

# Planet Penny Mini Mice

**Materials:** Oddments of DK mercerised cotton yarn

3mm crochet hook

Toy stuffing

Black embroidery thread

Small black beads

Sewing needle

Small **strong** magnets

**Notes:**

Don't join with a slip stitch at the end of each round. By continuing straight on the next round the piece will be a spiral rather than a series of circles. It helps to use piece of spare yarn to mark the beginning of each round so you can keep track of where you are. I use a **3mm hook** when making items which require stuffing as it makes for a denser fabric.

**N.B. Crochet terms differ between countries. This pattern is written using British crochet abbreviations;**

**American crochet abbreviations can be found here** <http://crochet.about.com/od/conversioncharts/a/termtranslate.htm>

**Body** We start at the nose!

**Foundation** 6dc into 'Magic Circle', close by pulling the end of the yarn.

**Round 1** \*1dc in next st. 2dc in next st; rep from \* to end (9sts)

**Round 2** \*1dc in next 2st, 2dc in next st; rep from \* to end (12sts)

**Round 3** \*1dc in next 2st, 2dc in next st; rep from \* to end (16sts)

**Round 4** 1dc in next 3st, 2dc in next st; rep to end (20st)

**Round 5-7** work in dc (20st)

**Round 8** \*1 dc into next 2st, dc2tog: rep from \* to end (15st)

**Round 9** \*1dc in next st, dc2tog; rep from \* to end (10st)

*At this point fill with toy stuffing*

**Round 10** dc 2 tog all round until hole is closed. If there is still a gap, ss to close, then work 11 ch and ss back to body making the tail.

Sew or crochet in end

**Ears** Make 2

**Foundation** 6dc into 'Magic Circle', close by pulling the end of the yarn.

**Round 1** \*1dc in next st. 2dc in next st; rep from \* to end (9sts)

**Round 2** Work in dc, ss into next st. Fasten off leaving a tail to sew on to body.

Mould into shape with fingers. The nose needs a little tweak!

Attach eyes and nose and embroider whiskers using black thread.

To use the mice as fridge magnets: -

Glue on small magnets using UHU glue or similar or a glue gun.

The mini mice also look cute on a hair slide, brooch or a baby's hair band

**If making for a small child: -**

**Please DO NOT use beads, but instead embroider the eyes and nose, and be extra careful when attaching the ears to make them secure and safe.)**



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