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Hippo Amigurumi

Materials

- * Plush Yarn (e.g., Himalaya Dolphin Baby or similar)
 - * Main color (e.g., grey): 1 skein
 - * Additional color (e.g., pink): 0.3 skein
- * Embroidery Floss/Iris Yarn: Matching main color
- * Eyes: 3 mm sew-on bead eyes
- * Hook: 3.5 mm (or suitable for yarn)
- * Buttons: 4 pcs, 20 mm (optional)
- * Tulle: 5-6 cm wide, 2-2.5 m long (e.g., 2.5 strips of 6x150 cm)
- * Additional Tools: Large tapestry needle, scissors, stitch marker
- * Stuffing: Holofiber or synthetic fluff
- * Decorations: Ribbon, braid, bow, or button (optional)

****Note:**** Yarn consumption varies based on crochet tension.

Abbreviations

- * MR: Magic Ring
- * CH: Chain Stitch
- * SC: Single Crochet
- * INC: Increase (2 SC in one stitch)
- * DEC: Decrease (crochet 2 SC together)
- * (N): Total stitch count for row
- * (SC, INC) x6: Repeat combination 6 times

Instructions

Crochet in a spiral. use a stitch marker to track rounds.



****Head****

* Color: Main color

* Stuffing: Stuff tightly as you crochet

1. CH 7, from 2nd CH: 5 SC, 3 SC in 1, other side: 4 SC, INC (14)

2. INC, 4 SC, 3 INC, 4 SC, 2 INC (20)

3. 1 SC, INC, 4 SC, (1 SC, INC) * 3, 4 SC, (1 SC, INC) * 2 (26)

4. 2 SC, INC, 4 SC, (2 SC, INC) * 3, 4 SC, (2 SC, INC) * 2 (32)

5. 3 SC, INC, 4 SC, (3 SC, INC) * 3, 4 SC, (3 SC, INC) * 2 (38)

6. 38 SC

7. 38 SC

8. 38 SC

9. 38 SC

10. 38 SC

11. 38 SC

12. 22 SC, 5 DEC, 6 SC (33)

13. 20 SC, 5 DEC, 3 SC (28)

14. 28 SC

15. (4 SC, INC) * 5, 3 SC (33)

16. (4 SC, INC) * 6, 3 SC (39)

17. 39 SC

18. Insert 3 mm bead eyes between rows 16-17, 3-4 SC apart.

19. 32 SC, 3 INC, 4 SC (42)

20. 42 SC

21. 42 SC

22. (5 SC, DEC) * 6 (36)

23. (4 SC, DEC) * 6 (30)



24. (3 SC, DEC) * 6 (24)

25. (2 SC, DEC) * 6 (18)

26. (1 SC, DEC) * 6 (12)

27. DEC until closed. Stuff tightly. Cut yarn and hide tail.

****Ears (Make 2)****

* Color: Main color

* Stuffing: None

1. 6 SC in MR (6)

2. 6 INC (12)

3. Fold in half, crochet 1 SC through both walls (elongated shape). Cut yarn, leave tail for sewing.

****Nostrils (Make 2)****

* Color: Main color

* Stuffing: None

1. At rows 7-8 of head, attach yarn: CH 2, 1 SC into base. Knot and hide tail.

* Distance between nostrils: 7-8 SC.

* ****Alternative:**** Sew on small buttons.

