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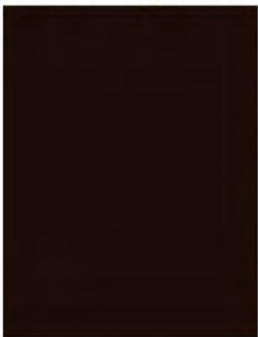
We are excited about bringing the best online designers together that we could find for this issue. They have generously provided patterns for Inspired Crochet to keep you inspired all month long! There will be approximately 10-14 patterns (sometimes more!), interviews from fellow crocheters, shop reviews, articles, stories, and much more stuffed in the magazine EACH MONTH!

One thing that I want to stress about the patterns in the magazine is that they are straight from the designer. What does that mean? Well, I don't edit them or do anything to alter the pattern. I want Inspired Crochet to be for the designer AND the reader. I want each designer to be represented fairly so that you will know without a doubt what to expect when you visit them. I want a fair place for the online digital designers to be published. So, keep in mind that when you notice that all of the patterns 'look' different or include different information there's a reason.

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Hello!

July is here and you know what that means: warm weather, celebrations and campfires, and lots of stuff in between! With so much going on it's likely you're crocheting on the go. This issue is packed full of patterns that you'll definitely want to take with you!

Shannon Jarvies ~Co-editor

"In a ball of yarn is the potential to make a dream that you have come true."

- Melanie Falick

There are so many inspiring things in this issue, including 3 exclusive patterns that have never been published before. Plus, there are some interesting interviews with fellow crocheters and articles full of something new. This issue is packed full of inspiration!

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Learn To **Crochet** Today!

Crochet is an easy hobby to learn and with just a little practice, you'll be making items such as hats, scarves, blankets and more! Most patterns use the basic stitches so you're in luck! Get ready to CROCHET!

How to hold your hook:

There are two common ways to hold your hook a) pencil and b) knife style



Try both holds and see which one you prefer.
These are not the only two, but the most common.

How to chain: (ch)



Each pattern will start with a specific chain amount. Sometimes the chain amount will be 2 and sometimes it may be 250 (blanket or scarf are examples). It's really easy--but practice and make it consistent.

*Tip: work chains LOOSELY, and not too tight.

How to Slip Stitch: (sl st)

Slip stitch is a common stitch used within many patterns.

It's commonly used to join a ring (hats are a great example), or used as a stitch without height.



Push hook through stitch as directed in pattern. Here, instructions would read: 'Ch4, sl st in the first chain to form a ring.'

So, ch4 and then push your hook through the first chain that you created and pull the yarn back through. You will have 2 stitches on the hook. Take the 2nd stitch you just created and pull it through the first. Sl st complete.

How to single crochet: (sc)

The single crochet stitch is very basic and very common. It is important that you learn to make this stitch consistent: not too tight and not too loose. If you make it tight, your hands will hurt. If you make it too loose, it will look sloppy and it will be hard to match your gauge and look of a pattern.



Push your hook through the stitch and yarn over. Pull the yarn back through, you will have 2 loops on the hook now. Yarn over and pull through both loops. SC complete.

How to half double crochet: (hdc)



Yarn over, push you hook through the stitch, yarn over again. Pull the yarn through the stitch and you will have 3 loops on the hook. Yarn over and pull through all 3 loops. Hdc complete.

How to double crochet: (dc)

The double crochet stitch is one of the main stitches. It is a great way to add length to a project, and is a more 'open' stitch and not tight as compared to a single crochet stitch.



Yarn over, push your hook through the stitch. Yarn over and pull back through the stitch (3 loops on hook). Yarn over, pull yarn through the first TWO stitches only and you will have 2 loops on hook remaining. Now, yarn over and pull through the last two loops. DC complete.

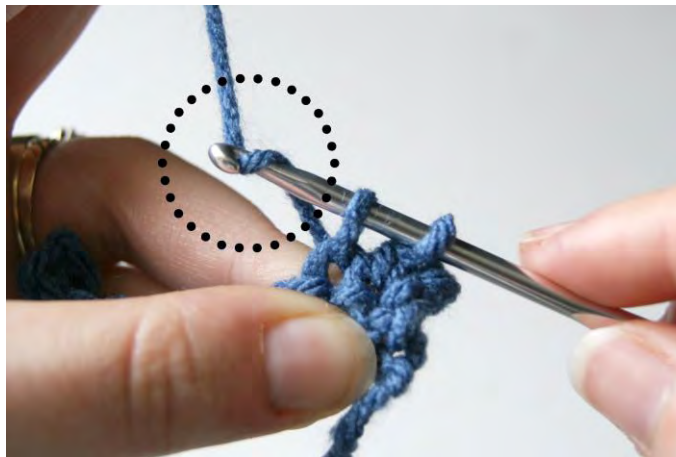
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the shellie bag

Crochet Handbag Pattern

by The Needle Nerd



Supplies:

Worsted Weight Yarn - you can use as many colors as you would like.

J/10 - 6.00 mm Crochet Hook - If you tend to crochet very tightly use a K Hook

Matching Fabric 18 inches x 21 inches (*optional*)

Matching Thread for Fabric Lining (*optional*)

Magnetic 1/2 Inch Snap (*optional*)

Yarn Needle

Scissors

Stitch Marker (*optional*)

Iron & Ironing Board (*optional*)

Straight Pins (*optional*)

Pliers (*optional*)

Reinforcing rings (*optional*)

2 inch x 2 inch thick material *such as* jean or leather

Must be familiar with:

Joining

Chain

Slip Stitch

Half Double Crochet

Single Crochet

Working in the 3rd Loop

Working in the Round

SPECIAL TECHNIQUES:

3rd Loop Method:

Do not go through both loops and do not go through back loop of stitch. To locate the third loop find your front and back loops. Now take a look behind the back loop on the back side of your work. You should see a loop running almost parallel to the back loop. This is your 3rd loop. See photos up to the right.

Sewing Using the back stitch: for hand sewing the liner if you do not have a sewing machine.

A stitch used in embroidery and sewing stitches. Stitches are sewn backwards to the direction of the sewing. They form lines and are usually used to outline shapes or add detail to an embroidered picture. It's an especially suitable stitch for creating fine lines and details, as well as forming a foundation for combination stitches.

1. Thread a needle and tie a knot in the end of the thread. Poke the needle down into the fabric, over about a quarter inch (6.35mm), and back up again.
2. Pull the thread taut so that the knot lies against the fabric..
3. Poke the needle down by knot then over and up a quarter inch (6.35mm) to the left of the previous needle up position.
4. Pull thread taut so that thread lies smooth against the fabric.
5. Put needle down into the fabric at the left hand end of your previous thread loop.
6. Slide the needle over to the left, underneath the fabric, through the fabric



approximately a quarter inch (6.35mm) to the left of your last “up” position. Pull the thread taut to get the thread to lay smooth against the fabric.

For video visit: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n04ILVqOEjA>

Shall We Begin....

TIP: You can change colors as often as you would like, but make sure you fasten off and weave in all ends as you go.

Base of purse...

Chain 31

ROW 1: Half double crochet in second chain from hook and in each of the remaining chains. *(30 half double crochets.)*

ROWS 2 through 9: Chain 1, turn. Half double crochet into each stitch. *(30 half double crochets.)* Fasten off and weave in all ends.

Fold in half so you have a long rectangle (we are doing this to make the base of the purse more sturdy).

Using same color yarn join in a corner of the folded fabric going through both thicknesses. Single crochet 4 times down the short side of the rectangle making sure you go through both thicknesses, space these 4 single crochets evenly in the space.

Make two single crochets in the corner making sure you go through both thicknesses.

Now single crochet in each of the 29 stitches making sure you go through both thicknesses.

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Single crochet 4 times down the short side of the rectangle making sure you go through both thicknesses, space these 4 single crochets evenly in the space.

Now single crochet in each of the 29 stitches making sure you go through both thicknesses.

Make two single crochets in the last corner making sure you go through both thicknesses.

Join with a slip stitch into first single crochet. *(74 single crochets)*

Main part of purse...

ROW 1: Chain 1. Single crochet in each stitch around with the exception of making 2 single crochets in each corner. Join with a slip stitch into first single crochet. *(78 single crochets)*

ROW 2: Chain 1. Single crochet in each stitch around with the exception of making 2 single crochets in each corner. Join with a slip stitch into first half double crochet. *(82 single crochets)*

ROW 3: Chain 1. Half double crochet into each stitch around. Join with a slip stitch into first single crochet. *(82 half double crochets.)*

ROW 4: Chain 1. Slip stitch into first 3rd loop. Half double crochet into each 3rd loop around.

(82 half double crochets.) Do not join we are working in the round. Place stitch marker to keep track of the beginning and ending of rows, move stitch marker up after each row that is working in the round).

ROW 5: Half double crochet into each of the next 20- 3rd loops, half double crochet 2 together in 3rd loops, half double crochet in the next 36- 3rd loops, half double crochet 2 together in 3rd loops, half double crochet in rest of the 3rd loops left in this row. *(80 half double crochets.)*

ROWS 6 through 16: Half double crochet into each 3rd loop around. *(80 half double crochets.)*

ROW 17 and 18: Single crochet into each 3rd loop around. *(80 single crochets.)*

Fasten off and weave in all ends.

Handles...

Make two.

Leave about a 40 inch tail before beginning chain.

Chain 131 (you can make longer or shorter by adding or reducing your chain stitches.

ROW 1: Half double crochet in second chain from hook and in each chain down. *(130 half double crochets)*

ROW 2: Turn, slip stitch in each stitch across.

Leave about another 40 inch tail and fasten off.

Attaching handles to purse...

Lay purse flat with the side facing where you last fastened off.

You will be applying and sewing your handle from base up evenly about an inch and a half from edge



of purse.

Use the 40 inch tails you left to sew handles onto purse make sure you do not twist the handles when attaching.

I sewed up and then back down for double security.

See photos for a visual.

Repeat for the other handle on the other side.

Cross Stitch (optional)

Double yarn on needle and sew an X in each corner. I went over it two times.

See photo.

cross stitch



Lining (optional)

Measure the width of your purse and height. Mine came to 11.5 inches x 8 inches.





After you have measured for your liner, you will want to add a 1/2 inch seam allowance on the left and right, and leave 2.5 inches for the top of the liner.

So mine will be 12.5 inches wide x 10.5 inches tall.

I folded the fabric in half so the fold will be at the bottom

Then, measure my width and cut in a straight line and same for the height.

So, now you have your liner. At this point I like to pin the sides and do a

test fit. You are better off finding out now if it's too big or small, than after you invest the time sewing it.

When you are sure your liner is the right size, then you're ready to sew.

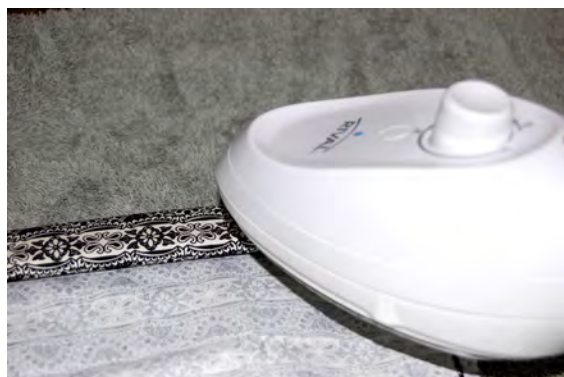
Sew on the wrong side of fabric. You can either use a machine or you can sew it by hand using a back stitch. Remember, "do not to sew the top closed"! At the top of the liner fold it over twice about 1 1/4 inch folds. Make sure your raw edge is facing the outside. This is the side you won't see.

You can iron this for now and it will hold the crease. Or, if you like you can pin it temporarily. Place inside your bag one more time to make sure it will fit properly. Right side facing the inside of the bag, wrong side touching your crochet.

Remove liner one last time and now you are ready to place your snap.

You will need one magnetic snap approx. 1/2" male and female sides and two reinforcing rings.

One 1" squared piece of either interfacing or I like to use leftover, faux leather, jean material, something thick and that will not tear easily. Lay your liner flat and mark the exact middle, next mark approx. 1.25" down from the top of the liner. This is about where your snap should be



placed. If you need to tweak it a little that's fine. The important thing is to place the mark in the same spot for both sides. Remember you are marking this on the side of the fabric inside the bag you will be seeing.

Inserting snaps: These snaps have two prongs you will need to make 2 very small holes to poke them through.

You can use a darning needle or a very small hole punch. Turn your snap over and mark where these two prongs hit. Then, exactly where you made your mark, make 2 holes. Then, make two corresponding holes in your separate piece of interfacing. You're ready to install snap.

You're going to sandwich your snap! Place the prongs of your snap through your liner fabric then through the interfacing, and then place reinforcing ring and bend prongs flat to tighten. Do the same thing to the other side.

You will fold your extra fabric allowance at the top of your bag over the entire snap, towards the outside of the liner. The part you won't see on the inside of the bag. Be sure to cover it completely.

Now, your snaps are in on both sides. Just one more step. You need to sew around your snap. You can either do this by machine or by hand. It is a little tougher on the hands because of the 2 layers, but manageable. You'll want to sew a square around your snap. approx. 2" x 2" I usually go around it twice, just to make sure it's on there nice and sturdy. When you're done sewing, test your snap. Close them together and pull. You should feel that it's nice and sturdy and on there really well. If you think it needs to be sewn one more time. Now is the time to do it.

You're finally ready to put your liner in!

Place your liner inside the bag and pin it all around the top evenly. Start with the side seems lining up and then work your way around. Once it is evenly placed, You can begin to sew in the top. You can do this by hand as well, Take your needle with sewing thread and begin by inserting the needle in to a bit of the crochet fabric, catch a bit of it and then back out through the back of the liner, and then back in to the crochet fabric. Sewing in this manor will give you a nearly invisible join. Or of course if you are comfortable with your sewing machine you can opt for making a visible stitch. Just remember to go very slowly on machines because your tension is hard to match the crocheted fabric. It is very easy to make the mistake of going too quickly and ending up with more crochet bunching up the liner. You may also use a sharp crochet hook and crochet the liner around the top as I did.

Embelish with buttons, crochet flowers, ribbon, bows or leave as is, cute no matter which way you go!







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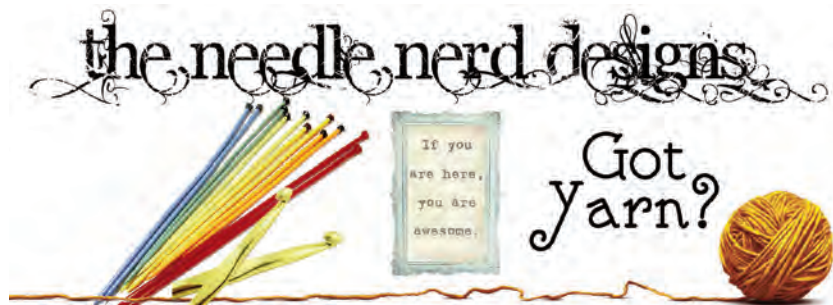
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Abbreviations:

BEG = Beginning
CH = Chain
DC = Double Crochet
FO = Fasten Off
HDC = Half Double Crochet
SC = Single Crochet
SLPST = Slip Stitch

Supplies: Wreath (12") / Bright Yarn For Flowers / Brown, Sage, Aran / F Hook / Tapestry Needle / Straight Pin / Parasol Tooth Picks / Ribbon or Scrap Yarn to hang wreath

Wreath Covering:

1. With brown yarn and F hook, CH until you have a length that fits snugly around your foam wreath.
2. In 2nd CH from hook HDC across, CH2, turn.
3. Repeat this step until your brown reaches halfway around the wreath, switch to sage and repeat until your sage reaches around the other half the wreath.
4. With wrong sides on the outside, fold in half, join the top to the bottom by SLPST across. Turn inside out.
5. Using a strand of brown yarn, sew the brown part of the wreath covering together around the wreath. Change to sage and repeat for sage part of wreath.



Flowers: With F Hook, CH4, 4DC in 4th CH from hook, SLPST into same ST. *CH3, 4DC in same ST, SLPST into same ST.* Repeat 2 more times for a total of four leaves. Fasten off and leave a tail for sewing.

Note: Make enough to have two rows around brown half of the wreath. See picture 4 and 2 for placement.



Flip Flop (x2):

CH7 with F Hook and use whatever color yarn you want your flip flops in.

Row 1: HDC in next 2ST, SC, HDC in next 2ST, do 5DC in next ST.

Row 2: Going along the back of the CH7, HDC in next 2ST, SC, HDC in next 2ST, and SLPST to BEG HDC, FO and leave a tail for sewing.

