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Patterns



Olga, The Ostrich

Materials:

Acrylic yarn in the following colors: beige, dark-brown, brown, white, black and orange.
C hook (2.5 mm), a tapestry needle, stuffing, scissors, colored sewing pins, wire (optional).

Stitches used in the Project:

Double adjustable ring, chain stitch, slip stitch, single crochet, half double crochet and loop stitch
([Video Tutorial](#)).

Finished size:

Height: 15 inches stand/ 10 inches sit.

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Loop Stitch Tutorial

How to crochet Loop Stitch:

Start with a row (or round) of single crochet stitches.

Step 1:



Insert the hook in the first stitch. Form a loop wrapping the yarn clockwise around your left index finger.



Rotate your hook in the opposite direction from the way you usually would. It goes over the yarn first and then behind both sides of the loop.

Step 2:



Catch both sides of the loop and pass them through the stitch where you inserted the hook in step 1.



Now you'll have the hook in the front side of the work with 3 loops on it and 1 loop in the back side of the work.



Yarn over the hook (you'll have 4 loops on the hook) and pass the strand through the other 3 loops on your hook to finish the stitch.



Step 3:

Repeat steps 1 & 2 till the end of the row.

Realization



Head (beige color):

To avoid a hole at the beginning of your project, you need to start it with a double adjustable ring (loop twice the yarn on your finger and when you finish the round pull the remaining yarn to close the hole):

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.

Rnd 2: 2 single crochet in each stitch from last round (12 stitches).

Rnd 3: *1 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (18 stitches).

Rnd 4: *2 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (24 stitches).

Rnd 5: *3 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (30 stitches).

Rnd 6: *4 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (36 stitches).

Rnd 7: *5 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (42 stitches).

Rnd 8: *6 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (48 stitches).

Rnd 9: Single crochet in each stitch.
 Rnd 10: *7 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (54 stitches).
 Rnd 11: Single crochet in each stitch.
 Rnd 12: *8 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (60 stitches).
 Rnd 13 to 20: Single crochet in each stitch.
 Rnd 21: *8 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 6 times (54 stitches).
 Rnd 22: Single crochet in each stitch.
 Rnd 23: *7 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 6 times (48 stitches).
 Rnd 24: Single crochet in each stitch.
 Rnd 25: *6 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 6 times (42 stitches).
 Rnd 26: *5 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 6 times (36 stitches).
 Rnd 27: *4 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 6 times (30 stitches).
 Rnd 28: *3 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 6 times (24 stitches).
 Rnd 29 to 55: Single crochet in each stitch.
 Rnd 56: *2 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 3 times; *3 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 3 times (24 stitches).
 Make a knot, cut the yarn with scissors and fill it with stuffing. You can add wire into the neck in order to make it possible, but this is optional (in the sample project I haven't used wire).



Body:

The body is crocheted from top to bottom and must be filled with stuffing as you go.
 Into a double adjustable ring crochet:

White color:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.

Rnd 2: 2 single crochet in each stitch from last round (12 stitches).

Rnd 3: *1 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (18 stitches).

Rnd 4: *2 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (24 stitches).

Since next round you will start crocheting in loop stitch, extending the loops in order to make

them longer than usual (approx 1.5 inches long):

Rnd 5: *3 loop stitch, 2 loop stitch in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (30 stitches).

Rnd 6: *4 loop stitch, 2 loop stitch in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (36 stitches).

Switch to dark-brown color and crochet in loop stitch of the usual length (don't extend the loops):

Rnd 7: *5 loop stitch, 2 loop stitch in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (42 stitches).

Rnd 8: *6 loop stitch, 2 loop stitch in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (48 stitches).

Rnd 9: *7 loop stitch, 2 loop stitch in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (54 stitches).

Rnd 10: 18 loop stitch, *8 loop stitch, 2 loop stitch in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 4 times (58 stitches).

Rnd 11: 18 loop stitch, *9 loop stitch, 2 loop stitch in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 4 times (62 stitches).

Rnd 12: 18 loop stitch, *10 loop stitch, 2 loop stitch in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 4 times (66 stitches).

Rnd 13: 18 loop stitch, *7 loop stitch, 2 loop stitch in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (72 stitches).

Rnd 14 to 16: Loop stitch in each stitch from last round.

