



Critic Britches

Crochet Pattern

Materials Used:

Worsted weight yarn

Size F/5 (3.75mm) crochet hook for features

Size G/6 (4.25mm) crochet hook for 0-3 mos, 3-6 mos, 6-12 mos, and faces

Size H/8 (5.00mm) crochet hook for 12-18 mos, and 18-24 mos

*Optional~shoestring, ribbon, or elastic

Size/Gauge:

0-3 mos., 3-6 mos., 6-12 mos., 12-18 mos., 18-24 mos., 3T

Gauge: With an H hook~

7 hdc sts=2"

4 hdc rows=2"

With a G hook~

8 hdc sts=2"

5 hdc rows=2"

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These britches are designed to fit over diapers comfortably. Use smaller or larger hooks, and different weights of yarn, for a wider range of sizes.

Stitches Used/Abbreviations:

Ch-chain

Rnd-round

Sc-single crochet

Sc2tog-single crochet 2 stitches together

Hdc-half double crochet

Hdc2tog-half double crochet 2 stitches together

Dc-double crochet

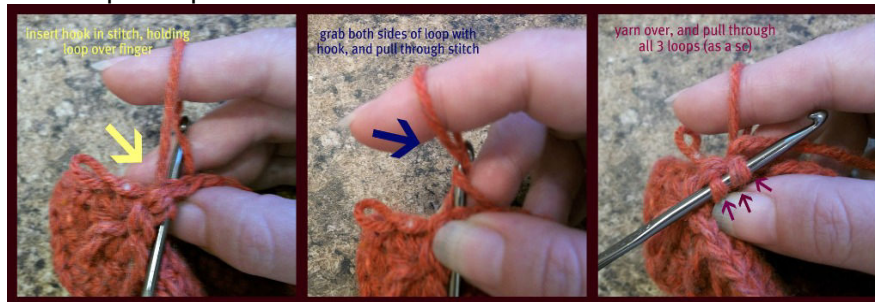
Trc-triple (or treble) crochet

Fpdc-front post double crochet (work double crochet stitches around the front of the post of the stitch indicated)

Bpdc-back post double crochet (work double crochet stitches around the back of the post of the stitch indicated)

Sl st-slip stitch

Loop Stitch-Insert hook into next stitch, holding the tail end of yarn (loop) around your finger. Grab both sides of yarn with hook, and pull through stitch, still holding loop on finger. This will give you 3 loops on hook. Yarn over, and pull through all 3 loops. Repeat for entire row.



This pattern is worked in rounds. DO NOT TURN, unless otherwise instructed to do so. Ch 1 at beginning of rounds do NOT count as a stitch. *A note on how I do my joins/seams~Do not work your first st in the same st as the join, unless otherwise indicated. Instead, work around to the last st, and work your LAST st in the join from the beginning of the round. Join to the first st, or in the ch 1 space, whichever is indicated. This makes for a much neater seam. ☺

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0-3 mos. Britches: (Use G hook)

Rnd 1: ch 58. Being careful not to twist chain, join with sl st to form a large ring.

Rnd 2: ch 1. Sc in each ch around. Join. (58 sts)

Rnd 3: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (58 sts)

Rnd 4: ch 1. *Fpdc around the post of next st, bpdcc around the post of the next st*. Repeat (*) around. Join. (58 sts)

Rnds 5-14: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (58 sts)

Leg: Rnd 15: ch 1. Hdc in each of the next 29 sts. Join with sl st to 1st hdc of this rnd, leaving remaining sts unworked. (These will be the opposite leg)

Rnds 16-18: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (29 sts)

Rnd 19: ch 1. Hdc2tog, hdc in each of the next 13 sts. Hdc2tog, hdc in each of the next 12 sts. Join. (27 sts)

Rnds 20-26: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (27 sts)

Rnd 27: ch 1. Hdc2tog, hdc in each of the next 12 sts. Hdc2tog, hdc in each of the next 11 sts. Join. (25 sts)

Rnds 28-31: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (25 sts)

Rnd 32: ch 1. Sc in each st around. Join. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Rejoin on back side of unworked sts from rnd 15, in either the first or last unworked st. Hdc in 29 sts. Join. Repeat rnds 16-32 for opposite leg.

3-6 mos. Britches: (Use G hook)

Rnd 1: ch 60. Being careful not to twist chain, join with sl st to form a large ring.

