

Crochet pattern
Stepha, the ballerina doll
wearing a light blue dress.



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Recommendations:

I do yarn under then yarn over when crocheting this toy (semi-X stitches). If you do yarn over both times (V stitches), then you will have to work shift stitches by yourself.

For skirt and for pointe shoes I used yarn over technique (V stitches).

Hold tight tension to avoid holes forming.

All the pieces are crocheted in a spiral.

The finished toy measures about 26cm (10.2 inches) in case of using the materials listed.

Abbreviations:

MR - magic ring

ch - chain

inc - increase

sc - single crochet

dec - decrease

sl st - slip stitch

HDC - half double crochet

DC - double crochet

BLO - crochet into back loops only

FLO - crochet into front loops only

(...) - the number in parentheses means a total amount of stitches in the round

(...)*X -repeat the instructions in parentheses x times

In this pattern we use US terminology.





Materials and tools needed:

- Yarn:
 - YarnArt Jeans 50g/160m, color 87 (sand) - for body.
 - Alize Cotton Gold 100g/330m, color 62 (cream) – for tights.
 - Alize Cotton Gold 100g/330m, color 513 (crystal blue) – for dress, pointe shoes.
 - Alize Cotton Baby Soft 100g/270m, color 01 (cream) – for hair.
- Cochet hook №2 (US B).
- Fiberfill – hollow fiber.
- Safety eyes with the diameter of 9mm.
- Thick needle for sewing, pins, scissors, stitch marker.
- Black, white and brown thread for face details.
- Blusher or hard pastels for painting.
- Wrapped wire, d-4mm (11cm).
- Adhesive tape.
- Satin ribbon for pointe shoes, 3mm width.
- Decorative elements of your choice.





Arms:

Make two pieces. Start crocheting with YarnArt Jeans № 87 (sand).

Stuff as you go. Stuff the hand firmly, then stuff the middle part slightly, don't stuff the top part.

1round: 6sc in MR (6)

2round: 6inc (12)

3round: (5sc, inc)*2 (14)

4round: 14sc

5round: bobble stitch (3DC crocheted into one stitch), 13sc (14)

6round: 14sc

7round: (dec, 5sc)*2 (12)

8-20rounds: 12sc (13 rounds)

Change the thread to Alize Cotton Gold № 513 (crystal blue), don't cut the yarn YarnArt Jeans № 87 (sand).

21round: 12sc

22round: crochet BLO 12sc (12)

Change the yarn to YarnArt Jeans № 87 (sand), cut Alize Cotton Gold № 513 (crystal blue).

23-30rounds: 12sc (8 rounds)

Work 6sc more (or other amount of sc needed to shift the thumb to the side if we fold it in half). Fold the piece edges in half and crochet 6sc through both layers. Fasten off the thread, cut.



Puff sleeves:

Attach the thread Alize Cotton Gold № 513 (crystal blue) to the front loops of the round 21. Hold the arm in the way shown in the photo while crocheting.

1round: ch3, crochet into one stitch (1DC, ch3, sl st into the third stitch from the hook, 1DC)*12, sl st.

Fasten off, cut. Weave in the thread tail inside of the piece.



Legs+body:

The right leg.

Start crocheting with Alize Cotton Gold № 62 (cream).

Stuff the foot and the part till the knee firmly, then stuff the middle part slightly, the top part doesn't need to be stuffed (about 1.5 cm).

Stuff the body firmly as you go.

1round: Make ch7, from the 2-nd ch from the hook: inc, 4sc, 4sc into one ch, along the other side of the chain – 4sc, inc (16)

2round: 16sc

3round: inc, 7sc, inc, 7sc (18)

4-5rounds: 18sc (2 rounds)

6round: (dec, 7sc)*2 (16)

In the next round pay attention to the location of hdc stitches (see the photo), they should be located in the middle of foot.

Work shift stitches if needed.

