

# Crochet Pattern

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Skill level: easy



## Puppy "Puf" with a collar

### About this pattern

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).

This pattern is easy to follow with step-by-step instructions.

*Happy  
crocheting!*



Hello! My name is Puf.

If you're thinking about getting a pet, you may want to try and crochet one first.

I'm a little doggy only a few months old but I already learned how to roll over, play dead and fetch pollen-balls.

I know you like my innocent pretty face and sweet big eyes. If you take me home I hope you don't mind if I become a little bit naughty and will make a mess in your bedroom. It is my favorite game ;-)

I am a joy and quick to make whether it's for you or a cute gift for family and friends!

Please don't let me wait for long, grab your favorite yarn and hook and let the fun begin!



## Finished size

Finished size approx. 11 cm (4.5 inches) high.

## Materials and tools

- ✓ Hook 1.5 mm (US steel hook – 8, UK steel hook - 4 1/2)
- ✓ Yarn - Light Fingering / 3 ply
  - Beige velour (or any not too fluffy) yarn - about 100 m (600m/100g)
  - White velour (or any not too fluffy) yarn - about 50 m (600m/100g)
- ✓ Leftovers of black smooth yarn for the nose
- ✓ Leftovers of any matching color smooth yarn for a collar
- ✓ Two black beads (5-6 mm) for eyes
- ✓ Tiny pieces of felt or white leather for the white of the eyes
- ✓ 30 cm of copper or aluminium wire, 1-1.5 mm diameter
- ✓ Stuffing: hollofiber or padding polyester
- ✓ Tapestry needle for tightening
- ✓ Strong thread for tightening (dental floss, monothread, etc.)
- ✓ Few small pebbles to add weight to the body.

### Optional

- ✓ Plaster - adhesive-backed fabric tape the one you use to cover wounds (medical tape) to wrap around folded wire;
- ✓ Eyeshadow for tinting.

## Abbreviations

ch = chain  
inc = increasing (2 sc in 1 st)  
st(s) = stitch(es)  
dec = decreasing (sc2tog)  
sc2tog = single crochet two stitches together  
sl st = slip stitch  
sc = single crochet  
dc = double crochet  
tr = treble  
rnd = round  
pic = picture

### Tip (gauge)

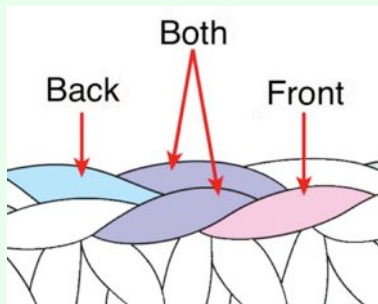
When making toys, you should use a much smaller hook than recommended for the yarn you choose.

Make sure you crochet tight enough; otherwise, stuffing will show through the holes.



**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:



**TIP (yarn and wire)**

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 and wire).

If you decide to use thicker yarn you should buy thicker wire as well. The thicker your yarn the bigger the toy will be.

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



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



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



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



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.



**Head**

Start with white yarn.

**Rnd 1:** 6 sc in magic ring = 6 sts

**Rnd 2:** 6 inc = 12 sts

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

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

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

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

**Rnd 7:** 1 sc in each stitch around = 36 sts

**Rnd 8:** (1 inc, 5 sc) x 6 times = 42 sts

**Rnd 9:** 1 sc in each stitch around = 42 sts

**Rnd 10:** (1 inc, 6 sc) x 6 times = 48 sts

**Rnd 11-13:** 1 sc in each stitch around = 48 sts

Break off white yarn and continue crocheting using beige yarn.