****Arms (Make 2)****

* Color: Main color, switch to additional color

* Stuffing: Bottom tightly, top medium

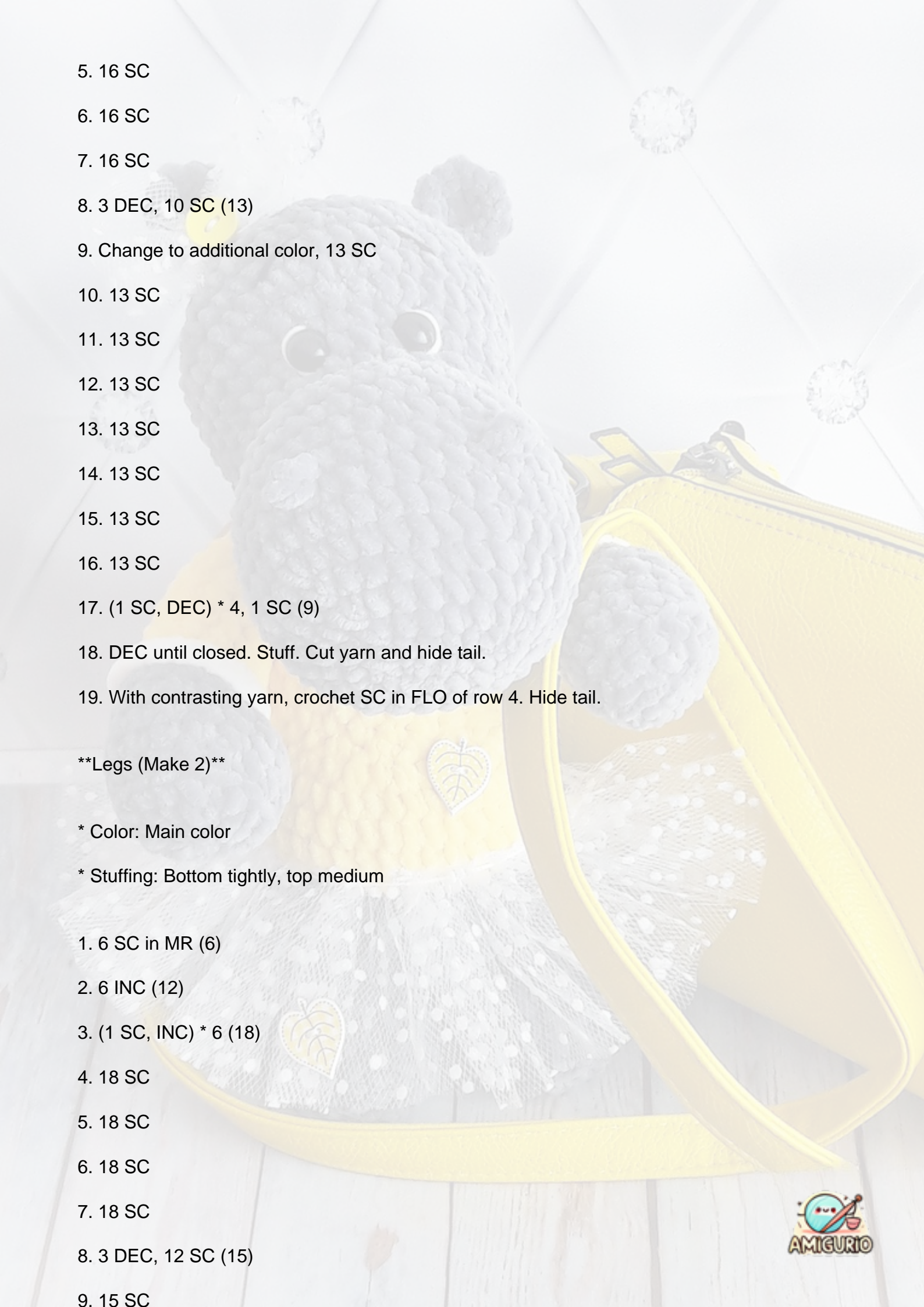
1. 6 SC in MR (6)

2. 6 INC (12)

3. (2 SC, INC) * 4 (16)

