

Baby Sunflower



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ABBREVIATIONS

- MR** - magic ring
- sc** (l) - single crochet
- hdc** (T) - half double crochet
- dc** (f) - double crochet
- ch** (o) - chain
- sl st** (●) - slip stitch
- inc** (v) - increase
- dec** (^) - decrease
- FLO** - front loops only
- BLO** - back loops only
- (...)*n** - repeat the combination of stitches in parentheses "n" times
- p.** - photo

Note:

All parts are worked in continuous spirals (without slip stitch and ch), unless noted otherwise.
To keep track of the rounds use a stitch marker.

MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES

1. Yarn - Sport weight yarn (Fine yarn) for cotton+acrylic yarn or Fingering (Super fine yarn) for 100% cotton yarn

Colors: green (approx. 30g), brown (approx. 15g), yellow (approx. 10g), blue (in case you want Ukrainian sunflower, approx. 10g), mustard (a few meters), black and white (a few meters)

I used:

Schachenmayr Catania (50g/125m, 100% cotton):

- green (0414 - moose)
- mustard (0383 - zimt)
- yellow (0208 - sonne)
- black (0110 - schwarz)
- white (0106 - weiß)

Scheepjes Catona (50g/125m, 100% cotton):

- brown (388 - rust)

2. Crochet hook suitable for your yarn (I used 1.75 mm)
3. Safety eyes 6 mm
4. Scissors, tapestry needle, pins
5. Stitch marker (I use a piece of yarn)
6. Fiberfill (stuffing)
7. Stuffing tool (I use wooden skewers and tweezers)
8. Strong thread for thread joining

SIZE OF THE TOY

If you use the material and crochet hook indicated in the pattern, the toy will be approximately 12 cm (4.7 inches) tall.

Testing result

Crochet hook: 1.5 mm
Yarn: 8/6 cotton (light - #3)
Size: 16cm/6.3 inches tall



Crochet hook: 0.75 mm
Yarn: cotton lace yarn (#0)
Size: 7cm/2.7 inches tall

READ ME

Decreases

In order to make an invisible decrease, insert the hook only under the FRONT loop of one stitch, then under the FRONT loop of the second stitch (p.1,2), yarn over and pull through these two front loops (p.3), yarn over and pull through two loops left on the hook (p.4).



ARMS (make 2)

Work with green yarn.
Do not stuff the arms.

1. 6 sc in a MR (6)
- 2-4. (3 rows) 6 sc (6)
5. inc, 5 sc (7)
6. 3 sc in 1 stitch, 2 sc, dec, 2 sc (8)
7. (inc, 1 sc) * 2, dec, 2 sc (9)
8. (dec, 1 sc) * 2, 2 inc, 1 sc (9)
- 9-11. (3 rows) 9 sc (9)
12. (dec, 1 sc) * 3 (6)

Cut the yarn off leaving a tail for closing the opening. Insert the yarn tail into a needle, go under the front loops of all 6 sc (p.5), tighten the thread and weave in the yarn ends.

Later we will attach the arms to the body.



LEGS (make 2)

Work with green yarn.

Ch 5,
1. From the 2nd ch from the hook (p.8):
inc, 2 sc, 4 sc in 1 stitch, 2 sc along the other side of the chain, inc (12)
Continue working in spirals.

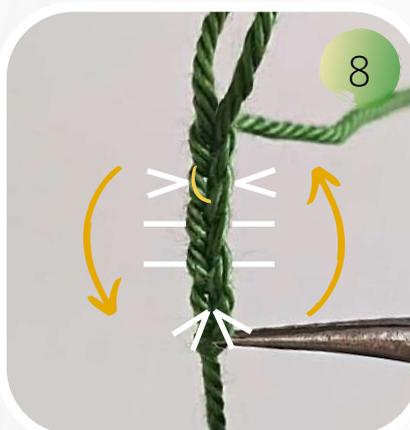
2. inc, 4 sc, 2 inc, 4 sc, inc (16)
3. 16 sc (16)
4. 4 sc, 4 dec, 4 sc (12)
5. 3 sc, 3 dec, 3 sc (9)

Stuff the foot.

6. 9 sc (9)
7. (inc, 2 sc) * 3 (12)
8. (inc, 3 sc) * 3 (15)
- 9-10. (2 rows) 15 sc (15)
11. (dec, 3 sc) * 3 (12)

Lightly stuff the top part of the leg, so that the shape of the leg is almost flat (p.9)

12. 6 dec (6)



Cut the yarn off, close the opening, weave in the yarn end.

Later we will attach the legs to the body.

HEAD

Work with brown yarn.

1. 6 sc in a MR (6)
2. 6 inc (12)
3. (inc, 1 sc) * 6 (18)
4. (inc, 2 sc) * 6 (24)
5. (inc, 3 sc) * 6 (30)
6. (inc, 4 sc) * 6 (36)
- 7-8. (2 rows) 36 sc (36)
- 9-10. (2 rows) **FLO** 36 sc (p.10) (36)

Cut the yarn off leaving 15-20 cm and weave in the end using the "straight edge" method. Insert your needle into the 2nd stitch of the row (skip one stitch, insert the needle into the 2nd one) (p.11). Insert it into the last stitch of the row (between the front and the back loops of the stitch) (p.12). Pull the needle out, tighten the thread, and weave in the end (p.13).



Turn the detail inside out, the tail of the MR should be outside (p.15).

Attach green yarn to the **back** loop of the last stitch of the previous row (p.17,18). Continue crocheting clockwise (p.16).

11. **BLO** 36 sc (36)



Mark the back loop of the 1st stitch of 11th row, we will need it in 13th row.

