

# Crochet Pattern

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Skill level: intermediate



## About this pattern

I use USA terminology for my pattern (don't worry if you use UK terms, all the differences are explained in the pattern).

## Abbreviations

ch = chain
inc = increase (2 sc in 1 st)
dec = decrease (sc2tog)
sc2tog = single crochet two
stitches together
rnd = round
st(s) = stitch(es)
sl st = slip stitch
sc = single crochet
double dec (sc3tog) = single
crochet three stitches together
(xx) - count of stitches in this
row/round

#### Finished size

Approx. 14 x 20 cm (5.5" x 7.9") using the yarn stated in the pattern



## Baby monkey potholder

## Materials and Tools

You will need:

- ✓ Yarn Sport / 5 ply (12 wpi) (125 yards (115 meters) per 50 g skein) peach color yarn 24 g brown color yarn 8 g pink, white, black and blue color yarn 2 g of each color
- $\checkmark$  Hook 2 mm (US Steel hook 4, UK 14).
- ✓ Sewing needle



Happy crocheting!

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## How to read this pattern

If you see Rnd 2: 6 inc (12 sts), sl st, ch 1

Read it like this:

In second round work 2 single crochet in next st, repeat this instruction 6 times, make sure you have crocheted 12 stitches in this round, 1 slip stitch in first stitch of this round to join, chain 1 and turn your work.

Ch 1 at the end of a row/round is not counted as stitches for the final count of stitches in a row/round.

When you see ch 1, ch 2 or ch 3, etc., at the end of the row, start the next row beginning from 2<sup>nd</sup> st from the hook. It is made to increase the number of sts.

TIP: **Find print friendly version** (no pictures) at the end of the pattern (Appendix 3).

#### Cheek (make 2)

Work with pink yarn.

Ch 6 and join with a sl st to form a circle. Work in joined rounds.

**Rnd 1:** 6 inc (12 sts), 1 sl st, ch 1

**Rnd 2:** (1 sc, 2 inc) x 4 (20 sts), 1 sl st, ch 1

Rnd 3: 1 sc in each st around (20 sts), 1 sl st

Fasten off leaving a tail for sewing.



#### Eye (make 2)

The white of the eye

Work with white yarn.

Ch 3 and work 12 dc in the  $3^{rd}$  st from the hook. Join with a sl st to form a circle.

Fasten off leaving a tail for sewing.



The pupil of the eye

Work with black yarn.

Ch 2 and work 8 sc in 2<sup>nd</sup> st from the hook.

Join with a sl st to form a circle.

Fasten off leaving a tail for sewing.



Sew the pupil onto the white of the eye.

If you like this pattern and want to finish this project, find full version of the pattern on my site

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#### Tip (gauge)

When making this project, you should use a much smaller hook than recommended for the yarn you choose.

#### Tip (stitches)

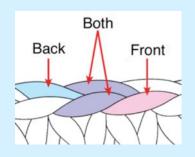
If you are a beginner crocheter you can see "Appendix" at the end of the pattern for reference how to crochet a particular stitch.

#### Tip (abbreviations)

If there is a record in the brackets in the pattern, multiplied by some number, for example (3 sc, 1 inc) x 3, it means you need to repeat this action 3 times, that is 3 sc, 1 inc, 3 sc, 1 inc, 3 sc, 1 inc.

#### Tip (make it right)

If there are no special notes, the bookmark is crocheted under both loops. In some rows, there are special notes: 'into the front loop only' or 'into the back loop only'. In this case, you need to follow those instructions.



#### USA/UK terminology comparison chart.

Abbreviations USA	Abbreviations UK
ch - chain	ch - chain
sc - single crochet	dc - double crochet
hdc - half double crochet	htr - half treble
dc - double crochet	tr - treble
tr - treble (triple crochet)	dtr - double treble
dtr - double treble	tr tr - triple treble
sl st - slip stitch	sl - slip stitch

#### Skill levels



Projects for first-time crocheters using basic stitches. Minimal shaping.



Projects using yarn with basic stitches, repetitive stitch patterns, simple color changes, and simple shaping and finishing.



Projects using a variety of techniques, such as basic lace patterns or color patterns, mid-level shaping and finishing.

Other differences in crochet terminology used:

fasten off	cast off
skip	miss
gauge	tension
yarn over (yo)	yarn over hook (yoh)

EXPERIENCED

Projects with intricate stitch patterns, techniques and dimension, such as non-repeating patterns, multicolor techniques, fine threads, small hooks, detailed shaping and refined finishing.

## Yarn you may use

Cotton yarn 'Landysh' (Troitskaya worsted factory) – 50 g/115 m, Sport / 5 ply (12 wpi)	Cotton yarn CHARM (Vita Cotton) – 50 g/115 m, Sport / 5 ply (12 wpi)	Cotton yarn RENE (Alpina). 50 g/105 m, Sport / 5 ply (12 wpi)	
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## Appendix 2

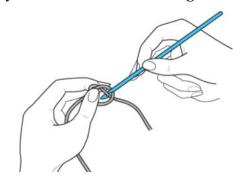
### STITCHES USED IN THE PATTERN

## Slip knot

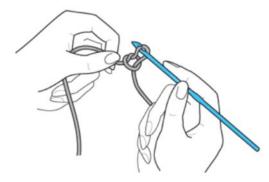
Loop the yarn around your left index finger.



Slip the yarn from your finger, and hold the loop between your thumb and index finger.