Rnd 17: *4 loop stitch, 1 decrease (2 loop stitches closed together)* repeat from *to* 4 times, 48 loop stitch (68 stitches).

Rnd 18: *3 loop stitch, 1 decrease (2 loop stitches closed together)* repeat from *to* 4 times, 48 loop stitch (64 stitches).

Rnd 19: *3 loop stitch, 1 decrease (2 loop stitches closed together)* repeat from *to* 5 times, 37 loop stitch, 1 decrease (58 stitches).

Rnd 20: *3 loop stitch, 1 decrease (2 loop stitches closed together)* repeat from *to* 4 times, 31 loop stitch, 1 decrease, 3 loop stitch, 1 decrease (52 stitches).

Rnd 21: *3 loop stitch, 1 decrease (2 loop stitches closed together)* repeat from *to* 4 times, 25 loop stitch, 1 decrease, 3 loop stitch, 1 decrease (46 stitches).

Rnd 22: *3 loop stitch, 1 decrease (2 loop stitches closed together)* repeat from *to* 4 times, 19 loop stitch, 1 decrease, 3 loop stitch, 1 decrease (40 stitches).

Rnd 23: *3 loop stitch, 1 decrease (2 loop stitches closed together)* repeat from *to* 4 times, 13 loop stitch, 1 decrease, 3 loop stitch, 1 decrease (34 stitches).

Rnd 24: *3 loop stitch, 1 decrease (2 loop stitches closed together)* repeat from *to* 4 times, 7 loop stitch, 1 decrease, 3 loop stitch, 1 decrease (28 stitches).

Rnd 25: *2 loop stitch, 1 decrease (2 loop stitches closed together)*, repeat from *to* 7 times (21 stitches).

Rnd 26: *1 loop stitch, 1 decrease (2 loop stitches closed together)*, repeat from *to* 7 times (14 stitches).

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Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors. With the tapestry needle sew up and down the yarn around each stitch from last round and pull tightly to close.



Sew the neck's opening to the single crochet's White circle of the body, placing the neck's increases of the last round towards back.

Eyes:

Crochet all pieces twice:

Eyeballs:

The eyeballs must be filled with stuffing as you go. Into a double adjustable ring crochet:

Black color:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.

Rnd 2: 2 single crochet in each stitch from last round (12 stitches).

Switch to White color:

Rnd 3: *1 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (18 stitches).

Rnd 4: *2 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (24 stitches).

Rnd 5: *3 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (30 stitches).

Rnd 6: Single crochet in each stitch.

Switch to beige color:

Rnd 7: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 8: *3 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 6 times (24 stitches).

Rnd 9: *2 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 6 times (18 stitches).

Rnd 10: *1 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 6 times (12 stitches).

Rnd 11: 6 decreases (2 single crochet closed together 6 times) (6 stitches).

Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors. With the tapestry needle sew up and down the yarn around each stitch from last round and pull tightly to close.

Eyelids (beige color):

Into a double adjustable ring crochet:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.

Rnd 2: 2 single crochet in each stitch from last round (12 stitches).

Rnd 3: *1 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (18 stitches).

Rnd 4: *2 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (24 stitches).

Rnd 5: *3 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (30 stitches).
Rnd 6: *4 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (36 stitches).
Rnd 7: *5 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (42 stitches).
Fold the circle in half and join the borderline together with a single crochet row (21 stitches)
Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors.

Eyelashes (dark-brown color):

Over the straight border of the eyelids crochet:

1 single crochet, *4 chain stitches, 2 single crochet* repeat from *to* 7 times, 4 chain stitches, 1 single crochet (8 arches). Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors.

Eyes' assemble:

With brown yarn and chain stitches embroider all over the round where you've exchanged colors between black and White.



Then, with white yarn embroider 2 points of light on each eye, as you can see in the upper image.



Sew the eyeballs to the head, beneath round 11 and leaving 1 eye of distance between them. Finally place the eyelids over the top and external parts of the eyeballs and sew them with invisible stitches.

Beak (orange color):

The beak is formed with 2 pieces: upper and lower.

Upper beak piece:

Into a double adjustable ring crochet:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.

Rnd 2: 2 single crochet in each stitch from last round (12 stitches).

Rnd 3: *1 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (18 stitches).

Rnd 4: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 5: *8 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* twice (20 stitches).

