



# Sally the **STRAWBASAUR** pattern





# INTRODUCTION

## HELLO!

Hey there! I'm Nook! Welcome to one of my patterns. I really hope you enjoy making your own Sally the Strawbasaur. If you have any questions or remarks about this pattern, please don't hesitate to contact me either on Instagram (@nooks\_hooks) or on Etsy (nookshooksshop). I'd love to see your creations, so please tag me if you post your Sally online!



Happy crocheting!



## SCHEEPJES BIG DARLING

I designed this plushie in celebration of the brand new Big Darling yarn by Scheepjes, a luxuriously soft, gradient chenille that feels like it was made for cuddles.

The gentle colour shifts bring each stitch to life, making your plushie look extra special without any extra effort. As the big sister to the beloved Little Darling, this yarn has all the same charm, just bigger, softer, and even more huggable!





# INTRODUCTION

## ABBREVIATIONS

- **MR** - Magic ring
- **Sc** - Single crochet
- **Inc** - Increase
- **Dec** - Decrease
- **Sl st** - Slip stitch
- **BLO** - Back loop only
- **Hdc** - Half double crochet
- **Dc** - Double crochet
- **Pic** - Picot (chain 2, slip stitch back into the second chain from the hook)
- **CC** - Color change

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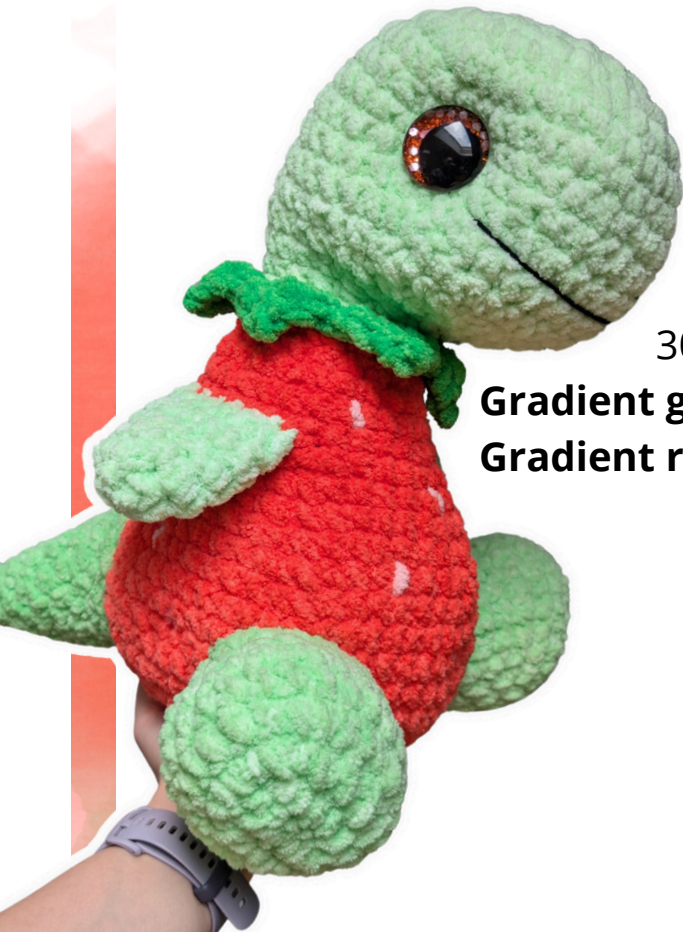
## MATERIALS

- Yarn (specifics below)
- Safety eyes (specifics below)
- Stuffing
- 5 mm hook (specifics below)
- Darning needle
- Scissors
- 2 stitch markers





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8 mm **hook**

30 mm **sinker eyes**

**Gradient green** (Scheepjes Big Darling - Froggy)

**Gradient red** (Scheepjes Big Darling - Minneola)



3 mm **hook**

15 mm **glitter eyes**

**Light green** (Scheepjes Little Darling - Toad)

**Dark green** (Scheepjes Little Darling - Sprout)

**Red** (Scheepjes Little Darling - Strawberry)

**White** (Scheepjes Little Darling - Ice Bear)



Glitter eyes by **@wooksicraft** on  
Instagram, based in the Netherlands!