Thong: Join another color in by SLPST into 1st HDC of row 1. CH4, SLSPT to base of DC in the middle of 5DC cluster. CH4, SLPST into the HDC that lines up with the one you started out in. FO weave in ends.

How To Assemble



Picture 1 - Sage yarn on seam.



Picture 2 - Flower placement.

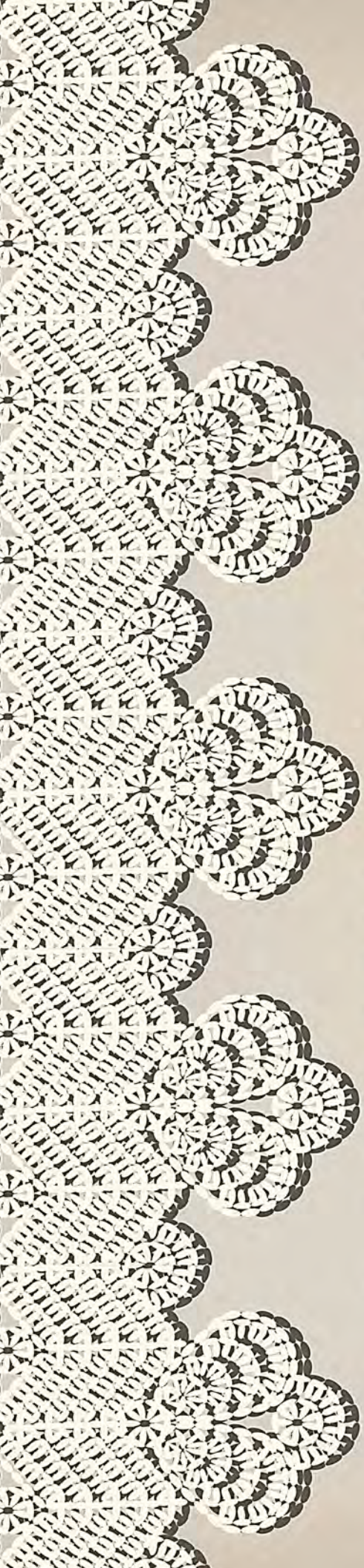


Picture 3 - Parasol Placement



Picture 4 - Finished Product Ref.

1. Hide the seams by attaching sage yarn, as shown in picture two.
2. For grass skirt, attach aran yarn to bottom of wreath, on sage portion.
3. Pin flowers around brown section of wreath, sew, hide ends.
4. Sew down flip flops in the middle of the wreath or wherever you please.
5. Add the parasols making sure to firmly press them into the foam.
6. Weave yarn or ribbon under a few stitches on the top of the wreath, tie a knot or bow, and then hang.



How to Start a Crochet Book Group

by Kathryn Vercillo of Crochet Concupiscence

<http://www.crochetconcupiscence.com/>

Crochet and crafting groups offer a wonderful opportunity to get together with other creative individuals who share your passion and provide you with a sense of community. Book clubs offer the same thing. A few savvy people around the world have realized that the benefits are doubled when you combine a crochet club with a book club. You can create one of these great groups in your area and reap a variety of surprising benefits.

What is a Crochet Book Group?

A crochet book group is a group of people who all agree to read the same craft-related book and then get together to discuss it. The books aren't crochet pattern books but either fiction or non-fiction books that relate to crochet in some way. During the discussion they also bring their crochet work and craft together as they talk. Some crochet book groups do a CAL where they are all working on the same project during the sessions whereas others opt to work on their own individual pieces.

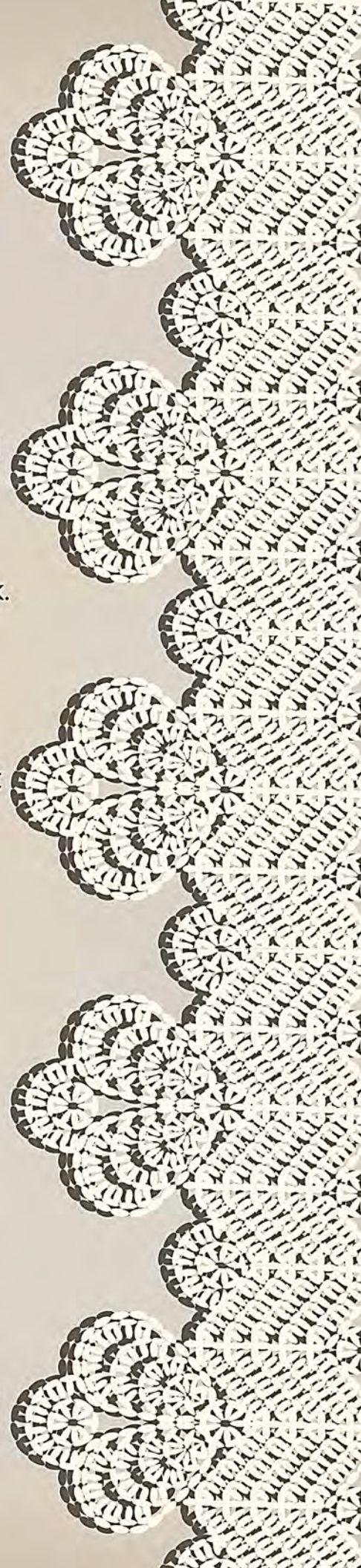
Benefits of a Crochet Book Group

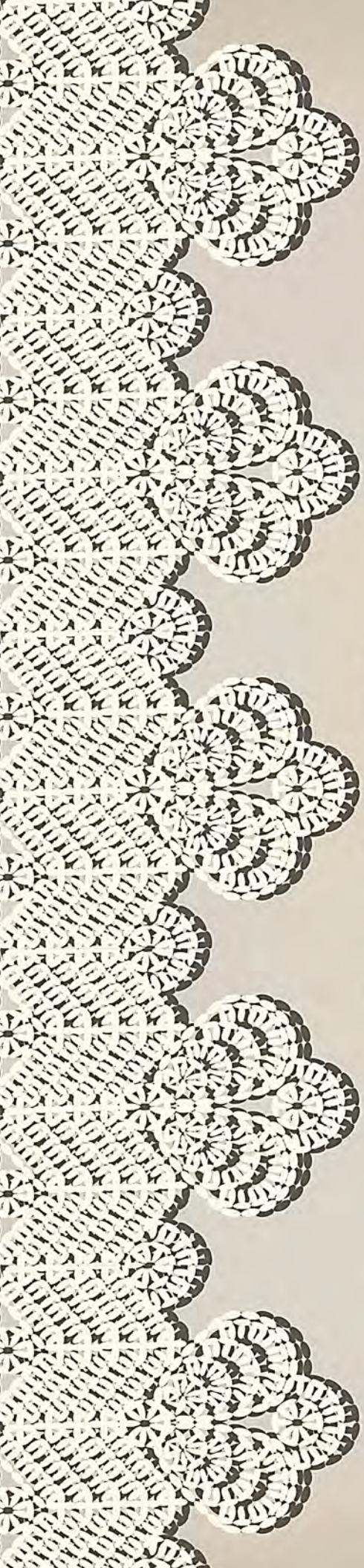
Just a few of the benefits that you may experience as a member of a crochet book club include:

- You'll get a chance to meet and regularly spend time with creative people who also like to read crafty books.
- You'll have motivation to read some of the books that may be on your book list as well as to work on some of the projects that you've wanted to crochet.
- You will be exposed to new things in both crochet and reading. This expands your world in many ways.
- The members of your club can be a great resource when you need help with a crochet project so this offers practical help as well!
- Some people are intimidated by book clubs because it makes them anxious to just sit around talking about a book. Having crochet to work on during the session can relieve this anxiety and make the book group more comfortable.
- Likewise, some people are intimidated by craft groups because they are afraid they won't know what to talk about with this group of people. The book is the common factor here.
- The process may help you discover new things about crafting and what it means to you.
- Your crochet book group will likely end up being a great source of inspiration, information and support.

Tips for Starting a Crochet Book Group

Are you ready to start a crochet book club in your own area? The first thing that you will want to do is figure out your basic ground rules for the ideal crochet book club. The rules may change or be flexible but the group will form more easily if you have a plan. Here are some of the things that you'll want to consider:



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- How often do you want your group to meet?
 - How many people do you want in your group?
 - When and where will your group meet?
 - What types of books do you want to read? (There are some suggestions below to get you started!)
 - How formal will your discussions be? Will you have a list of questions that everyone will answer about the book or will it be a more open-ended conversation?
 - Will your group continually accept new members or will it be a closed group once the first set of members has been established?

Once you've laid out the ground rules, you just need to form your group. Ask around among your existing crafty friends to see if anyone wants to help you get the club started. It's always easier to get things going when you have someone else that you're working with!

Here are some other places where you can put the word out to get members for your new crochet book club:

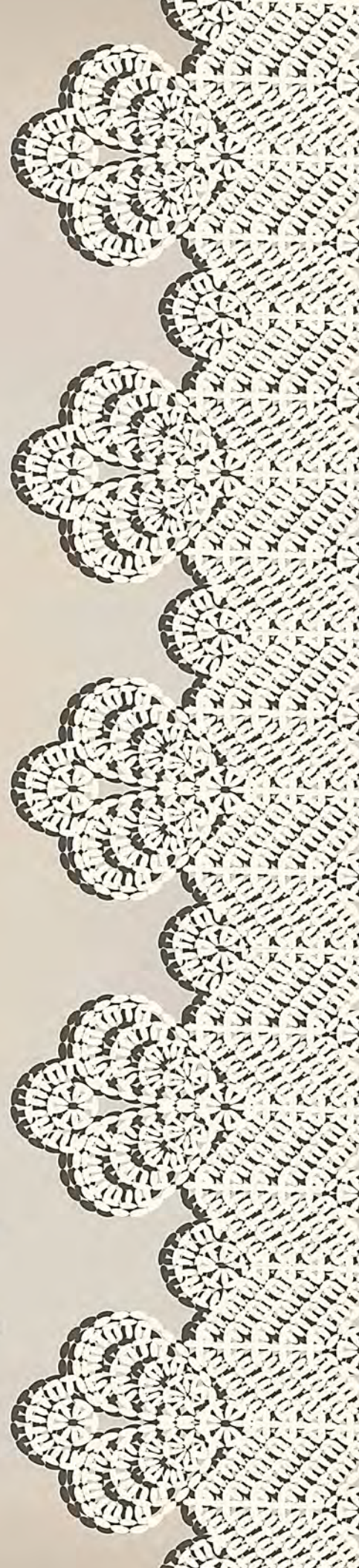
- Facebook and other social media; friends of friends are great potential group members!
- Libraries; they often have knitting / crochet groups already and of course they're filled with book lovers.
- Local yarn stores; just talk to the owner and find out if you can put out some fliers or make an announcement in their newsletter.
- Local bookstores, coffee shops and other places where crafty readers hang out in your area!

- Craigslist, Meetup and other similar sites designed for advertising and group get-togethers.
- Ravelry. In fact, once your crochet book club forms you may want to start your own Ravelry group to keep the conversation going between meetings.

Suggested Crochet Books for your Groups

Here are some suggested books that your new crochet book group may want to read:

- Crochet Saved My Life by Kathryn Vercillo. This is my own non-fiction book about the health benefits of crochet. It includes my story of crafting through depression, the stories of many other women who crocheted to heal and research into the mental and physical benefits of crafting. It's a great discussion starter!
- Hooked for Life: Adventures of a Crochet Zealot by Mary Beth Temple. This is a collection of essays about the crochet life. It has a great sense of humor to it, which is great for breaking the ice with a new crafting group!
- Yes! By Deborah Burnside. This is a young adult novel about two boys who start a crochet business together. Many adults enjoy YA novels because they are easy and heartwarming reads, making this a good non-controversial choice for a book club.
- The Betty Hechtman crochet mystery series. You can have a whole book club around these books or you could just include one or two in the rotation of reading.



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What you need:

- Size I (5mm) crochet hook (or hook needed to obtain gauge)
- Worsted Weight Yarn in Brown and White (Such as Red Heart or Vanna's)
- Scissors, yarn needle, measuring tape

Pattern notes:

This pattern is rated easy, and is great for newborn pictures, children and adults of all ages, and Fall fun! I am available for questions/help by emailing me at heartforyourhome@yahoo.com.

Legend:

Magic Circle

Chain (ch)

Half Double Crochet (hdc)

Gauge:

8hdc and 4rows = 2". Please check gauge to assure proper size.

Sizing:

To figure out height, lay hat flat and measure from top of crown to bottom of brim.

0-3months: Height of 5"-5.5"

3-6months: Height of 5.5"-6"

6-12months: Height of 6"-6.5"

Toddler (1-3 years): Height of 7"

Child (3-10 years): Height of 7.5"-8"

Teen/Adult: Height of 8"-8.5"

Pattern:

Begin with Brown yarn. You will switch to white after round 2, and switch back to brown after round 3. Once you reach a little more than an inch (three rows) before your desired length, switch to white for one round, and back to brown for the last two rows.

0-3months

Begin with a magic circle.

Round 1: Ch1, 9hdc into magic circle. Slst to 1st st. (9)

Round 2: Ch1, 2hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (18)

Round 3: Ch1, 1hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (18)

Round 4: Ch1, 2hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (36)

Round 5: Ch1, 1hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (36)

Repeat Round 5 until beanie measures according to size chart.

3-6months

Begin with a magic circle.

Round 1: Ch1, 10hdc into magic circle. Slst to 1st st. (10)

Round 2: Ch1, 2hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (20)

Round 3: Ch1, 1hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (20)

Round 4: Ch1, 2hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (40)

Round 5: Ch1, 1hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (40)

Repeat Round 5 until beanie measures according to size chart.

6-12months

Begin with a magic circle.

Round 1: Ch1, 12hdc into magic circle. Slst to 1st st. (12)

Round 2: Ch1, 2hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (24)

Round 3: Ch1, 1hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (24)

Round 4: Ch1, 2hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (48)

Round 5: Ch1, 1hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (48)

Repeat Round 5 until beanie measures according to size chart.

Toddler/1-3 years

Begin with a magic circle.

Round 1: Ch1, 9hdc into magic circle. Slst to 1st st. (9)

Round 2: Ch1, 2hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (18)

Round 3: Ch1, 1hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (18)

Round 4: Ch1, 2hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (36)

Round 5: Ch1, 1hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (36)

Round 6: Ch1, 2hdc in first, 1hdc in next, repeat around. Slst to 1st st. (54)

Round 7: Ch1, 1hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (54)

Repeat Round 7 until beanie measures according to size chart.

Child

Begin with a magic circle.

Round 1: Ch1, 7hdc into magic circle. Slst to 1st st. (7)

Round 2: Ch1, 2hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (14)

Round 3: Ch1, 2hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (28)

Round 4: Ch1, 1hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (28)

Round 5: Ch1, 2hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (56)

Round 6: Ch1, 1hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (56)

Repeat Round 6 until beanie measures according to size chart.

Teen/Adult

Begin with a magic circle.

Round 1: Ch1, 8hdc into magic circle. Slst to 1st st. (8)

Round 2: Ch1, 2hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (16)

Round 3: Ch1, 2hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (32)

Round 4: Ch1, 1hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (32)

Round 5: Ch1, 2hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (64)

Round 6: Ch1, 1hdc in each st. Slst to 1st st. (64)

Repeat Round 6 until beanie measures according to size chart.

From here you will ch1 and sc in each stitch around, join with a slst in 1st ch to give it a finished look. Fasten off and weave in ends. Enjoy!

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DawnieDolls: Football Player Crochet Pattern

Dawn Mackes
2012

Materials Needed:

Yarn:

Flesh colored yarn of your choice

Yarn for the helmet, shirt, pants and accents (colors vary depending on the team you are making)

I used Red Heart Super Saver Yarn. **Helpful hint for softening cheap acrylic yarn:**

- ✚ Remove Labels
- ✚ Loosen up skeins and place into lingerie bag
- ✚ Machine wash in cold water
- ✚ Dry on medium heat



9mm safety back eyes **OR** Black embroidery thread

Yarn needle

Size G Crochet Hook

Stuffing (I use polyester fiberfill)

Abbreviations:

Sc= Single Crochet

Inc= Increase

St= stitch

Sts= stitches

Dec= decrease

Sc2tog= single crochet 2 stitches together (decrease)

FLO= front loop only

Head

Using skin colored yarn

Do not join rounds

Round 1: Make magic/adjustable ring and work 6 sts into the ring

Round 2: 2sc in each st (12 sts)

Round 3: sc in first st, 2sc in next st (6 times) (18 sts)

Round 4: sc in first 2 sts, 2sc in next st (6 times) (24 sts)

Round 5: sc in first 3 sts, 2sc in next st (6 times) (30 sts)

Round 6: sc in first 4 sts, 2 sc in next st (6 times) (36 sts)

Round 7-10: sc in each st around (36 sts)

Begin Decreasing

Round 11: sc in each of the first 4 sts, sc2tog in the next st (6 times) (30 sts)

Round 12: sc in each of the first 3 sts, sc2tog in the next st (6 times) (24 sts)

Round 13: sc in each of the first 2 sts, sc2tog in the next st (6 times) (18 sts)

Now is a good time to start stuffing the head good and tight, place the eyes and embroider the nose & mouth.

