Crochet, Knitting (scarf) and Sewing (boots and shirt) Pattern

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Skill level: Experienced

Cockroach

About this pattern

The toy is crocheted in continuous spirals without joining the rounds. You will need a stitch marker to keep track of where the beginning of each round starts. Move the marker up to the first stitch of the next round after finishing the previous one.

If you don't have a stitch marker you can always use a scrap of contrasting yarn instead. You can see it in my photos.

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

Finished size

Approx. 35 cm (13.8 inches) tall using the materials stated in the pattern.

Happy crocheting!

Materials and tools

✓ Yarn:
- **brown** color yarn for the body (main yarn) – I used approximately 50 g of "Angora" by RAM (40% mohair, 60% acrylic, 500m/100g).
- **blue** color yarn for the jeans - I used approximately 30 g of "Andre" by Alpina (60% acrylic, 35% rayon, and 5% spandex, 530m/100g).

Tip: Please note that the yarn for the jeans should stretch a bit. Otherwise you won't be able to put the jeans onto the toy.

- **two different colors** of yarn for the scarf – I used Trikotazhnaya by Pehorka (50% wool, 50% acrylic, 780m/100g).

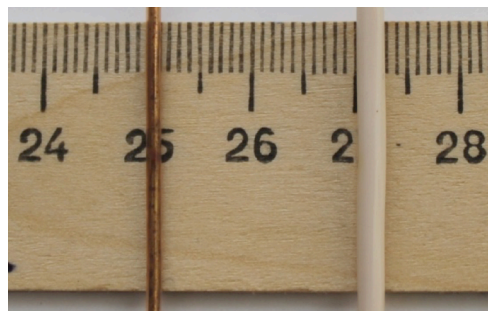*Tip:* You can find yarn in this shop
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Tip: See GAUGE SECTION to check if you have chosen the correct yarn.

✓ Matching steel crochet hooks. I used 1.15 mm (US 9 steel crochet hook).
✓ A pair of straight knitting needles to knit the scarf – I used 1.5 mm.
✓ Light blue thread to embroider the stitches on the jeans.
✓ Single core copper PVC electrical wire 3 mm in diameter for the
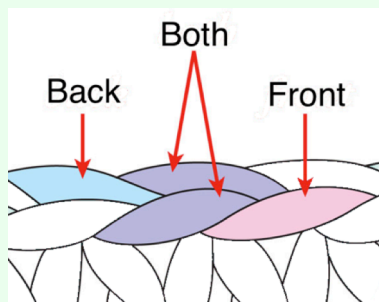
body – I used approximately 100 cm (39.4 inches) long.

✓ Single core copper electrical wire 1-1.5 mm in diameter for the arms and antennae – I used approximately 250 cm (98.4 inches).

✓ Any stuffing.
✓ White polymer clay for the eyes.
✓ Transparent varnish for the eyes.
✓ Fabric tape 1-1.5 cm wide to work up the wire (the one you use to cover wounds).
✓ Two wooden beads – I used 12 mm in diameter.
✓ Two glass read-made eyes – I used 7-9 mm in diameter.
✓ Transparent glue.
✓ Buttons for the shirt and jeans – I used eight buttons 5 mm in diameter.
✓ A piece of stretch or knit fabric for the shirt – I used a piece approximately 20 cm x 30 cm (7.9 inches x 11.8 inches). Make sure the fabric does not fray. I recommend a similar weight to T-shirt fabric.
✓ A piece of felt for the collar of the shirt – I used 20 cm x 5 cm (7.9 inches x 2 inches).
✓ A piece of thick felt for the boots – I used 3 mm thick.
✓ A piece of white craft foam – I used 1 mm thick. You can use white felt instead.
✓ Small amount of white cotton thread for the laces.

Tip (make it right)

If there are no special notes, the toy is crocheted under both parts of the loop. In some rows, there are special notes: 'into the front loop only' or 'into the back loop only'. In that case, you need to follow these instructions.