**Rnd 14:** (1 inc, 7 sc) x 6 times = 54 sts

**Rnd 15:** (1 inc, 8 sc) x 6 times = 60 sts

**Rnd 16:** (1 inc, 9 sc) x 6 times = 66 sts

**Rnd 17-22:** 1 sc in each stitch around = 66 sts

**Rnd 23:** 12 sc, 1 dec, 5 sc, 1 dec, 1 sc, 1 dec, 18 sc, 1 dec, 1 sc, 1 dec, 5 sc, 1 dec, 12 sc = 60 sts

**Rnd 24:** 11 sc, (1 dec, 2 sc) x 2 times, 1 dec, 18 sc, 1 dec, (2 sc, 1 dec) x 2 times, 11 sc = 54 sts

**Rnd 25:** 1 sc, 1 dec, 9 sc, 1 dec, 1 sc, 1 dec, 20 sc, 1 dec, 1 sc, 1 dec, 9 sc, 1 dec, 1 sc = 48 sts

**Rnd 26:** 1 sc, 1 dec, 8 sc, 1 dec, 1 sc, 1 dec, 16 sc, 1 dec, 1 sc, 1 dec, 8 sc, 1 dec, 1 sc = 42 sts

**Rnd 27:** 1 sc, 1 dec, 6 sc, 2 dec, 16 sc, 2 dec, 6 sc, 1 dec, 1 sc = 36 sts

**Rnd 28:** 1 sc, 1 dec, 5 sc, 1 dec, 16 sc, 1 dec, 5 sc, 1 dec, 1 sc = 32 sts

**Rnd 29:** 1 sc, 1 dec, 4 sc, 1 dec, 14 sc, 1 dec, 4 sc, 1 dec, 1 sc = 28 sts

**Rnd 30:** 5 sc, 2 dec, 10 sc, 2 dec, 5 sc = 24 sts

**Rnd 31:** (2 sc, 1 dec) x 6 times = 18 sts

Stuff the head well but not too tightly. If the head is too heavy puppy may fall forward.

**Rnd 32:** (1 sc, 1 dec) x 6 times = 12 sts

**Rnd 33:** 6 dec = 6 sts

Leaving a length of yarn for sewing head to the body, fasten off and close up the remaining hole.

**Legs (make 4)**

Start with white yarn.

**Rnd 1:** 6 sc in magic ring = 6 sts

**Rnd 2:** 6 inc = 12 sts

**Rnd 3:** 2 inc, 10sc = 14 sts

**Rnd 4-5:** 1 sc in each stitch around = 14 sts

Break off white yarn and continue crocheting using beige yarn.

**Rnd 6:** 3 dec, 8 sc = 11 sts

**Rnd 7:** 2 dec, 7 sc = 9 sts

Stuff little paw thoroughly.

Don't add more stuffing to the leg.

**Rnd 8:** 1 sc in each stitch around = 9 sts

**Rnd 9:** 1 dec, 7 sc = 8 sts

**Rnd 10-12:** 1 sc in each stitch around = 8 sts

Fasten off and leave a length of yarn to sew leg to the body.







## Body

Use beige yarn.

**Rnd 1:** 6 sc in magic ring = 6 sts

**Rnd 2:** 6 inc = 12 sts

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

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

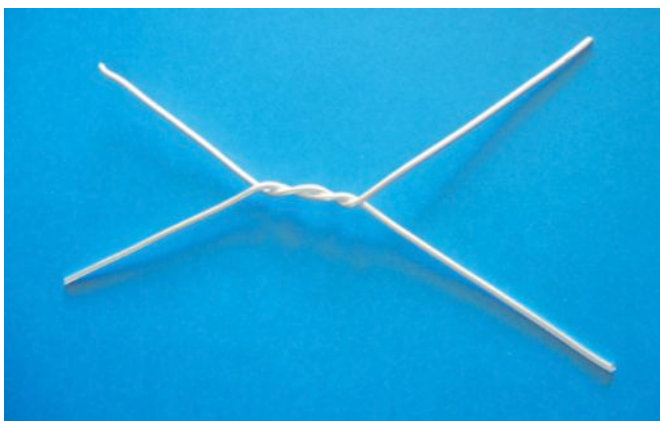
**Rnd 5-8:** 1 sc in each stitch around = 24 sts

**Rnd 9:** 1 inc, (6 sc, 2 inc) x 2 times, 6 sc, 1 inc = 30 sts

**Rnd 10-14:** 1 sc in each stitch around = 30 sts

Prepare the framework.

