

Meco Original Amigurumi pattern.

King Cole Toastie

To make your own Meco you will need:

- 500g King Cole Toastie Sky blue 5986 yarn for main body/head, arms, and ears
- 100g King Cole Toastie Royal blue 5989 yarn for feet
- 100g King Cole Yellow yarn 5987 for details on the ears and star for the tail
- 100g King Cole Black 5993 yarn for the tail
- 200g-300g Toy stuffing/ filler
- Sewing thread – black
- And your choice of
 - Embroidery thread
 - Safety eyes
 - Eye mouth patches
 - Felt to create the eyes and mouth



I used King Cole Toastie yarn, bespoke handmade eye patch from Forever Stitched Gifts, an 8mm crochet hook (as I crochet tight) to make my Meco characters.

If you use different yarn, check the size hook recommended on the band. If you need to crochet tighter, use a hook 1 size smaller than the size recommended on the yarn band. You need to make sure the stuffing isn't seen through any holes and stops little finger becoming entangled. The weight of yarn used, and hook size will alter the size of your finished Meco.

You will also need the following equipment.

- An 8mm crochet hook (or size hook suitable for the yarn you are using)
- Scissors
- Darning needle
- Sewing needle
- Stitch markers

This pattern uses US terms.

The pattern uses continuous rounds unless stated. You will need to mark the beginning of each round. The first chain is NOT counted as a stitch throughout the pattern.



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Amigurumi uses the X shaped single crochet stitch rather than the V shaped single crochet stitch to make a tight stitch and firmer crochet 'fabric'. This stops the 'fabric' from stretching and prevents the stuffing being seen or pulled out through holes.

Special stitches

picot – chain 2 (pic1) put hook through the top of the previous single crochet (pic 2) and make a Slip Stitch. This creates a small point (pic 3). Continue to crochet as per pattern.



pic 1



pic 2



pic 3

Abbreviations

Ch	Chain
MR	Magic Ring
Slst	Slip Stitch
Sc	Single Crochet
Inc	Increase
Dec	Decrease
Rnd	Round
St	Stitch
[..]	Total number of stitches per round
(...)	Repeat instructions between these
R	Row
BLO	Back Loop Only

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Feet – make 2.

Using Royal blue

Place a st marker on the first st of the Rnd and move it up as you complete each Rnd.

Rnd1. Ch 4, 2sc in second ch from hook, 1sc, 3sc in last ch, working along the other side of the ch (pic 4), 1sc, 1sc in the first ch space [8]

Rnd 2. 2inc, 1sc, 3inc, 1sc, inc [14]

Rnd 3. 3inc, 3sc, 3inc, 4sc, inc [21]

Rnd 4. (1sc, inc) x2, 7sc, inc, 1sc, inc, 7sc [25]

Rnd 5. BLO sc in each st [25]

Rnd 6-10. 25sc [25]

Rnd 11. 9sc, 6dec, 4sc [19]

Rnd 12. 8sc, 4dec, 3sc [15]

Rnd 13-14. 15sc [15]



pic 4

Slst, fasten off. Leave a long tail to sew it onto the body. Fill the foot with stuffing but not the leg. You will close the leg by crocheting through both sides when joining them to the body on Rnd 17.

Arms – make 2

Using Sky blue

Place a stitch marker on the first st of the Rnd and move it up as you finish each Rnd.

Following pictures show how to make a MR and closing it,



Pic 5



pic 6



pic 7



pic 8



pic 9



pic 10

Rnd 1. 5sc in MR, pull tail end to close hole (pic 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10) [5]

Rnd 2. Inc x5 [10]

Rnd 3. (1sc, inc) x5 [15]

Rnd 4-9. 15sc [15]

Slst, fasten off and leave a long tail to sew it onto the body. Fill with stuffing.

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Body/Head

Using Sky blue

Place a stitch marker on the first st of the Rnd and move it up as you finish each Rnd.

