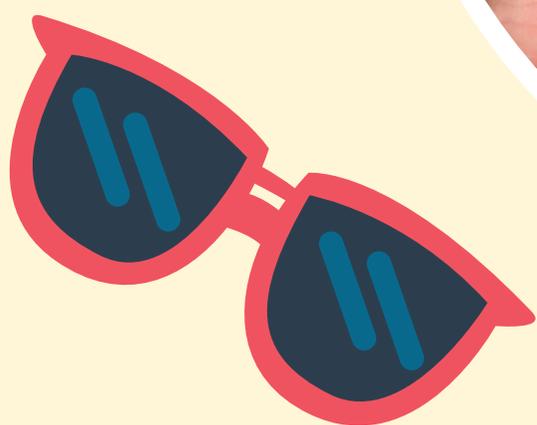


MINI HERMIT CRAB

FREE PATTERN



Skill Level

Intermediate

Materials

- Polyfil stuffing
- Darning needle
- Stitch marker (highly recommended)
- Scissors
- Hot glue gun (optional, needed if you're using felt eyes)
- Crochet hook
- Safety eyes (optional)
- Felt eyes (optional)
- Water (to stay hydrated while working)

Stitches & Abbreviations

- Stitch (st)
- Chain (ch)
- Slip Stitch (slst)
- Magic Ring (MR)
- Single Crochet (sc)
- Half Double Crochet (hdc)
- Increase (inc)
- Half Double Crochet Increase (hdcinc)
- Decrease (dec)
- Back Third Loop (BTL)
- Bobble (BO)
- Repeat between **
- x6 (repeat between **, 6 times)
- Finish/Fasten Off (F/O)

Yarn/Hook/Eyes

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL HOOK AND EYE SIZES ARE SUGGESTIONS ONLY. YOU MAY NEED TO GO UP OR DOWN DEPENDING ON YOUR TENSION.

- Parfait Chunky
 - Premier Yarns (link in bio)
 - G/4.5mm hook
 - 12mm safety eyes
- Sweet Snuggles Lite
 - Michaels Stores
 - H/5mm hook
 - 14mm safety eyes