4. BLO: 16 SC



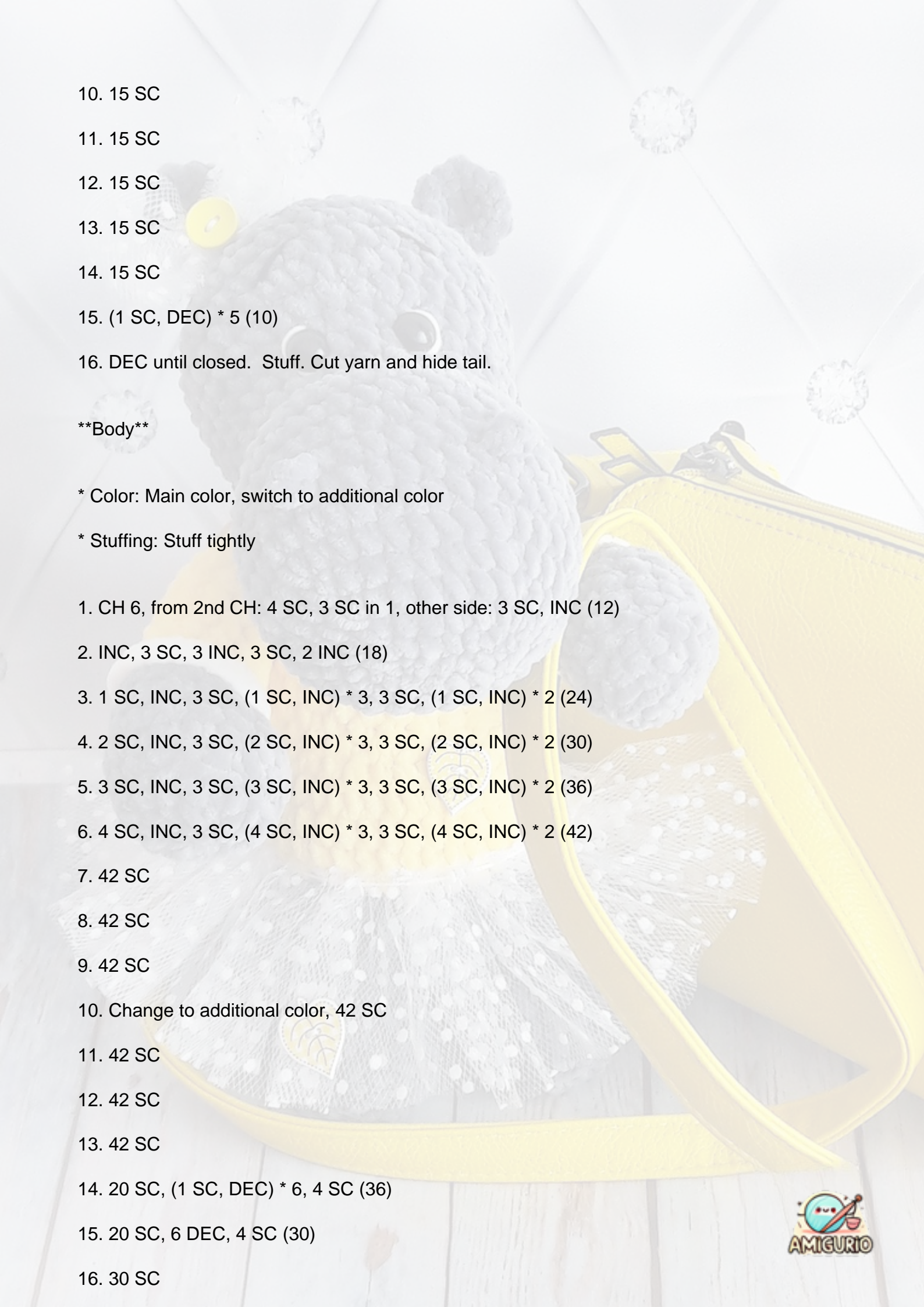
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5. 16 SC
6. 16 SC
7. 16 SC
8. 3 DEC, 10 SC (13)
9. Change to additional color, 13 SC
10. 13 SC
11. 13 SC
12. 13 SC
13. 13 SC
14. 13 SC
15. 13 SC
16. 13 SC
17. (1 SC, DEC) * 4, 1 SC (9)
18. DEC until closed. Stuff. Cut yarn and hide tail.
19. With contrasting yarn, crochet SC in FLO of row 4. Hide tail.