12. The whole row is crocheted **FLO** (watch this video before starting to crochet this row):

(in one stitch: sl st, ch 2, 1 hdc, 1 dc, ch 2, sl st into the 2nd ch from hook,

into the next stitch: 1 dc, 1 hdc, ch 2, sl st,

into the next stitch: 1 sl st) * 12 (12 leaves) (p.19,20)

13. Work into the **BLO** of 11th row (start from the loop you marked before) (p.21):

36 sc (36)

14-16. (3 rows) 36 sc (36)



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Insert the safety eyes between the 4th and 5th rows of the head. But first, make holes for the eyes to make it easier to insert them. I use a wooden skewer, insert it between the stitches and widen the hole (p.22). Attach safety eyes (p.23).



17. (dec, 4 sc) * 6 (30)

18. (dec, 3 sc) * 6 (24)

Start to stuff the head, add stuffing as you go.

19. (dec, 2 sc) * 6 (18)

20. (dec, 1 sc) * 6 (12)

21. 6 dec (6)

Cut the yarn off, close the opening, weave in the yarn end.



PETALS

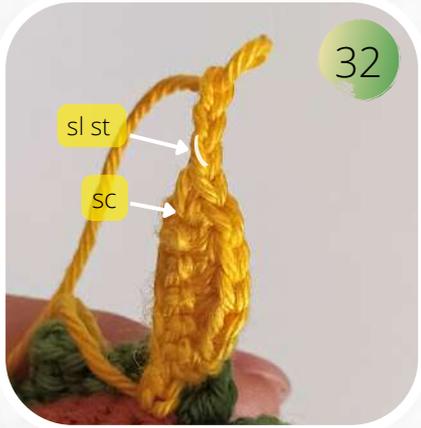
Watch this video before starting to crochet petals.

Attach yarn of blue color (if you want a Ukrainian sunflower) or yellow color (if you want a regular sunflower) to the front loop of the last brown row (p.26,27).



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1. 1 sc, ch 6 (p.28), turn, work on the wrong side of the chain (into the loops indicated in the p.28),
2. from the 2nd ch from hook: 5 sc (p.29), sl st into the back loop of the base sc (p.30), turn,
3. from the 2nd stitch from hook (skip sl st, work into the last sc of the previous row, p.31): 1 sc, 3 hdc, 2 sc in 1 stitch, ch 3, sl st into the 3rd loop from the hook (p.32), 1 sc into the same sc (the last stitch) (p.32), work along the other side of the chain, 1 sc, 3 hdc, 1 sc (p.33), sl st into the front loop of the base sc (p.34)



The first petal is ready (p.35).

4. 2 sl st into the front loops on the head

Repeat instructions 1-4 11 more times.

The first row of 12 petals is ready (p.36)

If you crocheted this row with blue yarn, fasten off, and attach yellow yarn to the front loop of the next stitch (p.37).

If you crocheted with yellow yarn, continue to crochet.

The 2nd row is made almost in the same way, the only difference is that you **start with 4th instruction (make 2 sl st, p.38) and then make instructions 1-3**. The petals of this row should close the spaces between petals of the previous row. Repeat instructions (4, 1-3) 12 times. Fasten off.



Attach yarn of mustard color to the next front loop (p.39).

Ch 4 (p.40), sl st into the next stitch (p.41,42), repeat 35 more times (till the end of the row) (p.43).

Cut the yarn off, weave in the end (p.44).



BODY

Work with green yarn.

1. 6 sc in a MR (6)
2. 6 inc (12)
3. (inc, 1 sc) * 6 (18)
4. (inc, 2 sc) * 6 (24)
5. (inc, 3 sc) * 6 (30)
6. (inc, 4 sc) * 6 (36)
- 7-11. (5 rows) 36 sc (36)
12. 14 sc, (dec, 1 sc) * 3, 13 sc (33)
13. 12 sc, (dec, 1 sc) * 3, 12 sc (30)
14. (dec, 3 sc) * 6 (24)
15. 24 sc (24)
16. (dec, 2 sc) * 6 (18)
- 17-19. (3 rows) 18 sc (18)

Stuff the body firmly.

Cut the yarn off leaving 20-30 cm for sewing the body to the head.



ASSEMBLING

Embroider the nose using the same yarn you used for crocheting the face. Make 3-4 stitches over the MR (*p.47,48*).

Embroider the whites of the eyes with white yarn (*p.49-51*).



Embroider eyelashes with black thread following instructions (p.52-54). I use 4 ply yarn, divide it in half and embroider in 2 threads. You can also use embroidery thread.

Pull all the ends out at the back of the head, tie them together and weave in. If during embroidery some fiberfill threads were pulled out on the face, remove them using tweezers.



Fix the head on the body with pins as close to the green leaves as possible, the face should look a little upwards (p.55-57). Sew the head to the body with the thread left from crocheting the body. Grab a stitch on the head (p.58), then a stitch on the body (*note, not a loop, a stitch* - p.59). Add stuffing to the neck before you completely close the opening.

Weave in the yarn end.



Thread joining

Count the rows from the bottom of the body. Pin the legs between rows 6 and 7 and the arm between rows 13 and 14 (p.61,62).

Use a strong thread (we will need about 50 cm for the arms and 50 cm for the legs). Grab several stitches from the inside of the leg (p.63), pull the needle through the body (p.64,65), grab several stitches on the inner side of the second leg (p.66), and pull the needle back through the body (p.67). Repeat these steps several times (2-3 will be enough), inserting the needle into the same holes and trying to grab the same stitches on the legs. Squeeze the legs a little (p.68), pull up both ends, tie them together several times and weave them in.

Attach the arms using the same method, but grab just 1-2 stitches on the arms (p.69).





CONGRATULATIONS

Your Baby Sunflower is ready!