Round 14: sc in the st, sc2tog in the next st (6 times) (12 sts)

Round 15: sc2tog in each st (6 times) (6 sts)

Round 16: close up the head

Finish Off

Helmet (make 2) in the color of your team

Do Not Join Rounds

Round 1: Make magic/adjustable ring and work 6 sts into the ring

Round 2: 2sc in each st (12 sts)

Round 3: sc in first st, 2sc in next st (6 times) (18 sts)

Round 4: sc in first 2 sts, 2sc in next st (6 times) (24 sts)

Round 5: sc in first 3 sts, 2sc in next st (6 times) (30 sts)

Round 6: sc in first 4 sts, 2 sc in next st (6 times) (36 sts)

Round 7: sc in each st around (36 sts)

Finish Off

Sew to head:

Place one part of the helmet on the top of the head and the other on the bottom. Start sewing the 2 pieces of the helmet together from one side of the head (start to sew on the point of the head where {if you were to put one} an ear would go) and continue to sew around to the other side where the other ear would go) **see pictures**

Finish off

Helmet “accents” (color strips on that go down the back of the helmet): Make 3 in the colors of your team

Ch 45 and sew to the helmet (*depending on how much or little you stuffed your head, you may need a few more or a few less chains*)

Helmet front grill

Chain 65 and sew it around the face opening of the helmet. Use the excess and sew it across the front of the face, completing the grill.

For the little vertical pieces Chain 4 and sew in place (make 2)

Legs & Body

Using skin colored Yarn

Do not join rounds unless otherwise instructed

Legs: Make 2

Round 1: Make magic/adjustable ring and work 6 sts into the ring

Round 2: 2sc in each st around (12 sts)

Round 3: sc in the first st, 2sc in the next st (6 times) (18 sts)

Round 4: sc in each st around (18 sts)

Round 5: sc in first st, sc2tog in next st (6 times) (12 sts)

Round 6: sc in the first 2 sts, sc2tog 4x's, sc in the last 2 sts (8 sts)

Round 7-13: sc in each st around (8 sts)

Round 14: join the legs together and sc in each st around (16 sts)

Round 15-21: sc in each st around (12 sts) keep in mind you are no longer crocheting in between the legs and will only be crocheting around the outside of both legs. You will be losing 4 sts from that middle part

Round 22: sc in the first st, sc2tog in the next st (6 times) (6 sts)

Sew the head to the body

Shirt (using the colors of your team)

Do not join rounds

Round 1: Turn the doll over so the back of his body is facing you. Take your hook and crochet FLO around the body (12 sts). Where you want the neck line to start is up to you. In the picture shown, I

started to crochet the shirt 3 rows down from the base of the head

Round 2: sc in each st around (12 sts)

Round 3: 2sc in first st, sc in next st (2 times) (14 sts)

Round 4: 2sc in first st, sc in next st (2 times) (16 sts)

Round 5: sc in each st around (16 sts)

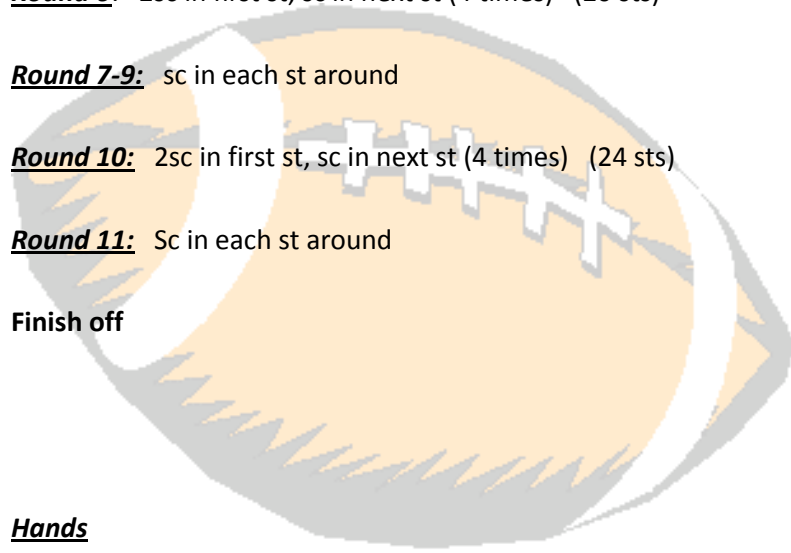
Round 6: 2sc in first st, sc in next st (4 times) (20 sts)

Round 7-9: sc in each st around

Round 10: 2sc in first st, sc in next st (4 times) (24 sts)

Round 11: Sc in each st around

Finish off



Hands

Using skin colored yarn

Do not join rounds

Round 1: Make a magic/adjustable ring and sc 4 sts into the ring

Round 2: 2sc in each st (8 sts)

Round 3-4: sc around each st (8 sts)

Round 5: sc in the first st, 4hdc in the next st, remove hook from loop and insert it into the first HDC of the 4 you just made, pull the dropped loop through, sc in the next 6 sts (8 sts)

Round 6: sc around (8 sts)

Round 7: sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts (2 times) (6 sts)

Round 8-9: sc around (6 sts)

Change to shirt color

Round 10: 2sc, sc, 2sc, sc, 2sc, sc in next 2 sts (9 sts)

Round 11-12: sc in each st around (9 sts)

Sew hands to shirt/body

Pants (using the colors of your team) (make 2)

Ch 15 and make a ring

Round 1-7: sc in each st around (make sure you do not twist the circle as you crochet) (15 sts)

Round 8: Combine each pant leg & sc in each st around (30 sts)

Round 9-10: sc in each st around (25 sts) keep in mind you are no longer crocheting in between the pants legs and will only be crocheting around the outside of both. You will be losing 5 sts from that middle part

Put the pants on your player. He's probably very embarrassed right about now.

Shoes (make 2)

Using black yarn

Do No Join Rounds

Round 1: Make a magic/adjustable ring and sc 6 sts into ring

Round 2: 2sc in each st around (12 sts)

Round 3: sc in first st, 2sc in next st (6 times) (18 sts)

Round 4: sc blo around (18 sts)

Round 5: sc in each st around (18 sts)

Round 6: sc in frst 4 sts, sc2tog (4 times), sc in next 4 sts

Finish off. Put the shoes on your player



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Thread Crochet 101 – A Series in 3 Parts Evolution of a Fiber Art, Part I

A History Lesson



Crochet is one of the youngest of the fiber arts. Textiles are easily traced back to the Stone Age, but the first written reference to crochet (or crotchet as it was sometimes spelled) wasn't until 1812. The early patterns (of the 1840's) gave detailed instructions on the use of the hook, possibly implying that crochet was not a needle craft familiar to the ladies of the day. We know that fine lace was tremendously popular during the Elizabethan Period (1558-1603). These early laces were made using needles or bobbins of thread that were woven into intricate patterns. They were very expensive and took a long time to produce making it available only to the wealthy nobility.

Even though the art of crochet is a relative newbie its history is quite impressive. In 1846 & '47 crocheted lace helped save many Irish from starvation during the Great Potato Famine. How? A group of nuns taught men, women and children the art of making lace. When Queen Victoria accepted the laces as a gift and started wearing them they became instantly fashionable. With their work in such high demand, many families were able to earn enough money to survive the famine and even immigrate to America.



Irish Lace was all the rage and its popularity continued to grow as patterns became available. Mlle. Elanore Rigeo de le Branchardiere, one of the most gifted artists/designers of the time, published numerous books of thread crochet techniques and lace patterns from 1846 - 1887. She was best known for her ability to write clear and precise instructions allowing anyone who could afford her books to produce the intricate designs of the Irish style.

In America, crochet was a past time that proved as versatile and adaptive as the pioneers who settled this new nation. Along with the Irish Lace techniques, Filet crochet became a staple. This method of creating designs worked in a grid pattern was quite possibly adapted from techniques used by the Berlin Wool Works (in the 1840s). Wall decorations depicting inspirational Bible verses or the sentiment 'Home Sweet Home' were common in the most rustic dwellings. Across the new territories of the Great Plains and the Wild West thread crochet was used to bring a little beauty and refinement to the harsh, untamed lands.

A small bit of thread was affordable and went a long way in creating something lovely. Early crocheters produced yards and yards of lace trim. Everything from petticoats to bed and table linens were adorned with lace.





At a time when resources were limited and ingenuity was necessary, other forms of crochet proved indispensable. Of course I'm referring to the granny square. This simple motif (that may have originated as a thread pattern) when worked with scraps of yarns left over from other projects or recycled from old garments became a favorite for crocheters allowing blankets and throws to be fashioned from otherwise useless materials.

Thread crochet in the 20th century adapted to the ever changing conditions of our economy. Like all of the leisure arts, in times of moderation projects would take on a utilitarian style. Crocheters would focus on making items that were relevant because of their function and affordability. During times of prosperity function could become secondary and crocheters would create exquisitely frivolous projects purely for pleasure. However, thread crochet projects nearly always have the ability to look good! Even the simplest washcloth is easily adorned with a little lace border turning it into something special without adding much to the overall cost.

Thread Crochet Today

In the 200 years since the first mention in print, thread crochet has moved in and out of fashion. Proficiency in needle work was once necessary for ladies as part of their education. As women's roles have changed so has our relationship with fiber. What we were once expected and even required to do we now must choose to learn. However, fiber arts such as crochet, knitting, spinning and weaving have experienced a resurgence and they are now more popular than ever. Many of the patterns that were originally written by our foremothers have a timeless quality that makes them just as relevant today as when they were published. So what's changed?



Color!!

Traditional thread crochet is done in white and ecru (off white). That's it. Studying pictures of vintage designs you very rarely see colors. Occasionally you might find a flower in blue or yellow, but it's unusual. Until fairly recently you could only buy thread in a limited assortment of colors. Today, quality thread is available in a huge variety of colors and weights. Jewel tones, pastels, primary colors and variegated combinations are commercially produced and available on-line. If you're looking for something unique, fiber artist create breathtaking hand painted threads in stunning colors that rival those found in nature.

What We're Making

With the colors that are available and the adventurous spirit of the latest generation of crocheters there's nothing old fashioned about thread today. Of course, there will always be a place for doilies and lace edging, it just might look different than you expect!

Here's a look at the kind of projects you can find today:

- Jar Toppers
- Flowers
- Head Bands
- Picture Frames
- Pot Holders
- Ornaments
- Jewelry
- Coasters
- Doilies
- Headphone Cord Cover
- Baby Hats
- Hair Scrunchies
- Phone / I Pod Covers
- Table Cloths
- Wall Hangings
- Amigurami
- Placemats
- Edging
- Pillows/ Bolsters
- Booties
- Curtains
- Laptop / Tablet Covers
- Gloves (fingerless too!)
- Book Marks
- Stuffed Animals
- Shirts/Vests
- Christening Sets



Who's Doing it?

Everyone! Young, old and in between! Let's just say that the image of gray hair and rocking chairs has been replaced by tattoos and pink hair. Okay, maybe not everyone has pink hair, but today's crocheter is young (no matter how old, we're young at heart!), hip and through various electronic devices virtually connected to other fiber enthusiasts. And it's definitely not just for the ladies. In fact some of today's top designers are men!

What's Next?

I think that we're at something of a crochet crossroads. Historically we've seen that what we make and how much time we spend making it has been influenced by what's going on in the world. Given our current climate, history would dictate that we're making utilitarian projects and not spending a lot of time enjoying the leisure arts. But that's not what we're doing. Sure, we're making (pretty, colorful) things you can use, but we've discovered that crochet is a great way to relax and unwind. Our lives are hectic and busy, we've got lots to do, and our resources are limited. We've learned that we have to take care of ourselves and that we need economical outlets that help us to decompress when dealing with tough situations. Thread crochet fits the bill perfectly. For a minimal investment you can purchase several balls of thread and a set of steel hooks that will keep you stitching for months! It's portable, easy to learn, and convenient. There's also the added bonus of the on-line fiber community. Not only can you find groups dedicated to crochet on social networks like Facebook, Pinterest and Google+, we have our very own network in Ravelry! It's like the modern version of the quilting bee where like-minded fiber enthusiasts get together to share friendship, tips and encouragement!

Are You Inspired?

Are you ready to grab your steel hook and get started creating something exciting? If you're worried that it's too hard or too small, don't be. The stitches and techniques are the same whether you make them with yarn or thread. Yes it does take some time to get your tension right and to feel comfortable with the hook. But, with a few helpful hints and a little practice you'll be amazed at what you can do!

I hope that you've enjoyed this look at the evolution of crochet. We are the new generation and it's up to us to carry on the traditions while continuing to expand our craft. We have the opportunity to make our mark on history by ensuring that the designs we create today are available to the crocheters of tomorrow.

Be sure to check out next month's issue of Inspired Crochet for Part II of my series Thread Crochet 101. Next up is a pattern and tutorial for a project that's perfect for all skill levels. If you're looking for more information on the history of crochet The Encyclopedia of Crochet by Donna Kooler is an excellent resource. Or you can visit my blog [Crochet Nirvana](#), and check out [The Granny Square Project](#). It's a 5 part series all about crochets most popular motif!



Be blessed & stitch with love!

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Geometrical Fingerless Mittens Crochet Pattern

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Crochet pattern by Luba Davies
Written in American crochet terms

DIFFICULTY: INTERMEDIATE



Stitch Used (US terms):

Chain (ch)
Slip stitch (sl st)
Single crochet (sc)
Double crochet (dc)
Treble crochet (tr)

Finished Measurements:

S – 6.5”
M – 7”
L – 7.5”
XL – 8”

Changes for sizes are in [].

