:

*Parentheses indicate a repeat. Repeat the stitches in the parentheses for the number of times indicated.*

*The bracketed number [] is the number of stitches at the end of each row.*

*I spread my increases out so there isn't a seam on the finished piece. If you do not like this method, you can do regular increases.*

*Crochet section is worked in partly in the round. Use a stitch marker or a scrap piece of yarn to mark the beginning of each row. Then you don't have to count every row. Do not join unless instructed to.*

*If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at [drunkenauntwendy@gmail.com](mailto:drunkenauntwendy@gmail.com).*

## BODY

In Beige

Ch 2

**Round 1:** In 2<sup>nd</sup> Ch from hook, SC 4 [4].

**Round 2:** INC 4 times [8].

**Round 3:** INC, 7 SC [9].

**Round 4:** INC, 8 SC [10].

**Round 5:** (INC, 4 SC) 2 times [12].

**Round 6:** (INC, SC) 6 times [18].

**Round 7:** SC Row [18].

**Round 8:** (SC, INC, SC) 6 times [24].

**Round 9:** (3 SC, INC) 6 times [30].

Fasten off.



Insert nose in the center of round 1.



Place eyes between rows 6 and 7, 5 to 6 stitched apart.



With the wrong side facing (inside of the head), find the bottom center. Count back five and join gray with a slip stitch.



There will be stitches at the bottom that are not done in loop stitch to keep the bottom of Helga flat.

Unless otherwise instructed, the Increases in the parenthesis with LS should be done as a Loop Stitch.

**Round 10:** (4 SC, INC) 2 times (4 LS, INC) 4 times [12 SC, 24 LS].

**Round 11:** (5 SC, INC) 2 times (5 LS, INC) 4 times [14 SC, 28 LS].



**Round 12:** 14 SC, 28 LS.

**Round 13:** Repeat row 12.

**Round 14:** DEC, 10 SC, DEC, 28 LS [12 SC, 28 LS].

**Round 15:** DEC, 8 SC, DEC, 28 LS [10 SC, 28 LS].

**Round 16:** 10 SC, 28 LS

**Rounds 17-20:** Repeat round 16 4 times [10 SC, 28 LS per round].

**Round 21:** DEC, 6 SC, DEC, 28 LS [8 SC, 28 LS].

**Round 22:** 8 SC, 28 LS.

**Rounds 23-25:** Repeat Round 22 3 times [8 SC, 28 LS per row].

Start Stuffing

**Round 26:** 4 SC, DEC, 2 SC *remaining decreases are done in loop stitch* 2 LS, DEC (4 LS, DEC) 4 times [7 SC, 23 LS].

**Round 27:** 3 SC, DEC, 2 SC *remaining decreases are done in loop stitch* LS, DEC (3 LS, DEC) 4 times [6 SC, 18 LS].

**Round 28:** 2 SC, DEC, 2 SC *remaining decreases are done in loop stitch* DEC (2 LS, DEC) 4 times [5 SC, 13 LS].

**Round 29:** (LS, DEC) 6 times [12 LS].

**Round 30:** DEC 6 times [6 SC].

Fasten off and thread yarn through last round and pull up tight to close.

## BOW

In accent color

Ch 11

**Row 1:** TC in 4<sup>th</sup> Ch from hook, DC, DC, SC, DC, DC, TC, TC [SC, 4 DC, 3 TC]

Fasten off leaving a long tail. Wrap tail around center to define the bow and the sew to the face above the eye.