Rnd 2: ch 1. Sc in each ch around. Join. (60 sts)

Rnd 3: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (60 sts)

Rnd 4: ch 1. *Fpdc around the post of next st, bpdcc around the post of the next st*. Repeat (*) around. Join. (60 sts)

Rnds 5-16: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (60 sts)

Leg: Rnd 17: ch 1. Hdc in each of the next 30 sts. Join with sl st to 1st hdc of this

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rnd, leaving remaining sts unworked. (These will be the opposite leg)

Rnds 18-21: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (30 sts)

Rnd 22: ch 1. Hdc2tog, hdc in each of the next 13 sts. Hdc2tog, hdc in each of the next 13 sts. Join. (28 sts)

Rnds 23-29: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (28 sts)

Rnd 30: ch 1. Hdc2tog, hdc in each of the next 12 sts. Hdc2tog, hdc in each of the next 12 sts. Join. (26 sts)

Rnds 31-35: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (26 sts)

Rnd 36: ch 1. Sc in each st around. Join. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Rejoin on back side of unworked sts from rnd 17, in either the first or last unworked st. Hdc in 30 sts. Join. Repeat rnds 18-36 for opposite leg.

6-12 mos. Britches: (Use G hook)

Rnd 1: ch 64. Being careful not to twist chain, join with sl st to form a large ring.

Rnd 2: ch 1. Sc in each ch around. Join. (64 sts)

Rnd 3: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (64 sts)

Rnd 4: ch 1. *Fpdc around the post of next st, bpdcc around the post of the next st*. Repeat (*) around. Join. (64 sts)

Rnds 5-18: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (64 sts)

Leg: Rnd 19: ch 1. Hdc in each of the next 32 sts. Join with sl st to 1st hdc of this rnd, leaving remaining sts unworked. (These will be the opposite leg)

Rnds 20-24: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (32 sts)

Rnd 25: ch 1. Hdc2tog, hdc in each of the next 14 sts. Hdc2tog, hdc in each of the next 14 sts. Join. (30 sts)

Rnds 26-32: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (30 sts)

Rnd 33: ch 1. Hdc2tog, hdc in each of the next 13 sts. Hdc2tog, hdc in each of the next 13 sts. Join. (28 sts)

Rnds 34-38: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (28 sts)

Rnd 39: ch 1. Sc in each st around. Join. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Rejoin on back side of unworked sts from rnd 19, in either the first or last unworked st. Hdc in 32 sts. Join. Repeat rnds 20-39 for opposite leg.

12-18 mos. Britches: (Use H hook)

Rnd 1: ch 62. Being careful not to twist chain, join with sl st to form a large ring.

Rnd 2: ch 1. Sc in each ch around. Join. (62 sts)

Rnd 3: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (62 sts)

Rnd 4: ch 1. *Fpdc around the post of next st, bpdcc around the post of the next st*. Repeat (*) around. Join. (62 sts)

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Rnds 5-18: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (62sts)

Leg: Rnd 19: ch 1. Hdc in each of the next 31 sts. Join with sl st to 1st hdc of this rnd, leaving remaining sts unworked. (These will be the opposite leg)

Rnds 20-25: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (31 sts)

Rnd 26: ch 1. Hdc2tog, hdc in each of the next 14 sts. Hdc2tog, hdc in each of the next 13 sts. Join. (29 sts)

Rnds 27-32: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (29 sts)

Rnd 33: ch 1. Hdc2tog, hdc in each of the next 13 sts. Hdc2tog, hdc in each of the next 12 sts. Join. (27 sts)

Rnds 34-36: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (27 sts)

Rnd 37: ch 1. Sc in each st around. Join. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Rejoin on back side of unworked sts from rnd 19, in either the first or last unworked st. Hdc in 31 sts. Join. Repeat rnds 20-37 for opposite leg.

18-24 mos. Britches: (Use H hook)

Rnd 1: ch 70. Being careful not to twist chain, join with sl st to form a large ring.

Rnd 2: ch 1. Sc in each ch around. Join. (70 sts)

Rnd 3: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (70 sts)

Rnd 4: ch 1. *Fpdc around the post of next st, bpdcc around the post of the next st*. Repeat (*) around. Join. (70 sts)

Rnds 5-19: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (70sts)

Leg: Rnd 20: ch 1. Hdc in each of the next 35 sts. Join with sl st to 1st hdc of this rnd, leaving remaining sts unworked. (These will be the opposite leg)

Rnds 21-26: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (35 sts)

Rnd 27: ch 1. Hdc2tog, hdc in each of the next 16 sts. Hdc2tog, hdc in each of the next 15 sts. Join. (33 sts)

Rnds 28-34: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (33 sts)

Rnd 35: ch 1. Hdc2tog, hdc in each of the next 15 sts. Hdc2tog, hdc in each of the next 14 sts. Join. (31 sts)

Rnds 36-41: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (31 sts)

Rnd 42: ch 1. Sc in each st around. Join. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Rejoin on back side of unworked sts from rnd 20, in either the first or last unworked st. Hdc in 35 sts. Join. Repeat rnds 21-42 for opposite leg.