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# PATTERN

## HEAD

If you are using the gradient yarn, you will need to use both ends of the yarn. Find the light end (it should be on the outside) of the green gradient yarn to start the head.

If you are not using gradient yarn, start in light green.



**1.** Chain 6

**2.** Starting in the second chain from the hook (tip, add a stitch marker in your first sc): 4 sc, 1 inc, then continue working on the other side of the chain: 4 sc, 1 inc = 12



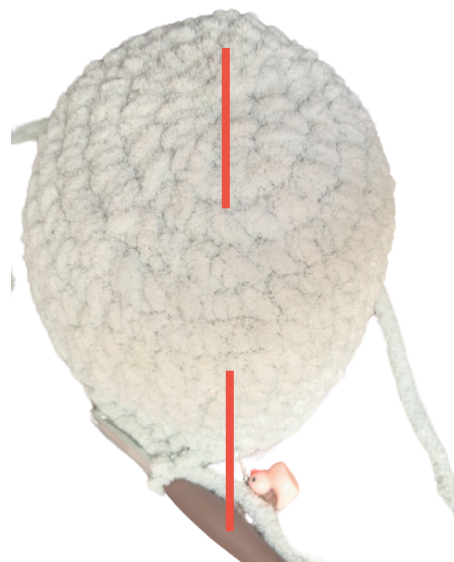
**3.** Now continue crocheting in the round: 12 inc = 24

**4.** (2 sc, 1 inc) x 8 = 32

**5.** (3 sc, 1 inc) x 8 = 40

**6-12.** 40 sc (7 rows!)

In the next row, you'll start decreasing to create the neck. Before you start, make sure the start of the row is at the back of the head, meaning it is aligned with the "line" that was made using the chain in the first row. If you need to, add or remove a couple of stitches before starting the next row.





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## NECK (HEAD CONTINUED)

**13.** 6 sc, (2 sc, 1 dec) x 7, 6 sc = 33

**14.** 6 sc, (1 sc, 1 dec) x 7, 6 sc = 26

**15.** 5 sc, 8 dec, 5 sc = 18

Now add the eyes. I placed the eyes between rows 8 and 9 (remember, the starting chain is counted as a round, but is not really visible in the plushie). The eyes are 22 stitches apart (counting from the front of the head), so they are centred between the front and back of the head, slightly offset to the back.



**16-17.** 18 sc (2 rows!)

**18.** (5 sc, 1 inc) x 3 = 21, in the last stitch of the row, **CC to red**. If you are using the gradient yarn, use the dark end (centre pull).

**19. In the BLO:** (3 sc, 1 inc, 3 sc) x 3 = 24

**20.** (7 sc, 1 inc) x 3 = 27

**21.** (4 sc, 1 inc, 4 sc) x 3 = 30

Stuff the head firmly.

Now put this part of the dino to the side for a bit while you crochet the strawberry leaves and the arms. DO NOT fasten off, you will continue where you left off later.





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## FRILLS

If you are using gradient yarn, find the dark end of the yarn (centre pull). If you are using plain yarn, use green. Slip knot the yarn to your hook. You'll now crochet the frills into the front loops that were left open in row 19. Stitches in **square brackets** should be done **in the same front loop stitch**.



([1 sl st, 1 hdc], [1 dc, 1 pic, 1 dc], [1 hdc, 1 sl st]) x 7 = 52 (picots are not counted as a stitch)

### STARTING POINT



### FIRST LEAF



Slip stitch back into the first stitch of the frills. Fasten off and weave in the ends.

### FINISHING THE FRILLS



### FINAL RESULT



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## ARMS

Make **two arms** in light green. If you are using gradient yarn, use the light end of the yarn. Also for the gradient, before you start, keep a strand of the light end aside to do the face shaping at the end: roughly 50cm (20 inches).



1. 8 sc in a MR
2. (1 sc, 1 inc) x 4 = 12
- 3-5. 12 sc (3 rows!)
6. Pinch the arm flat and crochet through both sides at the same time: 6 sc.



Fasten off, you don't have to keep a tail for sewing.





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## BODY CONTINUED

Continue from the neck/body of the dino where you left off. In the following row, when adding the arms, you may need to adjust the placement of the arms to make sure they are aligned with the head.

