

ALFIE
THE DUCKLING



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YARNS

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intermediate
DK-Cro-Toy-012

SIZE

Actual measurement Completed Duckling stands
Approx 16 cm, 6½ in tall

YOU WILL NEED

- 1 × 100g ball of Paintbox Yarns Simply DK in A - Buttercup Yellow, B - Blood Orange and C - Sky Blue (As seen on cover)
- 3.5mm (UK 9 – US E4) crochet hook
- A pair of 9 mm black safety eyes
- Toy stuffing
- Tapestry needle

TENSION (GAUGE)

When making a toy such as this, it is not essential to work to the exact tension. If your tension is tight, with more stitches and rows than stated, your toy will be smaller. If your tension is loose, with less stitches and rows than stated, your toy will be larger. However, if your tension is too loose, the toy filling will show through the crochet and spoil the look of the finished item.

GOOD TO KNOW

- Paintbox Yarns cannot accept responsibility for the finished toy if any yarn other than the recommended yarn is used.
- Yarn quantities are based on average requirements and are therefore approximate.
- Colour reproduction is as close as printing processes will allow.
- Instructions are written using UK terminology with changes for US terminology given in italics in round brackets () afterwards.
- Repeat figures in round brackets () the number of times stated afterwards.

ABBREVIATIONS

beg = beginning; **ch** = chain; **cm** = centimetres; **cont** = continue; **dc (sc)** = double (*single*) crochet; **dc2tog (sc2tog)** = (insert hook as indicated, yoh and draw loop through) twice, yoh and draw through all 3 loops on hook; **in** = inches; **rs** = right side; **ss** = slip stitch; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **tr (dc)** = treble (*double crochet*); **yoh** = yarn over hook.

popcorn = work 3 tr (*dc*) into next st as indicated, remove hook from working loop, insert hook through both loops of first of these 3 tr (*dc*) and pull working loop through.

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HEAD

Make 2 ch using 3.5mm (UK 9 – US E4) crochet hook and A.

round 1 (rs) 6 dc (sc) into 2nd ch from hook, ss to first st. 6 sts.

round 2 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 2 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, 2 dc (sc) into each of next 5 sts, ss to first st. 12 sts.

round 3 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (2 dc (sc) into next st, 1 dc (sc) into next st) 5 times, 2 dc (sc) into next st, ss to first st. 18 sts.

round 4 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (2 dc (sc) into next st, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 2 sts) 5 times, 2 dc (sc) into next st, 1 dc (sc) into next st, ss to first st. 24 sts.

round 5 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (2 dc (sc) into next st, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 3 sts) 5 times, 2 dc (sc) into next st, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 2 sts, ss to first st. 30 sts.

round 6 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, 1 dc (sc) into each st to end of round, ss to first st.

rounds 7 to 9 as round 6.

round 10 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (2 dc (sc) into next st, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 4 sts) 5 times, 2 dc (sc) into next st, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 3 sts, ss to first st. 36 sts.

round 11 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (2 dc (sc) into next st, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 5 sts) 5 times, 2 dc (sc) into next st, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 4 sts, ss to first st. 42 sts.

rounds 12 to 15 as round 6.

Using photograph as a guide, insert eyes between rounds 9 and 10, placing them 9 sts apart.

round 16 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 5 sts) 5 times, dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 4 sts, ss to first st. 36 sts.

round 17 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 4 sts) 5 times, dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 3 sts, ss to first st. 30 sts.

round 18 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 3 sts) 5 times, dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 2 sts, ss to first st. 24 sts.

Stuff head firmly as much as possible to end of last round.

round 19 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 2 sts) 5 times, dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into next st, ss to first st. 18 sts.

round 20 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into next st) 5 times, dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, ss to first st. 12 sts.

round 21 1 ch (does NOT count as st), dc2tog (sc2tog) over st at base of 1 ch and next st, (dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts) 5 times, ss to first st. 6 sts.

Fasten off, leaving a length of yarn.

Finish stuffing head firmly and neatly sew hole closed.

BEAK

Make 2 ch using 3.5mm (UK 9 – US E4) crochet hook and B.

round 1 (rs) 6 dc (sc) into 2nd ch from hook, ss to first st. 6 sts.

round 2 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (2 dc (sc) into next st, 1 dc (sc) into next st) twice, 2 dc (sc) into next st, ss to first st. 9 sts.

round 3 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (2 dc (sc) into next st, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 2 sts) twice, 2 dc (sc) into next st, 1 dc (sc) into next st, ss to first st. 12 sts.

round 4 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, 1 dc (sc) into each st to end of round, ss to first st.

round 5 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (2 dc (sc) into next st, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 3 sts) twice, 2 dc (sc) into next st, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 2 sts, ss to first st. 15 sts.

round 6 as round 4.

