

Rebeckah's Treasures

Otis Giraffe

Amigurumi Crochet Pattern

~PART 4: BODY~



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Welcome to Part 4 of the Otis Giraffe CAL! This part will cover the giraffe’s body.

You have the option to incorporate the spots and limbs as you crochet the body, OR you can sew them on later – **YOUR CHOICE**.

Photo tutorials available for this part ([on the blog](#)) show the arm and leg attachment. Or, use the FULL video tutorials available for the body instead! *Note, the video tutorials are for the join-as-you-go method, so just change any “join” stitch to a regular sc 1 or sc2tog (depending on the stitch being worked) in its place.

Visit the blog post for this part of the CAL here: <http://www.rebeckahstresures.com/blog/amigurumi-otis-giraffe-cal-part-4>

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Giraffe Body Instructions:

Make one in MC.

Work giraffe body in continuous rnds from the bottom-up. Do **not** turn at the end of rnds. *Side facing you = **WS**. Follow the [TRADITIONAL](#) or [JOIN-AS-YOU-GO](#) instructions as desired.

Giraffe Body – Option 1 – Traditional Instructions:

Use the tip boxes to mark stitches for easy sewing later!

Rnd 1: Sc 6 into a magic circle (6 sts).

Rnd 2: 2 sc into each st around (12 sts).

Rnd 3: [Sc 1, 2 sc into the next st] 6 times (18 sts).

Rnd 4: [Sc 2, 2 sc into the next st] 6 times (24 sts).

Rnd 5: [Sc 3, 2 sc into the next st] 6 times (30 sts).

Rnd 6: [Sc 4, 2 sc into the next st] 6 times (36 sts).

Rnd 7: [Sc 5, 2 sc into the next st] 6 times (42 sts).

Rnd 8: [Sc 6, 2 sc into the next st] 6 times (48 sts). *See first tip box before starting rnd 9.

Rnd 9-14: Sc 48 – 6 rnds (48 sts).

Rnd 9 – TIP: Sew LEGS + TAIL onto Body Later!

Mark stitches #7-14 (right leg placement), #28-35 (left leg placement) and #45-46 (tail placement) on rnd 9.

Starting the dec rnds...

Rnd 15: [Sc 6, sc2tog in BL] 6 times (42 sts).

Rnd 16: [Sc 5, sc2tog in BL] 6 times (36 sts).

Rnd 17-18: Sc 36 – 2 rnds (36 sts).

Rnd 19: [Sc 4, sc2tog in BL] 6 times (30 sts). *See second tip box before starting rnd 20.

Rnd 20: [Sc 3, sc2tog in BL] 6 times (24 sts).

Rnd 20 – TIP: Sew ARMS onto Body Later!

Mark stitches #4-9 (right arm placement) and #16-21 (left arm placement) on rnd 20.

Starting the neck rnds...

Rnd 21: Sc 5, sc2tog in BL x 2, sc 6, sc2tog in BL x 2, sc 5 (20 sts).

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Rnd 22-29: Sc 20 – 8 rnds (20 sts).

Rnd 30: Sc 4, sc2tog in BL, sc 8, sc2tog in BL, sc 4, sl st join, f/o with a long tail (18 sts).

Finish stuffing the body and the neck.

Press the leg opening closed, so you form a straight line with the stitches – make sure the 2nd & 4th stitches and the 11th & 13th stitches of the leg are pressed and paired together (it will be parallel with the toe's point). Using the whipstitch and respective leg tails, sew the legs onto the marked stitches from rnd 9 of the body – make sure the toe point side gets attached to stitch #14 for right leg and stitch #28 for left leg. Tie off.

Press the tail opening closed, so you form a straight line with the stitches. Using the whipstitch and the tail's ending tail, sew it onto the marked stitches from rnd 9 of the body. Tie off.

Press the arm opening closed, so you form a straight line with the stitches – make sure the 1st & 12th stitches and the 6th & 7th stitches of the arm are pressed and paired together (it will be perpendicular to the hand's point). Using the whipstitch and respective arm tails, sew the arms onto the marked stitches from rnd 20 of the body – make sure the hand point faces the body. Tie off.

Weave in all limb tails. Set aside and cont to the [Giraffe's Muzzle](#) – AVAILABLE in Part 5!

Giraffe Body – Option 2 – Join-As-You-Go Instructions (recommended):

Have legs, arms, tail and **seven small + nine big** spots at the ready. *Work **ONLY** in **Body Stitches** unless directed otherwise. Remember, as the spots and limbs are joined, hook goes through the body stitch first. Plus, find tip boxes before the start of the both limb attachment rnds to help with placement!

Rnd 1: Sc 6 into a magic circle (6 sts).

Rnd 2: 2 sc into each st around (12 sts).