Yarn Used:

Patons 4ply Cotton, 100% cotton
100gr = 360 m
Color – Black

Crochet hook:

2.5 mm

PREPARATION

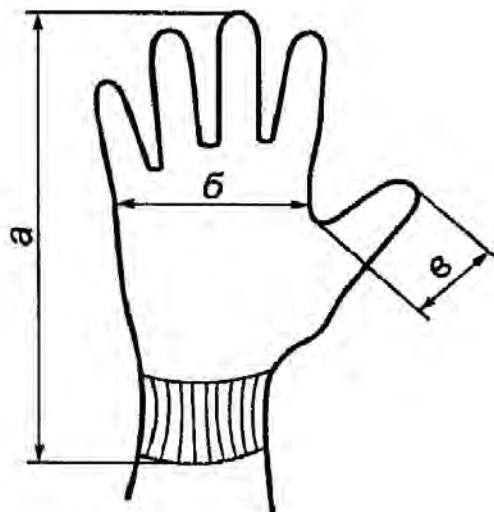
Take your size measure:

a – length of hand (from middle finger to end of wrist)

b – circumference of the hand

B – length of thumb

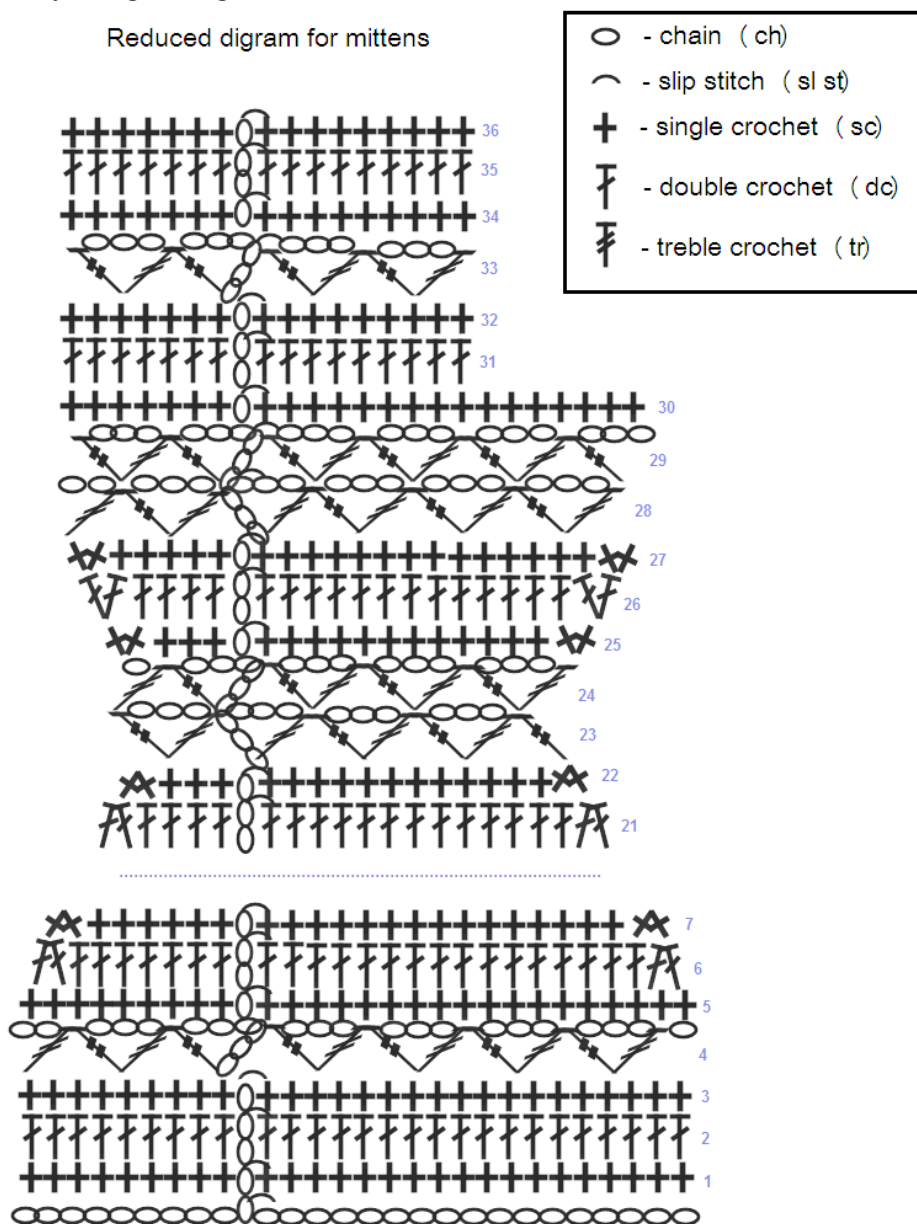
US size	EU size	Cm	Ch
S (small)	6.5"	16.5	60
M (medium)	7"	17.8	64
L (large)	7.5"	19	68
XL (extra-large)	8"	20.3	72



MITTENS (Make 2 in mirror reflection)

Diagram below for your guiding:

Reduced diagram for mittens



Ch60 [64, 68, 72], join with sl st into ring and work in rounds as one piece.
Make sure foundation ch is not twisted.

Rnd1: ch1 to count as 1st sc, sc in each st around. Join with sl st = 60 [64, 68, 72] sts.

Rnd2: ch3 to count as 1st dc, dc in each st around. Join with sl st = 60 [64, 68, 72] sts.

Rnd3: ch1 to count as 1st sc, sc in each st around. Join with sl st = 60 [64, 68, 72] sts.

Rnd4: Zig-Zag design

Ch7 (*including ch4 to count as 1st tr*), make tr into same st and leave last loop on hook (as unfinished tr), make another tr skip 3 next sts and leave last loop on hook = 3 loops on hook. Yarn over, draw through all 3 loops on hook, Ch3, [make tr into same st and leave last loop on hook (as unfinished tr), make another tr skip 3 next sts and leave last loop on hook = 3 loops on hook. Yarn over, draw through all 3 loops on hook, Ch3] – repeat around. Finish with tr in same st and join with sl st = 60 [64, 68, 72] sts.

Rnd5: ch1 to count as 1st sc, sc in each st around. Join with sl st = 60 [64, 68, 72] sts.

Rnd6: ch3 to count as 1st dc, dc in each st around, decrease evenly 2 sts. Join with sl st = 58 [62, 66, 70] sts.

Rnd7: ch1 to count as 1st sc, sc in each st around, decrease evenly 2 sts. Join with sl st = 56 [60, 64, 68] sts.

Rnd8: Zig-Zag design

Ch4 to count as 1st tr, make tr skipping next 3 sts, [ch3, tr into same st and leave last loop on hook (as unfinished tr), make another tr skipping 3 next sts and leave last loop on hook = 3 loops on hook. Yarn over, draw through all 3 loops on hook] – repeat around. Join with sl st = 56 [60, 64, 68] sts.

Rnd9: Zig-Zag design

Ch7 (*including ch4 to count as 1st tr*), make tr into same st and leave last loop on hook (as unfinished tr), make another tr skip 3 next sts and leave last loop on hook = 3 loops on hook. Yarn over, draw through all 3 loops on hook, Ch3, [make tr into same st and leave last loop on hook (as unfinished tr), make another tr skip 3 next sts and leave last loop on hook = 3 loops on hook. Yarn over, draw through all 3 loops on hook, Ch3] – repeat around. Finish with tr in same st and join with sl st = 56 [60, 64, 68] sts.

Rnd10: ch1 to count as 1st sc, sc in each st around, decrease evenly 2 sts. Join with sl st = 54 [58, 62, 66] sts.

Rnd11: ch3 to count as 1st dc, dc in each st around, decrease evenly 2 sts. Join with sl st = 52 [56, 60, 64] sts.

Rnd12: ch1 to count as 1st sc, sc in each st around. Join with sl st = 52 [56, 60, 64] sts.

Rnd13: Zig-Zag design as Rnd8. Join with sl st = 52 [56, 60, 64] sts.

Rnd14: Zig-Zag design as Rnd9. Join with sl st = 52 [56, 60, 64] sts.

Rnd15: ch1 to count as 1st sc, sc in each st around, decrease evenly 2 sts. Join with sl st = 50 [54, 58, 62] sts.

Rnd16: ch3 to count as 1st dc, dc in each st around, decrease evenly 2 sts. Join with sl st = 48 [52, 56, 60] sts.

Rnd17: ch1 to count as 1st sc, sc in each st around. Join with sl st = 48 [52, 56, 60] sts.

Rnd18: Zig-Zag design as Rnd8. Join with sl st = 48 [52, 56, 60] sts.

Rnd19: Zig-Zag design as Rnd9. Join with sl st = 48 [52, 56, 60] sts.

Rnd20: ch1 to count as 1st sc, sc in each st around, decrease evenly 2 sts. Join with sl st = 46 [50, 54, 58] sts.

Rnd21: ch3 to count as 1st dc, dc in each st around, decrease evenly 2 sts. Join with sl st = 44 [48, 52, 56] sts.

Rnd22: ch1 to count as 1st sc, sc in each st around. Join with sl st = 44 [48, 52, 56] sts.

Rnd23: Zig-Zag design as Rnd8. Join with sl st = 44 [48, 52, 56] sts.

Rnd24: Zig-Zag design as Rnd9. Join with sl st = 44 [48, 52, 56] sts.

Rnd25: ch1 to count as 1st sc, sc in each st around, increase evenly 2 sts. Join with sl st = 46 [50, 54, 58] sts.

Rnd26: ch3 to count as 1st dc, dc in each st around, increase evenly 2 sts. Join with sl st = 48 [52, 56, 60] sts.

Rnd27: ch1 to count as 1st sc, sc in each st around, increase evenly 2 sts. Join with sl st = 50 [54, 58, 62] sts.

Rnd28: Zig-Zag design as Rnd8, increase evenly 2 sts. Join with sl st = 52 [56, 60, 64] sts.

Rnd29: Zig-Zag design as Rnd9, increase evenly 2 sts. Join with sl st = 54 [58, 62, 66] sts.

Rnd30: ch1 to count as 1st sc, sc in each st around, increase evenly 2 sts. Join with sl st = 56 [60, 64, 68] sts.

Rnd31: ch3 to count as 1st dc

For left mitten: dc in each of next 11 [12, 13, 14] sts, skip next 8 [10, 12, 14] sts to form hole for thumb, dc in each of next 36 [37, 38, 39] sts. Join with sl st = 48 [50, 52, 54] sts.

For right mitten: dc in each of next 36 [37, 38, 39] sts, skip next 8 [10, 12, 14] sts to form hole for thumb, dc in each of next 11 [12, 13, 14] sts. Join with sl st = 48 [50, 52, 54] sts.

Continue work in rounds on 48 [50, 52, 54] sts.

Rnd32: ch1 to count as 1st sc, sc in each st around. Join with sl st = 48 [50, 52, 54] sts.

Rnd33: Zig-Zag design as Rnd9. Join with sl st = 48 [50, 52, 54] sts.

Rnd34: ch1 to count as 1st sc, sc in each st around. Join with sl st = 48 [50, 52, 54] sts.

Rnd35: ch3 to count as 1st dc, dc in each st around. Join with sl st = 48 [50, 52, 54] sts.

Rnd36: ch1 to count as 1st sc, sc in each st around. Join with sl st = 48 [50, 52, 54] sts.

Fasten off.

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Whether I'm crocheting, sewing, sculpting, drawing, or painting, the act of creating something unique and special is rejuvenating and rewarding. I've fallen head over heels with amigurumi (the Japanese art of crocheting/knitting cute, anthropomorphic creatures) for a few years now, and the process of designing/creating new soft sculptures has brought me great happiness.

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What you'll need:

- ♥ Worsted-weight yarn in the following colors:
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Color B for feet (3 yds) - orange
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- ♥ Two 6mm plastic safety eyes with plastic washers
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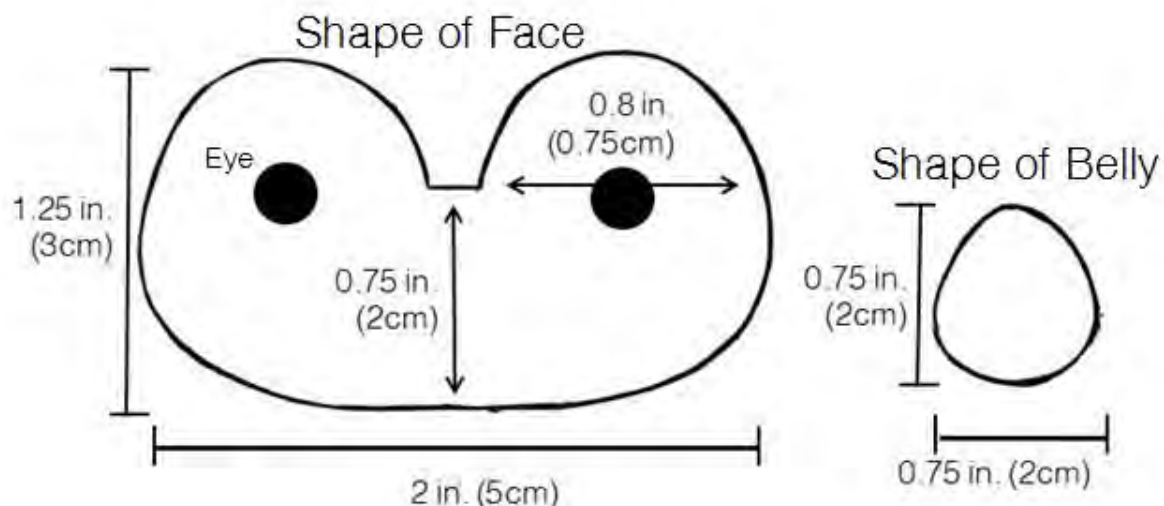
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Notes:

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- ♥ For this model, I used Lily Sugar 'n Cream's 100% cotton yarn

Preparation:

Cut two pieces of white felt according to the diagram below. The penguin face looks like two egg shapes joined together, and the belly is a simple egg shape. Cut a slit on the left and right side of the face; insert safety eyes. **DO NOT secure washers until instructed to do so in the pattern.**



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Beak:

Using Color B,

Round 1: Magic Circle with a base of 8 stitches.

Round 2: sc in the next 8 sts = 8 sts

Fasten off and leave a 12" tail for sewing.

Head:

Using Color A,

Round 1: Magic Circle with a base of 6 stitches

Round 2: inc x6= 12 sts

Round 3: (1 inc, sc in next st) x6 = 18 sts

Round 4: (1 inc, sc in next 2 sts) x6 = 24 sts

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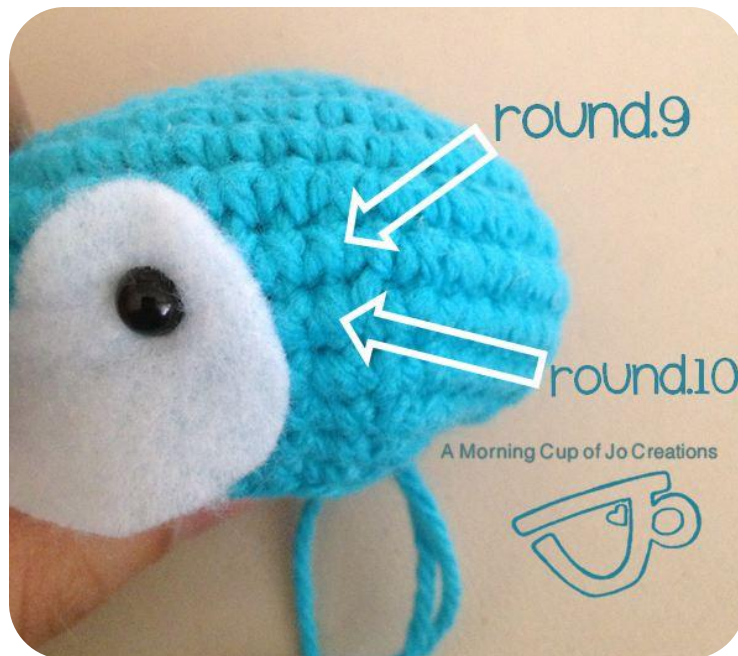
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Fasten off and leave a 6" tail. Use the tail to sew the head shut, and then hide the rest of the tail in the head. Use fabric glue to fasten the felt face in place.



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Body:

Using Color A,

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Fasten off and leave a 12" tail for sewing. Stuff body with Poly-Fil. Position and sew the body to the head, centering the open portion of the body around Round 16 of the head. Glue on the white felt belly with fabric glue.

Wings (make 2):

Using Color A,

Round 1: Magic Circle with a base of 5 stitches

Round 2-5: sc in next 5 sts = 5 sts

Fasten off and leave a 12" tail for sewing. Wings do not need to be stuffed. Sew the wings shut, then position and sew wings to the body.

Feet (make 2):

Using Color B,

Round 1: Magic Circle with a base of 8 stitches.

Fasten off and leave a 6" tail for sewing. Place the feet under the front part of the body so that they stick out when the penguin is standing. Sew in place and hide yarn tails inside the body.

Tail:

Using Color A,

Round 1: Magic Circle with a base of 5 stitches.

Fasten off and leave a 6" tail for sewing. Sew tail onto the bottom-back of the body to help the penguin stand.

Finishing:

Make sure all yarn tails are hidden inside the animal. Use fabric glue to secure the felt face in place as well as the felt belly.