7round: 11sc, 5hdc, ch1 – turn the work,

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- skip 1 stitch, 2sc, skip 1 stitch, 1sc, ch1 – turn the work.

Place marker to this point and continue crocheting in rounds.

8round: 3sc, 3sc across the side edge, 2sc,

7sl st, 2sc, 3sc across the side edge (20)

9round: 5sc, dec, 8sc, dec, 3sc (18) – when we are working into slip stitches, insert the hook into both loops in the round 8 (see the photo).

10round: 7sc, dec, 5sc, dec, 2sc (16)

11round: 16 sc

12round: 1sc, dec, 6sc, dec, 5sc (14)

13-16rounds: 14sc (4 rounds)

17round: (2sc, inc)*4, 2sc (18)

18-23rounds: 18sc (6 rounds)

24round: (2sc, dec)*4, 2sc (14)



Legs+body:

25round: 9sc, 4inc, 1sc (18) – increases are located exactly in the middle. Work shift stitches if needed (see the photo).

26round: 18sc

27round: 9sc, 4dec, 1sc (14)

28round: 14sc

29round: 1sc, inc, 6sc, inc, 5sc (16) – increases at the sides.

30round: 16sc

31round: 1sc, inc, 7sc, inc, 6sc (18) – increases at the sides.

32round: 18sc

33round: 3sc, inc, 8sc, inc, 5sc (20) – increases at the sides.

34round: 20sc

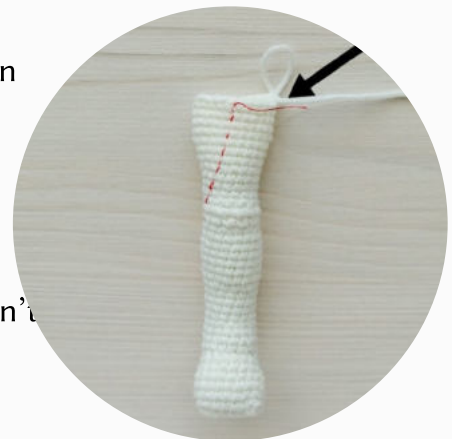
35round: 4sc, inc, 9sc, inc, 5sc (22)

36-38rounds: 22sc (3 rounds)

Work several additional sc (I worked 17sc) to shift the marker to the side (see the photo). Fasten off the thread on the first leg and cut.

The left leg.

Make the left leg in the same way as the right one, but don't cut the thread of cream color and continue crocheting.



Legs+body

39round: fold the edges of the left leg in half and crochet 11sc, make ch5 and join it with the right leg, fold the edges of the right leg in half and crochet 11sc.

40round: 11sc into half of the loops on the right leg, 5sc along the chain, 11sc into half of the loops on the left leg. Place marker (27) - short round.

41round: 11sc into half of the loops on the left leg, 5sc along the chain, 11sc into half of the loops on the right leg, 27sc into both loops. (54)

42-48rounds: 54sc (7 rounds)

In the next round change the cream thread to Alize Cotton Gold № 513 (crystal blue). Cut the thread of cream color.

49round: 54sc

50round: into BLO 54sc

51-53rounds: 54sc (3 rounds)



54round: dec, 26sc, dec, 24sc (52) - decreases at the sides

55round: 35sc, (dec, 1sc)*4, 5sc (48) – decreases in the middle of the back side

56round: 48sc

57round: 7sc, dec, 12sc, dec, 8sc, dec, 10sc, dec, 3sc (44)

58-60rounds: 44sc (3 rounds)

61round: 2sc, dec, 20sc, dec, 18sc (42)

62-64rounds: 42sc (3 rounds)

Legs+body:

65round: work several sc additionally (I worked 2sc) to shift the stitch marker exactly to the piece side. Change to body color YarnArt Jeans 87 (sand). Cut the thread Alize Cotton Gold № 513 (crystal blue).

Crochet BLO: 42sc (42)

In the next round we are going to join the arms. Make sure they are located symmetrically at the body sides. Work shift stitches if needed. The thumbs should be facing towards us.