Fasten off, leaving a length of yarn for sewing beak to head.

Stuff beak and sew to front of head as in photograph.



BODY

Make 2 ch using 3.5mm (UK 9 – US E4) crochet hook and A.

round 1 (rs) 6 dc (sc) into 2nd ch from hook, ss to first st. 6 sts.

round 2 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 2 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, 2 dc (sc) into each of next 5 sts, ss to first st. 12 sts.

round 3 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (2 dc (sc) into next st, 1 dc (sc) into next st) 5 times, 2 dc (sc) into next st, ss to first st. 18 sts.

round 4 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (2 dc (sc) into next st, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 2 sts) 5 times, 2 dc (sc) into next st, 1 dc (sc) into next st, ss to first st. 24 sts.

round 5 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (2 dc (sc) into next st, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 3 sts) 5 times, 2 dc (sc) into next st, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 2 sts, ss to first st. 30 sts.

round 6 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (2 dc (sc) into next st, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 4 sts) 5 times, 2 dc (sc) into next st, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 3 sts, ss to first st. 36 sts.

round 7 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, 1 dc (sc) into each st to end of round, ss to first st.

rounds 8 to 10 as round 7.

Break off A and join in C.

round 11 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 4 sts) 5 times, dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 3 sts, ss to first st. 30 sts.

round 12 (hem round) 1 ch (does NOT count as st), then working into front loop only of each st, 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 29 sts, ss to first st. 30 sts. Fasten off.

Rejoin C to the first back loop of round 12 – to join in the yarn, insert hook through the back loop and draw yarn through, yoh and pull through loop on hook, tighten.

round 13 1 dc (sc) into back loop of st where yarn was rejoined, 1 dc (sc) into back loop of each of next 29 sts of round 12, ss to first st. 30 sts.

Now working into both loops of every st, cont as follows:

round 14 as round 7.

round 15 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 8 sts) twice, dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 7 sts, ss to first st. 27 sts.

rounds 16 and 17 as round 7.

round 18 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 7 sts) twice, dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 6 sts, ss to first st. 24 sts.

rounds 19 and 20 as round 7.

round 21 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 6 sts) twice, dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 5 sts, ss to first st. 21 sts.

round 22 as round 7.

round 23 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 5 sts) twice, dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 4 sts, ss to first st. 18 sts.

round 24 as round 7.

Fasten off, leaving a length of yarn for sewing body to head. Sew in loose end of yarn on hem. Stuff body firmly, then sew body securely to head inserting more stuffing before the last few stitches are made.

LEGS (MAKE 2)

Make 2 ch using 3.5mm (UK 9 – US E4) crochet hook and B.

round 1 (rs) 6 dc (sc) into 2nd ch from hook, ss to first st. 6 sts.

round 2 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 2 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, 2 dc (sc) into each of next 5 sts, ss to first st. 12 sts.

round 3 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (2 dc (sc) into next st, 1 dc (sc) into next st) 5 times, 2 dc (sc) into next st, ss to first st. 18 sts.

round 4 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (2 dc (sc) into next st, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 2 sts) 5 times, 2 dc (sc) into next st, 1 dc (sc) into next st, ss to first st. 24 sts.

round 5 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 5 sts, (work popcorn into next st, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 4 sts) 3 times, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 3 sts, ss to first st. 24 sts.

round 6 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 2 sts) 5 times, dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into next st, ss to first st. 18 sts.

round 7 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 4 sts) twice, dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 3 sts, ss to first st. 15 sts.

round 8 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, (dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 3 sts) twice, dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 2 sts, ss to first st. 12 sts.

round 9 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, 1 dc (sc) into each st to end of round, ss to first st.

rounds 10 and 11 as round 9.

round 12 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (sc) into st at base of 1 ch, dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 4 sts, dc2tog (sc2tog) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (sc) into each of next 3 sts, ss to first st. 10 sts.

rounds 13 to 15 as round 9.

Fasten off, leaving a length of yarn for sewing leg to body. Stuff legs firmly not quite to the top, then flatten at the top and sew edges together with feet facing forwards. Sew legs securely to body, making sure that the figure can sit down easily.



