

Crocheted Cow Matylda



Material and tools:

- Yarn with approx. 130m/50g (Polyacryl) or 100m/50g (Cotton)
 - o < 50g White
 - o < 50g Black
 - o < 50g Beige
 - o A bit of red or brown yarn for collar
- Stuffing (Polyester Filling)
- 2 plastic eyes with security lock (9-10mm) or two black beads
- Crochet hook size 4mm / F or size as specified on the yarn
- Wool needle

Abbreviations

[brackets] – repeat instruction within brackets as often as given after brackets or to the end of the round or row

(round brackets) – count of stitches done in this round or row

Number in front of an abbreviation – number of stitches to crochet

CH – chain

SC – single crochet

ST – stitch(es)

HDC – half double crochet

DC – double crochet

SLST – slip stitch

Sc2tog – single crochet 2 together (1 stitch decreased)

Hdc2tog – half double crochet 2 together (1 stitch decreased)

Dc2tog – double crochet 2 together (1 stitch decreased)

General notes

Please read these instructions before working the pattern.

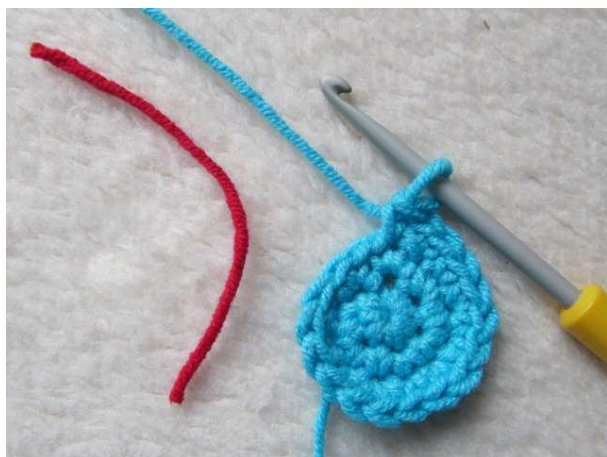
The beginning of each part

There are two options (I always use the second option. There are no holes at the beginning if you use the loop):

1. Start with chain 2 and work every first round into the first stitch made.
2. Start with a magic circle (adjustable loop) and work number of stitches in the first round into the loop.

Changing rounds

Do not replace crochet stitches by chain stitches at the beginning of each row. Instead make endless spiral. Crochet a first stitch of the row in first stitch of previous round. Use a stitch marker to remember of the beginning of the round. How to mark beginning of a row is demonstrated on pictures below.



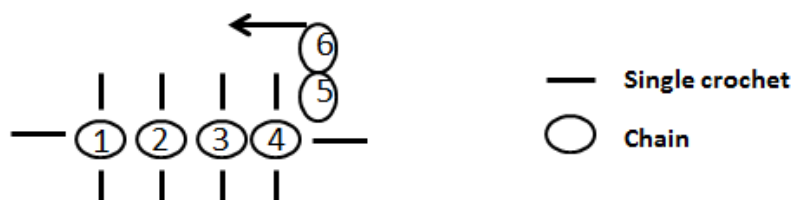
Loose ends

At the beginning and the end of a piece leave a tail of at least 15 cm or even longer, because most of these can be used for sewing. Loose ends you do not use anymore can be pulled through some stitches on the inside of the piece and cut off.

Pattern

Head

Rd 1: **Work with beige.** Begin with 6 chains and then work in accordance with the scheme below 10 SC. Continue in rounds (10).



Rd 2: 2 SC in next ST, 1 SC in next 2 ST, 2 SC in next 3 ST, 1 SC in next 2 ST, 2 SC in the last 2 ST. (16)

Rd 3: 2 SC in next ST, 1 SC in next 4 ST, 2 SC in next 4 ST, 1 SC in next 4 ST, 2 SC in last 3 ST. (24)

Rd 4: 2 SC in next ST, 1 SC in next 6 ST, 2 SC in next 2 ST, 1 SC in next 2 ST, 2 SC in next 2 ST, 1 SC in next 6 ST, 2 SC in next 2 ST, 1 SC in next 2 ST, 2 SC in last ST. (32)

Rd 5: [2 SC in the first ST, SC in next 3 ST] 8x (40)

Rd 6-10: SC in every ST (40)

Rd 11: **Change the colour, from here work with white.** [SC in next 3 ST, Sc2tog] 8x. (32)

Rd 12: SC in every ST (32)

Rd 13-15: SC in every ST (32)

Rd 16: [SC in next 2 ST, Sc2tog] 8x. (24)

Rd 16: SC in every ST (24)

Rd 17-20: SC in every ST (24)

Rd 21: [SC in next 6 ST, Sc2tog] 3x. (21)

Rd 22: [SC in next 5 ST, Sc2tog] 3x. (18)

Now we attach the eyes (I recommend to put them in the 17th round and leave 5 stitches between the eyes) and we stuff the head

Rd 23: [SC in next ST, Sc2tog] 6x. (12)

Rd 24: [Sc2tog] 6x (6)

Rd 25: [Sc2tog] 3x (3)



Body

Rd 1: **Begin with white working in rounds.** 6 SC in the magic circle (6)

Rd 2: 2 SC in every M (12)

Rd 3: [2 SC in first ST, SC in next ST] 6x (18)

Rd 4: [2 SC in first ST, SC in next 2 ST] 6x (24)

Rd 5: [2 SC in first ST, SC in next 3 ST] 6x (30)

Rd 6: [2 SC in first ST, SC in next 4 ST] 6x (36)

Rd 7: [2 SC in first ST, SC in next 8 ST] 4x (40)

Rd 8-9: SC in every ST (40)

Rd 10: [SC in next 8 ST, Sc2tog] 4x. (36)

