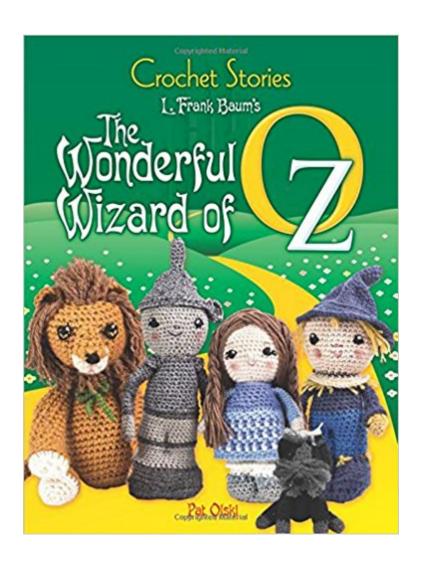


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# Crochet Stories: L. Frank Baum's The Wonderful Wizard Of Oz





## **Synopsis**

Follow the Yellow Brick Road to a charming combination of storytelling and crocheting! Suitable for beginning to intermediate crocheters, this book features a retelling of the classic adventure story, punctuated with nineteen patterns for L. Frank Baum's beloved characters, plus their settings and accessories. The much-loved tale begins in Kansas and follows Dorothy and Toto to Oz, presenting patterns for the little heroine, her dog, and her Uncle Henry and Aunt Em. Storybook chapters of her arrival and encounters with the people of Oz follow, accompanied by patterns for a Munchkin, the Good Witch of the North, the Wicked Witch of the East (consisting of Dorothy's house with the witch's magic slippers sticking out from underneath), and a stretch of the Yellow Brick Road. Subsequent chapters introduce Dorothy's new friends  $\tilde{A}\phi\hat{a} \rightarrow \hat{a}$  the Scarecrow, Tin Woodman, and Cowardly Lion  $\tilde{A}\phi\hat{a} \rightarrow \hat{a}$  and those they meet in the Emerald City  $\tilde{A}\phi\hat{a} \rightarrow \hat{a}$  the Wizard, the Wicked Witch of the West, a Winged Monkey, and the kindly Glinda the Good. In addition to these characters, the full-color patterns include key storytelling items such as the poppy, Emerald City spectacles, water bucket, and magical golden cap. A photo gallery of many of the  $\tilde{A}$   $\hat{a}$  story's characters provides a delightful conclusion to the book.

## **Book Information**

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Pat Olski is equally passionate about knitting, crocheting and embroidery. Her designs reflecting all three have been published in many issues of Vogue Knitting, Vogue Knitting Crochet, Knit Simple, and Noro Magazine, as well as in a variety of books ranging from Debbie Bliss to the Cascade "60"

Quick" project series. She has created numerous patterns for major yarn companies, and is the author of three crochet booklets in the Go Crafty series from Mixed Media Publications. She is also the author of the books Crochet Stories: Lewis Carroll's Alice in Wonderland in amigurumi and Yarn Whirled: Fairy Tales, Fables and Folklore in yarn craft as well as Crochet Stories: L. Frank Baum's The Wonderful Wizard of Oz in amigurumi and Yarn Whirled: The Royal Family which will be published in early 2017. Pat enjoys nothing more than translating complicated traditions into relevant and approachable designs.

great book

Looks good. Haven't had the time.

This is a lovely book of amigurumi crochet patterns for a variety of stuffed characters from L. Frank Baum's  $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$   $\hat{a}$   $\neg\tilde{A}$   $\hat{A}$  "The Wizard of Oz $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$   $\hat{a}$   $\neg\tilde{A}$   $\hat{A}$ . The figures included are: Dorothy, Toto, Aunt Em, Uncle Henry, a Munchkin, Good Witch of the North, Wicked Witch of the East (House and Shoes), Yellow Brick Road, Scarecrow, Tin Woodman, Cowardly Lion, Poppy, Emerald City Spectacles, the Wizard of Oz, Wicked Witch of the West, Golden Cap, Winged Monkey, Water Bucket, and Glinda.In addition to the patterns, there is a very short version of the story included with some cute photos of the crochet characters. The crochet instructions are written and are in US format. There are some short instructions with respect to stitches but do not include any photographs and drawings depicting stitches. The type of yarn used for the figures is provided but you can use any yarn you wish. It will potentially make a difference in the size of your finished character. I noticed that the designer used a wide range of yarn brands rather than focusing on just one. I generally choose a brand for a project in amigurumi as the size of the characters and their accessories will stay consistent. I was provided a digital advance reader copy of this book by the publisher via Netgalley.

This book, Crochet Stories: L. Frank Baum's The Wonderful Wizard of Oz not only provides crochet patterns of each part of the story but it also includes a condensed version of the story. Of course, the first pattern is Dorothy and Toto, but it also goes on to include the yellow brick road, munchkins, the witches, the house and shoes. Some of the things that surprised me were the glasses for the Emerald City and the bucket of water. I love this book and, for anyone that enjoys crocheting figures, this book would be a winner. I was given this book by Dover Publishing in exchange for my honest

review.

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