

# CRIB TOYS

Completely squeezable, chewable and washable...make them in bright colors to attract baby's sight! Make them with the loops so they can be suspended from an elastic tied across the crib or... leave the loops off just to crawl after.

## Materials:

a few yards of washable 4-ply yarn  
small amounts of dacron batting

Tools: Crochet hook, size G  
Yarn needle

Notes on Decreasing: We all know that to decrease you make one stitch out of two. Instructions read -"draw loop thru one sc, (2 loops on hook) draw loop thru next sc (3 loops on hook), yo, yarn thru all 3 loops on hook, (one decrease made). This takes alot of space, so I have written "1 dec in next 2 sc" or "2 dec in next 4 sc" etc...hoping you will understand. I also hope you'll remember that dec is the abbreviation for decrease, not double crochet. If you forget, you can read this again. 😊

## BALL

Make two halves.

Ch 3, join with sl st to form ring.

Round 1: Ch 1, 6 sc into ring, join, ch1.

Rnd 2: 2 sc in ea sc around, join, ch1.

Rnd 3: \*sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc, repeat from\* around, join, ch 1. (18 sc)

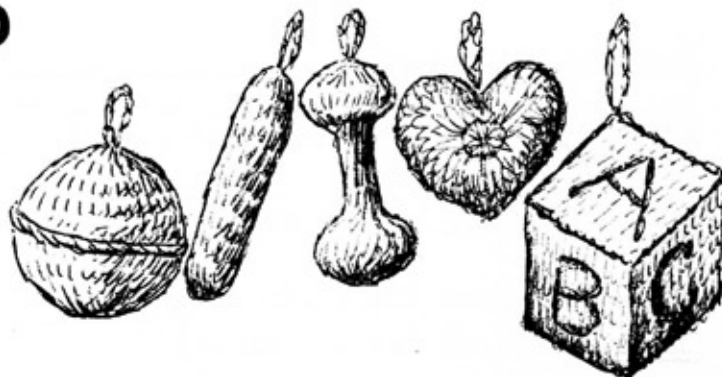
Rnd 4: \*sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc, repeat from\* around, join, ch 1. (24sc)

Rnd 5: \* sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc, repeat from \* around, join, ch 1.(30)

Rnd 6: working in back loop only, sc in ea sc around, join, ch 1.

Rnd 7: sc in ea sc around, join, ch 1.

Rnd 8: repeat Rnd 7, fasten off. On 2nd half, leave 20" of yarn and sew the two halves together, stuffing with batting as you sew. Take remaining yarn and chain it almost to the end, sc into base of ch, making a loop. With needle, weave yarn end securely into batting.



## STICK

Ch 3, join to form ring.

Rnd 1: Ch 1, 6 sc into ring, join, ch1.

Rnd 2: 2 sc in ea sc around, join, ch1.

Rnds 3 thru 14: sc in ea sc around, join, ch 1. (12 sc)

Rnd 15: Stuff with batting, leaving a tuft apx. 1/2" poking out. Work 6 decs in next 12 sc, join, ch 1. (6 sc)

Rnd 16: Work 3 decs in next 6 sc, draw last st up tight, ch 15, sc to base of ch, making a loop. With yarn needle, weave remaining yarn into batting.

## DUMBBELL

Ch 3, join to form ring.

Rnd 1: Ch 1, 6 sc into ring, join, ch 1.

Rnd 2: 2 sc in ea sc around, join, ch 1.

Rnd 3: \*sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc, repeat from \* around, join, ch 1.(18sc)

Rnd 4: \*sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc, repeat from \* around, join, ch 1. (24sc)

Rnds 5 and 6: sc in ea sc around, join, ch 1.

Rnd 7: \*sc in next 2 sc, 1 dec in next 2 sc, repeat from \* around, join, ch 1. (18 sc)

Rnd 8: \*sc in next sc, 1 dec in next 2 sc, repeat from \* around, join, ch 1. (12)

Stuff with batting to this point.

Rnds 9 thru 17: sc in ea sc around, join, ch 1.

