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ONYX THE SPIDER

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Pattern Overview

This pattern is worked in continuous rounds. A small hook size will reduce holes in your work. Onyx the spider is a no sew crochet pattern. First crochet the legs of the spider and tie off. Next crochet the spider from front to back and attach the legs as you go. Follow our unique 'Crochet Code' to create this amigurumi toy.

Difficulty

Motivated Beginner

Skills Required

Basic crochet skills are required to complete this pattern. You must be able to perform a magic ring, crochet in a spiral, single crochet, increase and decrease. You will also be required to seamlessly join the spider's legs in the round.

Terminology

US Terminology - English

Key Abbreviations

sc	Single Crochet
ch	Chain
sts	Stitches
mr	Magic Ring
ss	Slip Stitch
inc	Increase
dec	Decrease
FLO	Front Loop Only
BLO	Back Loop Only
BL	Both Loops



Key Phrases

sc 3	= put one sc into the next 3 stitches
3 sc	= put 3sc into the next single stitch
(sc 2, inc) x n	= repeat the bracket "n" times
Inc	= put two sc into the same stitch
Dec	= crochet the following two stitches together
Inc x n	= inc and repeat by "n" times (eg. Inc x 3 = inc, inc, inc)
Dec x n	= dec and repeat by "n" times (eg. Dec x 3 = dec, dec, dec)

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Hook Size

4.5mm crochet hook

Finished Size Toy

15cm long (Body only)

9cm wide (Body only)

16cm wide (Including the legs)

8cm high

Yarn

Super Bulky Yarn (6 weighted)

Finished size of the animal and quantity of yarn will vary with yarn, hook size, tension and technique.

Yarn Brand and Shades

Premier Yarns Parfait Chunky

1150-19 Seal (46 g / 60 yds)

Yarn Substitute

For a thicker plushie blanket yarn such as Bernat Blanket, opt for a larger 6mm crochet hook size and 14mm + 16mm safety eyes.

You Will Also Need

Toy stuffing

Tapestry needle

Scissors

2 x 14mm black safety eyes

2 x 12mm black safety eyes

Stitch marker



Pattern Notes

Each round will display the total stitch count. When completing multiple rounds of the same stitch count you will see the total number of rounds as well as the total number of total stitches. For example: sc 42 stitches for rows 8-13 (6 rounds). This is a total of 252 stitches (6 rounds x 42 stitches = 252 total stitches).

Use a stitch marker or weave a contrasting length of yarn at the first stitch of each round. This will help mark the start of each round. Pull the yarn out after completing the section of the pattern.

Colour Changing: Change colours on the last sc prior the new colour change round.

For young children it is recommended you stitch the eyes on using black yarn and a needle. Safety eyes are a choking hazard for small children.

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CROCHET SPIDER LEGS

Starting tip and finishing at the base.

Use 6 weighted yarn shade 1150-19 Seal.



Round	Instruction	Stitch count
1	sc 6 into a mr	[6]
2-6	sc around (5 rounds = a total of 30 stitches)	[6]
7	Crochet the leg closed. Do not stuff. Fold the opening flat, chain 1 and sc 3 to close. Go through both loops of both sides.	[3]

Tie off and cut your yarn. Make 8 legs.

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Starting at the front and finishing at the back. You must have all eight spider legs made before starting the spiders body. The legs will be seamlessly joined as you go.

Use 6 weighted yarn shade 1150-19 Seal.



Round	Instruction	Stitch count
1	sc 8 into a mr	[8]
2	inc x 8	[16]
3	(sc 1, inc) x 8	[24]
4	sc 4, (sc 3, inc) x 4, sc 4	[28]

You should have all eight legs made and ready to go. The following four rounds will attach two legs per round. When attaching a part, place it in front of your working piece. Go through both loops of both parts to join. Hide the yarn tails within your project. Orientation of the legs does not matter when attaching the part (it is symmetrical).

5-8 *sc 4, Take your first leg and sc 3 to join. Sc 14. Take your second leg and sc 3 to join. Sc 4.* [28]

(Perform the *repeat unit* above for each of the four rounds)

See page 5 for a detailed photo guide of rounds 5-8.

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CROCHET SPIDER - Round 5-8 Photo Guide



Round 5 - Sc 4



First leg - Place the part in front



sc 3 to join the leg



Sc 14



Second leg - Place the part in front



sc 3 to join the leg



Sc 4 to complete the round.



Round 6 - Repeat the instructions



Round 7 - Repeat the instructions



Round 8 - Repeat the instructions.

After completing round 8, your crochet hook will finish at the base of the spider. You will have all 8 legs attached (4 on each side). Do not tie off. Continue to crochet the body of the spider.