66round: crochet 6sc, inserting the hook into the arm and the body layers, 14sc, 6sc, inserting the hook into the arm and the body layers, 16sc (42)

67round: (5sc, dec)*6 (36)

68round: 2sc, dec, (4sc, dec)*5, 2sc (30)

69round: (3sc, dec)*6 (24)

70round: (2sc, dec)*6 (18)

71round: (4sc, dec)*3 (15)

72-75rounds: 15sc (4rounds)

Finish crocheting with sl st, fasten off the thread, cut, leaving a long thread tail for sewing.





Skirt:

Attach the thread Alize Cotton Gold № 513 (crystal blue) to the front loops of the round 49 at the back side. Hold the piece with the legs facing down while crocheting (see the photo). The arms can be fixed with pins, so they won't interfere the skirt crocheting (see the photo). Start every round with 3 turning ch and finish with sl st.

1round: 3DC into every stitch (162)

2-4rounds: 162DC (3 rounds)

5round: into one stitch (1DC, ch3, sl st into the third stitch from the hook, 1DC)*162.

Finish with sl st. Fasten off the thread, weave in the thread ends.



Straps:

Attach the thread Alize Cotton Gold № 513 (crystal blue) to the front loops of the round 64 at the front side with sl st. Make ch10 (the chain should be necessarily put on the toy to make sure the chain length is enough. If not, then make more/less chain loops), join the strap with sl st to the front loops of the round 64 at the back side. Fasten off the thread and cut, weave in the thread tails inside of the piece. Make the second strap in the same way.





Head:

Crochet with the yarn YarnArt Jeans # 87 (sand).

Stuff firmly as you go.

1round: 6sc in MR (6)

2round: 6inc (12)

3round: (sc, inc)*6 (18)

4round: 1sc, inc, (2sc, inc)*5, 1sc (24)

5round: (3sc, inc)*6 (30)

6round: 2sc, inc, (4sc, inc)*5, 2sc (36)

7round: (5sc, inc)*6 (42)

8round: 3sc, inc, (6sc, inc)*5, 3sc (48)

9round: (7sc, inc)*6 (54)

10round: 4sc, inc, (8sc, inc)*5, 4sc (60)

11-15rounds: 60sc (5rounds)

16round: (9sc, inc)*6 (66)

17-19rounds: 66sc (3rounds)

In the next round we are going to make openings for eyes.

20round: 28sc, ch1, skip 1 stitch, 8sc, ch1, skip 1 stitch, 28sc (66)

21-24rounds: 66sc (4rounds)

Insert the eyes into the openings and secure them.

25round: (9sc, dec)*6 (60)

26round: 4sc, dec, (8sc, dec)*5, 4sc (54)

27round: (7sc, dec)*6 (48)

28round: 3sc, dec, (6sc, dec)*5, 3sc (42)

Start stuffing.

29round: (5sc, dec)*6 (36)

30round: 2sc, dec, (4sc, dec)*5, 2sc (30)

31round: (3sc, dec)*6 (24)

32round: 1sc, dec, (2sc, dec)*5, 1sc (18)

33round: (3sc, dec)*3, 2sc, sl st (15)

Fasten off the thread and cut, weave in the thread tail inside of the piece.

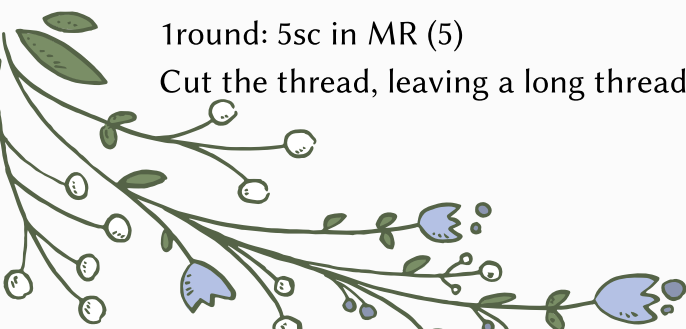
Ears:

Make two pieces using the yarn YarnArt Jeans № 87 (sand).

