

Crochet Caterpillar pattern



How to Crochet the Body

Crochet 5 balls using the pattern below:

R1: MR – 6 x SC into the ring {6} – watch this step by step video tutorial on [How to crochet a magic ring for Amigurumi](#)

R2: INC in each ST around {12}

R3: (SC in next ST, INC) x 6 {18}

R4: SC in next ST, INC, (SC in next 2 ST, INC) x 5, SC in next ST {24}

R5: (SC in next 3 ST, INC) x 6 {30}

R6: SC in next 2 ST, INC, (SC in next 4 ST, INC) x 5, SC in next 2 ST {36}

R7: (SC in next 5 ST, INC) x 6 {42}

R8-R15 (8 rounds): SC in each ST around {42}

R16: (SC in next 5 ST, INV DEC) x 6 {36} – watch this step by step video tutorial on [How to crochet an invisible decrease for Amigurumi](#)

R17: SC in next 2 ST, INV DEC, (SC in next 4 ST, INV DEC) x 5, SC in next 2 ST {30}

R18: (SC in next 3 ST, INV DEC) x 6 {24}

R19: SC in next ST, INV DEC, (SC in next 2 ST, INV DEC) x 5, SC in next ST {18}

R20: (SC in next ST, INV DEC) x 6 {12}

R21: SC in each ST around {12}

FO closing the hole using a yarn needle – watch this step by step video tutorial on [How to close a hole in an Amigurumi piece](#)

How to Crochet the Legs



Crochet 2 legs for each ball of the body using the pattern below:

R1: MR – 6 x SC into the ring {6}

R2: INC in each ST around {12}

R3: (SC in next 3 ST, INC) x 3 {15}

R4-R5 (2 rounds): SC in each ST around {15}

R6: (SC in next 3 ST, INV DEC) x 3 {12}

R7: SC in each ST around {12}

Stuff well, FO and leave a long piece of yarn for sewing

How to Crochet the Antennae

Crochet 2 antennae using the pattern below:

R1: MR – 6 x SC into the ring {6}

R2: INC in each ST around {12}

R3-R4 (2 rounds): SC in each ST around {12}

Start stuffing

R5: INV DEC all around {6}

R6-R8 (3 rounds): SC in each ST around {6}

FO and leave a long piece of yarn for sewing

How to Crochet the Head

R1: MR – 6 x SC into the ring {6}

R2: INC in each ST around {12}

R3: (SC in next ST, INC) x 6 {18}

R4: SC in next ST, INC, (SC in next 2 ST, INC) x 5, SC in next ST {24}

R5: (SC in next 3 ST, INC) x 6 {30}

R6: SC in next 2 ST, INC, (SC in next 4 ST, INC) x 5, SC in next 2 ST {36}

R7: (SC in next 5 ST, INC) x 6 {42}

R8-R15 (8 rounds): SC in each ST around {42} – leave your stitch marker in at the start of R11 as you will need to refer to it when placing the eyes

R16: (SC in next 5 ST, INV DEC) x 6 {36}

R17: SC in next 2 ST, INV DEC, (SC in next 4 ST, INV DEC) x 5, SC in next 2 ST {30}

You can now place the eyes:

– stuff the head well first



- place eyes between rounds R11 and R12
- leave 6 STs in between the eyes
- it helps to use pins with large heads to first mark the spots where the eyes will be placed – you can make a decision whether you are happy with the placement and if it looks symmetrical before you insert the safety eyes; the safety eyes usually make a large hole in between the stitches so it is not recommended to change the placement of the eyes once they are in (Pic H1)
- you can now insert the safety eyes and put the safety backs on (Pic H2)

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R18: (SC in next 3 ST, INV DEC) x 6 {24}

R19: SC in next ST, INV DEC, (SC in next 2 ST, INV DEC) x 5, SC in next ST {18}

R20: (SC in next ST, INV DEC) x 6 {12}

R21: SC in each ST around {12}

Stuff well, close the hole with a needle and weave the yarn end in

How to Assemble Your Crochet Caterpillar Softie

Body – you can either sew the balls together or use an easier method as described below:

Step 1: take a long piece of yarn and thread your needle

Step 2: insert the needle into the MC of the first ball (Pic B1) and pull the yarn all the way through the centre of all 5 balls; leave a long tail showing at the front of the body (Pic B2)

Step 3: use a button to secure the yarn at the bottom end of the body (Pic B3) and then pull the yarn through all 5 balls again

Step 4: repeat the process back and forth between the front and back of the body, while pulling on the yarn tightly each time

Step 5: you will need to pull the yarn through the body about 4 times until you have two yarn tails showing at the front of the body (Pic B4)



Step 6: tie a tight knot with the yarn ends and pull the knot into the body with a needle

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Body and legs: Pin a pair of the legs to each ball of the body between R8 and R13 of each ball (leaving 6 STs in between). Make sure both legs are symmetrical from the front and the side. Sew the legs to the body adding more stuffing if needed.

Head and antennae: Pin the antennae to the head first making sure they look symmetrical from the front, side and back and then sew them to the head. I placed the antennae between R3 and R6 on each side of the head.



Head and body: Pin the head to the body in a forward facing angle (at about 45°) making sure the head looks straight and symmetrical from the front and back. I attached the head between R3 and R9 of the first ball of the body.

Eye lash embroidery: You can embroider the eye lashes using a long piece of black thread yarn.

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