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Round	Instruction	Stitch count
9	(sc 5, dec) x 4	[24]
10	(sc 1, dec) x 8	[16]
11	ss (slip stitch) around	[16]
12	(sc 1, inc) x 8	[24]
13	(sc 3, inc) x 6	[30]
14	(sc 4, inc) x 6	[36]



Do not tie off. After inserting the eyes, continue to crochet

First locate the top of the spider's head. This will be on the opposite side to your crochet hook after completing round 14. Each round starts at the base, works around to the top of the head and then back down to the base.

Safety Eyes: Take your 14mm safety eyes and place them 6 stitches apart between rows 3 and 4 (counted on row 3). Take your 12mm safety eyes and place them 8 stitches apart between rows 5 and 6 (counted on row 5). Position the eyes centred to the legs below.

Embroidering eyes: If you are embroidering the eyes then finish off the entire animal. Take a length of yarn and a tapestry needle. Stitch two sets of eyes and position them centred to the legs below. Stitch the front eyes over rows 3 and 4 (counted on row 3). Position the front eyes 6 stitches apart. Then stitch the back eyes over rows 5 and 6 (counted on row 5). Position the back eyes 8 stitches apart. Repeat stitching over the rows until you reach your desired thickness. Hide your yarn tails.

TIP: Temporarily stuff the animal and insert the safety eyes. Check the position and then remove the stuffing while you secure each eye.



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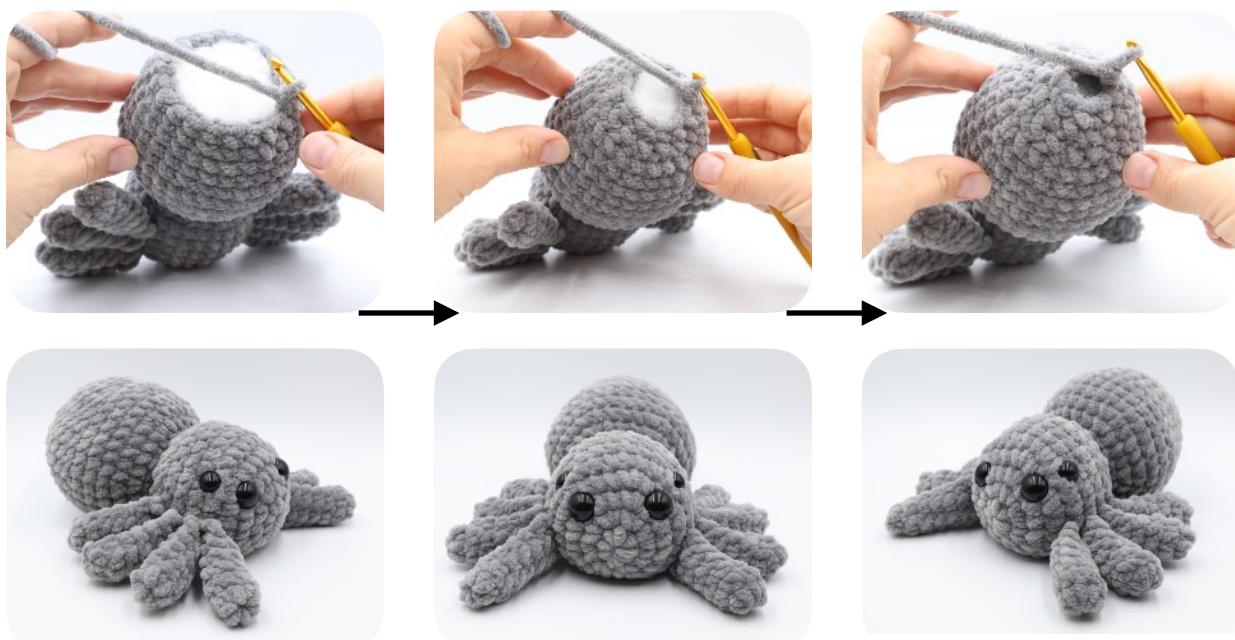
Round	Instruction	Stitch count
15-17	sc around (3 rounds = a total of 108 stitches)	[36]
18	(sc 4, dec) x 6	[30]
19-20	sc around (2 rounds = a total of 60 stitches)	[30]
21	(sc 3, dec) x 6	[24]
22	sc around	[24]



Stuff the spider. Start by stuffing the head of the spider working from the outside in. Then using a separate piece of stuffing continue to fill the body of the spider. Work from the outside in. This will ensure even distribution and shaping.

23	(sc 1, dec) x 8	[16]
24	(sc 2, dec) x 4	[12]
25	(sc 1, dec) x 4	[8]

Finish stuffing the spider. Tie off and close. Hide your yarn tail.



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All Done!



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