Crochet Pattern – Sagara Sanosuke

This pattern is inspired by the Japanese film adaptation of the Rurouni Kenshin manga created by Nobuhiro Watasuki.

The character featured is Sagara Sanosuke, a street fighter who becomes Kenshin's best friend cum fighting partner after being defeated by him.

If you have any questions about this pattern, feel free to contact me at myartpetite@gmail.com

Thanks and enjoy!

NOTE:

- For advanced beginners (must have basic crochet knowledge including how to do colour change and needle felting)
- Finished product measures about three inches tall
- Work in continuous rounds; use a stitch marker if need be

MATERIALS:

B hook (1-2.25mm)

F hook (3.75mm)

H hook (5mm)

Felting Needles

Merino Wool (colour: dark brown)

8 ply yarns (colours: beige, black, red, white, and dark brown)

Safety eyes (7.5mm)

Stuffing (wool or fiberfill)

ABBREVIATIONS (US TERMS):

BLO	back loop only	**Rnd**	round
ch	chain	**sc**	single crochet
dc	double crochet	**sc2tog**	2 sc together
FLO	front loop only	**sl st**	slip stitch
FO	fasten off	**st**	stitch
inc	increase (2 sc in st)		

Head

Using beige yarn,

Rnd 1: 6 sc in a magic ring (6)

Rnd 2: inc in each st around (12)

Rnd 3: *sc, inc* 6 times (18)

Rnd 4: *sc in next 2 st, inc* 6 times (24)

Rnd 5-7: sc in each st around (24)

Rnd 8: *sc in next 2 st, sc2tog* 6 times (18)

Rnd 9: sc in each st around (18)

Rnd 10: *sc in next st, sc2tog* 6 times (12)

Rnd 11: *sc2tog* 6 times (6)

FO and leave a long tail for assembly.

Place safety eyes between rows 7 and 8 (3 st apart).

Body/ Top

Using beige yarn,

Rnd 1: 5 sc in a magic ring (5)

Rnd 2: inc in each st around (10)

Rnd 3: *sc, inc* 3 times in beige yarn, *sc, inc* 2 times in white yarn (10)

Rnd 4-5: sc in next 6 st in beige yarn, sc in remaining 9 st in white yarn (15)

Rnd 6: sc in next 2 st, inc, sc in next 2 st in beige yarn, inc, *sc in next 2 st, inc* 3 times in white yarn (20)

Rnd 7: sc in next 6 st in beige yarn, sc in next 14 st in white yarn (20)

Using white yarn,

Rnd 8: *sc in next 3 st, inc* 5 times (25)

Rnd 9: sc in each st around (25)

Rnd 10-11: sc2tog around (12; crosses over to the first st of Rnd 12)

FO and weave in tail.

Legs (make two)

Using black yarn,

Rnd 1: 4 sc in a magic ring (4)

Rnd 2: *sc, inc* 2 times (6)

Rnd 3: sc in each st around (6)

Using white yarn,

Rnd 4: sc in each st around (6)

Rnd 5: *sc in next 2 st, inc* 2 times (8)

Rnd 6: sc in each st around (8)

FO and leave a long tail for assembly.

Arms/ Sleeves (make two)

Using white yarn,

Rnd 1: 4 sc in a magic ring (4)

Rnd 2: inc in each st around (8)

Rnd 3: sc in each st around (8)

Rnd 4: *sc, inc* 4 times (12)

Rnd 5: *sc in next 2 st, inc* 4 times (16)

Leave a long tail for assembly.

Using black yarn,

Rnd 6-7: sc in each st around (16)

FO and weave in tail.

Hands (make two)

Using beige yarn,

Rnd 1: 4 sc in a magic ring (4)

Rnd 2: inc in each st around (8)

Rnd 3: sc in each st around (8)

FO and leave a long tail for assembly.

Clothing Embellishment (Headband)

Using red yarn,

Row 1: ch 30, sc in each ch (29)

FO and leave a long tail for assembly.

Clothing Embellishment (Headband Tail – make two)

Using red yarn,

Row 1: ch 10, sc in each ch (9)

FO and leave a long tail for assembly.

Clothing Embellishment (Collar)

Using black yarn,

Row 1: ch 30, sc in each ch (29)

FO and leave a long tail for assembly.

Clothing Embellishment (Small Pockets – make two)

Using black yarn,

Row 1: ch 6, sc in each ch (5)

FO and sew in tail.

Clothing Embellishment (Bottom)

Using white yarn,

Row 1: ch 24, sc in each ch (23)

FO and leave a long tail for assembly.

Using white yarn,

Row 2: BLO - dc in next 8 st, 2 dc in next st, dc in next 5 st, 2 dc in next st, dc in next 8 st (25)

Row 3: ch 1 and turn, sc in next 8 st, *inc* 2 times, sc in next 5 st, *inc* 2 times, sc in next 8 st (30 including ch 1)

FO and leave a long tail for assembly.

<u>Assembly (in the following sequence)</u>

- Sew the legs to the body.
- Sew the bottom to the body (waist area) and use the tail to sew in-between the bottom so it looks more like a pair of pants.
- Sew the collar to the body.
- Sew the pockets to the body.
- Sew the hands to the top of the sleeves.
- Sew the sleeves to the body.
- Needle felt the hair to the head.
  - First, needle felt the wool to the back of head to form the hair cap/ base. Refer to image.
  - Second, I would recommend that you do a Google search for an image of Sanosuke that you like and try to replicate that hairstyle on your doll.
  - Third, take strips of wool and needle felt them to the cap. Leave some space between each spike.
  - Fourth, use a few drops of water to style the hair.

- Sew the headband to the head.
- Sew the headband tail to the headband.
- Sew the head to the body.

Congratulations! I would love to see the result of your hard work. Do share a picture of your finished doll with me via my [Facebook](#) or [email](#) ☺