Rnd 18: \*sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc, repeat from \* around, join, ch 1. (18 sc)

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Rnd 19: \*sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc, repeat from \* around, join, ch 1. (24 sc)

Rnds 20 and 21: sc in ea sc around, join, ch 1.

Rnd 22: repeat Rnd 7 (18 sc)

Rnd 23: repeat Rnd 8 (12 sc)

Stuff with batting, leaving some poking out to work around...

Rnd 24: Work 6 decs in the 12 sc, join, ch 1. (6sc)

Rnd 25: Work 3 decs in the 6 sc, covering the batting, draw last sc up tight, chain 10, sc in the base of the ch, making a loop. With yarn needle, weave remaining yarn securely into batting.

### HEART

Make two halves.

Ch 3, join to form ring.

Rnd 1: Ch 1, 6 sc into ring, join, ch 4.

Rnd 2: 3 dc in joining st, dc in next sc, 4 dc in next sc, sc in next sc, 4dc in next sc, dc in next sc, 2 dc in next sc, join at top of ch 4, ch 1. (16 dc counting ch 4)

Rnd 3: sc in joining st, sc in ea of next 4 dc, 2 sc in next dc, 3 sc in next dc, 2 sc in next dc, sc in next dc, sl st in sc, sc in next dc, 2 sc in next dc, 3 sc in next dc, 2 sc in next dc, sc in ea of next 4 dc, end off by pulling yarn thru next sc and weaving thru back.

Sew two halves together, stuffing as you sew. Attach yarn at center top of heart, ch 15, sc into base of ch, making a loop. Weave yarn end securely into batting, with yarn needle.

### SMALL BLOCK

Directions are for 6 colors, but three could be used, or just one. NOTE: to change colors across the row, work off last loop of last sc of one color with the new color.

### Small block continued....

With color A, chain 25

Row 1: sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 7 ch; with Color B, sc in next 8 ch; with Color C, sc in next 8 ch, ch 1, turn.

Row 2: sc in next 8 sc, with B sc in next 8 sc, with A sc in next 8 sc, ch 1, turn.

Row 3: sc in next 8 sc, with B sc in next 8 sc, with C sc in next 8 sc, ch 1, turn.

Rows 4 thru 7: Repeat rows 2 and 3.

Row 8: Repeat Row 2. Break off.

Row 9: Attach Color D at right corner of Color B square, sc in next 8 Color B sc, ch 1, turn.

Rows 10 thru 16: sc in ea sc across, ch 1, turn. Break off D, attach E.

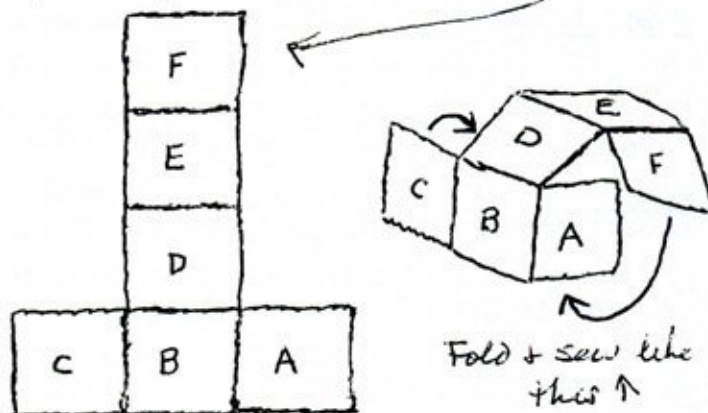
Rows 17 thru 24: sc in ea sc across, ch 1, turn. Break off E, attach F.

Rows 25 thru 32: sc in ea sc across, ch 1, turn. Break off.

Finishing: With A, sew square A to square D, E and F. With C, sew C square to D, E and F squares, stuffing with batting before last side is sewn. For hanging loop, attach any color into any corner, ch 12 and sc into base of ch. Secure yarn ends.

For fun, embroider the alphabet on each side of block.

finished piece will look like this



Have fun! Sally Gearae

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