Rnd 1. 6sc in MR, pull tail end to close the hole [6]

Rnd 2. (Inc) x 6 [12]

Rnd 3. (1sc, inc) x 6 [18]

Rnd 4. (2sc, inc) x 6 [24]

Rnd 5. (3sc, inc) x 6 [30]

Rnd 6. (4sc, inc) x 6 [36]

Rnd 7. (5sc, inc) x 6 [42]

Rnd 8. (6sc, inc) x 6 [48]

Rnd 9. (7sc, inc) x 6 [54]

Rnd 10. (8sc, inc) x 6 [60]

Rnd 11. (9sc, inc) x 6 [66]

Rnd 12. (10sc, inc) x 6 [72]

Rnd 13. (11sc, inc) x 6 [78]

Rnd 14-15. 78sc [78]

You are going to add the feet on the next round.

Rnd 16. 28sc, join foot 7sc through both sides and through the next st of the body (pic 11) of the left leg making sure the 'toes' point upwards/outward to your right as you crochet, 8sc between the legs, join foot 7sc through both sides and the next st of the body (pic 12) of the right leg making sure the 'toes' point upwards/outwards towards you left as you crochet, 28sc [78]

Rnd 17-22. 78sc [78]

Rnd 23. (11sc, dec) x 6 [72]

Rnd 24-26. 72sc [72]

Rnd 27. (10sc, dec) x 6 [66]

Rnd 28-29. 66sc 2 [66]

Rnd 30. (9sc, dec) x 6 [60]

Rnd 31. 60sc [60]

Rnd 32. (8sc, dec) x 6 [54]

Rnd 33. (7sc, dec) x 6 [48]

Rnd 34. (6sc, dec) x 6 [42]



pic 11



pic 12

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Start stuffing. Continue stuffing as you go

Rnd 35. (5sc, dec) x 6 [36]

Rnd 36. (4sc, dec) x 6 [30]

Rnd 37. (3sc, dec) x 6 [24]

Rnd 38. (2sc, dec) x 6 [18]

Rnd 39. (1sc, dec) x 6 [12]

Rnd 40. dec x 6 [6]

Slst, leave a 10cm tail and fasten off. Sew a running st through the front loops to draw hole together and sew in the end.

Left Ear

Using Sky blue

Place a stitch marker on the first st of the Rnd and move it up as you finish each Rnd.

Rnd 1. Ch5, 2sc in second ch from hook, 2sc, 3sc in last ch, now working along the other side of the ch, 2sc, 1sc in last ch space [10]

Rnd 2. 2inc, 2sc, 3inc, 3sc [15]

Rnd 3. 3inc, 5sc, 2inc, 5sc [20]

Rnd 4. 2sc, 2inc, 8sc, 2inc, 6sc [24]

Rnd 5-6. 24sc [24]

Rnd 7. 1sc, inc, 11sc, inc, 10sc [26]

Rnd 8. 1sc, inc, 12sc, inc, 11sc [28]

Rnd 9. 1sc, inc, 15sc, inc, 10sc [30]

Rnd 10. 30sc [30]

Rnd 11. 1sc, dec, 14sc, inc, 12sc [30]

Rnd 12. 30sc [30]

Rnd 13. 1sc, dec, 27sc [29]

Rnd 14. 1sc, dec, 12sc, dec, 12sc [27]

Rnd 15. 1sc, dec, 24sc [26]

Rnd 16. 1sc, dec, 11sc, dec, 10sc [24]

Rnd 17. 1sc, dec, 10sc, dec, 9sc [22]

Rnd 18. 1sc, dec, 9sc, dec, 8sc [20]

Slst, leaving a long tail to sew onto the head. Fasten off

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Left Ear Emblem

Using Yellow

Work in rows.