****Legs (Make 2)****

* Color: Main color

* Stuffing: Bottom tightly, top medium

1. 6 SC in MR (6)
2. 6 INC (12)
3. (1 SC, INC) * 6 (18)
4. 18 SC
5. 18 SC
6. 18 SC
7. 18 SC
8. 3 DEC, 12 SC (15)
9. 15 SC

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10. 15 SC
11. 15 SC
12. 15 SC
13. 15 SC
14. 15 SC
15. (1 SC, DEC) * 5 (10)
16. DEC until closed. Stuff. Cut yarn and hide tail.

****Body****

* Color: Main color, switch to additional color

* Stuffing: Stuff tightly

1. CH 6, from 2nd CH: 4 SC, 3 SC in 1, other side: 3 SC, INC (12)
2. INC, 3 SC, 3 INC, 3 SC, 2 INC (18)
3. 1 SC, INC, 3 SC, (1 SC, INC) * 3, 3 SC, (1 SC, INC) * 2 (24)
4. 2 SC, INC, 3 SC, (2 SC, INC) * 3, 3 SC, (2 SC, INC) * 2 (30)
5. 3 SC, INC, 3 SC, (3 SC, INC) * 3, 3 SC, (3 SC, INC) * 2 (36)
6. 4 SC, INC, 3 SC, (4 SC, INC) * 3, 3 SC, (4 SC, INC) * 2 (42)
7. 42 SC
8. 42 SC
9. 42 SC
10. Change to additional color, 42 SC
11. 42 SC
12. 42 SC
13. 42 SC
14. 20 SC, (1 SC, DEC) * 6, 4 SC (36)
15. 20 SC, 6 DEC, 4 SC (30)
16. 30 SC

17. 30 SC
18. 30 SC
19. (3 SC, DEC) * 6 (24)
20. 24 SC
21. 24 SC
22. 24 SC
23. Change to main color, (2 SC, DEC) * 6 (18)
24. 18 SC. Stuff tightly. Cut yarn and hide tail.
25. With contrasting yarn, crochet SC in FLO of row 10. Hide tail.

****Skirt****

* Material: Tulle (5-6 cm wide, 2-2.5 m long, e.g., 2.5 strips of 6x150 cm)

* Thread: Iris or matching yarn (4 strands)

1. Use a running stitch to gather tulle onto needle with thread.
2. Knot ends, tie skirt around hippo's waist.
3. ****Optional:**** Sew a bow to an ear or add a ribbon/button.

****Assembly****

1. ****Sew Head:**** To body, ensuring neck is tightly stuffed.
2. ****Sew Ears:**** Between rows 21-22 of head, 7-8 SC apart.
3. ****Nostrils:**** At rows 7-8 of head, 7-8 SC apart (or attach buttons).
4. ****Embroider Eyebrows:**** As desired with embroidery floss.
5. ****Button Limb Attachment (Optional):**** Use large needle, 4 strands of Iris yarn, 20 mm buttons. Thread through body and limb, attach button, return through limb and body to second limb and button. Tighten moderately, knot 2-3 times, and hide ends. ****Note:**** Buttons prevent plush yarn fibers from falling out; avoid overtightening. ****Alternative:**** Sew limbs without buttons (creates dimples).
6. ****Decorate:**** Add bow tie for boy hippo or skirt/bow for girl hippo. Ensure all parts are securely attached and weave in all loose ends.



****Tips****

- * Use a stitch marker to track spiral rounds.
- * Pin parts before sewing for accurate placement.
- * Stuff head and body tightly, limbs with medium density at the top.
- * Test eye placement for symmetry before sewing.
- * For button attachment, ensure limbs are secure but movable.

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