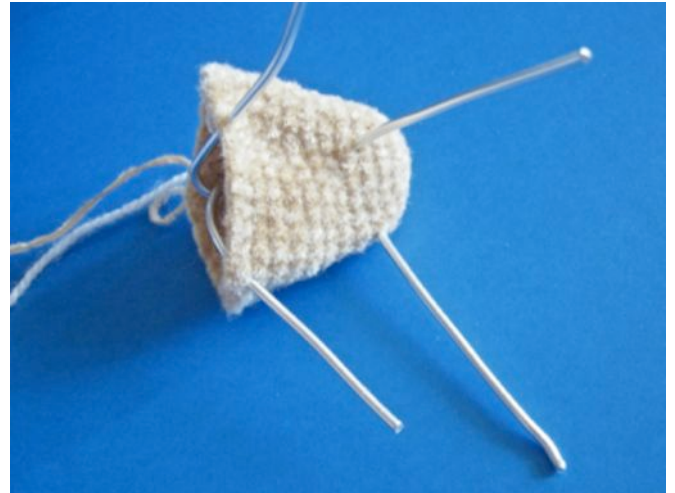
Cut 2 pieces of wire 15 cm (6 inches) each (cut larger piece if you use a bigger hook and thicker yarn); twist them in the middle (about 2 cm (0.7 inches)).



Insert the frame into the body: for front legs –

between 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> rounds, distance between legs is 8 sts;

for back legs – between 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> rounds, distance between legs is 10 sts.



Fold the ends of wire according to legs length. Cut excess wire.



You can wrap the folded wire with plaster (medical tape).



**Rnd 15:** (3 sc, 1 dec) x 6 times = 24 sts

Stuff the part thoroughly.

Add a few small pebbles into the backside of the body to add weight.

You may continue white yarn if you want.

**Rnd 16:** (2 sc, 1 dec) x 6 times = 18 sts

Put crocheted legs on the wire legs and sew them to the body (you may do it when the body is finished).



**Rnd 17:** (1 sc, 1 dec) x 6 times = 12 sts

**Rnd 18:** 6 dec = 6 sts

Fasten off, tie up the hole and hide loose ends.

### Ears (make 2)

Choice of color for the ears is up to you!

**Rnd 1:** 6 sc in magic ring = 6 sts

**Rnd 2:** 6 inc = 12 sts

**Rnd 3:** (3 sc, 1 inc) x 3 times = 15 sts

**Rnd 4-6:** 1 sc in each st around = 15 sts

**Rnd 7:** 1 dec, 13 sc = 14 sts

**Rnd 8:** (1 dec, 5 sc) x 2 times = 12 sts

**Rnd 9:** (1 dec, 4 sc) x 2 times = 10 sts

**Rnd 10:** 1 sc in each stitch around = 10 sts

**Rnd 11:** 1 dec, 8 sc = 9 sts

**Rnd 12, 13:** 1 sc in each stitch around = 9 sts

**Rnd 14:** 1 dec, 7 sc = 8 sts

**Rnd 15-20:** 1 sc in each stitch around = 8 sts

Fasten off and leave a length of yarn to sew ear to the head.

### Nose

Black yarn.

**To begin:** 5 ch

**Rnd 1:** 1 inc in 2<sup>nd</sup> ch from hook, 2 sc, 3 sc in 1 st, 3 sc = 10 sts

**Rnd 2:** (1 inc, 4 sc) x 2 times = 12 sts

**Rnd 3-5:** 1 sc in each stitch around = 12 sts

**Rnd 6:** 6 dec = 6 sts

Stuff lightly.

Fasten off, tie up the hole and hide loose ends.

### Patch for under the eye (optional)

Use beige yarn and make 1 patch.

**Rnd 1:** 6 sc in magic ring = 6 sts

**Rnd 2:** 6 inc = 12 sts

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

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

Fasten off and hide loose ends.





### Tail

Choice of color for the ears is up to you! Work 10 ch and then work sc back along the chain.

Fasten off and leave a length of yarn to sew the tail to the back of the body (where you want the tail to be).

Fasten off and hide loose ends.

### Collar

Use white yarn

**To begin:** ch 50

**Row 1:** start from the 2nd ch from hook and work 3 sc in 1 st, 48 sc = 50 sts

Separately work a ring of 7 ch, fasten off. Put the ring on the collar and sew it to the collar at the backside.

Embroider holes with black yarn on the other end of the collar. Fasten off and hide loose ends.



### Assemble and decoration

### Nose

Sew the nose to the 1<sup>st</sup> rnd.



### Ears

Thread a needle with contrasting yarn. Mark the center of the top of the head by placing a few stitches from the beginning of the crochet up to the 14th round (when assemble is finished just pull this thread out). Mark location of ears with pins.

Fasten ears between 18<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> rounds. Distance between top edges of ears is 18 sts. Sew ears to the head.



