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## Synopsis

Geared toward practitioners of amigurumi, the Japanese art of crocheting stuffed dolls, this is the only how-to book dedicated to dinosaur patterns. Learn how to crochet fourteen adorable prehistoric creatures to cuddle, from familiar species such as Tyrannosaurus rex, Triceratops, and Stegosaurus to Mosasaurus, Edmontosaurus, and other lesser-known but equally lovable varieties. Each project features complete, well-illustrated instructions, plus full-color photos of the finished model. The patterns are easy to follow and are suitable for crocheters at all skill levels, from novices to experienced hands.

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## Customer Reviews

So far I have done 2 of the patterns and both had an error. One is a major error, the other is minor. The Apatosaurus pattern on page 33 is the wrong pattern...it is the same pattern as Parasaurolophus on page 61. Apatosaurus doesn't have a crest. It should have a long neck. There is also an error on page 59. Row 31 instead of 21sc it should be 22sc, 3 in 1, turn, ch 1 (25 sts). I haven't even tried the other patterns yet. Wondering what else I will find. My granddaughter wanted

the long neck...I guess not, at least until I find another pattern.

I got this book as a gift. The very first pattern I tried to make was the Apatosaurus. I could tell it was wrong from the first 2 rows instructions. After further investigation, it turns out the Apatosaurus pattern is an exact copy of the Parasaurolophus pattern. So there is no pattern for the Apatosaurus. Please give us the pattern for this dinosaur.

• Dinosaur Amigurumi • by Justyna Kacprzak is a easy to read and fairly easy to crochet set of dinosaurs. The pattern directions are well thought out and written. The dinosaurs themselves are quite cute and should be a hit with any dinosaur lover. As they are a little on the simple side (which is best for me as a crocheter), don't look for a lot of detail and definition. The dinosaur patterns included in this book are: 1. Dimetrodon 2. Ankylosaurus 3. Pachycephalosaurus 4. Stegosaurus 5. Mosasaurus 6. Corythosaurus 7. Apatosaurus 8. Tyrannosaurus rex 9. Tropeognathus 10. Edmontosaurus 11. Triceratops 12. Elasmosaurus 13. Pterodactyl 14. Parasaurolophus

The patterns call for Cotton-ish by Vickie Howell for Bernat yarn and use a size C (2.75mm) hook. The directions are definitely for US format crochet. The eyes used are (per dinosaur) either 2 each 4.5 or 6mm safety eyes depending on which dinosaur you are stitching. You will also need to pick up stuffing of your choice. My preference is polyester but you can use whatever you prefer. There are very simple general directions at the beginning of the book. There are multiple cute pictures of each dinosaur from various angles, so it is easy to get an idea of how the finished product should look. While the author gives the hook size needed, as far as I can see (given I am looking at a pre-release version of the book), there is not stitch gauge given. Depending on your tension, you may want to move a hook size up or down to get the result that you prefer. My grandson's bedroom is decorated in dinosaurs, so I am really pleased to see such a great set of patterns to make for him. I will be purchasing a paper version of this book for my craft library and can hardly wait to start stitching some of the designs. I received a temporary digital ARC copy of this book from the publisher, Dover Publications, via Netgalley.

This book of crochet dinosaurs was too cute to pass up. I've crocheted little animals before with whatever leftovers I had at hand (mass produced until I had blisters for the tween to sell for entrepreneur project) and decided to do these right. Armed with the right sized hook from the store and the recommended yarn I ordered online, I got started. I found the pattern devilishly simple and ALL the stops and starts along the way were entirely my own doing. For me, the starting place for

each round seemed to wander so I started using a stitch marker so my own semi-inconsistent crochet habits don't make my dinosaurs' heads all crooked. Otherwise, I just keep doing what the pattern says and it takes shape. The Cotton-ish yarn by Vickie Howell Bernat and hook size make a nice tight piece and I've had no issues with stuffing popping out between the stitches. The recommended yarn is very smooth, however, and combined with the slick metal hook taking my time has paid off. I definitely recommend this book of patterns. These little guys will make terrific stocking stuffers for kids (and adults). If you're looking for something a little different to get into (or a project you can tuck in your purse or tote to work on whenever) this will definitely keep your hands busy. Oh, and they are completely addictive. Does this book motivate me to strike out on my own, experiment and see what sort of shapes I can create? Yes. For that reason alone I give it full marks. I received a copy from NetGalley in exchange for my honest review.

Dinosaur Amigurumi is a fun collection of Dinosaur patterns to crochet. Triceratops, Apatosaurus, Tyrannosaurus Rex and Pterodactyl are among the dinos you can make. I began making the Triceratops and I found the pattern easy to follow. I stopped at the head. My one qualm is that there were no finished dimensions listed for the finished product. I like to know what size the finished toy will be. I unraveled my work once I realized the Triceratops would be a bit larger than I thought, and that I would need more yarn. I don't know if the lack of finished dimension listed is due to the fact that I received a review copy that was perhaps unfinished. There was also no stitch guide, which every pattern book tends to have for reference. From crocheting the head, I found the pattern well written. I like this collection of cute dino patterns, however I do wish it were more detailed. Disclaimer: This review is my honest opinion. I did not receive any kind of compensation for reading and reviewing this book. I am under no obligation to write a positive review. NetGalley provided me with a few review copy of Dinosaur Amigurumi in exchange for my honest thoughts.

Love this book. Dinosaurs come out exactly as shown in the pictures. I've made three so far, they worked up fast and adorable. Also, this book has all the 'classic' dinosaurs, and lesser known dinosaurs - it's great for the dinosaur aficionado and the newbie. Not as much information about connecting limbs and such as I'd maybe like, but that's my only complaint.

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