

TERESA WESELY – AMIGURUMI

Amigurumi is the Japanese art of knitting or crocheting small, stuffed yarn creatures. I crochet my animals using acrylic yarn and fiberfill stuffing. I embroider on the facial and other markings to avoid using small buttons or anything else that could become choking hazards.

All one needs to create an Amigurumi creature is yarn, a crochet hook, scissors, stuffing and a yarn needle for loose ends and to sew on legs, tails, ears, etc.

The first thing to do is decide what to create. I get inspiration from multiple sites online, books and magazines. Then gather yarn in the desired colors. Begin to crochet in the round using small tight single crochet stitches to form the head and then the body. I usually make arms, legs, ears, and tails separately then sew them onto the body. Then I embroider on the face and other markings.

I will have several animals in different stages of completion. I will also demonstrate making a small animal from start to finish. Thank you for the opportunity to show you the art of Amigurumi.

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