3T Britches: (Use H hook)

Rnd 1: ch 80. Being careful not to twist chain, join with sl st to form a large ring.

Rnd 2: ch 1. Sc in each ch around. Join. (80 sts)

Rnd 3: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (80 sts)

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Rnd 4: ch 1. *Fpdc around the post of next st, bpdcc around the post of the next st*. Repeat (*) around. Join. (80 sts)

Rnds 5-20: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (80sts)

Leg: Rnd 21: ch 1. Hdc in each of the next 40 sts. Join with sl st to 1st hdc of this rnd, leaving remaining sts unworked. (These will be the opposite leg)

Rnds 22-27: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (40 sts)

Rnd 28: ch 1. Hdc2tog, hdc in each of the next 18 sts. Hdc2tog, hdc in each of the next 18 sts. Join. (38 sts)

Rnds 29-36: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (38 sts)

Rnd 37: ch 1. Hdc2tog, hdc in each of the next 17 sts. Hdc2tog, hdc in each of the next 17 sts. Join. (36 sts)

Rnds 38-47: ch 1. Hdc in each st around. Join. (36 sts)

Rnd 48: ch 1. Sc in each st around. Join. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Rejoin on back side of unworked sts from rnd 21, in either the first or last unworked st. Hdc in 40 sts. Join. Repeat rnds 22-48 for opposite leg.

Waist: For ALL sizes

You weave desired waist fastening through the stitches of rnd 4. Either ch length needed to tie comfortably around the waist, use shoestring or ribbon, or cut a length of elastic to fit the waist, weave it through, and hand stitch the ends together, tucking the sewn edge back into waist.



Critter Faces and Features:

Following are a selection of base faces, and several choices for crochet features. Mix and match them to personalize your critter, or use buttons and embroidery, if desired! **Right-handers~You will need to TURN, to work Rnd 5 for each critter base! ONLY for Rnd 5.**

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Lion Face: (Use G hook)

Rnd 1: ch 6. Work 2 hdc in 2nd ch from hook. Hdc in each of the next 3 chs. Work 3 hdc in last ch. Working the opposite side of the ch, hdc in each of the next 4 sts. Join in the ch. (12 sts)

Rnd 2: ch 1. Hdc in same st as joining. *Work 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next st*. Repeat (*) around. Join. (20 sts)

Rnd 3: ch 1. *Work 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next st*. Repeat (*) around to last st. Work 2 hdc in last st. Join. (29 sts)

Rnd 4: ch 1. *Work 2 hdc in each of the next 2 sts, hdc in each of the next 2 sts*. Repeat (*) around to last st. Work 2 hdc in last st. Join. (44 sts)

Rnd 5: ch 1. Sc in each of the next 5 sts. *Work 1 hdc, 3 dc, and 1 hdc all in next st*. Sc in each of the next 8 sts. *Work 1 hdc, 3 dc, and 1 hdc all in next st*. Sc in each of the remaining 28 sts. Join. Fasten off.

With wrong side facing you, join mane color in one of the stitches on the back side of the ear. Loop stitch in each stitch around edge, pushing ears forward, to work behind them. Join. Fasten off. Weave in ends.



Monkey Face: (Use G hook)

Rnd 1: ch 6. Work 2 hdc in 2nd ch from hook. Hdc in each of the next 3 chs. Work 3 hdc in last ch. Working the opposite side of the ch, hdc in each of the next 4 sts. Join in the ch. (12 sts)

Rnd 2: ch 1. Hdc in same st as joining. *Work 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next st*. Repeat (*) around. Join. (20 sts)

Rnd 3: ch 1. *Work 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next st*. Repeat (*) around to last st. Work 2 hdc in last st. Join. (29 sts)

Rnd 4: ch 1. *Work 2 hdc in each of the next 2 sts, hdc in each of the next 2 sts*. Repeat (*) around to last st. Work 2 hdc in last st. Join. (44 sts)

Rnd 5: ch 1. Dc in same st as joining. Work 2 trc in each of the next 2 sts. Dc in

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next st. Ch 1. Sl st in next st. Sc in each of the next 14 sts. Sl st, ch 1, and dc all in next st. Work 2 trc in each of the next 2 sts. Dc in next st. Ch 1. Sl st in next st. Sc in each of the next 20 sts. Sl st in last st. Fasten off.