WINGS (MAKE 2)

Make 2 ch using 3.5mm (UK 9 – US E4) crochet hook and A.

round 1 (rs) 6 dc (*sc*) into 2nd ch from hook, ss to first st. 6 sts.

round 2 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (*sc*) into st at base of 1 ch, 2 dc (*sc*) into next st, 1 dc (*sc*) into each of next 2 sts, 2 dc (*sc*) into next st, 1 dc (*sc*) into next st, ss to first st. 8 sts.

round 3 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (*sc*) into st at base of 1 ch, 2 dc (*sc*) into next st, 1 dc (*sc*) into each of next 3 sts, 2 dc (*sc*) into next st, 1 dc (*sc*) into each of next 2 sts, ss to first st. 10 sts.

round 4 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (*sc*) into st at base of 1 ch, 2 dc (*sc*) into next st, 1 dc (*sc*) into each of next 4 sts, 2 dc (*sc*) into next st, 1 dc (*sc*) into each of next 3 sts, ss to first st. 12 sts.

round 5 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (*sc*) into st at base of 1 ch, 2 dc (*sc*) into next st, 1 dc (*sc*) into each of next 5 sts, 2 dc (*sc*) into next st, 1 dc (*sc*) into each of next 4 sts, ss to first st. 14 sts.

rounds 6 to 10 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (*sc*) into st at base of 1 ch, 1 dc (*sc*) into each st to end of round, ss to first st.

round 11 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (*sc*) into st at base of 1 ch, dc2tog (*sc2tog*) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (*sc*) into each of next 5 sts, dc2tog (*sc2tog*) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (*sc*) into each of next 4 sts, ss to first st. 12 sts.

round 12 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (*sc*) into st at base of 1 ch, dc2tog (*sc2tog*) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (*sc*) into each of next 4 sts, dc2tog (*sc2tog*) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (*sc*) into each of next 3 sts, ss to first st. 10 sts.

round 13 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (*sc*) into st at base of 1 ch, dc2tog (*sc2tog*) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (*sc*) into each of next 3 sts, dc2tog (*sc2tog*) over next 2 sts, 1 dc (*sc*) into each of next 2 sts, ss to first st. 8 sts.

Fasten off, leaving a length of yarn for sewing wing to body.

Flatten wing and sew edges of last round together. Sew securely to side of body as in photograph.

TAIL

Make 2 ch using 3.5mm (UK 9 – US E4) crochet hook and A.

round 1 (rs) 6 dc (*sc*) into 2nd ch from hook, ss to first st. 6 sts.

round 2 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (*sc*) into st at base of 1 ch, 2 dc (*sc*) into next st, 1 dc (*sc*) into each of next 2 sts, 2 dc (*sc*) into next st, 1 dc (*sc*) into next st, ss to first st. 8 sts.

round 3 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (*sc*) into st at base of 1 ch, 2 dc (*sc*) into next st, 1 dc (*sc*) into each of next 3 sts, 2 dc (*sc*) into next st, 1 dc (*sc*) into each of next 2 sts, ss to first st. 10 sts.

round 4 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (*sc*) into st at base of 1 ch, 2 dc (*sc*) into next st, 1 dc (*sc*) into each of next 4 sts, 2 dc (*sc*) into next st, 1 dc (*sc*) into each of next 3 sts, ss to first st. 12 sts.

round 5 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (*sc*) into st at base of 1 ch, 2 dc (*sc*) into next st, 1 dc (*sc*) into each of next 5 sts, 2 dc (*sc*) into next st, 1 dc (*sc*) into each of next 4 sts, ss to first st. 14 sts.

round 6 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (*sc*) into st at base of 1 ch, 2 dc (*sc*) into next st, 1 dc (*sc*) into each of next 6 sts, 2 dc (*sc*) into next st, 1 dc (*sc*) into each of next 5 sts, ss to first st. 16 sts.

round 7 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (*sc*) into st at base of 1 ch, 2 dc (*sc*) into next st, 1 dc (*sc*) into each of next 7 sts, 2 dc (*sc*) into next st, 1 dc (*sc*) into each of next 6 sts, ss to first st. 18 sts.

round 8 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc (*sc*) into st at base of 1 ch, 2 dc (*sc*) into next st, 1 dc (*sc*) into each of next 8 sts, 2 dc (*sc*) into next st, 1 dc (*sc*) into each of next 7 sts, ss to first st. 20 sts.

Fasten off, leaving a length of yarn for sewing tail to body.

Stuff tail and sew securely to back of body below hem round.