**22.** 4 sc, 6 sc through the body and the first arm together, 10 sc, 6 sc through the body and the second arm together, 4 sc = 30



**23.** (9 sc, 1 inc) x 3 = 33

**24.** (5 sc, 1 inc, 5 sc) x 3 = 36

**25.** (11 sc, 1 inc) x 3 = 39

**26.** (6 sc, 1 inc, 6 sc) x 3 = 42

**27.** (13 sc, 1 inc) x 3 = 45

**28.** (7 sc, 1 inc, 7 sc) x 3 = 48

**29-32.** 48 sc (4 rows!)

**33.** (6 sc, 1 dec) x 6 = 42

**34.** (5 sc, 1 dec) x 6 = 36

**35.** (4 sc, 1 dec) x 6 = 30

Start stuffing the body. Make sure to push stuffing into the neck so that the head is not floppy. Continue stuffing while crocheting the following rows.

**36.** (3 sc, 1 dec) x 6 = 24

**37.** (2 sc, 1 dec) x 6 = 18

**38.** (1 sc, 1 dec) x 6 = 12

**39.** 6 dec = 6

Fasten off, close the hole and weave in the end.



# PATTERN

## LEGS

Make 2 legs in light green. If you are using the gradient yarn, continue from the light tail end.

1. Chain 6
2. Starting in the second chain from the hook (tip, add a stitch marker in your first sc): 4 sc, 1 inc, then continue working on the other side of the chain: 4 sc, 1 inc = 12



3. Now continue crocheting in the round: 12 inc = 24

**4-6.** 24 sc (3 rows!)

**7.** 8 sc, 4 dec, 8 sc = 20

**8.** 6 sc, 4 dec, 6 sc = 16

**9-10.** 16 sc (2 rows!)

Fasten off and leave a long tail for sewing. Stuff the legs.





## TAIL

Continuing with the light green, make one tail:

1. 5 sc in a MR
2. 2 sc, 1 inc, 2 sc = 6
3. 2 sc, 2 inc, 2 sc = 8
4. 3 sc, 2 inc, 3 sc = 10
5. 4 sc, 2 inc, 4 sc = 12
6. 5 sc, 2 inc, 5 sc = 14
7. 6 sc, 2 inc, 6 sc = 16
8. 7 sc, 2 inc, 7 sc = 18
9. 8 sc, 2 inc, 8 sc = 20
10. 9 sc, 2 inc, 9 sc = 22

Fasten off and leave a long tail for sewing. Stuff the tail.



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## ASSEMBLY

Now sew on the legs and the tail. To find the placement, hold the bottom of the strawbasaur towards you and divide the "circle" in 3 equal parts: the tail should be placed at the back of the bum, with the 2 legs at the front, facing outward, each spaced out 1/3rd around the bottom of the strawbasaur.



The tail is placed higher on the body than the legs. The top of the tail (the curved part), should start at row 26. The top of the legs should be attached at row 29. For the legs, make sure the foot-bumps are facing upwards and slightly outward.





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## FACE SHAPING

If you are using the gradient yarn, pick up the piece of yarn that you set aside after finishing the head and weave it onto your needle. If you are using non-gradient yarn, attach some light green yarn to your needle.

Find the location where the "chin" of the strawbasaur meets the neck. Insert your needle slightly offset to the right of this:



Have your needle exit the head of the strawbasaur right under the right eye:



Insert your needle back into the head, to the left of the right eye:



# PATTERN

## FACE SHAPING

Have your needle exit on the other side of the head, to the right of the left eye:



Insert the needle back into the head, underneath the left eye:



Exit your needle back at the chin, this time slightly offset to the left (make sure you are NOT going through the same stitch as where you first entered through the chin):



Now tie both ends together in a knot and pull tight, so that the eyes are pulled inward and the cheeks puffed outward. Double, or even triple knot to make sure it's secure. Weave in the ends.





# PATTERN

## STRAWBERRY SEEDS

If you are using gradient yarn, find the light end of the red gradient and attach it to your needle. If you are using non-gradient, use white.

Embroider little seeds all around the body of the strawbasaur. My seeds are 1 stitch high, spaced roughly 6-8 stitches from each other horizontally, with 2 rows between each row of seeds. I did 4 rows of seeds.



## MOUTH

Optional: embroider a mouth between the eyes.



**ALL DONE!**