Hello, my name
is Kip

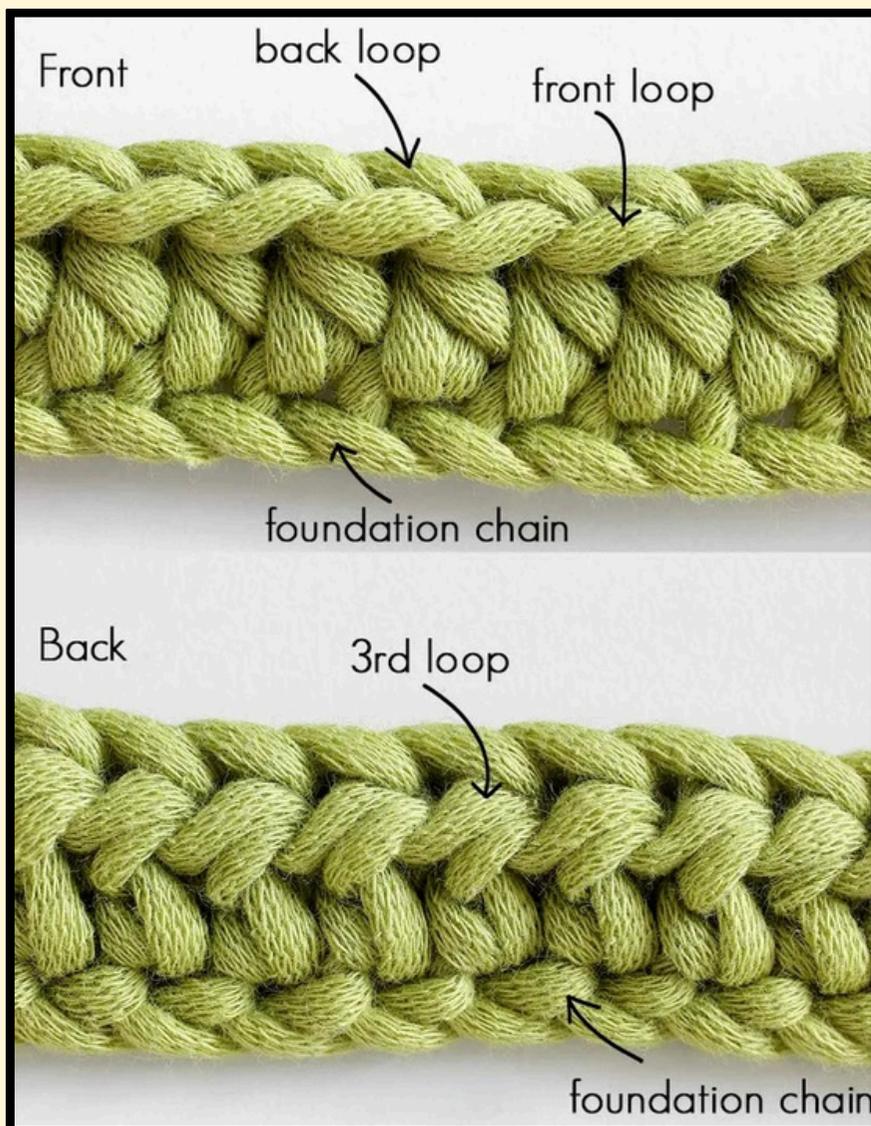


Back Third Loop (BTL)

The back third loop (BTL) of a half double crochet stitch is always located at the back of the stitch. It's the third loop, or extra loop, sitting just behind the two usual front and back loops.

Bobble (BO)

Yarn over and insert your hook into the next stitch. Yarn over and pull through, yarn over and pull through two loops. Repeat 5 times until you have 5 loops on your hook. Yarn over and pull through all 5 loops on the hook.



Ask Jenn if
you need help!



Body/Head

R1- 6sc in Mr (6sts)

R2- *inc*x6 (12sts)

R3- *1hdc, hdcinc*x6 (18sts)

R4- working in BTL: 2sc, *BO, sc*x3, 3sc, *BO, sc*x3, 1sc (18sts)

R5-7- (3 rounds) 1sc in each st (18sts)

R8- *1sc, dec*x6 (12sts)

IF YOU ARE USING SAFETY EYES, PLACE THEM NOW BETWEEN R5 AND R6 WITH 3 VISIBLE STS IN BETWEEN. START STUFFING.

R9- *dec*x6 (6sts)

ADD A LITTLE MORE STUFFING. F/O AND WEAVE IN ENDS.



I'm just a baby



Shell

R1- 5sc in MR (5sts)

R2- *inc*x5 (10sts)

R3- *dec*x5 (5sts)

R4- *inc*x5 (10sts)

R5- *1sc, inc*x5 (15sts)

R6- 1sc, *dec*x7 (8sts)

R7- *inc*x8 (16sts)

R8- *3sc, inc*x4 (20sts)

R9-10- (2 rounds) 1sc in each st (20sts)

R11- 1hdc in each st (20sts)

F/O AND LEAVE A LONG TAIL FOR SEWING.

STUFFING IS OPTIONAL.



I love seashells



Shell Assembly

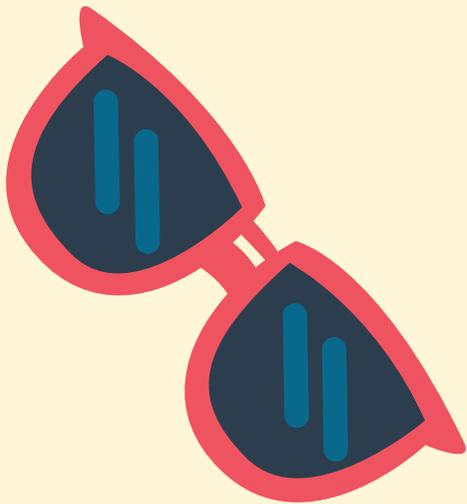
Place the shell on your crab at an angle. The front should be just above the eyes, and the back should be right above the back legs.

There are different ways you can sew on the shell, but I like to sew around each hdc post from R11. This will give you the lipped edge around the shell.



Thank you for
my new home





Thank you so much for trusting Jenn's Crafty Creations! I really hope you enjoyed making this hermit crab. I would love to see your finished piece, so be sure to tag me! Happy Crocheting!

- Jenn

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