Tip (make it right)

When making toys the right side looks like this:

And the backside looks like this:

Abbreviations

CROCHET
ch = chain
st = stitch
sl st = slip stitch
sc = single crochet
inc = increasing (2 sc in 1 st)
double inc = 3 sc in one st
dec = decreasing (2 sc together)
double dec = sc3tog = single crochet 3 sts together
dc = double crochet
Rnd = round

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 (yarn)

If you use different yarn, the toy will be bigger or smaller and you will need more or less yarn and wire than stated in the pattern (i.e. thicker yarn will produce a larger toy and you may require more yarn).

Tip (gauge)

When making toys, you should use a much smaller hook than recommended for the yarn you choose.
Make sure you crochet tight enough; otherwise, the stuffing will show through the holes.

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

Other differences in crochet terminology used:

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

Skill levels

BEGINNER

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

EASY

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

INTERMEDIATE

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

EXPERIENCED

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

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GAUGE (VERY IMPORTANT)

Crochet 3 swatches using all yarns mentioned in the "Materials and tools" section and matching crochet hooks first to make sure that you have chosen the right yarn (use smaller hook than suggested on the yarn label). Crochet tightly.

Instruction for all swatches:

Rnd 1: 6 sc in a magic ring

Rnd 2: 6 inc = 12 sts

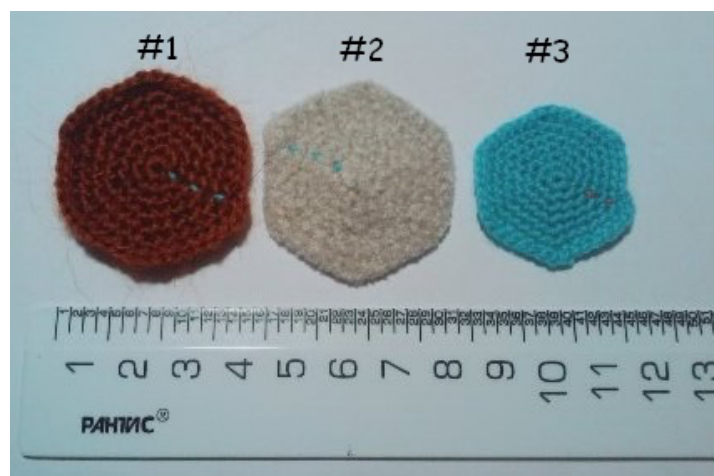Rnd 3: (1 sc, 1 inc) x 6 = 18 sts

Rnd 4: (2 sc, 1 inc) x 6 = 24 sts

Rnd 5: (3 sc, 1 inc) x 6 = 30 sts

Rnd 6: (4 sc, 1 inc) x 6 = 36 sts

Rnd 7: (5 sc, 1 inc) x 6 = 42 sts

Compare your swatches. All swatches should be as in the picture.

1 – body

2 - jeans

3 – scarf

If not, take bigger or smaller hooks than you used before (depending on the result) and work another swatches. If it does not help – choose different yarn and make other swatches.

Tip (shift stitches)

If you crochet with the gauge mentioned in the GAUGE section, you don't have to make any other additional shift stitches than mentioned in the pattern.

Tip (stuffing)

Do not stuff the toy until it is said to stuff. You should finish the wire frame before stuffing the toy. Otherwise, it will be very hard to insert the wire frame after stuffing.

Need help with this pattern?

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Note: All parts of the body are crocheted using main color yarn.

Chin (make 1)