When making a magic ring, leave a long thread tail for sewing. We will use it for sewing the ears to the head.

1round: 5sc in MR (5)

Cut the thread, leaving a long thread tail for sewing.





Needle sculpting for face:

Make a needle sculpting, be guided with the photos. Take a long strong thread. In this case I used the same thread, which was used for the doll crocheting. Insert the needle as close to the eyes as possible.

The points 5 and 6 are located at the last round of the head, in the middle of front side. Insert the needle into the point 5 and pull it out from the point 1. Then insert the needle into the point 2 and pull it out from the point 6. Then make a needle sculpting for the second eye. Insert the needle into the point 5 and pull it out from the point 3. Then insert the needle into the point 4 and pull out from the point 6. Pull the thread ends very carefully, trying to pull the eyes evenly and not so tightly. Tie a knot and weave in the thread tails inside of the piece.





Details:

Embroider the nose.

Mark 2 points with pins, they are located between the rounds 22 and 23 on the head, the distance between these points is 3 stitches. Make two stitches with the thread YarnArt Jeans № 71 (sand) from one pin to the other pin.

Wind the thread around these two stitches using a threaded needle.



Make a white stitches around the eyes.

Embroider the eyelashes above the eyes using a black thread. Embroider eyebrows. Pull the black and the white thread tails through the head opening.

When everything is finished, tie the thread ends into a knot and weave in inside of the head.





Details:

Sew the ears.

Mark 2 points with pins: the upper edge is located between the rounds 19 and 20 on the head; the lower edge is located between the rounds 21 and 22. Count 8 stitches from the eye edge. Sew ears to the head.



Blushes.

Paint the cheeks and the nose slightly, using blusher or hard pastels.





Hair:

Crochet with the thread Alize Cotton Baby Soft color 01 (cream).

Try the wig on the head as you go, it should fit closely to the head.

You may probably need to work more or less rounds, because we all have different crochet density.

1round: 6sc in MR (6)

2round: crochet BLO - 6inc (12)

3round: crochet BLO - (sc, inc)*6 (18)

4round: crochet BLO - 1sc, inc, (2sc, inc)*5, 1sc (24)

5round: crochet BLO - (3sc, inc)*6 (30)

6round: crochet BLO - 2sc, inc, (4sc, inc)*5, 2sc (36)

7round: crochet BLO - (5sc, inc)*6 (42)

8round: 3sc, inc, (6sc, inc)*5, 3sc (48)

9round: (7sc, inc)*6 (54)

10round: 4sc, inc, (8sc, inc)*5, 4sc (60)

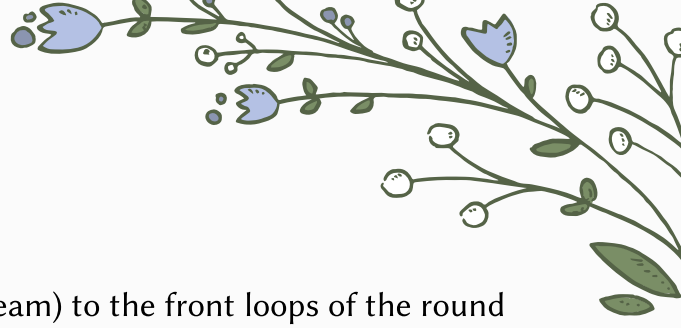
11-19rounds: 60sc (9 rounds)

20round: start crocheting bangs - 18sc, make ch7, crochet along the chain from the second ch from the hook 6sc, (sc, make ch9, crochet along the chain from the second ch from the hook 8sc)*8, (sc, make ch15, crochet along the chain from the second ch from the hook 14sc)*7, (sc, make ch9, crochet along the chain from the second ch from the hook 8sc)*8, sc, make ch 7, crochet along the chain from the second ch from the hook 6sc, 18sc.

