FREE CROCHET PATTERN

Easy Crochet Octopus

A beginner amigurumi with 8 curly legs · US terms

SKILL LEVEL	SIZE	HOOK
Beginner	**about 3.8 in tall**	**3.5 mm (US E-4)**
YARN	**STITCHES**	**TIME**
Worsted acrylic	**MR, sc, inc, sc2tog, ch**	**About 2 hours**

Materials

- Worsted (#4) acrylic, about 45 yd in one colour, plus a little pink and black for the face
- 3.5 mm (US E-4) hook, two 9 mm safety eyes, fibre fill, stitch marker, tapestry needle

Abbreviations (US terms)

MR	magic ring	**ch**	chain
sc	single crochet	**sl st**	slip stitch
sc2tog	single crochet 2 together	**sk**	skip

Work in a continuous spiral and move the stitch marker up every round. For babies, embroider the eyes instead of using safety eyes.

Head

Rnd 1	6 sc in a magic ring.	**(6)**
Rnd 2	2 sc in each st around.	**(12)**
Rnd 3	*Sc in the next st, 2 sc in the next st*; repeat around.	**(18)**
Rnd 4	*Sc in the next 2 sts, 2 sc in the next st*; repeat around.	**(24)**
Rnd 5	*Sc in the next 3 sts, 2 sc in the next st*; repeat around.	**(30)**
Rnd 6	*Sc in the next 4 sts, 2 sc in the next st*; repeat around.	**(36)**
Rnds 7–12	Sc in each st around (6 rounds). Insert 9 mm safety eyes between Rnds 10 and 11, about 7 sts apart.	**(36)**
Rnd 13	*Sc in the next 4 sts, sc2tog*; repeat around.	**(30)**
Rnd 14	*Sc in the next 3 sts, sc2tog*; repeat around. Fasten off with a long tail. Stuff the head firmly.	**(24)**

Base and legs

Rnd 1	With the same colour, 6 sc in a magic ring.	**(6)**
Rnd 2	2 sc in each st around.	**(12)**
Rnd 3	*Sc in the next st, 2 sc in the next st*; repeat around.	**(18)**

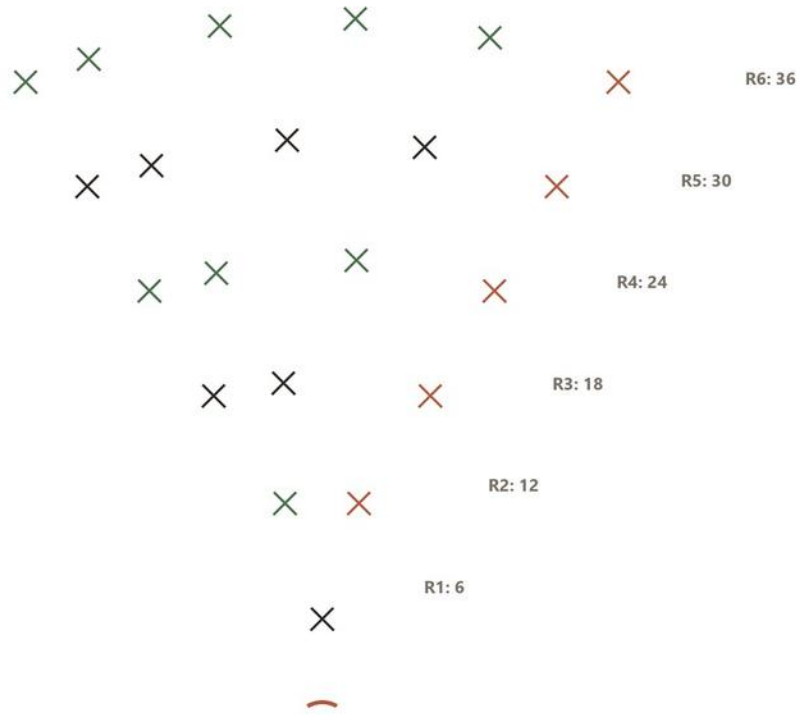
Rnd 4	*Sc in the next 2 sts, 2 sc in the next st*; repeat around. Do not fasten off.	**(24)**
Legs	*Ch 19, 2 sc in the 2nd ch from the hook and 2 sc in each ch back down the chain (the leg curls by itself), sk the next 2 sts of the base, sl st in the next st*; repeat 8 times. Fasten off.	**(8 legs)**

Assembly

Join	Hold the base under the head, wrong sides together, and sew the last round of the head to Rnd 4 of the base, stitch for stitch (24 sts each). Add a little more stuffing before you close.
Face	Embroider two small pink cheeks with 3 straight stitches each and a small black smile between the eyes.
Legs	Twist each leg a few times so it curls; steam lightly if you want tighter curls (not too close to acrylic).

Octopus Head · Increase Chart

One sixth of Rnds 1–6, spiral rounds (orange = 2 sc in one st)



Then 6 rounds of 36 sc, decrease to 30 and 24. The base disc is Rnds 1–4 of this chart (24 sts).

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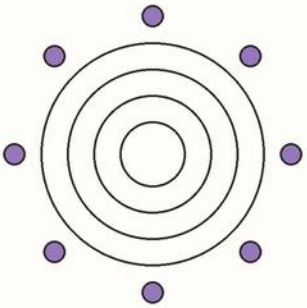
Crochet Octopus · Parts and Round Map

Head (36 sts at the widest) + base disc of 24 sts with 8 curly legs





Base disc: Rnds 1–4 = 6, 12, 18, 24 sc

one leg (ch 19, 2 sc in each ch) every 3 sts = 8 legs

Head: 6 → 36 sts (Rnds 1–6), 6 rounds even, 30, 24

Eyes between Rnds 10 and 11, 7 sts apart

Finished: about 2.1 in across the head, 3.8 in tall with legs

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