Rnd 3: Sc 1, 2 sc into the next st, **sc 2 attach a small spot**, sc 1 into the **same** body st – creating an inc, sc 1, 2 sc into the next st, **sc 2 attach a big spot**, **sc 1 join SAME body st to next spot st** – creating an inc, [sc 1, 2 sc into the next st] 2 times (18 sts).

Rnd 4: Sc 2, * **sc 1 join to spot**, **sc 1 in the same body st – creating an inc**,** sc 1, **sc 1 join to spot**, 2 sc into the next st, sc 2, **rep** from * to **, sc 2, **rep** from * to **, sc 2, 2 sc into the next st, sc 1, **sc 2 attach a big spot**, **sc 1 join SAME body st to next spot st** – creating an inc (24 sts).

Rnd 5: Sc 2, **sc 1 join to spot**, 2 sc into the next st, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 2, 2 sc into the next st, sc 3, * **sc 1 join to spot, sc 1 in the same body st – creating an inc**,** sc 2, **sc 1 join to spot**, 2 sc into the next st, sc 4, **sc 1 join to the SAME body st to spot – creating an inc**, sc 3, **rep** from * to ** (30 sts).

Rnd 6: Sc 3, **sc 2 join rem small spot sts**, sc 1 into the **same** body st – creating an **inc**, sc 4, 2 sc into the next st, sc 2, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 1, 2 sc into the next st, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 3, 2 sc into the next st, sc 4, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 1 into the same body st – creating an **inc**, sc 3, **sc 1 join to spot**, 2 sc into the next st (36 sts).

Rnd 7: [Sc 5, 2 sc into the next st] 2 times, sc 5, **sc 1 join to spot, sc 1 join SAME body st to next spot st** – creating an **inc**, **sc 1 join rem big spot st**, sc 4, 2 sc into the next st, sc 5, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 1 into the **same** body st – creating an **inc**, sc 2, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 2, 2 sc into the next st (42 sts).

Rnd 8: [Sc 6, 2 sc into the next st] 2 times, **sc 3 attach a big spot**, sc 3, [2 sc into the next st, sc 6] 2 times, sc 1, **sc 1 join SAME body st to next spot st** – creating an **inc**, **sc 2 join rem big spot sts**, sc 4, 2 sc into the next st (48 sts).

Rnd 9 – TIP for Working the LEGS + TAIL Attachment:

Hold the leg or tail upright to the **BACK** of work, so the **RS** are pressed together. For each joining stitch, work through **3 layers of stitches** at a time, where the hook goes through the body stitch first (**WS to RS – layer 1**), AND then through two parallel leg/tail stitches (**RS to WS – layer 2 & WS to RS – layer 3**).

Once all 3 stitches are on the hook, complete the sc, hereby joining the limb to body.

Rnd 9 (leg/tail attachment rnd): Sc 6. **Start attaching right leg** → hold leg so pressed sts run **parallel** with the toe point and so the toe points away from the stitch marker / you – sc over the next **8** body sts as they are **joined tog** with the **8 sets** of pressed leg st layers (attach to sts #11 & #13 of this leg first, followed by sts #10 & #14 and so on; ending with sts #4 & #2 – sts #12 & #3 of the BOTH legs are left unworked) – **right leg attached**. Sc 1, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 3, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 7. **Rep same attachment instructions for left leg** → join it to the next **8** body sts – **this time** toe now points towards you, but still points away from the stitch marker (attach to sts #2 & #4 of this leg first, followed by sts #1 & #5, #18 & #6 and so on; ending with sts #13 & #11) – **left leg attached**. **Sc 3 attach a big spot**, sc 6. **Start attaching tail** → sc over the next **2** body sts as they are **joined tog** with the **2 sets** of pressed tail st layers – **tail attached**. Sc 2. (48 sts).

Rnd 10: Sc 9, **sc 3 attach a big spot**, [sc 3, **sc 1 join to spot**] 2 times, sc 7, **sc 2 attach a small spot**, sc 5, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 3, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 9 (48 sts).

Rnd 11: **Sc 2 attach a small spot**, sc 6, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 3, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 2, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 3, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 6, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 2, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 4, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 3, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 8, **sc 1 join to spot** (48 sts).

Rnd 12: Sc 2, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 5, [sc 1 join to spot, sc 3] 2 times, **sc 3 join rem big spot sts**, sc 7, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 2, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 4, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 3, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 8, **sc 1 join to spot** (48 sts).

Rnd 13: Sc 2, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 5, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 3, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 9, **sc 2 attach a small spot**, sc 3, **sc 2 join rem small spot sts**, sc 6, **sc 3 join rem big spot sts**, sc 10 (48 sts).