### Head tightening

Make the tightening using strong thread (I use dental floss). Thread a needle and fasten thread at the point where the head will be fastened to the body (approx. 8<sup>th</sup> round from the white part of the head), let's call it Point 1.





Pierce through and pull out needle in the front (in the area of right eye socket).



Pierce through and pull out needle in the front (in the area of the left eye socket).



Stick the needle approximately two stitches down and pull needle out of Point 1. Pull the thread a little bit to make a tightening.



Insert the needle approximately two stitches down and pull it out of Point 1. Pull the thread a little bit





to make a tightening.



Repeat tightening pattern once more. Fasten off.



## Eyes

Prepare whites of the eyes. Cut 2 oval pieces of fleece, felt or leather appr. 1.5 times bigger than beads for eyes.



Thread a needle with strong black thread. Take patch part, put white of the eye on top and then a

black bead. White part should be placed close to the bottom part of the patch. Assembly eye. Place the assembled eye on to the hollow of the left eye and sew to the head.



Repeat for the second eye but without the patch part.

## Mouth (nose part)

Thread tapestry needle with strong black thread and fasten at the 10<sup>th</sup> rnd of the bottom of the head.



Make vertical stitch to the nose and return to the

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fastening point. Pull the thread a little bit to make a tightening. You may repeat tightening once more if you want.



Fasten thread.

## Mouth

Pull needle out 9 sts to the right.



Make horizontal stitch and return to the fastening point. Pull the thread a little bit to make a tightening.

Pull needle out 9 sts to the left.



Make horizontal stitch and return to the fastening point. Pull the thread a little bit to make a tightening.

Fasten thread.



Repeat tightening pattern once more. Fasten off.

## Head

Turn the head on one side and pin it to the body. Assembly point: on the head - 19-20 rounds, on the body - 4-5 rounds up from the beginning of the work.

Make sure puppy can stand without falling over. If it is falling over try to pin head a little bit higher.

Thread tapestry needle with beige yarn and sew the head to the body.



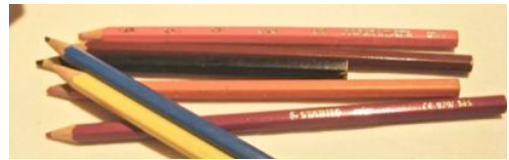
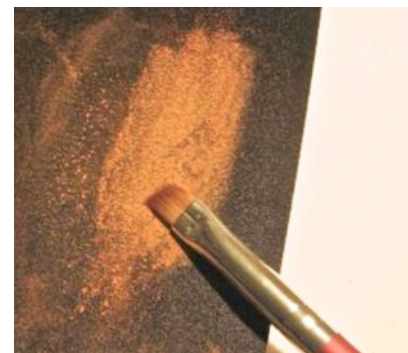
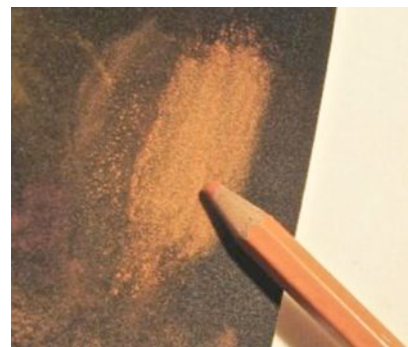


Photo tutorial:

### Tinting

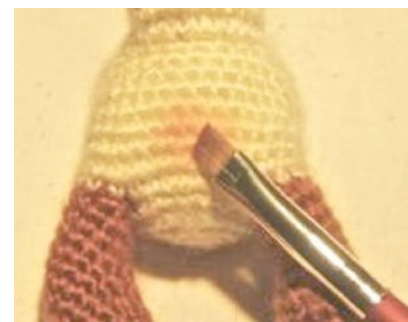
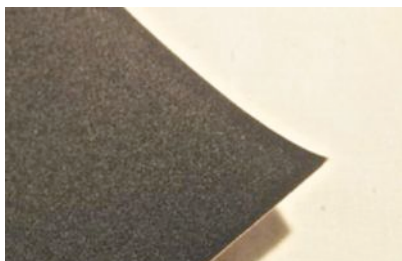
Using eyeshadow tint the eyes, around the mouth and inside the ears.



**TIP: Tinting using pencils.**

You need sand paper, pencil and a small brush.

The photo is from another pattern but I think you get the idea.





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