

Easter Chick Crochet



Materials:

- Medium Weight Yarn in Bright Yellow
- 4mm Crochet hook
- Embroidery thread in Black and Orange
- Yarn needle for weaving in ends
- Embroidery needle for stitching faces

BODY:

The body is crocheted in a spiral, you do not need to join after each round.

Round 1: begin with magic loop*, 6 sc (6sc)

Round 2: 2 sc in each stitch (12sc)

Round 3: [1 sc in first stitch, 2 sc in next stitch] repeat around (18 sc)

Round 4: 1 sc in each stitch (18 sc)

Round 5: [1 sc in next 5 stitches, 2 sc in next stitch] repeat around (21 sc)

Round 6: [1 sc in next 6 stitches, 2 sc in next stitch] repeat around (24 sc)

Rounds 7-9: 1 sc in each stitch (24 sc)

Round 10: [1 sc in next 10 stitches, dec across next 2] repeat (22 sc)

Round 11: 1 sc in next 4 stitches, dec, 1 sc in next 9, dec, 1 sc in next 5 (20 sc)

Round 12: 1 sc in each stitch (20 sc)

Slip stitch the next stitch to join, finish off and weave in ends

WINGS (make 2):

ch 6, dc in 4th ch from hook, dc in next ch, hdc in next ch, ch 1, slip stitch to starting ch (same ch that hdc is worked in), stitch to each side of chick about halfway down.

HEAD:

For the tuft of feathers cut 2 pieces of yarn about 4 inches long, fold in half both pieces together, pull folded end through the top of the head to create a loop then pull the other end through that loop to create a knot. You should have 4 little pieces of yarn sticking up, trim them to the size you want.

Embroider the face using satin stitch, a triangle for the beak and a few stitches together for the eyes.

*Magic Loop

Step 1 Make a loop with the yarn, leaving a tail around 10cm long. Make sure the tail end is on the bottom.

Step 2 Insert hook into the loop, from front to back. Wrap the yarn around the hook anticlockwise and pull the yarn through the Magic Loop.

Step 3 Now make a turning chain, the correct length for the stitches you want to work. In the example above, we've worked double crochet stitches, so we've made one chain for the turning chain.

Step 4 Work into the Magic Loop, making sure all the stitches are worked over both the loop itself and the tail end (so two strands of yarn).



Step 5 Once you've worked the number of stitches you need, simply pull the tail end of the yarn to draw up the ring.

Step 6 Close round with a slip stitch as usual.

Knitted Easter Chick

Materials:

- Yellow/Lemon DK Yarn
- 3mm Knitting needles
- Orange felt for the beaks
- Black felt/thread for the eyes
- Cotton wool ball for the head
- Coloured ribbon
- Chocolate creme egg (for size fit, not necessary to send to Beaumont)



Instructions:

- Cast on 26 stitches
- Knit 1 row
- Increase 1 st at the beginning of every row until 42 st are on the needle
- Cast off 11 st at the beginning of the next 2 rows [20st]
- Increase 1 st at the beginning of the next 4 rows [24st]
- K 4 rows
- K2 then 2 together to last 2 st. k2 [14 stitches]
- K4 rows
- K2 then 2 together to last 2 stitches. k2
- Draw wool through remaining stitches and pull tight
- Sew with that piece of wool round the edge of work to the beginning stitch leaving the cast on edge open so that the egg can be fitted
- Stuff the head with a cotton wool ball and sew around the neck and gather in
- Sew 2 eyes with fine black wool and stick or sew a small diamond shaped piece of orange felt for the beak
- Tie a thin piece of ribbon around the neck and tie in a bow



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