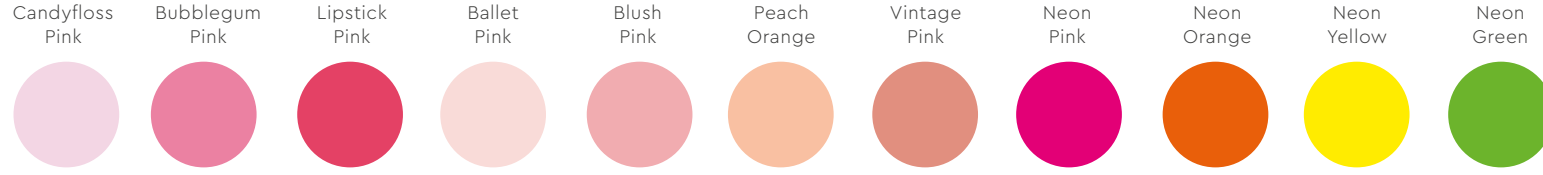
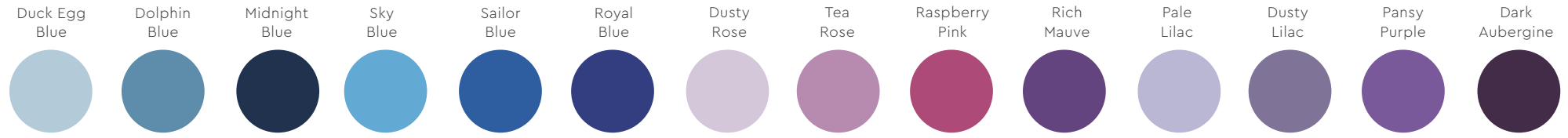
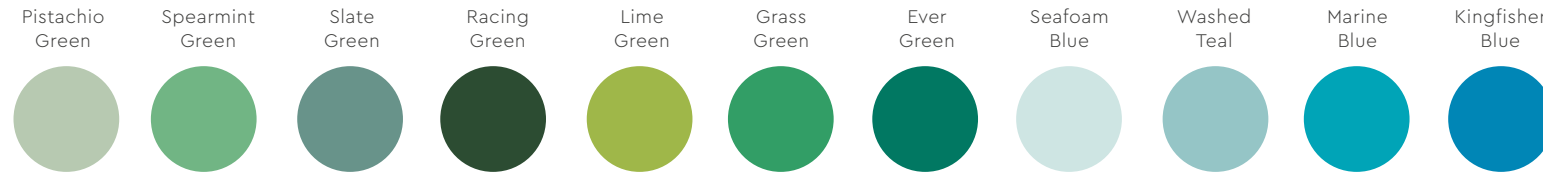
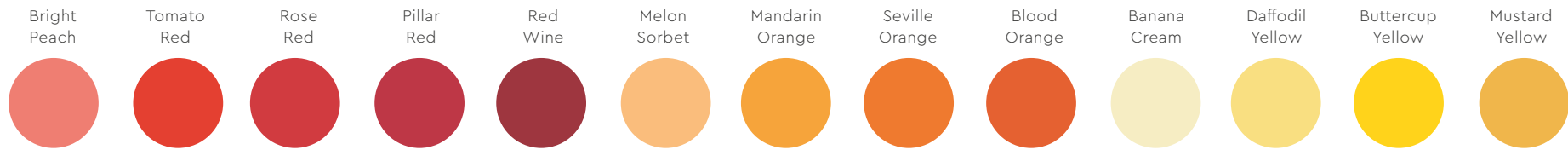
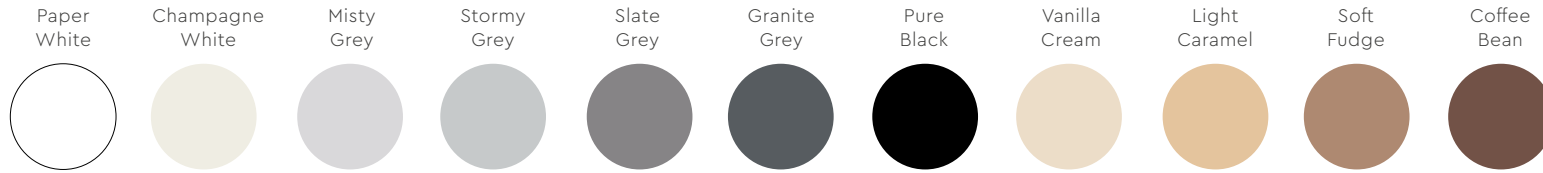
TOP TIP

If making more toys from the collection, think about the colours you want to use for the outfits and try to coordinate!



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