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baby penguin: printer-friendly version

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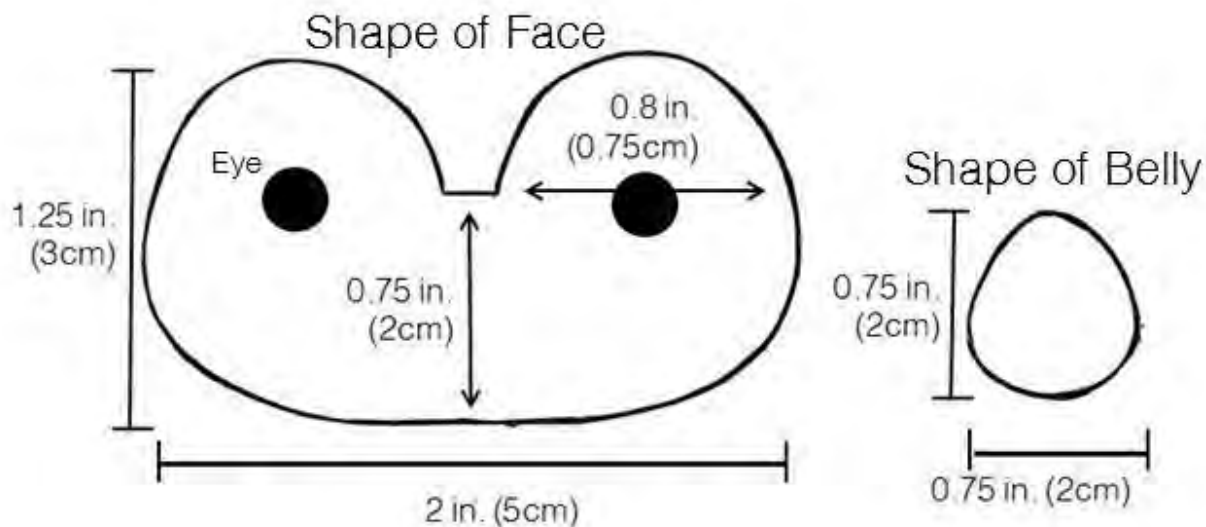
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Feet (make 2):

Using Color B,

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Tail:

Using Color A,

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Finishing:

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mama/papa penguin pattern

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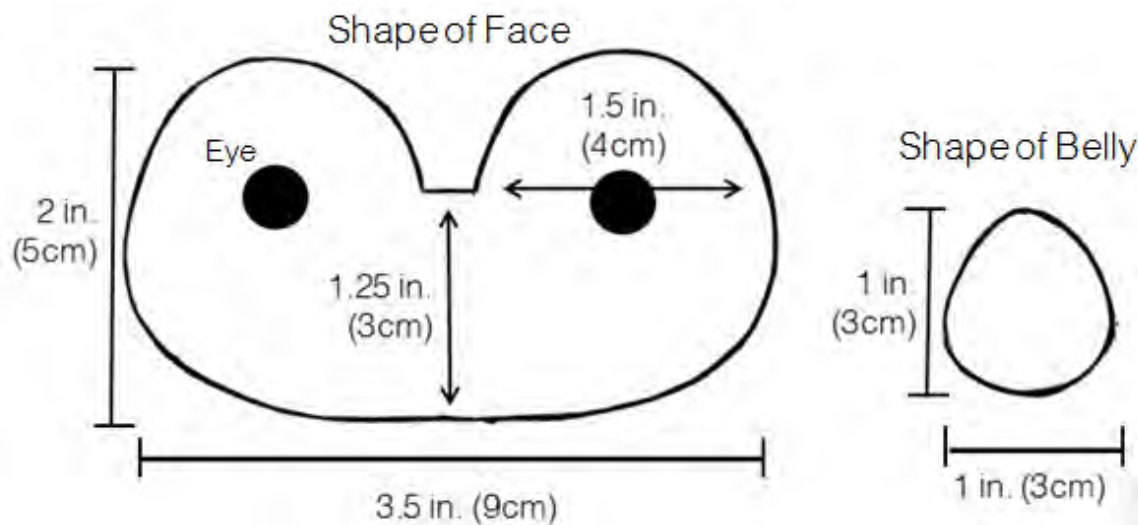
Size of finished penguin: Approximately 4.5 inches (12cm) tall: Depending on the tension, yarn, and hook you use, your penguin may turn out to be slightly larger or smaller than mine.

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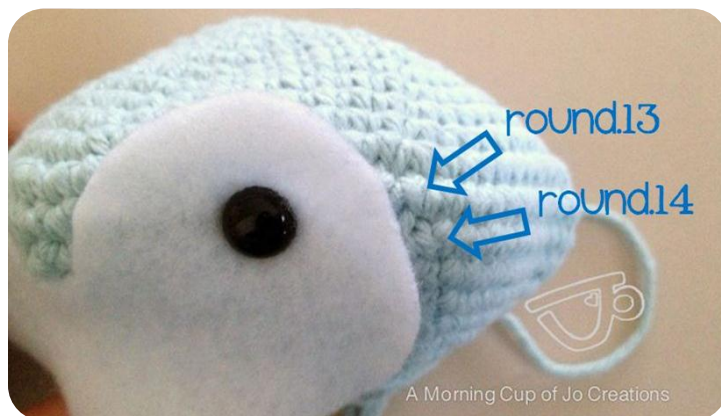
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Wings (make 2):

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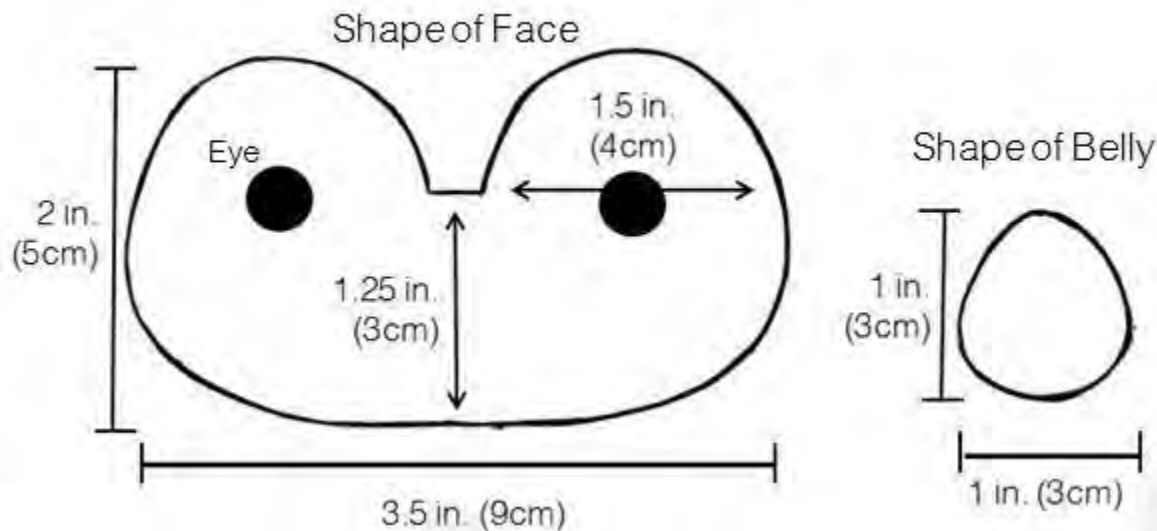
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Wings (make 2):

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Round 3: inc x6= 12 sts

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Round 5: dec x6 = 6 sts

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warning: Because your finished amigurumi doll will have many small parts, please be extremely cautious if you decide to give it to a child. The safety eyes and other small pieces, if somehow detached during play time, could be a serious choking hazard. Also, if you decide to sell your finished amigurumi dolls, remember to include plenty of warnings for people purchasing your products!

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Measurement : Length x Width x Height = 20 cm x 16 cm x 1 cm

Materials:

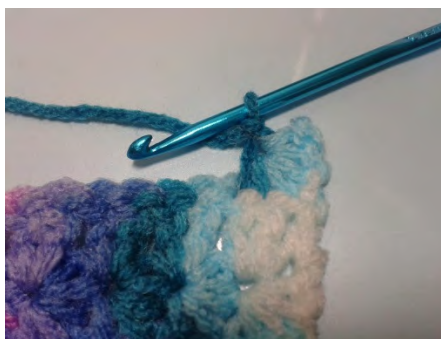
- Lara Lamb Yarn (100% acrylic), 3 balls @ 50gram in 3 colours: Blue mix, Blue and Purple
- 3.5 mm crochet hook
- Tapestry needle

Gauge: 9 stars in 10 rows = 10 cm x 10 cm

Abbreviations: ch = chain, dc = double crochet, hdc = half double crochet, sl st = slip stitch, yo = yarn over

Special abbreviations:

Star Stitch A = ch3, pull up a loop in second ch from hook, pull up a loop in third ch from hook, pull up a loop in next stitch (4 loops), pull up a loop in next stitch, pull up a loop in next stitch (6 loops), yo and pull yarn through all 6 loops on hook, ch1 to close the star.



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Star Stitch B = pull up a loop in ch1 just made, insert hook and pull up a loop in front of last stitch of previous star, pull up a loop into the same stitch, pull up a loop in next stitch, pull up a loop in next stitch (6 loops), yo, and pull yarn through all 6 loops on hook, ch1 to close star.



Instructions:

Use 3.5 mm crochet hook and blue mix yarn, make 75ch.

Row 1:

Insert hook into second ch from hook, sc all stitches to end.

Row 2:

Start star stitch from Star Stitch A, continue with Star Stitch B to last stitch, hdc in last stitch. Total you will have 36 stars.

Row 3:

Ch3, *2dc into center of star; repeat from * to end, hdc in last stitch from last star of previous row.

Row 4:

Start star stitch from Star Stitch A, continue with Star Stitch B to last stitch, hdc in top of ch3 from previous row. Total you will have 36 stars.

Row 5: Repeat row 3.

Then repeat Row 4 and 5 until you have 15 rows. Fasten off, weave in end.

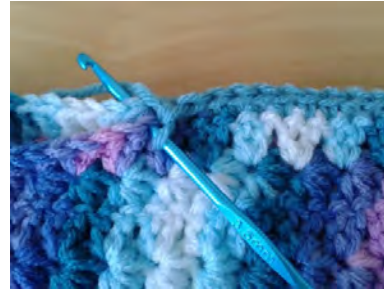


Finishing

Sides work

Fold your work. Change yarn to **Blue** colour.

Start from the bottom of right corner. Make ch1, sc in the same stitch, sc all stitches to end. Cut yarn, weave in end.



Repeat again for left corner, start from up to down. Make ch1, sc in the same stitch, sc all stitches to end. Fasten off, weave in end.



Note: You can seam these left and right sides use blue yarn colour with tapestry needles.

Belt (A and B)



Belt A

Use **Purple** yarn, make 15ch.

Row 1:

Insert hook into second ch from hook, sc all stitches to end.



Row 2:

Start star stitch from Star Stitch A, continue with Star Stitch B to last stitch, hdc in last stitch. Total you will have 6 stars.

Row 3:

Ch3, *2dc into center of star; repeat from * to end, hdc in last stitch from last star of previous row. Fasten off, weave in end.

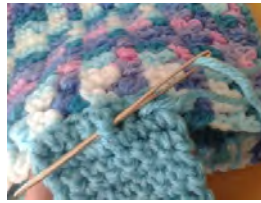
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Belt B

Use **Blue** yarn, make 8ch.

Row 1:

Insert hook into second ch from hook,
sc all stitches to end.



Row 2-15: Ch1, sc all stitch to end.

Row 16: Ch1, sc2tog, sc, sc, sc, sc2tog.

Row 17: Ch1, sc2tog, sc, sc2tog.

Row 18: Ch1, sc2tog, sl st to last stitch.



Fasten off, weave in end. Sew belt A dan B in the center body of star cover with tapestry needles. You can use a girl doll as accessories.

Done !



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Sunflower Baby Bowl Crochet Pattern



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I've been doing arts and crafts for as long as I can remember. I am a fine artist at heart but love to wood burn, make jewelry, scrapbook, sew, loom, crochet and much, much more. If it's arty and crafty then I am most likely dabbling in it or planning to try it soon!



Sunflower Baby Bowl/Cocoon Photo Prop - Newborn

Materials/Tools

- Worsted Weight Yarn
 - Color Brown (preferred yarn Caron Simply Soft - 2 skeins)
 - Color Yellow (preferred yarn Red Heart - 3 skeins)
- Fun Fur Yarn - Brown (preferred yarn Lion Brand - 5 skeins)
- I/5.50mm Hook
- Yarn Needle

Stitch(es) - st

Chain Stitch	st
Slip Stitch	slst
Single Crochet	sc
Half Double Crochet	hdc
Double Crochet	dc
Treble Crochet	tr
Double Crochet Decrease	dc dec

Gauge

Baby Bowl - 2" = 6 st, 3 rows

Small Petal - Approx. 10"-11 long

Large Petal - Approx. 19"-20 long

Special Stitches

Double Crochet Decrease

Yarn over, insert hook into stitch indicated in pattern, yarn over and pull through stitch, yarn over and pull through 2 loops on the hook, yarn over and insert hook into next stitch, yarn over and pull through stitch, yarn over and pull through 2 loop on the hook, yarn over and pull through remaining loops on hook.

Baby Bowl/Cocoon - (middle part of flower)

Rnd 1 - Using the brown yarn and fun fur together, ch 5, join with slst to form a ring. Ch 3 (this counts as the first dc throughout the project), 11 dc in center of ring. Join with slst to top of ch3. (12 dc)

Rnd 2 - Ch 3, dc in same st as ch3, 2dc in each st all around. Join with slst to top of ch3. (24 dc)

Rnd 3 - Ch 3, dc in same st as ch 3, dc in next st, *2dc in next st, dc in next st* repeat from * all around. Join with slst to top of ch3. (36 dc)

Rnd 4 - Ch 3, dc in same st as ch 3, dc in next 2 st, *2dc in next st, dc in next 2 st* repeat from * all around. Join with slst to top of ch3. (48 dc)

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Rnd 5 - Ch 3, dc in same st as ch 3, dc in next 3 st, *2dc in next st, dc in next 3 st* repeat from * all around. Join with slst to top of ch3. (60 dc)

Rnd 6 - Ch 3, dc in same st as ch 3, dc in next 4 st, *2dc in next st, dc in next 4 st* repeat from * all around. Join with slst to top of ch3. (72 dc)

Rnd 7 - Ch 3, dc in same st as ch 3, dc in next 5 st, *2dc in next st, dc in next 5 st* repeat from * all around. Join with slst to top of ch3. (84 dc)

Rnd 8 - Ch 3, dc in same st as ch 3, dc in next 6 st, *2dc in next st, dc in next 6 st* repeat from * all around. Join with slst to top of ch3. (96 dc)

Rnd 9 - Ch 3, dc in same st as ch 3, dc in next 7 st, *2dc in next st, dc in next 7 st* repeat from * all around. Join with slst to top of ch3. (108 dc)

Rnd 10 - Ch 3, dc in same st as ch 3, dc in next 8 st, *2dc in next st, dc in next 8 st* repeat from * all around. Join with slst to top of ch3. (120 dc)

Rnd 11-16 - Ch 3, dc in each st all around. Join with slst to top of ch3. (120 dc)

Rnd 17 - Ch 3, dc in next 7 st, dc dec over next 2 st, *dc in next 8 st, dc dec over next 2 st* repeat from * all around. Join with slst to top of ch3. (108 dc)

Rnd 18 - Ch 3, dc in next 6 st, dc dec over next 2 st, *dc in next 7 st, dc dec over next 2 st* repeat from * all around. Join with slst to top of ch3. (96 dc)

Rnd 19 - Ch 3, dc in next 5 st, dc dec over next 2 st, *dc in next 6 st, dc dec over next 2 st* repeat from * all around. Join with slst to top of ch3. (84 dc)

Rnd 20 - Ch 3, dc in next 39 st, slst in next st. (41 st)

Rnd 21 - Ch 3, turn work, dc in next 39 st, dc in next st from Rnd 19, slst in next st. (42 st)

Rnd 22 - Ch 3, turn work, dc in next 40 st, dc in next st from Rnd 19, slst in next st. (43 st)

Rnd 23 - Ch 3, turn work, dc in next 5 st, dc dec over next 2 st, *dc in next 6 st, dc dec over next 2 st* repeat from * until last 3 st, dc in last 2 st, dc in next st from Rnd 19, slst in next st. (39 st)

Rnd 24 - Ch 3, turn work, dc in next 4 st, dc dec over next 2 st, *dc in next 5 st, dc dec over next 2 st* repeat from * until last 4 st, dc in last 3 st, dc in next st from Rnd 19, slst in last st. (35 st)

Rnd 25 - Ch 3, turn work, dc in next 3 st, dc dec over next 2 st, *dc in next 4 st, dc dec over next 2 st* repeat from * until last st, dc in next st from Rnd 19, slst in next st. (31 st)

Rnd 26 - Ch 3, dc in each st all around. Join with slst to top of ch3. (70 dc)

Rnd 27 - Ch 3, dc in next 4 st, dc dec over next 2 st, *dc in next 5 st, dc dec over next 2 st* repeat from * all around. Join with slst to top of ch3. Finish off. (60 dc)

Small Sunflower Petal - (Make 10)

Rnd 1 - Ch 26, 3sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each ch across, 3sc in last ch. Working on the other side of the ch sc in each ch across. Join with slst to first sc. (52 sc)

Rnd 2 - Ch 1 (this counts as the first sc throughout the project), sc in same st as ch1, 3sc in next st, 2sc in next st, sc in next 2 st, hdc in next 2 st, dc in next 3 st, tr in next 9 st, dc in next 3 st, hdc in next 2 st, sc in next 2 st, 2sc in next st, 3sc in next st, 2sc in next st, sc in next 2 st, hdc in next 2 st, dc in next 3 st, tr in next 9 st, dc in next 3 st, hdc in next 2 st, sc in next 2 st. Join with slst to ch1. (60 st)