Rd 11: [SC in next 4 ST, Sc2tog] 6x. (30)

Rd 12-13: SC in every ST (30)

Rd 14: [SC in next 3 ST, Sc2tog] 6x. (24)

Rd 15-17: SC in every ST (24)

Rd 18: [SC in next 2 ST, Sc2tog] 6x. (18)

Rd 19-22: SC in every ST (18)

Rd 23: [SC in next 4 ST, Sc2tog] 3x. (15)

Interrupt your work and stuff the body. Continue

Rd 24: [SC in next 3 ST, Sc2tog] 3x. (12)

Rd 25-26: SC in every ST (12)

Rd 27: [SC in next 2 ST, Sc2tog] 3x. (9)

Rd 28: SC in every ST (9)

Legs (work 2x)

Rd 1: **Begin with white**, make 12 chains and crochet the first round. First SC of the round crochet in the first chain (and close a ring) crochet SC in next 11 CH. In total 12 SC in this round.

Rd 2: SC in every ST (12)

Rd 3: SC in every ST (12)

Rd 4-5: SC in every ST (12)

Rd 6: [2 SC in first ST, SC in next 3 ST] 3x (15)

Rd 7-15: SC in every ST (15)

Arms (work 2x)

Rd 1: **Begin with white**, make 10 chains and crochet the first round. First SC of the round crochet in the first chain (and close a ring) crochet SC in next 9 CH. In total 10 SC in this round.

Rd 2: SC in every ST (10)

Rd 3: SC in every ST (10)

Rd 4-6: SC in every ST (10)

Rd 7: [2 SC in first ST, SC in next 4 ST] 2x (12)

Rd 8-18: SC in every ST (12)

Hooves – bigger for legs (work 2x)

Rd 1: **Begin with black working in rounds.** 6 SC in the magic circle (6)

Rd 2: 2 SC in every ST (12)

Rd 3: [2 SC in first ST, SC in next ST] 6x (18)



Rd 4: [2 SC in first ST, SC in next 2 ST] 6x (24)

Rd 5: **Work this round in back loops (see the picture on right).** SC in every ST. (24)

Rd 6-7: SC in every ST (24)

Rd 8: [SC in next 2 ST, Sc2tog] 6x. (18)

Rd 9: SC in every ST (18)

Rd 10: [SC in next ST, Sc2tog] 6x. (12)

Interrupt your work and stuff the Hoof. Continue.

Rd 11: [Sc2tog] 6x (6)

Rd 12: [Sc2tog] 3x (3)



Hooves – smaller for arms (work 2x)

Rd 1: **Begin with black working in rounds.** 7 SC in the magic circle (7)

Rd 2: 2 SC in every ST (14)

Rd 3: [2 SC in first ST, SC in next ST] 7x (21)

Rd 4: **Work this round in back loops (see the picture on right).** SC in every ST. (21)

Rd 5-6: SC in every ST (21)

Rd 7: [SC in next ST, Sc2tog] 7x. (14)

Rd 8: SC in every ST (14)

Interrupt your work and stuff the Hoof. Continue.

Rd 9: [Sc2tog] 7x (6)

Rd 10: [Sc2tog] 3x, 1 SC in last ST, (4)



Ears (Work 2x)

Crochet two ears in total. The first with **white**, the second with **black**. (On picture are both ears in white).

Rd 1: **Begin working in rounds.** 6 SC in the magic circle (6)

Rd 2: [2 SC in first ST, SC in next ST] 3x (9)

Rd 3: [2 SC in first ST, SC in next 2 ST] 3x (12)

Rd 4: SC in every ST (12)

Rd 5-6: SC in every ST (12)

Rd 7: [SC in next 2 ST, Sc2tog] 3x. (9)

Rd 8: SC in every ST (9)

Tail

Rd 1: **Begin with white,** make 7 chains and crochet the first round. First SC of the round crochet in the first chain (and close a ring) crochet SC in next 6 CH. In total 7 SC in this round.

R 2-4: SC in every ST (7)

R 5: SC in next 5 ST, Sc2tog (6)

R 6-8: SC in every ST (6)



We've prepared the first part of the tail. Now we make the second, the tassel. We work with the black yarn. We wind the yarn on our 2 fingers (approx.10x) and tie with a piece of white yarn together. Now we slip off the loops from fingers and cut them with scissors. Now with a hook pull the white loose ends in the first part of the tail and fasten.

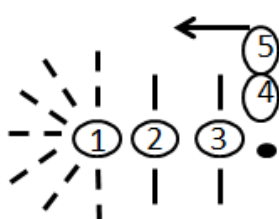
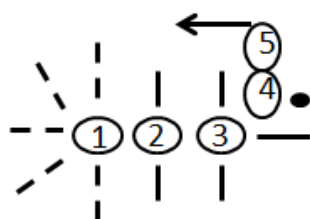


Hair

Prepare one more tassel, this time from white yarn, to be the hair of your cow.

Spots (work 8-9x)

Rd 1: Begin with black. Crochet 5 chains and continue according to the schemes below. Prepare 8 or 9 spots in total using both schemes.



- Single crochet
- - Double crochet
- Chain
- Slip Stitch



Collar

Row 1: Start with brown or red yarn. Crochet 16 chains. Now crochet HDC. Make first HDC in the third chain from hook. In every chain one HDC. (in total 14 HDC)

Sewing

Now we have all the parts we need to complete the cow and we can start sewing.

1. Sew the head and the body together.
2. As a second step, we sew the legs and larger hooves together.
3. Then sew the arms and smaller hooves together.
4. Now sew the legs and arms on the body.
5. Sew the ears on head and fasten the hair between the ears.
6. Then sew the tail on the back.
7. Sew the nostrils.
8. Put the collar around neck and sew the two ends together.

Your cow Matylda is now finished!



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