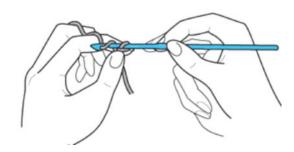


Use the crochet hook, held in your right hand, to draw the loop up and around the hook.



#### Chain

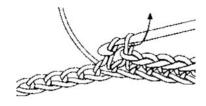
Start with slip knot, yarn over, pull the strand of yarn though the loop on your hook – you've got one chain.



Continue to repeat the process to create more chains.

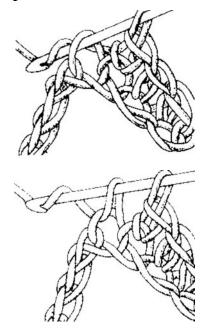
## Slip Stitch

Insert the hook in the next chain, yarn over and pull the strand of yarn through the chain and the loop on the hook.



## **Single Crochet**

Insert the hook in the chain, yarn over, pull the strand of yarn through the chain, yarn over again and pull the strand of yarn through both loops on the hook. Starting from round 2 insert the hook in the stitch of previous round.



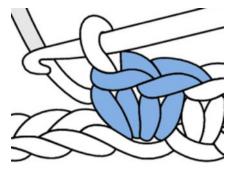
#### **Decrease**

In the place where you need decrease pull up a loop in next 2 stitches of previous round, yarn over, pull the strand of yarn through all 3 loops on the hook, counts as one single crochet.



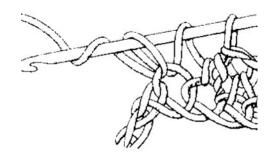
#### **Increase**

In the beginning (end or middle) of the row make 2 single crochets in 1 stitch of previous round.



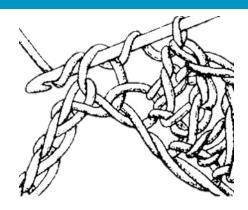
## Half double crochet (hdc)

Yarn over, insert the hook in the chain or in the stitch of previous round and pull the yarn through. Yarn over again and gently pull the wrapped hook through the center of all 3 loops on your hook.

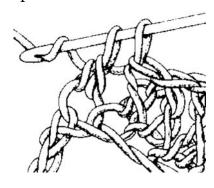


## Double crochet (dc)

Yarn over, insert the hook in the chain or in the stitch of previous round and pull the yarn through.



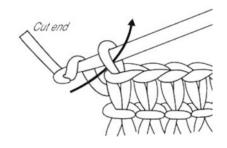
Yarn over again and gently pull the wrapped hook through the center of the first 2 loops on your hook, yarn over again and draw your yarn through the last 2 loops on the hook.



#### **Fasten Off Yarn**

When you get to the end of your crochet design and you'll need to fasten off the yarn. Fastening off crochet is a fancy way to say "cut the yarn and secure it."

1. Cut the yarn about 15 cm (6 inches) from the hook then using your hook, draw the cut end of the yarn through the last remaining loop on your hook.



2. Pull gently on the tail of yarn to snug up the



end.

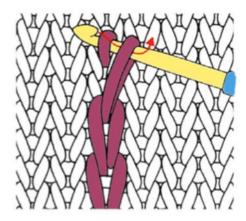
This action keeps your work from coming apart without having to make large unsightly knots.

## **Surface Slip Stitch (SSS)**

**Step 1:** Hold the yarn on the wrong side of the work; insert hook through the stitches; yarn over and pull yarn to the right side.

**Step 2:** insert hook through the stitches again few mm from the previous stich, yarn over on the back side and pull yarn through the fabric to the right side and then through the loop on the hook.

Repeat step 2 as many times as needed.



You can always watch video on youtube.com. Search for "How to Crochet: Surface Crochet".

## Weaving in ends

When the work is completed it is necessary to weave in all ends.

- 1. Thread one end through a tapestry needle
- 2. Weave the 15 cm (6 inches) tail of yarn up and down through 3 or 4 stitches kind of in a zigzag pattern (try not to split the yarn of the stitches).
- 3. To make the end really secure go back the way you came, weaving the end backwards through those same few stitches.
- 4. Cut the yarn about 0.5 cm (1/4 inch) from the

fabric and gently pull the fabric. The end magically disappears, and your work is secure.

## Double decreasing (sc3tog)

**Step 1:** Pull up loops from next 3 stitches of the row.



**Step 2:** Yarn over, pull the strand of yarn through 2 loops on the hook. You should end up with three loops on the hook.



**Step 3:** Yarn over again and pull the strand of yarn through 3 loops on the hook.



We get 1 sc out of three stitches.

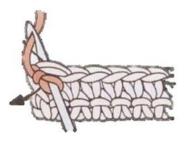
# **Crab stitch (Reverse Single Crochet Stitch)**

Crab stitch is the most popular way to finish the edge. For this stitch single crochets are worked not from right to left as usual but from left to right.

 Finish crocheting and with the loop on the hook do not turn, insert the hook in next stitch to the right moving the hook away from you as the arrow shows.



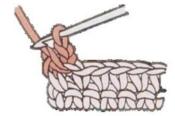
2. Yarn over, draw yarn through stitch as the arrow shows.



3. Yarn over, draw yarn through two loops on the hook as the arrow shows.



4. 1 crab stitch is made, the loop is on the hook.



5. Repeat step 2.



1. Continue till the end of the edge.



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