Rnd 3 - Ch 1, sc in same st as ch1, sc in next 2 st, 3sc in next st, sc in next 2 st, 2sc in next st, sc in next 2 st, hdc in next 2 st, dc in next 3 st, tr in next 9 st, dc in next 3 st, hdc in next 2 st, sc in next 2 st, 2sc in next st, sc in next 2 st, 3sc in next st, sc in next 2 st, 2sc in next st, sc in next 2 st, hdc in next 2 st, dc in next 3 st, tr in next 9 st, dc in next 3 st, hdc in next 2 st, sc next 2 st. Join with slst to ch1. (68 st)

Rnd 4 - Ch 2, hdc in same st as ch2, hdc in next 4 st, 3hdc in next st, hdc in next 4 st, 2hdc in next st, dc in next 3 st, tr in next 17 st, dc in next 3 st, 2hdc in next st, hdc in next 4 st, 3hdc in next st, hdc in next 4 st, 2hdc in next st, dc in next 3 st, tr in next 17 st, dc next 3 st. Join with slst to top of ch2. (76 st)

Rnd 5 - Ch 1, sc in next 7 st, 3sc in next st, sc in next 37 st, 3sc in next st, sc in remaining st. Join with slst to ch1. Finish off. (80 sc)

To attach the small petals to the baby bowl/cocoon, turn the cocoon so that the opening is facing down. Pin the small petals evenly around the baby bowl/cocoon. Then sew in place. **Refer to photo.**



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Large Sunflower Petal - (Make 10)

Rnd 1 - Ch 46, 3sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each ch across, 3sc in last ch. Working on the other side of the ch, sc in each ch across. Join with slst to first sc. (92 sc)

Rnd 2 - Ch 1 (this counts as the first sc throughout project), sc in same st as ch1, 3sc in next st, 2sc in next st, sc in next 4 st, hdc in next 7 st, dc in next 5 st, tr in next 11 st, dc in next 5 st, hdc in next 7 st, sc in next 4 st, 2sc in next st, 3sc in next st, 2sc in next st, sc in next 4 st, hdc in next 7 st, dc in next 5 st, tr in next 11 st, dc in next 5 st, hdc in next 7 st, sc in next 4 st. Join with slst to ch1. (100 st)

Rnd 3 - Ch 1, sc in same st as ch1, sc in next 2 st, 3sc in next st, sc in next 2 st, 2sc in next st, sc in next 4 st, hdc in next 5 st, dc in next 7 st, tr in next 11 st, dc in next 7 st, hdc in next 5 st, sc in next 4 st, 2sc in next st, sc in next 2 st, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 2 st, 2sc in next st, sc in next 4 st, hdc in next 5 st, dc in next 7 st, tr in next 11 st, dc in next 7 st, hdc in next 5 st, sc in next 4 st. Join with slst to ch1. (108 st)

Rnd 4 - Ch 2 (this counts as the first hdc throughout project), hdc in same st as ch2, hdc in next 4 st, 3hdc in next st, hdc in next 4 st, 2hdc in next st, dc in next 7 st, tr in next 29 st, dc in next 7 st, 2hdc in next st, hdc in next 4 st, 3hdc in next st, hdc in next 4 st, 2hdc in next st, dc in next 7 st, tr in next 29 st, dc in next 7 st. Join with slst to top of ch2. (116 st)

Rnd 5 - Ch 1, sc in next 6 st, 3sc in next st, sc in next 58 st, 3sc in next st, sc in remaining st. Join with slst to ch1. (120 sc)

Rnd 6 - Ch 1, sc in next 7 st, 3sc in next st, sc in next 61 st, 3sc in next st, sc in remaining st. Join with slst to ch1. Finish off. (124 sc)

To attach the large petals to the baby bowl/cocoon, turn the cocoon so the opening is face down. Pin the large petals evenly around the baby bowl/cocoon. Then sew in place. **Refer to photo A below. Refer to photo B to see the baby bowl/cocoon facing upward.**



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BABY BOOTIES
CROCHET PATTERN



"Lara"

BY

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Pattern Baby Booties “Lara”(written in american term)A US/UK crochet terms conversion chart is given at the end of the Pattern.

Materials:

Schachenmayr Catania,100% Cotton

50g: 125m (20sc+25 Rows=4”x4”)

Hook: 2,75mm(C/2)

Stitch marker

Yarn needle

2 Buttons



Abbreviations:

Ch- Chain; sc- single crochet; ss- Slip stitch; hdc- half double crochet; dc- double crochet
st(s)-stitch(stitches)

hdc2tog.-half double crochet two together:Yarn over, insert hook in next stitch,
yarn over, insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and draw through all
loops on hook.

dc2tog.-double crochet two together:*Yarn over, insert hook in next stitch,
yarn over and pull up loop, yarn over ,draw through 2 loops* 2 times

**Notice: The first stitch is always in the same as Beg.-ch, until not noticed
otherwise!!!!Different sizes written in different colors. It's very important to count your
stitches after each round!**

Size1:(Newborn) 8,5 - 9cm (3,25”-3,5”)

Size2: (3 months) 9- 9,5cm (3,5”-3,75”)

Size3:(6 months) 10- 10,5cm (3,9”-4,1”)

Soles: work 2, one in Main color and one in Contrasting color or color of choice .

Ch (9,10,11)

Round1: Begin in second Ch from hook: sc in next(7,8,9) , 6 sc in last ch, now working across other
side of Ch, sc in next(7,8,9) , ss to first sc, Ch1 (20,22,24)

Round2: 2 sc in same as Beg.-ch, sc in next(5,6,7), hdc in next 2, 2hdc in each of next 4 sts, hdc in
next 2, sc in next(5,6,7), 2 sc in last st, ss to first sc, ch1 (26,28,30)

Round3: 2 sc in same as Beg.-ch, 2 sc in next, sc in next (7,8,9), hdc in next 2, 2dc in each of next

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4 sts, hdc in next 2, sc in next(7,8,9), 2 sc in each of next 2 sts, ss to first sc, Ch1 (34,36,38)

Round4: hdc in same as ch1, hdc in next, 2hdc in each of next 2 sts, hdc in next(9,10,11), 2hdc in each of next 2 sts, 2dc in each of next 4 sts, 2hdc in each of next 2 sts, hdc in next(9,10,11), 2hdc in each of next 2 sts, hdc in next 2, ss to first hdc (46,48,50)

Fasten off and work invisible join(shown at the end of Pattern!!)



The sole has to look like this!

When finished both soles, put them together, join yarn in centreback of sole and work ss all around from right to left side!!(working through both soles!)



This is the finished sole.

The first round of the upper booties is worked in these ss.

Note: When working Round 1-5 of upper bootie, the first stitch is in next stitch after beg.-Ch !!!

Join color of choice in the middle of heel and Ch1

Round1: work sc in each stitch around (only into both loops of ss made!!), ss to first sc, Ch1,turn (46,48,50)

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Round2: sc in each stitch around, ss to first sc, Ch1, turn (46,48,50)

Round3: sc in each stitch around, ss to first sc, Ch1, turn (46,48,50)

Round4: hdc in first sc, hdc 2 tog., hdc in next(11,12,13), (dc 2 tog., dc in next) 6 times, hdc in next(11,12,13), hdc 2 tog., hdc in last sc, ss to first hdc, Ch1, turn (38,40,42)

Round5: sc in next(11,12,13), hdc in next, (skip 1, dc in next) 6 times, skip 1, hdc in next, sc in next(12,13,14), ss to first sc (31,33,35)

Fasten off and work invisible join



**The Bootie should look like this
after round 5.**

From the middle of heel count (8,9,10) stitches to the left and to the right side and place marker .



Place marker like this

**Notice: For the right bootie begin on the left side!
For the left bootie begin on the right side!**

Round1: starting in marked stitch:

Strap: Ch11, hdc in 3rd ch from hook, and in each of next 8, now working on the bootie:
hdc in marked stitch and each of next (15,17,19), Ch1, turn (25,27,29 with strap)

Round2: hdc in same as ch1, hdc in next (23,25,27), hdc in top of ch2 , ch5, ss in first
stitch on the other side(see picture!)

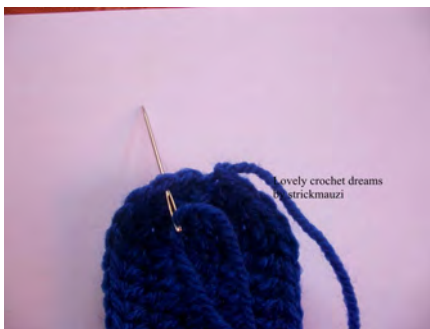


This is where you have to work ss

Fasten off and weave in ends.

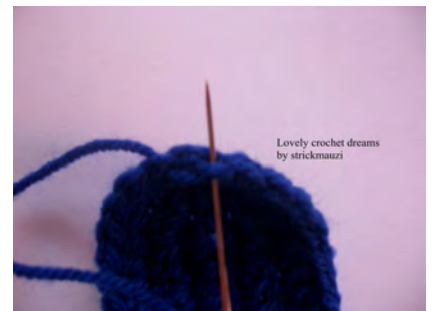
You can work ss between round 5 of upper bootie and first row of strap if you like.

Sew Button onyou're done!



Invisible join:

Weave tail under both loops of first st
of the round (from front to back).then
weave tail through middle of last
st(from front to back)



Crochet Terms Conversion Chart

US	UK
chain (ch)	chain (Ch)
single crochet (sc)	double crochet (dc)
double crochet (dc)	treble (tr)
half double crochet (hdc)	half treble crochet (htr)
slip stitch (ss)	slip stitch (ss)
fasten off	cast off



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Swimming Hippo

Crochet Pattern



We are two Czech "girls" who like to crochet and knit and who are keen on trying new things and techniques too.

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HIPPO who loves to swim



Used material: wool – light grey (3 balls), white (1 ball), dark blue (1 ball), light green (1 ball), yellow and red (just a little)- (we used Czech production wool - Elian Nicky, 50g/152m, 100% acrylic – from manufacturer VSV Pilníkov)

Toy stuffing material (e.g. 100% PES balls)

Thread to sew all parts together

Safety Eyes (size 16 mm – grey-silver color), (you can use buttons or beads instead or embroider the eyes)

4 buttons and strong thread to make the legs and arms movable

Crochet hook no 4 – a hook for yarn (not for wool, which has bigger head) – or a hook you like to work with

Piece of white felt for under the eyes

Metal anchor to decorate the hat – or you can embroider it

2 beads for the swimming ring frog's head

We work with single crochet (SC), use slip stitch (Sl St) to join the rows. Start each row with two chain stitches (Ch) – (do not count the chain stitches into the total count of stitches) – and finish each row with slip stitch.

Muzzle: light grey color

Start with the magic loop

1st row – crochet 2 Ch (as each beginning) and 6 SC into the loop and join in a circle

2nd row – crochet two SC into each stitch of the first row, repeat = 12 SC in total

3rd row – crochet one SC into the first SC of the previous row, crochet 2 SC into the second SC, repeat = 18 SC in total

4th row – one SC into the first two SC of the previous, 2 SC into the third SC, repeat = 24 SC in total

5th row – one SC into the first three SC of the previous row, 2 SC into the fourth SC, repeat = 30 SC in total

6th row – one SC into the first four SC of the previous row, 2 SC into the fifth SC, repeat = 36 SC in total

7th row – one SC into the first five SC of the previous row, 2 SC into the sixth SC, repeat = 42 SC in total

8th row – one SC into the first six SC, 2 SC into the seventh SC, repeat = 48 SC in total



Hippo who loves to swim – a crochet pattern by KAMLIN

9th row – one SC into the first seven SC, 2 SC into the eighth SC, repeat = 54 SC in total

10th row – one SC into the first eight SC, 2 SC into the ninth SC, repeat = 60 SC in total

11th row – one SC into the first nine SC, 2 SC into the tenth SC, repeat = 66 SC in total

12th row – one SC into the first ten SC, 2 SC into the eleventh SC, repeat = 72 SC in total

13th row – crochet one SC into each SC of the last row = 72 SC in total

14th to 25th row – the same as the 13th row (12 rows, 72 SC in total in each row)

26th row – one SC into the first ten SC, DEC (crochet together the 11th and 12th – or skip 11th), rep. = 66 SC in total

27th row – one SC into the first nine SC, DEC (crochet together the 10th and 11th – or skip 10th), rep. 6x = 60 SC in total

28th row – one SC into the first eight SC, DEC (crochet together the 9th and 10th – or skip 9th), rep. = 54 SC in total

29th row – one SC into the first seven SC, DEC (crochet together the 8th and 9th – or skip 8th), rep. = 48 SC in total

Before sewing the muzzle on the head do not forget to stuff it in.

Head: light grey color

Start with the magic loop

1st row – crochet 2 Ch (as each beginning) and 12 SC into the loop and join in a circle

2nd row – crochet one SC into the first SC, crochet 2 SC into the second SC, rep. = 18 SC in total

3rd row – one SC into the first two SC of the last row, 2 SC into the third SC, repeat = 24 SC in total

4th row – one SC into the first three SC of the last row, 2 SC into the fourth SC, repeat = 30 SC in total

5th row – one SC into the first four SC of the last row, 2 SC into the fifth SC, repeat = 36 SC in total

6th row – one SC into the first five SC, 2 SC into the sixth SC, repeat = 42 SC in total

7th row – one SC into the first six SC, 2 SC into the seventh SC, repeat = 48 SC in total

8th row – one SC into the first seven SC, 2 SC into the eighth SC, repeat = 54 SC in total

9th row – one SC into the first eight SC, 2 SC into the ninth SC, repeat = 60 SC in total

10th row – one SC into the first nine SC, 2 SC into the tenth SC, repeat = 66 SC in total

11th row – one SC into the first ten SC, 2 SC into the eleventh SC, repeat = 72 SC in total

12th row – crochet one SC into each SC of the last row = 72 SC in total

13th to 23rd row – the same as the 12th row (11 rows, 72 SC in total in each row)

24th row – one SC into the first ten SC, DEC (crochet together the 11th and 12th – or skip 11th), rep. = 66 SC in total

25th row – one SC into the first nine SC, DEC (crochet together the 10th and 11th – or skip 10th), rep. 6x = 60 SC in total

26th row – one SC into the first eight SC, DEC (crochet together the 9th and 10th – or skip 9th), rep. = 54 SC in total

27th row – one SC into the first seven SC, DEC (crochet together the 8th and 9th – or skip 8th), rep. = 48 SC in total

28th row – one SC into the first six SC, DEC (crochet together the 7th and 8th – or skip 7th), repeat = 42 SC in total

29th row – one SC into the first five SC, DEC (crochet together the 6th and 7th – or skip 6th), repeat = 36 SC in total



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30th row – one SC into first four SC of last row, DEC (5th and 6th SC together – or skip 5th), repeat = 30 SC in total

31st row – one SC into first three SC of last row, DEC (4th and 5th SC together – or skip 4th), repeat = 24 SC in total

Interrupt the work and take the safety eyes. Take the white felt, cut two small rounds just a bit bigger than the safety eyes, and make a hole in the center. Place the piece of felt under the eye and attach it to the head (before you attach the eyes, we recommend adding the muzzle to the head, – this would help you to find the proper position for the eyes. Then fill the head in and continue as follows:

32nd row – one SC into first two SC of last row, DEC (3rd and 4th SC together – or skip 3rd), repeat = 18 SC in total

33rd row – one SC into first SC of last row, DEC (2nd and 3rd SC together – or skip 2nd), repeat = 12 SC in total

34th row – DEC (crochet together each 1st and 2nd SC of the last row – or skip 1st), repeat = 6 SC in total

35th row – DEC (crochet together each 1st and 2nd SC of the last row – or skip 1st), repeat = 3 SC in total, Fasten off

Body: light grey color

Start with the magic loop

1st row – crochet 2 Ch (as each beginning) and 12 SC into the loop and join in a circle

2nd row – crochet one SC into the first SC, crochet 2 SC into the second SC, rep. =18 SC in total

3rd row – one SC into the first two SC of the last row, 2 SC into the third SC, repeat =24 SC in total

4th row – one SC into the first three SC of the last row, 2 SC into the fourth SC, repeat =30 SC in total

5th row – one SC into the first four SC of the last row, 2 SC into the fifth SC, repeat =36 SC in total

6th row – one SC into the first five SC, 2 SC into the sixth SC, repeat =42 SC in total