Rnd 6: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 7: *9 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* twice (22 stitches).

Rnd 8: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 9: *10 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* twice (24 stitches).

Rnd 10: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 11: 5 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch twice, 17 single crochet (26 stitches)

Row 12: 6 single crochet, 3 half double crochet, 6 single crochet (15 stitches). **IMPORTANT: This is NOT a complete round.**

Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors. Do not stuff.

Lower Beak Piece:

Into a double adjustable ring crochet:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.

Rnd 2: 2 single crochet in each stitch from last round (12 stitches).

Rnd 3: *1 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (18 stitches).

Rnd 4 & 5: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 6: *8 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* twice (20 stitches).

Rnd 7 to 9: Single crochet in each stitch.



Do not fill with stuffing. Over the opposite side of row 12 of the upper beak piece (means the portion of that row you didn't crochet) sew both sides of the lower beak piece's opening with a single crochet row of 10 stitches.



Place the beak between the eyes (row 12 of the upper beak piece is the superior part of the beak) and sew it all around. Then, with black yarn embroider both nostrils (see the upper image).



Legs (beige color):

Make 2. The legs are crocheted from top to bottom and must be filled with stuffing as you go. Into a double adjustable ring crochet:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.

Rnd 2: 2 single crochet in each stitch from last round (12 stitches).

Rnd 3: *1 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (18 stitches).

Rnd 4: *2 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (24 stitches).

Rnd 5: *3 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (30 stitches).

Rnd 6: *4 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (36 stitches).

Rnd 7: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 8: *5 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (42 stitches).
Rnd 9 to 16: Single crochet in each stitch.
Rnd 17: *5 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 6 times (36 stitches).
Rnd 18 & 19: Single crochet in each stitch.
Rnd 20: *4 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 6 times (30 stitches).
Rnd 21 & 22: Single crochet in each stitch.
Rnd 23: *3 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 6 times (24 stitches).
Rnd 24: *4 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 4 times (20 stitches).
Rnd 25 to 50: Single crochet in each stitch.
Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors.

Feet (Beige color):

Make 2. The feet are crocheted from front to back, starting on the toes, and they have to be filled with stuffing as you go.

Big toe:

Into a double adjustable ring crochet:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.

Rnd 2: 2 single crochet in each stitch from last round (12 stitches).

Rnd 3: *1 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (18 stitches).

Rnd 4: *2 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (24 stitches).

Rnd 5: *3 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (30 stitches).

Rnd 6 to 13: Single crochet in each stitch.

Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors.

Small toe:

Into a double adjustable ring crochet:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.

Rnd 2: 2 single crochet in each stitch from last round (12 stitches).

Rnd 3: *1 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (18 stitches).

Rnd 4: *2 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (24 stitches).

Rnd 5 to 10: Single crochet in each stitch.

Once you finished round 10 of the small toe do not cut the yarn off. Place one toe next to each other and sew their borderlines together by 6 stitches. Then continue crocheting the foot around them:

Rnd 1: 45 single crochet.

Rnd 2 to 4: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 5: *7 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 5 times (40 stitches).

Rnd 6: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 7: *6 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 5 times (35 stitches).

Rnd 8: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 9: *5 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 5 times (30 stitches).

Rnd 10 & 11: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 12: *4 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 5 times (25 stitches).

Rnd 13 & 14: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 15: *3 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 5 times (20 stitches).

Rnd 16 & 17: Single crochet in each stitch.

Rnd 18: *2 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 5 times (15 stitches).

Rnd 19: *1 single crochet, 1 decrease (2 single crochet closed together)*, repeat from *to* 5 times (10 stitches).

Rnd 20: 5 decreases (2 single crochet closed together 5 times) (5 stitches).

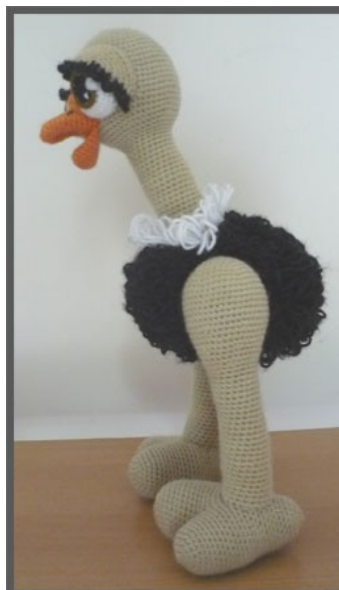
Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors. With the tapestry needle sew up and down the yarn around each stitch from last round and pull tightly to close.