Kitty Face: (Use G hook)

Rnd 1: ch 6. Work 2 hdc in 2nd ch from hook. Hdc in each of the next 3 chs. Work 3 hdc in last ch. Working the opposite side of the ch, hdc in each of the next 4 sts. Join in the ch. (12 sts)

Rnd 2: ch 1. Hdc in same st as joining. *Work 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next st*. Repeat (*) around. Join. (20 sts)

Rnd 3: ch 1. *Work 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next st*. Repeat (*) around to last st. Work 2 hdc in last st. Join. (29 sts)

Rnd 4: ch 1. *Work 2 hdc in each of the next 2 sts, hdc in each of the next 2 sts*. Repeat (*) around to last st. Work 2 hdc in last st. Join. (44 sts)

Rnd 5: ch 1. Sc in each of the next 7 sts. Dc in next st. *Work 1 dc, ch 1, trc, ch 1, 1 dc* all in next st. Dc in next st. Sl st in each of the next 5 sts. Dc in next st. *Work 1 dc, ch 1, trc, ch 1, 1 dc* all in next st. Dc in next st. Sc in each of the remaining sts. Join. Fasten off.



Teddy Bear Face: (Use G hook)

Rnd 1: ch 6. Work 2 hdc in 2nd ch from hook. Hdc in each of the next 3 chs. Work 3 hdc in last ch. Working the opposite side of the ch, hdc in each of the next 4 sts. Join in the ch. (12 sts)

Rnd 2: ch 1. Hdc in same st as joining. *Work 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next st*. Repeat (*) around. Join. (20 sts)

Rnd 3: ch 1. *Work 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next st*. Repeat (*) around to last st. Work 2 hdc in last st. Join. (29 sts)

Rnd 4: ch 1. *Work 2 hdc in each of the next 2 sts, hdc in each of the next 2 sts*. Repeat (*) around to last st. Work 2 hdc in last st. Join. (44 sts)

Rnd 5: ch 1. Sc in each of the next 6 sts. *Work 1 sc, 1 hdc, and 1 dc*, all in the next st. Work 2 dc in next st. *Work 1 dc, 1 hdc, and 1 sc*, all in next st. Sc in each of the next 6 sts.. *Work 1 sc, 1 hdc, and 1 dc*, all in the next st. Work 2 dc in next st. *Work 1 dc, 1 hdc, and 1 sc*, all in next st. Sc in each of the next 6 sts. Sl st in next st. Fasten off.



Owl Face: (Use G hook)

Rnd 1: ch 6. Work 2 hdc in 2nd ch from hook. Hdc in each of the next 3 chs. Work 3 hdc in last ch. Working the opposite side of the ch, hdc in each of the next 4 sts. Join in the ch. (12 sts)

Rnd 2: ch 1. Hdc in same st as joining. *Work 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next st*. Repeat (*) around. Join. (20 sts)

Rnd 3: ch 1. *Work 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next st*. Repeat (*) around to last st. Work 2 hdc in last st. Join. (29 sts)

Rnd 4: ch 1. *Work 2 hdc in each of the next 2 sts, hdc in each of the next 2 sts*. Repeat (*) around to last st. Work 2 hdc in last st. Join. (44 sts)

Rnd 5: ch 1. Sc in each of the next 4 sts. Work 1 sc, 1 hdc in next st. Dc in each of the next 2 sts. Work 1 trc, ch 2~sl st in 2nd ch from hook, and top of trc~1 dc, all in next st. Hdc in next st. Sl st in each of the next 6 sts. Hdc in next st. Work 1 dc, 1 trc, ch 2~sl st in 2nd ch from hook, and top of trc~all in next st. Dc in each of the next 2 sts. Work 1 hdc, 1 sc in next st. Sc in each of the next 4 sts. Sl st in next st. Fasten off.