7th row – one SC into the first six SC, 2 SC into the seventh SC, repeat =48 SC in total

8th row – one SC into the first seven SC, 2 SC into the eighth SC, repeat =54 SC in total

9th row – one SC into the first eight SC, 2 SC into the ninth SC, repeat =60 SC in total

10th row – one SC into the first nine SC, 2 SC into the tenth SC, repeat =66 SC in total

11th row – one SC into the first ten SC, 2 SC into the eleventh SC, repeat =72 SC in total

12th row – one SC into the first eleven SC, 2 SC into the twelfth SC, repeat =78 SC in total

13th row – one SC into the first twelve SC, 2 SC into the thirteenth SC, repeat =84 SC in total

14th row – one SC into the first thirteen SC, 2 SC into the fourteenth SC, repeat =90 SC in total

15th row – crochet one SC into each SC of the last row = 90 SC in total

16th to 32nd row – the same as the 15th row (17 rows, 90 SC in total in each row)

33rd row – one SC into the first thirteen SC, DEC (crochet together the 14th and 15th – or skip 14th), rep. = 84 SC in total

34th row – one SC into the first twelve SC, DEC (crochet together the 13th and 14th – or skip 13th), rep. = 78 SC in total

35th row – one SC into the first eleven SC, DEC (crochet together the 12th and 13th – or skip 12th), rep. = 72 SC in total

36th row – one SC into the first ten SC, DEC (crochet together the 11th and 12th – or skip 11th), rep. = 66 SC in total



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37th row – crochet one SC into each SC of the last row = 66 SC in total

38th to 41st row – the same as the 37th row (4 rows, each 66 Sc in total)

42nd row – one SC into the first nine SC, DEC (crochet together the 10th and 11th – or skip 10th), rep. = 60 SC in total

43rd row – crochet one SC into each SC of the last row = 60 SC in total

44th and 45th row – the same as the 43rd row (2 rows, each 60 Sc in total)

46th row – one SC into the first eight SC, DEC (crochet together the 9th and 10th – or skip 9th), rep. = 54 SC in total

47th row – crochet one SC into each SC of the last row = 54 SC in total

48th row – the same as the 47th row = 54 Sc in total

49th row – one SC into the first seven SC, DEC (crochet together the 8th and 9th – or skip 8th), rep. = 48 SC in total

50th row – crochet one SC into each SC of the last row = 48 SC in total

51st row – one SC into the first six SC, DEC (crochet together the 7th and 8th – or skip 7th), repeat = 42 SC in total

52nd row – crochet one SC into each SC of the last row = 42 SC in total

53rd row – one SC into the first five SC, DEC (crochet together the 6th and 7th – or skip 6th), repeat = 36 SC in total

54th row – one SC into first four SC of last row, DEC (5th and 6th SC together – or skip 5th), repeat = 30 SC in total

55th row – one SC into first three SC of last row, DEC (4th and 5th SC together – or skip 4th), repeat = 24 SC in total

Interrupt the work; stuff the body and continue as follows:

56th row – one SC into first two SC of last row, DEC (3rd and 4th SC together – or skip 3rd), repeat = 18 SC in total

57th row – one SC into first SC of last row, DEC (2nd and 3rd SC together – or skip 2nd), repeat = 12 SC in total

58th row – DEC (crochet together each 1st and 2nd SC of the last row – or skip 1st), repeat = 6 SC in total

59th row – DEC (crochet together each 1st and 2nd SC of the last row – or skip 1st), repeat = 3 SC in total, Fasten off

Legs (make 2): light grey color

Start with the magic loop

1st row – crochet 2 Ch (as each beginning) and 6 SC into the loop and join in a circle

2nd row – crochet two SC into each stitch of the first row, repeat = 12 SC in total

3rd row – crochet one SC into the first SC of the previous row, crochet 2 SC into the second SC, repeat = 18 SC in total

4th row – one SC into the first two SC of the previous, 2 SC into the third SC, repeat = 24 SC in total

5th row – one SC into the first three SC of the previous row, 2 SC into the fourth SC, repeat = 30 SC in total

6th row – one SC into the first four SC of the previous row, 2 SC into the fifth SC, repeat = 36 SC in total

7th row – **crochet into the back loop only** - crochet one SC into each SC of the last row = 36 SC in total

8th row – crochet one SC into each SC of the last row = 36 SC in total

9th to 12th row – the same as the 8th row (4 row each 36 SC in total)



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13th row – one SC into first four SC of last row, DEC (5th and 6th SC together – or skip 5th), repeat = 30 SC in total

14th row – crochet one SC into each SC of the last row = 30 SC in total

15th to 18th row – the same as the 14th row (4 row each 30 SC in total)

19th row – one SC into first three SC of last row, DEC (4th and 5th SC together – or skip 4th), repeat = 24 SC in total

20th row – crochet one SC into each SC of the last row = 24 SC in total

21st to 30th row – the same as the 20th row (20 row each 24 SC in total)

Interrupt the work, fill the leg in and continue as follows:

31st row – one SC into first two SC of last row, DEC (3rd and 4th SC together – or skip 3rd), repeat = 18 SC in total

32nd row – one SC into first SC of last row, DEC (2nd and 3rd SC together – or skip 2nd), repeat = 12 SC in total

33rd row – DEC (crochet together each 1st and 2nd SC of the last row – or skip 1st), repeat = 6 SC in total

34th row – DEC (crochet together each 1st and 2nd SC of the last row – or skip 1st), repeat = 3 SC in total, Fasten off

Arms (make 2): light grey color

Start with the magic loop

1st row – crochet 2 Ch (as each beginning) and 6 SC into the loop and join in a circle

2nd row – crochet two SC into each stitch of the first row, repeat = 12 SC in total

3rd row – crochet one SC into the first SC of the previous row, crochet 2 SC into the second SC, repeat = 18 SC in total

4th row – one SC into the first two SC of the previous, 2 SC into the third SC, repeat = 24 SC in total

5th row – one SC into the first three SC of the previous row, 2 SC into the fourth SC, repeat = 30 SC in total

6th row – one SC into the first four SC of the previous row, 2 SC into the fifth SC, repeat = 36 SC in total

7th row – **crochet into the back loop only** - crochet one SC into each SC of the last row = 36 SC in total

8th row – crochet one SC into each SC of the last row = 36 SC in total

9th to 12th row – the same as the 8th row (4 row each 36 SC in total)

13th row – one SC into first four SC of last row, DEC (5th and 6th SC together – or skip 5th), repeat = 30 SC in total

14th row – crochet one SC into each SC of the last row = 30 SC in total

15th to 18th row – the same as the 14th row (4 row each 30 SC in total)

19th row – one SC into first three SC of last row, DEC (4th and 5th SC together – or skip 4th), repeat = 24 SC in total

20th row – crochet one SC into each SC of the last row = 24 SC in total

21st to 36th row – the same as the 20th row (26 row each 24 SC in total)

Interrupt the work, fill the arm in and continue as follows:

37th row – one SC into first two SC of last row, DEC (3rd and 4th SC together – or skip 3rd), repeat = 18 SC in total



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38th row – one SC into first SC of last row, DEC (2nd and 3rd SC together – or skip 2nd), repeat = 12 SC in total

39th row – DEC (crochet together each 1st and 2nd SC of the last row – or skip 1st), repeat = 6 SC in total

40th row – DEC (crochet together each 1st and 2nd SC of the last row – or skip 1st), repeat = 3 SC in total, Fasten off

Ears (make 2): light grey color

Start with the magic loop

1st row – crochet 2 Ch (as each beginning) and 6 SC into the loop and join in a circle

2nd row – crochet two SC into each stitch of the first row, repeat = 12 SC in total

3rd row – crochet one SC into each SC of the last row = 12 SC in total



Nostrils (make 2): light grey color

Start with the magic loop

1st row – crochet 2 Ch (as each beginning) and 7 SC into the loop **do not join into a circle as you need to crochet in straight rows, which means you need to turn the work at the end of each row**

2nd row – crochet one SC into each SC of the last row = 7 SC in total

3rd row – crochet 2 SC into the first and into the last SC of the first row, crochet one SC in each of the stitches in between = 9 SC in total

4th row – crochet one SC into each SC of the last row = 9 SC in total

Tighten the loop and fasten off the ends.



Sew all parts together. You can use buttons and attach the legs and arms using strong thread and buttons (please see the picture below) – the legs and arms will be movable. Or you can simply attach them



Use black cotton yarn to embroider the mouth

Bathing suit: white and dark blue color

Start with 42+1 Ch and join them into the circle – [with dark blue color](#)

1st row – crochet one SC into each Ch of the starting chain = 42 SC in total.

2nd row – crochet one SC into each SC of the last row = 42 SC in total

3rd row – the same as the 2nd row = 42 SC in total

4th row – **change the color from blue to white and continue as follows:** crochet one SC into each SC = 42 SC in total

5th and 6th row – the same as the 4th row (2 rows, each 42 SC in total)

7th row – **change the color from white to blue and continue as follows:** crochet one SC into each SC = 42 SC in total

8th and 9th row – the same as the 7th row (2 rows, each 42 SC in total)

Now you have one trouser leg ready. Finish off. Then repeat again rows 1 to 9 but do not finish off that one and continue as follows:

10th row – **change the color from blue to white and continue as follows:** crochet one SC into each SC = 42 SC in total + crochet 6 Ch and then attach the first leg and crochet it all around (42 SC in total) and crochet another 6 Ch and attach with Sl St. to the beginning (so you would be able to crochet it all around) = 42 SC + 6 Ch + 42 SC + 6 Ch (96 stitches in total)

11th row – crochet one SC into each stitch of the last row = 96 SC in total

12th row – the same as the 11th row = 96 SC in total

13th row – **change the color from white to blue and continue as follows:** crochet one SC into each SC = 96 SC in total

14th and 15th row – the same as the 13th row (2 rows, each 96 SC in total)

16th row – **change the color from blue to white and continue as follows:** crochet one SC into each SC = 96 SC in total

17th and 18th row – the same as the 16th row (2 rows, each 96 SC in total)

19th row – **change the color from white to blue and continue as follows:** crochet one SC into each SC = 96 SC in total

20th and 21st row – the same as the 19th row (2 rows, each 96 SC in total)

22nd row – **change the color from blue to white and continue as follows:** crochet one SC into each SC = 96 SC in total

23rd and 24th row – the same as the 22nd row (2 rows, each 96 SC in total)

25th row – **change the color from white to blue and continue as follows:** crochet one SC into each SC = 96 SC in total

26th and 27th row – the same as the 25th row (2 rows, each 96 SC in total)

28th row – **change the color from blue to white and continue as follows:** crochet one SC into each SC = 96 SC in total

29th and 30th row – the same as the 28th row (2 rows, each 96 SC in total)

31st row – **change the color from white to blue and continue as follows:** crochet one SC into each SC = 96 SC in total

32nd row – one SC into the first fourteen SC, DEC (crochet together the 15th and 14th – or skip 15th), rep. = 90 SC in total

33rd row – crochet one SC into each SC = 90 SC in total



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34th row – change the color from blue to white and continue as follows: crochet one SC into each SC = 90 SC in total

35th and 36th row – the same as the 34th row (2 rows, each 90 SC in total)

37th row – change the color from white to blue and continue as follows: crochet one SC into each SC = 90 SC in total

38th and 39th row – the same as the 37th row (2 rows, each 90 SC in total)

40th row – change the color from blue to white and continue as follows: crochet one SC into each SC = 90 SC in total

41st and 42nd row – the same as the 40th row (2 rows, each 90 SC in total)

Finish off and put the bathing suit on the hippo and using pins mark the place on the bathing suit where to attach the right side shoulder strap. Start 2 Ch using dark blue color in that place and continue as follows:

1st row – crochet one SC in each of following 10 stitches of the last row do = 10 SC in total (continue to work in straight rows now; it means you have to turn the work at the end of each row)

2nd row – DEC the first and last SC of the row, which means crochet together the first two, then crochet one SC into each SC of the last row and finally crochet together the last two SC = 8 SC in total

3rd row – DEC the first and last SC of the row, which means crochet together the first two, then crochet one SC into each SC of the last row and finally crochet together the last two SC = 6 SC in total

4th row – change the color from blue to white and continue as follows: crochet one SC into each SC = 6 SC in total

5th and 6th row – the same as the 4th row (2 rows, each 6 SC in total)

7th row – change the color from white to blue and continue as follows: crochet one SC into each SC = 6 SC in total

8th and 9th row – the same as the 7th row (2 rows, each 6 SC in total)

10th row – change the color from blue to white and continue as follows: crochet one SC into each SC = 6 SC in total

11th and 12th row – the same as the 10th row (2 rows, each 6 SC in total)

13th – change the color from white to blue and continue as follows: crochet one SC into each SC = 6 SC in total

14th and 15th row – the same as the 13th row (2 rows, each 6 SC in total)

16th row – change the color from blue to white and continue as follows: crochet one SC into each SC = 6 SC in total

17th and 18th row – the same as the 16th row (2 rows, each 6 SC in total)

19th – change the color from white to blue and continue as follows: crochet one SC into each SC = 6 SC in total

20th and 21st row – the same as the 19th row (2 rows, each 6 SC in total)

22nd row – change the color from blue to white and continue as follows: crochet one SC into each SC = 6 SC in total

23rd and 24th row – the same as the 22nd row (2 rows, each 6 SC in total)

25th row – change the color from white to blue and continue as follows: crochet one SC into each SC = 6 SC in total

26th and 27th row – the same as the 25th row (2 rows, each 6 SC in total)

28th row – change the color from blue to white and continue as follows: crochet one SC into each SC = 6 SC in total

29th and 30th row – the same as the 28th row (2 rows, each 6 SC in total)

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31st row – change the color from white to blue and continue as follows: crochet one SC into each SC = 6 SC in total

32nd and 33rd row – the same as the 31st row (2 rows, each 6 SC in total)

34th row – change the color from blue to white and continue as follows: crochet one SC into each SC = 6 SC in total

35th and 36th row – the same as the 34th row (2 rows, each 6 SC in total)

37th row – change the color from white to blue and continue as follows: crochet one SC into each SC = 6 SC in total

38th and 39th row – the same as the 37th row (2 rows, each 6 SC in total), Finish off.

Make one more shoulder strap (see the distance on the picture above) and wave in the ends of the wool. Put the bathing suit on the hippo and sew the straps in the back to the other side. Don't forget to sew (close) the hole between legs too.