Rnd 14: **Sc 2 join rem small spot sts**, sc 7, **sc 3 join rem big spot sts**, sc 9, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 2, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 5, **sc 3 attach a big spot**, sc 9, **sc 2 attach a small spot**, sc 4 (48 sts).

Starting the dec rnds...

Rnd 15: Work ALL **sc2tog** in **BLO** → [sc 6, sc2tog] 2 times, sc 5, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc2tog, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 4, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc2tog, sc 2, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 3, sc2tog, sc 1, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 2, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 1, sc2tog (42 sts).

Rnd 16: Work ALL **sc2tog** in **BLO** → sc 2, sc2tog, sc 1, **sc 2 attach a small spot**, sc 2, sc2tog, sc 5, sc2tog, sc 1, **sc 2 join rem small spot sts**, sc 2, sc2tog, sc 1, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 3, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc2tog, sc 3, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc2tog, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 2 (36 sts). **Note: The dec in this rnd occurs in a different order than the dec rep found in Option 1. This is due to the spot positioning.*

Rnd 17: Sc 3, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 2, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 6, **sc 3 attach a big spot**, sc 6, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 3, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 5, **sc 2 join rem small spot sts**, sc 2 (36 sts).

Rnd 18: Sc 3, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 2, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 5, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 3, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 6, **sc 3 join rem big spot sts**, sc 10 (36 sts).

Rnd 19: Work ALL **sc2tog** in **BLO** → sc 2, sc2tog, **sc 2 join rem small spot sts**, sc 2, sc2tog, sc 2, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 1, sc2tog, sc 1, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 2, [sc2tog, sc 4] 2 times, sc2tog, sc 2 (30 sts). **Same notes as rnd 16.*

Rnd 20 – TIP for Working the ARMS Attachment:

Hold the arm upright to the **BACK** of work, so the **RS** are pressed together. For each joining stitch, work through **3 layers of stitches** at a time, where the hook goes through the body stitch first (**WS to RS – layer 1**), AND then through two parallel arm stitches (**RS to WS – layer 2 & WS to RS – layer 3**). Once all 3 stitches are on the hook, complete the sc, hereby joining the arm to body.

Since rnd 20 is a **decrease round**, there are a few body stitches that decrease as you join the arm. In this case, hook goes through the **BL** of two body stitches first, AND then through the two arm stitches.

Rnd 20 (arm attachment rnd): Work ALL **sc2tog** in **BLO** → sc 3. **Start attaching right arm** → hold arm so pressed sts run perpendicular with the hand tip which points towards body – *Sc2tog join the next 2 body sts tog with sts #6 & #7 of arm. Sc over the next 3 body sts as they are joined tog with the next 3 sets of pressed arm sts (attach to sts #5 & #8 of the arm next, followed by sts #4 & #9, then sts #3 & #10). Sc2tog join the next 2 body sts tog with sts #2 & #11 of arm.** **Sc 1 join the next body st with the last set of arm sts AND to the nearest avail spot st** (hook will go thru 4 st layers before completing this sc) – **right arm attached**. Sc 2, sk 1 st, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 3. **Start attaching left arm** → hold and press this arm just like the right arm – **rep** from * to ** to join the left arm; **sc 1 join the next body st tog** with the last set of arm sts – **left arm attached**. Sc 2, sc2tog (24 sts).

Starting the neck rnds...

Rnd 21: Work ALL **sc2tog** in **BLO** → sc 5, sc2tog x 2, **sc 3 join rem big spot sts**, sc 3, sc2tog x 2, **sc 3 attach a big spot**, sc 2 (20 sts).

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Rnd 22-23: Sc 14, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 3, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 1 – 2 rnds (20 sts).

Rnd 24: Sc 1, **sc 3 attach a big spot**, sc 7, **sc 2 attach a small spot**, sc 1, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 3, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 1 (20 sts).

Rnd 25: **Sc 1 join to spot**, sc 3, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 5, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 2, **sc 1 join to spot**, sc 1, **sc 3 join rem big spot sts**, sc 2 (20 sts).

Rnd 26: Sc 1 join to spot, sc 3, sc 1 join to spot, sc 5, sc 1 join to spot, sc 2, sc 1 join to spot, sc 6 (20 sts).

Rnd 27: Sc 1 join to spot, sc 3, sc 1 join to spot, sc 6, sc 2 join rem small spot sts, sc 7 (20 sts).

Rnd 28: Sc 1, sc 3 join rem big spot sts, sc 16 (20 sts).

Rnd 29: Sc 20 (20 sts).

Rnd 30: Work ALL sc2tog in BLO → sc 4, sc2tog, sc 8, sc2tog, sc 4, sl st join, f/o with a long tail (18 sts).

Finish stuffing the body and the neck. Set aside and cont to the [Giraffe's Muzzle](#) – AVAILABLE in Part 5!

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