R1. 4sc in MR, pull tail end tight to close the hole, ch1 turn [4]

R2. Inc x 4, ch1 turn. [8]

R3. 2inc, 4sc, 2inc, ch2, sc in second ch from hook (this becomes your first st of next row), turn (pic 13) [13]

R4. The st in the second ch of R3 becomes your first st of this row (**do not** crochet this st again), continue row as follows, inc, 10sc, inc, ch2, sc in second ch from hook, slst into end st of R3 (pic 13) [16]

Leave about a long tail to sew onto the left ear. Sew it onto the left ear and fill with stuffing.



pic 13



pic 14

Right Ear

The right ear is made in 2 parts initially. For the pattern, I have called the small piece the “thumb” and large part the “hand”

Make the thumb first. Then place it to one side while you start making the hand. You will join the thumb onto the main part of the ear on Rnd 15

Right ear “Thumb”

Using Sky blue

Place a stitch marker on the first st of the Rnd and move it up as you finish each Rnd.

Rnd 1. 5sc in MR, pull tail end tight to close the hole [5]

Rnd 2. Inc x 5 [10]

Rnd 3. (1sc, inc) x 5 [15]

Rnd 4-6. 15sc [15]

Slst, leave a small tail, sew end in and place to one side (pic 15).



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Right ear “Hand”

Using Sky blue

Place a stitch marker on the first st of the Rnd and move it up as you finish each Rnd.

Rnd 1. Ch5, 2sc in second ch from hook, 2sc, 3sc in last ch, now working along the other side of the ch, 2sc 1 sc in last ch space [10]

Rnd 2. 2inc, 2sc, 3inc, 2sc, inc [16]

Rnd 3. 3inc, 5sc, 3inc, 5sc [22]

Rnd 4. 3inc, 9sc, 3inc, 7sc [28]

Rnd 5. 28sc [28]

Rnd 6. 4sc, inc, 11sc, inc, 11sc [30]

Rnd 7. 18sc, inc, 11sc [31]

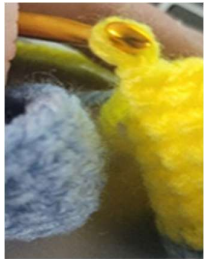
Rnd 8. 31sc [31]

Rnd 9. 19sc, inc, 11sc [32]

Rnd 10-11. 32sc [32]

Rnd 12. 1sc, inc, 30sc [33]

you are going to join the “thumb” on next round where the last slst of the thumb is (pic 16) as follows



Pic 16



pic 17



pic 18



pic 19



pic 20

Rnd 13. 3sc, (join thumb, pic 17) sc in last slst of thumb, 14sc round the thumb, continue 30sc on the hand (pic 18, 19, 20) [48]

Rnd 14. 3sc, dec, 12sc, dec, 16sc, dec, 11sc [45]

Rnd 15. 2sc, dec, 12sc, dec, 15sc, dec, 10sc [42]

Rnd 16. 2sc, dec, 11sc, dec, 14sc, dec, 9sc [39]

Rnd 17. 2sc, dec, 9sc, dec, 13sc, dec, 9sc [36]

Rnd 18. 2sc, dec, 8sc, dec, 12sc, dec, 8sc [33]

Rnd 19. 1sc, dec, 8sc, dec, 10sc, dec, 8sc [30]

Rnd 20. 1sc, dec, 7sc, dec, 9sc, dec, 7sc [27]

Rnd 21. 1sc, dec, 5sc, dec, 8sc, dec, 7sc [24]

Rnd 22. dec, 5sc, dec, 7sc, dec, 6sc [21]

Rnd 23. 13sc, 2inc, 6sc [23]

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Right Ear Emblem

Using Yellow

Work in rows.