Froggy Face: (Use G hook)

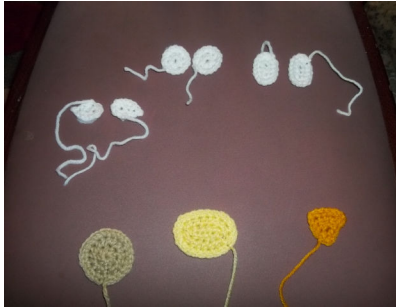
Rnd 1: ch 6. Work 2 hdc in 2nd ch from hook. Hdc in each of the next 3 chs. Work 3 hdc in last ch. Working the opposite side of the ch, hdc in each of the next 4 sts. Join in the ch. (12 sts)

Rnd 2: ch 1. Hdc in same st as joining. *Work 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next st*. Repeat (*) around. Join. (20 sts)

Rnd 3: ch 1. *Work 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next st*. Repeat (*) around to last st. Work 2 hdc in last st. Join. (29 sts)

Rnd 4: ch 1. *Work 2 hdc in each of the next 2 sts, hdc in each of the next 2 sts*. Repeat (*) around to last st. Work 2 hdc in last st. Join. (44 sts)

Rnd 5: ch 1. Sc in each of the next 6 sts. Work 1 hdc, 1 dc in next st. Work 1 dc, 1 trc, in next st. Work 2 trc in next st. Work 1 trc, 1 dc in next st. work 1 dc, 1 hdc in next st. Sc in each of the next 2 sts. Work 1 hdc, 1 dc in next st. Work 1 dc, 1 trc, in next st. Work 2 trc in next st. Work 1 trc, 1 dc in next st. work 1 dc, 1 hdc in next st. Sc in each of the next 5 sts. Sl st in next st. Fasten off.



Round Eyes: (Use F hook~Make 2)

Rnd 1: ch 2. Work 8 hdc in 2nd ch from hook. Join.

Rnd 2: ch 1. Work 2 sc in each st around. Join. Fasten off, leaving long tail for sewing.

Oval Eyes: (Use F hook~Make 2)

Rnd 1: ch 4. Work 2 sc in 2nd ch from hook. Sc in next ch. Work 4 sc in last ch. Working opposite side of ch, sc in next st. Work 2 sc in last st. Join.

Rnd 2: ch 1. Work 2 sc in 1st st. Sc in each of the next 2 sts. Work 2 sc in each of the next 3 sts. Sc in each of the next 2 sts. Work 2 sc in each of the last 2 sts. Join. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

“Cat” Eyes: (Use F hook~Make 2)

Rnd 1: ch 2. Work 8 sc in 2nd ch from hook. Join.

Rnd 2: ch 1. Sc in next st. Work hdc, ch 2~sl st in 2nd ch from hook~hdc, all in next st. Sc in next st. Sl st in next st. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Pupils: (Use F hook~Make 2)

Ch 2. Work 8 sc in 2nd ch from hook. Join. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Beak: (Use F hook)

Row 1: ch 5. Sc in 2nd ch from hook. Sc in each of the remaining 3 chs.

Row 2: ch 1. TURN. Sc2tog, 2 times.

Row 3: ch 1, TURN. Sc2tog.

Ch 1, and sc evenly around outer edge, working 3 sc in each point. Join. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Round Muzzle: (Use F hook)

Rnd 1: ch 2. Work 8 hdc in 2nd ch from hook. Join.

Rnd 2: ch 1. Work 2 hdc in each st. Join.

Rnd 3: ch 1. *Work 2 sc in each of the next 2 sts. Sc in next st*. Repeat (*) around to last st. Work 2 sc in last st. Join. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Oval Muzzle: (Use F hook)

Rnd 1: ch 5. Work 2 hdc in 2nd ch from hook. Hdc in each of the next 2 chs. Work 3 hdc in last ch. Working opposite side of ch, hdc in each of the next 3 sts. Join.

Rnd 2: ch 1. Work 2 hdc in 1st st. Hdc in each of the next 2 sts. Work 2 hdc in each of the next 3 sts. Hdc in each of the next 2 sts. Work 2 hdc in each of the last 2 sts. Join.

Rnd 3: ch 1. Work 2 sc in 1st st. Sc in each of the next 4 sts. Work 2 sc in each of the next 4 sts. Sc in each of the next 4 sts. Work 2 sc in each of the last 3 sts. Join. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Bow: (For making your Critter "Girlie"~Use F hook)

Ch 4. Sl st to 1st chain to form a ring. Ch 2, work 5 trc in ring. Ch 2, sl st in ring.

Ch 2, work 5 trc in ring. Ch 2, sl st in ring. Ch 1. Wrap your working yarn in center front of bow, bring to back, and sl st, pulling it tight. (This gathers the center)

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.