Cap: white and dark blue color

Start with the magic loop using white color

1st row – crochet 2 Ch (as each beginning) and 12 SC into the loop and join in a circle

2nd row – crochet one SC into the first SC, crochet 2 SC into the second SC, rep. =18 SC in total

3rd row – one SC into the first two SC of the last row, 2 SC into the third SC, repeat =24 SC in total

4th row – one SC into the first three SC of the last row, 2 SC into the fourth SC, repeat =30 SC in total

5th row – one SC into the first four SC of the last row, 2 SC into the fifth SC, repeat =36 SC in total

6th row – one SC into the first five SC, 2 SC into the sixth SC, repeat =42 SC in total

7th row – one SC into the first six SC, 2 SC into the seventh SC, repeat =48 SC in total

8th row – one SC into the first seven SC, 2 SC into the eighth SC, repeat =54 SC in total

9th row – one SC into the first eight SC, 2 SC into the ninth SC, repeat =60 SC in total

10th row – one SC into the first nine SC, 2 SC into the tenth SC, repeat =66 SC in total

11th row – one SC into the first ten SC, 2 SC into the eleventh SC, repeat =72 SC in total

12th row – one SC into the first eleven SC, 2 SC into the twelfth SC, repeat =78 SC in total

13th row – one SC into the first twelve SC, 2 SC into the thirteenth SC, repeat =84 SC in total

14th row – one SC into the first thirteen SC, 2 SC into the fourteenth SC, repeat =90 SC in total

15th row – one SC into the first fourteen SC, 2 SC into the fifteenth SC, repeat =96 SC in total

16th row – **crochet into the back loop only** - crochet one SC into each SC of the last row = 96 SC in total

17th row – one SC into the first fourteen SC, DEC (crochet together the 15th and 16th – or skip 15th), rep. = 90 SC in total

18th row – crochet one SC into each SC = 90 SC in total

19th row – one SC into the first thirteen SC, DEC (crochet together the 14th and 15th – or skip 14th), rep. = 84 SC in total

20th row – crochet one SC into each SC = 84 SC in total

21st row – one SC into the first twelve SC, DEC (crochet together the 13th and 14th – or skip 13th), rep. = 78 SC in total

22nd row – crochet one SC into each SC = 78 SC in total



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23rd row – **change the color from white to blue and continue as follows:** crochet one SC into each SC = 78 SC in total

24th to 27th row – the same as the 23rd row (4 rows, each 78 SC in total)

28th row – crochet one SC into each of following 30 SC of the last row = 30 SC in total (continue to work in straight rows now; it means you have to turn the work at the end of each row)

29th row – DEC the first and last SC of the row, which means crochet together the first two, then crochet one SC into each SC of the last row and finally crochet together the last two SC = 28 SC in total

30th row – DEC the first and last SC of the row, which means crochet together the first two, then crochet one SC into each SC of the last row and finally crochet together the last two SC = 26 SC in total

31st row – DEC the first and last SC of the row, which means crochet together the first two, then crochet one SC into each SC of the last row and finally crochet together the last two SC = 24 SC in total

32nd row – DEC the first and last SC of the row, which means crochet together the first two, then crochet one SC into each SC of the last row and finally crochet together the last two SC = 22 SC in total

33rd row – DEC the first and last SC of the row, which means crochet together the first two, then crochet one SC into each SC of the last row and finally crochet together the last two SC = 20 SC in total

Embroider or attach the anchor to the cap

Swimming ring: light green color

Start with 20+1 Ch and join them into a ring

1st row – crochet one SC into each Ch of the starting ring = 20 SC in total

2nd row – crochet one SC into each SC of the previous row = 20 SC in total

3rd to 121st row – the same as the 2nd row (119 rows, each 20 SC in total)

Stuff around; it is better to keep stuffing during the work progress as it would be difficult to stuff the whole thing when you are done and when the ring is finished; and when stuffed sew the ends together to make actual ring (as per the photo)



Head of the frog: light green color

Start with the magic loop

1st row – crochet 2 Ch (as each beginning) and 6 SC into the loop and join in a circle

2nd row – crochet two SC into each stitch of the first row, repeat = 12 SC in total

3rd row – crochet one SC into the first SC of the previous row, crochet 2 SC into the second SC, repeat = 18 SC in total

4th row – one SC into the first two SC of the previous, 2 SC into the third SC, repeat = 24 SC in total

5th row – one SC into the first three SC of the previous row, 2 SC into the fourth SC, repeat = 30 SC in total

6th row – one SC into the first four SC of the previous row, 2 SC into the fifth SC, repeat = 36 SC in total

7th row – one SC into the first five SC, 2 SC into the sixth SC, repeat = 42 SC in total

8th row – crochet one SC into each SC = 42 SC in total

9th to 12th row – the same as the 8th row (4 rows, each 42 SC in total)



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13th row – one SC into the first five SC, DEC (crochet together the 6th and 7th – or skip 6th), repeat = 36 SC in total

14th row – one SC into first four SC of last row, DEC (5th and 6th SC together – or skip 5th), repeat = 30 SC in total

15th row – one SC into first three SC of last row, DEC (4th and 5th SC together – or skip 4th), repeat = 24 SC in total

Interrupt the work; stuff the head and continue as follows:

16th row – one SC into first two SC of last row, DEC (3rd and 4th SC together – or skip 3rd), repeat = 18 SC in total

17th row – one SC into first SC of last row, DEC (2nd and 3rd SC together – or skip 2nd), repeat = 12 SC in total

18th row – DEC (crochet together each 1st and 2nd SC of the last row – or skip 1st), repeat = 6 SC in total

19th row – DEC (crochet together each 1st and 2nd SC of the last row – or skip 1st), repeat = 3 SC in total, Fasten off

Eye lids for the frog (make 2): light green color

Start with the magic loop

1st row – crochet 2 Ch (as each beginning) and 6 SC into the loop and join in a circle

2nd row – crochet two SC into each stitch of the first row, repeat = 12 SC in total

3rd row – crochet one SC into each SC = 12 SC in total

4th and 5th row – the same as the 3rd row (2 rows, each 12 SC in total)

Sew the head on the ring, attach the eye lids (place a piece of white felt as eye white and small bead as an eye into each eye lid). Use black cotton yarn to embroider mouth and nose.



Boat – the hull: yellow color

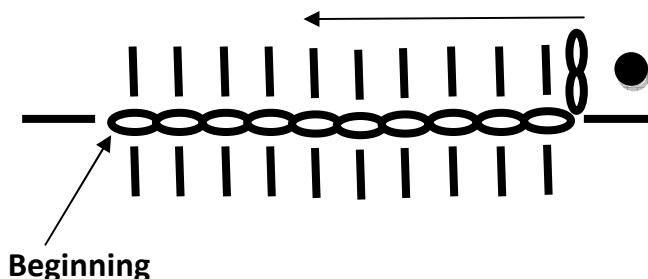
Start with 10+2 Ch

1st row – crochet according to the scheme below = 22 SC in total

— - single crochet (SC)

● - slip stitch (Sl St)

○ - Chain (Ch)



2nd row – crochet one SC into first 10 stitches of the first row, crochet 3 SC into the following stitch, crochet one SC in next 10 stitches of the last row, crochet 3 SC into the last stitch = 26 SC in total

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3rd row – crochet 2 SC into the first stitch of the last row, crochet one SC into each of following 8 stitches, crochet two SC in each of next 5 stitches, then one SC in each of following 8 stitches again and finally two SC in each of last 4 SC = 36 SC in total

4th row – crochet one SC into each SC = 36 SC in total

5th row – **crochet into the back loop only** - crochet one SC into each SC of the last row = 36 SC in total

6th row – crochet one SC into each SC = 36 SC in total

7th row – one SC into the first five SC, 2 SC into the sixth SC, repeat =42 SC in total

8th row – one SC into the first six SC, 2 SC into the seventh SC, repeat =48 SC in total

9th row – crochet one SC into each SC = 48 SC in total

10th row – the same as the 9th row (= 48 SC in total)

Boat – the upper part (deck): yellow color

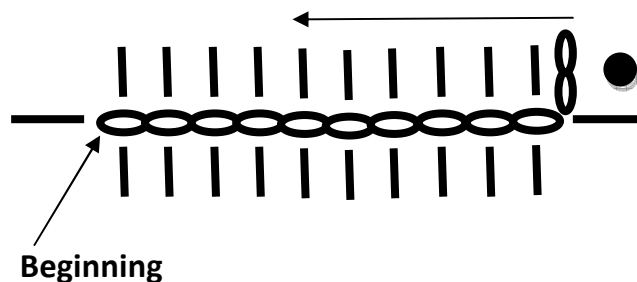
Start with 10+2 Ch

1st row – crochet according to the scheme below = 22 SC in total

| - single crochet (SC)

● - slip stitch (Sl St)

○ - chain (Ch)



2nd row – crochet one SC into first 10 stitches of the first row, crochet 3 SC into the following stitch, crochet one SC in next 10 stitches of the last row, crochet 3 SC into the last stitch = 26 SC in total

3rd row – crochet 2 SC into the first stitch of the last row, crochet one SC into each of following 8 stitches, crochet two SC in each of next 5 stitches, then one SC in each of following 8 stitches again and finally two SC in each of last 4 SC = 36 SC in total

4th row – one SC into the first five SC, 2 SC into the sixth SC, repeat =42 SC in total

5th row – one SC into the first six SC, 2 SC into the seventh SC, repeat =48 SC in total

Take the other part of the boat (the hull) and crochet both parts together with one row of SC (48 SC in this row). Don't forget to stuff the boat before you crochet both parts together :o)

Sail (make 2): red color

Start with 1+2 CH (the top of the triangle). You will work in straight rows so you have to turn the work at the end of each row

1st row – crochet 1 SC into the first Ch = 1 SC in total

2nd row – crochet 3 SC into the one SC you have = 3 SC in total



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3rd row – crochet one SC into each of the SC of the previous row = 3 SC in total

4th row – crochet 2 SC into the first SC and 2 SC into the last SC, crochet one SC into the stitch in between = 5 SC in total

5th row – crochet one SC into each of the SC of the previous row = 5 SC in total

6th row – crochet 2 SC into the first SC of the last row and 2 SC into the last SC of the last row, crochet one SC in each stitch in between = 7 SC in total

7th row – crochet one SC into each of the SC of the previous row = 7 SC in total

8th row – crochet 2 SC into the first SC of the last row and 2 SC into the last SC of the last row, crochet one SC in each stitch in between = 9 SC in total

9th row – crochet one SC into each of the SC of the previous row = 9 SC in total

10th row – crochet 2 SC into the first SC of the last row and 2 SC into the last SC of the last row, crochet one SC in each stitch in between = 11 SC in total

11th row – crochet one SC into each of the SC of the previous row = 11 SC in total

12th row – crochet 2 SC into the first SC of the last row and 2 SC into the last SC of the last row, crochet one SC in each stitch in between = 13 SC in total

13th row – crochet one SC into each of the SC of the previous row = 13 SC in total

Put both parts together and crochet around with single crochet. Make 4 SC in one spot in the top of the triangle.

Mast for the sail: white color

Start with the magic loop

1st row – crochet 2 Ch (as each beginning) and 6 SC into the loop and join in a circle

2nd row – crochet one SC in each SC of the previous row = 6 SC in total

3rd to 17th row – the same as the 2nd row (15 rows each 6 SC in total)



Attach the sail to the mast and sew it all to the boat. Then take same white color wool as for the mast and crochet a simple chain (as a “rope” to the boat).



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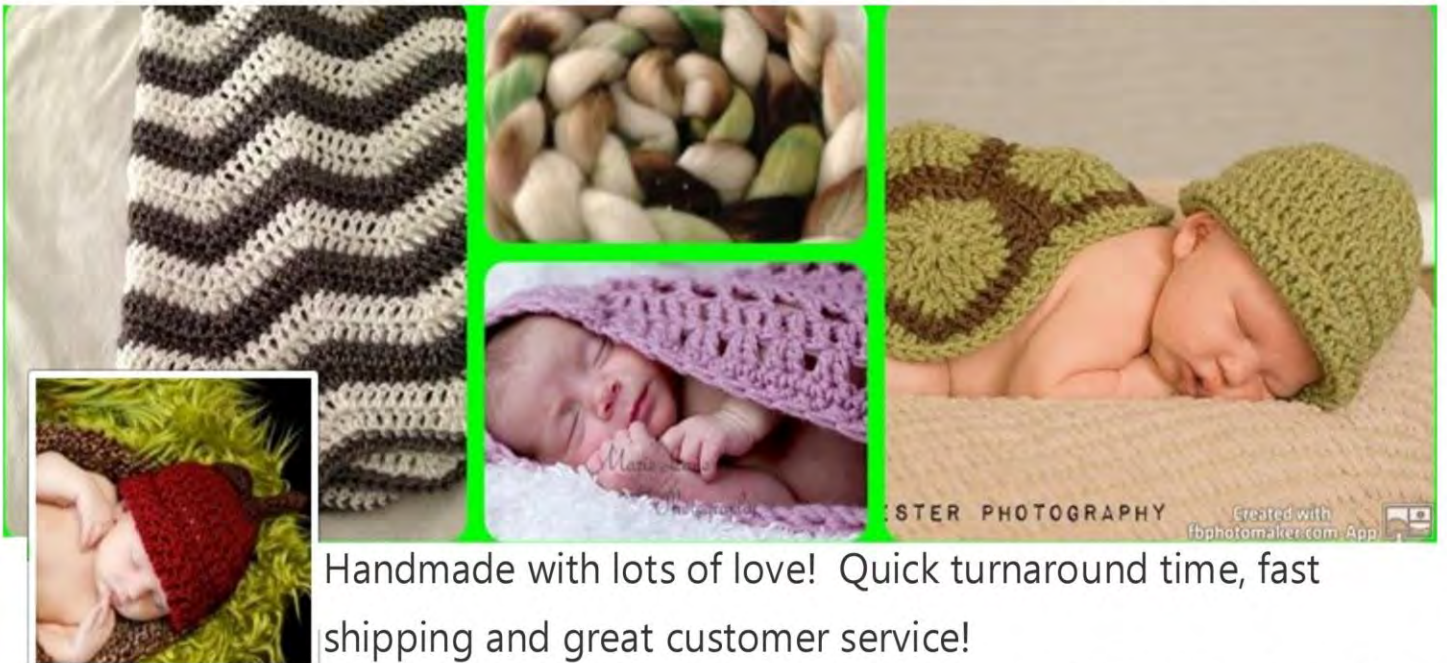
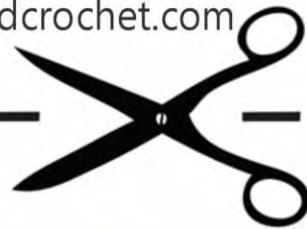


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HI!



My name is Joke, I live in Belgium. I've been a collector all my life, from precious minerals to fruit stickers, I've gathered it all. But my most fun collection so far must be my growing 'museum' of amigurumi patterns. Every day new patterns are added as there's just so much cuteness around and so many talented designers creating unique characters.

As my website www.amigurumipatterns.net and my Facebook audience kept on growing, a little idea grew along... When I asked my Facebook fans how they would feel if we published an amigurumi book, the response was overwhelming and heart-warming. At first I had felt like I needed to be put back with my feet on the ground, as I've always been a bit of a dreamer. But as I noticed the amigurumi community showed its support for the idea, I knew I wouldn't be able to let go of this dream.



I spent my summer contacting designers (who hardly needed any convincing), gathering patterns, creating layouts, making pictures and editing crochet patterns. When I was in doubt, I asked my Facebook fans what they would do. Should I choose this or that pattern, should the book have this or that cover, what should be the book title? The advice of an entire group of enthusiasts was indispensable in creating an amigurumi book that would be loved by everyone.

In September 2012 I started a crowd funding campaign, as printing costs are immensely high. But still I wanted the book to be more than just a digital edition, I wanted to hold it, put it in my bookcase and give it to friends as a present. And apparently many amigurumi fans felt the same. To my surprise I gathered more than 10,000 USD in less than a month, a starting budget that allowed me to print a whole lot of copies of my first pattern book. I never realised quite how many until the truck arrived at my doorstep and 1500 books piled up in my living room.

It has been amazing to send hundreds of books to crochet fans all over the world and see amigurumi made with these patterns pop up all over the internet, each of them unique in its colors and decorations.

Amigurumi must be the most fun way to use a crochet hook! Making a 3D character, seeing it grow, is extremely rewarding. And it's not even that hard to do. With just a little practice, you'll make all these amazing





WINDOWED BRACELET PATTERN

by Kristin Dragos

I'm Kristin, a stay at home mom, gamer, and crocheter. I received my crochet instructor certification from Craft Yarn Council in 2012, and I'm currently working on my Masters of Crochet Techniques from the Crochet Guild of America. I started to design my own patterns last year.

Windowed Bracelet



Materials:

26 gauge wire (Beading wire works great.)
Clasps of your choice (I used a bar and ring clasp.)
Size 0/3.25mm Crochet hook
Flat nose pliers or rolling pin
Wire cutters or nail trimmers

Abbreviations:

ch = Chain
sc = Single Crochet
tr = Treble (triple) Crochet
st = Stitch

Pattern:

Row 1: Ch 38. Sc in second ch and in each ch across.

Row 2: Ch 1, turn. Sc in each st across.

Row 3: Ch 4 (counts as one tr), tr in second st. *Ch 3, sk 3 sts. Tr in each of the next 3 sts. Ch 2, sk 2 sts. Tr in each of the next 2 sts. Repeat from * across. End with a set of 2 tr.

Row 4: Sc in each st across. In each ch-3 sp, work 3 scs. In each ch-2 sp, work 2 scs.

Row 5: Sc in each st across. Fasten off, leaving a tail long enough to fasten clasps.

Use beginning tail and ending tails to attach clasps. Weave in ends. With flat nose pliers or rolling pin, gently flatten piece. Use pliers to fill in any unwanted gaps in top and bottom.

Personalize your bracelet:

1. Use a length of ribbon as a closure. Weave ribbon through the “windows” of the bracelet and secure by tying. (This method will let you accommodate a variety of wrist sizes.)
2. Use ribbon (or tulle for a more transparent look) as a decorative finish. Weave ribbon through the windows of the bracelet. Secure ribbon to the underside with glue (for permanent finish), or between posts.
3. Add beads. Add beads to the dtr posts or beginning chain (could be more challenging to work row 1) or ending row.
4. Add more (or less) space between windows. For each ch you make for window spacing, skip that many sts before working your next dtr.
5. Change the height of row 2. Work with dc, tr, or taller stitches.



Figure 1: Tulle woven between windows.

Finished size is approximately 7 inches.

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