Finish crocheting with sl st.

Fasten off the thread, cut, leaving a long thread tail for sewing.





Hair:

Attach the thread Alize cotton baby soft color 01 (cream) to the front loops of the round 7. Make ch46. Crochet along the chain from the second ch from the hook 45sc, skip one stitch, sl st. Make ch46, crochet along the chain from the second ch from the hook 45sc, skip one stitch, sl st. Continue crocheting in this way around. I got 17 hair strands.

Go one round higher, work sl st into front loop of the round 6. Make ch46. Crochet along the chain from the second ch from the hook 45sc, skip one stitch, 2sl st. Make ch46, crochet along the chain from the second ch from the hook 45sc, skip one stitch, 2sl st. Continue crocheting around in the same way. I got 9 hair strands.

Go one round higher, work sl st into front loop of the round 5. Make ch46. Crochet along the chain from the second ch from the hook 45sc, skip one stitch, 2sl st. Make ch46, crochet along the chain from the second ch from the hook 45sc, skip one stitch, 2sl st. Continue crocheting around in the same way. I got 7 hair strands.





Hair:

Go one round higher, work sl st into front loop of the round 4. Make ch46. Crochet along the chain from the second ch from the hook 45sc, skip one stitch, 2sl st. Make ch46, crochet along the chain from the second ch from the hook 45sc, skip one stitch, 2sl st. Continue crocheting around in the same way. I got 5 hair strands.

Go one round higher, work sl st into front loop of the round 3. Make ch46. Crochet along the chain from the second ch from the hook 45sc, skip one stitch, 2sl st. Make ch46, crochet along the chain from the second ch from the hook 45sc, skip one stitch, 2sl st. Continue crocheting around in the same way. I got 5 hair strands.

Go one round higher, work sl st into front loop of the round 2. Make ch46. Crochet along the chain from the second ch from the hook 45sc, skip one stitch, 2sl st. Make ch46, crochet along the chain from the second ch from the hook 45sc, skip one stitch, 2sl st. Continue crocheting around in the same way. I got 3 hair strands. The last hair strand isn't attached with sl st. Take a needle, thread it and insert into MR, pull the thread. Fasten off the thread, cut. The wig is finished.





Hair:

Try the wig on the head. At first fix the wig with pins around and sew. I sew using a backstitch.

Start making bangs details. At first fix short bangs with pins. Then fix the medium hair strands and then the longest hair strands of the bangs. The hair can be slightly twisted and fixed for neatly looking hairstyle. At first put them to one ear, then to the other one. When all the hair strands are fixed, sew them to the head.





Assembly:

Take a piece of wire with the length of 11 cm, wrap the ends with adhesive tape. At first insert the wire into the doll's body. Add fiberfill to the neck. The neck should be stuffed firmly. Put the head on the neck, fix it with pins. Sew it around with a strong seam.





Pointe shoes:

Make two pieces using the yarn Alize Cotton Gold № 513 (crystal blue).

Make ch8, from the second ch from the hook:

1round: 6sc, 3sc into the last stitch, along the other side of the chain - 5sc, inc (16)

2round: inc, 5sc, 3inc, 5sc, 2inc (22)

3round: 1sc, inc, 5sc, (1sc, inc)*3, 5sc, (1sc, inc)*2 (28)

4round: 2sc, inc, 5sc, (2sc, inc)*3, 5sc, (2sc, inc)*2 (34)

5-7rounds: 34Sc (3 rounds)

8round: 11sc, 6dec, 11sc, sl st (28)

Fasten off the thread, weave in the thread tail.

Prepare two pieces of satin ribbon with the length of 20 cm.

Sew them to the sides of pointe shoes.





**Tie a bow on the head. Put on the pointe shoes.
And your Stepha, the ballerina doll is finished!!!**