R1. Ch3, slst in second ch from hook, 1sc in next ch, ch5, sc in second ch from hook, 1sc in next ch, ch4, 1sc in second ch from hook, 1sc in next ch, this forms arches (pic 21) ch1, **do not turn you work** for this row only



Pic 21

R2. 1sc in the same space as last sc on previous row, sc in every st and ch space, ch1, turn [6]

R3. Inc, 5sc, ch1, turn [7]

R4. Inc, 6sc, ch1, turn [8]

R5. Inc, 7sc, ch1, turn [9]

The following rows are short rows

R6. 3sc, ch1, turn [3]

R7. 3sc, ch1, turn [3]

R8. Skip 1 stitch, 1sc, 1slst, now 1slst down the side of the last row and 2slst on the main part ch1 (pic 22) [4]

R9. 1sc in same st as last slst 5sc, ch1, turn [6]

R10-12. 6sc, ch1, turn [6]

R13. Skip1 st, 3sc, dec, ch1, turn [4]

R14. Skip 1, 2sc, 1slst

Fasten off. Leave a long tail to sew onto the right ear, making sure you put it onto the right side of the ear (thumb part closest to the left ear), one row above the open edge. Sew the arches in place, leaving the arches as gaps (pic 23).



pic 22



pic 23

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Tail

Using Black yarn

Work in rows.

Ch31

R1. 1sc in second ch from hook, 30sc, ch1, turn [30]

R2-3. 30sc, ch1, turn [30]

R4. Slst through ch edge and last corresponding row st (pic 24) to form a long straw like tube. Leave a long tail to sew onto the body.



Pic 24

Star for Tail – make 2

Using Yellow

Place a stitch marker on the first st of the Rnd and move it up as you finish each Rnd.

Rnd 1. 5sc in MR, pull MR tight to close the hole [5]

Rnd 2. Inc x 5 [10]

For the next round you will work in the chains spaces to form the points then slst onto the main circle which is the centre of the star

Rnd 3. (Ch4, in second ch from hook slst, sc in next ch, 1dc in the last ch, skip 1 st on the main centre circle, slst into the next st) x 5 [30]

To make up

WARNING! Please supervise children when using sharp tools!

Make sure you don't over stuff the arms. Pin the arms in position them either side of the body. I placed them on Rnd15-19, 33st between the fronts of both arms. Sew them into position making sure they are firmly attached.

Place and pin the eye patch(es) in position (left edge of the eye should be 8 or 9 st from left arm, if using the eye patch with grey, make sure the grey is at the bottom when sewing it in place). The eyes have a right and wrong side as well as right way up, so you will need to check they are on the correct side as well as right way up (pic 25, 26), and the larger white spot is at the top of the eye. Remove all the pins.



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If you are creating the eye(s) with yarn, use the same technique you can use for the mouth but make the long stitch loose to allow you to create an arch. Then sew it in position using sewing thread.

Using black yarn, create the nose by repeatedly sewing over one stitch using whip stitch (I placed mine on the 17th st between the arms, and 9th row above the legs).

The mouth patch will need sewing in between the eyes with the corners of the smile approximately on the same row as the bottom of where the eyes sit. Pin the mouth into position and sew it onto the face. Using a sharp needle and black sewing thread, sew the eye in place. Remove all the pins.

If you are using black yarn to create a smile for the mouth, make one long single stitch, the full length from where I wanted the mouth to start and finish (pic 25).



pic 25



pic 26



pic 27

I started the long stitch between round 7-8, ended between round 8-9, 4 stitches apart. Using whip stitch sew along the mouth yarn to bind the long st you created (pic 26, 27). You will need to sew the mouth onto the face in a slight curve/smile (using whip stitch) with black sewing thread.

Pin the ears into position so that they are in a straight line on top of the head, so they are level with the arm when you are looking at the top of the head. Make sure you place them with the yellow emblems facing forward and each ear is on the correct side of the head. Sew them firmly into position.

For the tail, put the stars together with the black tail in between them and sew through the centre of the stars and tip of the tail. Then sew all the way around both stars to join them together. You can now sew the other end of the black tail in position on the back/bottom of the toy.

Congratulations you are now the proud owner of your very own handmade Meco.

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