Rnd 1. 6 sc in magic ring

Rnd 2. 6 inc = 12 sts

Rnd 3. 4 sc, 1 inc, 5 sc, 1 inc, 1 sc = 14 sts

Rnd 4. 5 sc, 1 inc, 6 sc, 1 inc, 1 sc = 16 sts

Rnd 5. 6 sc, 1 inc, 7 sc, 1 inc, 1 sc = 18 sts

Rnd 6. 7 sc, 1 inc, 8 sc, 1 inc, 1 sc = 20 sts

Rnd 7. 8 sc, 1 inc, 9 sc, 1 inc, 1 sc = 22 sts

Rnd 8. 9 sc, 1 inc, 10 sc, 1 inc, 1 sc = 24 sts

Rnd 9. 10 sc, 1 inc, 11 sc, 1 inc, 1 sc = 26 sts

Rnd 10. 11 sc, 1 inc, 12 sc, 1 inc, 1 sc = 28 sts

Rnd 11. 12 sc,1 inc, 13 sc, 1 inc, 1 sc = 30 sts

Rnd 12. 13 sc, 1 inc, 14 sc, 1 inc, 1 sc = 32 sts

Rnd 13. 14 sc, 1 inc, 15 sc, 1 inc, 1 sc = 34 sts

Rnds 14-15. 1 sc in each st around = 34 sts

Rnd 16. 15 sc

Leave the remaining sts unworked. Do not secure yarn. Cut off, leaving a tail enough to work 15 more sts.

Wing (make 2)

Do not stuff.

Rnd 1. 6 sc in magic ring

Rnd 2. (1 inc, 2 sc) x 2 = 8 sts

Rnd 3. (1 inc, 3 sc) x 2 = 10 sts

Rnd 4. (1 inc, 4 sc) x 2 = 12 sts

Rnd 5. (1 inc, 5 sc) x 2 = 14 sts

Rnd 6. (1 inc, 6 sc) x 2 = 16 sts

Rnd 7. (1 inc, 7 sc) x 2 = 18 sts

Rnd 8. 1 sc, 1 inc, 8 sc, 1 inc, 7 sc = 20 sts

Rnd 9. 1 sc, 1 inc, 9 sc, 1 inc, 8 sc = 22 sts

Rnd 10. 2 sc, 1 inc, 10 sc, 1 inc, 8 sc = 24 sts

Rnd 11. 3 sc, 1 inc,11 sc, 1 inc, 8 sc = 26 sts

Rnd 12. 3 sc, 1 inc, 12 sc, 1 inc, 9 sc = 28 sts

Rnd 13. 4 sc, 1 inc, 13 sc, 1 inc, 9 sc = 30 sts

Rnd 14. 5 sc, 1 inc, 14 sc, 1 inc, 9 sc = 32 sts

Rnd 15. 5 sc, 1 inc, 15 sc, 1 inc, 10 sc = 34 sts

Rnd 16. 6 sc, 1 inc, 16 sc, 1 inc, 10 sc = 36 sts

Rnds 17-24. 1 sc in each st around = 36 sts

Rnd 25. 8 sc, 1 dec, 26 sc = 35 sts

Rnd 26. 8 sc, 1 dec, 25 sc = 34 sts

Rnd 27. 7 sc, 1 dec, 25 sc = 33 sts

Rnd 28. 7 sc, 1 dec, 24 sc = 32 sts

Rnd 29. 6 sc, 1 dec, 24 sc = 31 sts

Rnds 30-35. 1 sc in each st around = 31 sts

Rnd 36. 23 sc, 1 dec, 6 sc = 30 sts

Rnd 37. 23 sc, 1 dec, 5 sc = 29 sts

Rnd 38. 23 sc, 1 dec, 4 sc = 28 sts

Rnd 39. 23 sc, 1 dec, 3 sc = 27 sts

Rnd 40. 23 sc, 1 dec, 2 sc = 26 sts

Rnd 41. 23 sc, 1 dec, 1 sc = 25 sts

Rnd 42. 23 sc, 1 dec = 24 sts

Rnd 43. 22 sc, 1 dec = 23 sts

Rnd 44. 21 sc, 1 dec = 22 sts

Rnd 45. 4 dec, 6 sc, 4 dec = 14 sts

Flatten the piece and close by working 7 sc across the opening through both sides. Fasten

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off. Press through a damp cloth or steam. Hide the yarn end inside the piece.

Finger (make 6 – 3 for each hand)

Stuff the fingertips only.

Rnd 1. 6 sc in magic ring

Rnd 2. (1 inc, 1 sc) x 3 = 9 sts

Rnds 3-4. 1 sc in each st around = 9 sts

Rnd 5. (1 sc, 1 dec) x 3 = 6 sts

Rnds 6-10. 1 sc in each st around = 6 sts

Fasten off for two fingers (finger #1 and finger #2). Do not fasten off for the third finger (finger #3). Continue working to join the fingers into a hand.

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