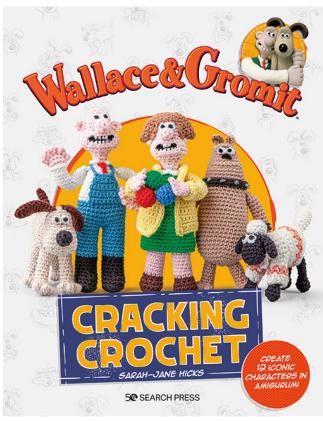
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Wallace & Gromit: Cracking Crochet

Create 12 iconic characters in amigurumi

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Key Selling Points

- A new Wallace & Gromit is due for release in 2024; they will remain perennially popular, 35 years after their first outing!
- Wallace and Gromit hold national treasure status, with a brand new film in production and a global box-office turnover of \$193m
- Wallace & Gromit: Cracking Crochet is the third title in an exciting new publishing partnership between Aardman and Search Press
- Sarah-Jane Hicks' previous crochet/amigurumi title for Search Press has sold over 17,000 copies
- 12 projects to crochet including Wallace, Gromit, Shaun, Wendolene, Piella and Fluffles; with key techniques explained and packed with film stills and photographs for inspiration.

Description

Take up your hook and with the expert guidance of crochet and amigurumi expert Sarah-Jane Hicks, recreate the wonderful world of Aardman Animations' beloved twosome, Wallace & Gromit!

Taking inspiration from the short films *A Grand Day Out*, *The Wrong Trousers*, *A Close Shave* and *A Matter of Loaf and Death*, you can crochet eight of the key characters from these ripping yarns and 'props' including the Cooker and Rocket from *A Grand Day Out*, plus sheep from *A Close Shave*, but also the characters' accessories and costumes.

These include: Gromit's raincoat and sou'wester from *The Wrong Trousers*, Shaun the Sheep's trademark woolly jumper (from *A Close Shave*), and master criminal Feathers McGraw's 'cunning disguise'...

Sarah-Jane Hicks introduces the key crochet techniques required to make up the characters, then features the patterns required with images of the finished works, all enhanced with stills from the films they appear in.

Featured characters include: Wallace, Gromit, Feathers McGraw, Shaun the Sheep, Wendolene Ramsbottom, Piella Bakewell, Preston the cyberdog and Fluffles the poodle.

About the Author

Sarah-Jane Hicks has always enjoyed crochet and crafting in her spare time. She was taught to crochet as a child by her mum and grandmother. Previously she worked as a tax adviser and is now a freelance crochet designer. She has had patterns published in various popular craft and crochet magazines, and has over 76K followers on her Instagram account: @flo_and_dot

Sarah-Jane lives in Norfolk in the UK. Her first book for Search Press, *Amigurumi Christmas*, has sold over 17.5k copies since publication in 2020; Sarah-Jane's most recent title, *All-New Twenty to Make Animal Granny Squares*, was published in 2022 and has already sold over 4,200 copies.

For more information, visit Sarah-Jane's blog: www.floanddot.blogspot.com

For over 40 years, Aardman has entertained and charmed the world, creating much loved characters and bringing unforgettable stories to life.

Peter Lord and David Sproxton began their animating partnership at school. In 1972 they registered the name Aardman Animations. After graduating, they moved to Bristol in 1976 where they produced their first professional production, creating Morph for the children's programme *Take Hart*.

Aardman is proudly based in Bristol, UK, a city with a rich creative culture.

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