Legs' assemble:



Sew the legs by their openings over the top of each foot, as you can see in the upper image on the left.

Thread a tapestry needle with beige yarn and make a stitch in the inner side of the leg between rounds 8 & 9. Then, pass the needle through the body from side to side, pulling it tight in order to get the leg jointed to the body (do it twice to keep the union firm).



Repeat this procedure for the other leg.



Wings (Make 2):

Each wing is formed by a dark-brown base piece worked in loop stitch and 3 white feathers of different lengths.

Wing's base piece (dark-brown color):

Into a double adjustable ring crochet:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet.

Rnd 2: 2 loop stitches in each stitch from last round (12 stitches).

Rnd 3: *1 loop stitch, 2 loop stitch in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (18 stitches).

Rnd 4: *2 loop stitch, 2 loop stitch in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (24 stitches).

Rnd 5: *3 loop stitch, 2 loop stitch in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (30 stitches).

Rnd 6 to 18: Loop stitch in each stitch from last round.

Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors. Do not fill with stuffing.

Feathers (White color):

Feather A (external):

Into a double adjustable ring crochet:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.

Rnd 2: 2 single crochet in each stitch from last round (12 stitches).

Rnd 3 to 14: Single crochet in each stitch.

Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors.

Feather B (middle):

Into a double adjustable ring crochet:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.

Rnd 2: 2 single crochet in each stitch from last round (12 stitches).

Rnd 3 to 12: Single crochet in each stitch.

Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors.

Feather C (internal):

Into a double adjustable ring crochet:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.

Rnd 2: 2 single crochet in each stitch from last round (12 stitches).

Rnd 3 to 10: Single crochet in each stitch.
Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors.



Sew the feathers (without stuffing them) to the wings' openings placing them as following:

Right wing: Feather "A" on the right, Feather "B" in the middle and Feather "C" on the left.
Left wing: Feather "C" on the right, Feather "B" in the middle and Feather "A" on the left.

Sew the wings to both sides of the body a bit above the top of the legs.

Tail:

The tail is formed by a dark-brown base piece worked in loop stitch and 3 white feathers of the same length.

Tail base piece (dark-brown color):

Into a double adjustable ring crochet:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet.

Rnd 2: 2 loop stitches in each stitch from last round (12 stitches).

Rnd 3: *1 loop stitch, 2 loop stitch in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (18 stitches).

Rnd 4: *2 loop stitch, 2 loop stitch in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (24 stitches).

Rnd 5: *3 loop stitch, 2 loop stitch in next stitch*, repeat from *to* 6 times (30 stitches).

Rnd 6 to 10: Loop stitch in each stitch from last round.

Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors. Do not fill with stuffing.

Tail feathers (white color):

Make 3. Into a double adjustable ring crochet:

Rnd 1: 6 single crochet stitches.

Rnd 2: 2 single crochet in each stitch from last round (12 stitches).

Rnd 3: *5 single crochet, 2 single crochet in next stitch*, repeat from *to* twice (14 stitches).

Rnd 4 to 17: Single crochet in each stitch.

Make a knot and cut the yarn with scissors.

Sew the feathers (without stuffing them) to the tail base piece's opening. Then, sew the tail to the back side of the body.



Ending details:

Sew the neck's opening to the single crochet's White circle of the body, placing the neck's increases of the last round towards back.

Sew the eyeballs to the head, beneath round 11 and leaving 1 eye of distance between them. Then place the eyelids over the top and external parts of the eyeballs and sew them with invisible stitches. Place the beak between the eyes (row 12 of the upper beak piece is the superior part of the beak) and sew it all around. Then, with black yarn embroider both nostrils. Cut some beige yarn pieces and fix them as hair on the top of the head.

To assemble the legs, first thread a tapestry needle with beige yarn and make a stitch in the inner side of the leg between rounds 8 & 9. Then, pass the needle through the body from side to side, pulling it tight in order to get the leg jointed to the body (do it twice to keep the union firm). Repeat this procedure for the other leg.

Sew the wings to both sides of the body a bit above the top of the legs.

Sew the tail to the back side of the body.

Enjoy!

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