Mini Cactus Cat Amiguruni Crochet Pattern





Yarn

Mini Cactus Cat - Light Green Version:

· Super Bulky Chenille: Light Green (25 grams), Cream (15 grams), Light Yellow (10 grams), Light Coral (5 grams), Green (2 grams), Brown (15 grams), Fuchsia (5 grams).

Mini Cactus Cat - Spotted Version:

· Super Bulky Chenille: Green (20 grams), Light Green (15 grams), Light Yellow (10 grams), Orange (5 grams), Bright Brown (20 grams), Light Pink (5 grams).

Other Materials

Main Crochet Hook: size 4.0mm. Fiberfill. Black Safety Eyes 10mm (x2). Scissors & yarn needle. Stitch Marker.

Measures

Height of the cat inside the pot made with the indicated yarn: 5.3 inches.

About Chenille Yarn

I always work this yarn with a 4.0mm crochet hook. If you crochet very tightly you may need to use a bigger hook, possibly 5.0mm.

Sometimes it is normal to make a mistake while working the pattern. If you need to remove a round you must do so carefully because this yarn tends to fray a lot and often gets stuck. Be patient.

Sewing parts with this type of yarn, can be a complicated process because this yarn frays easily. I recommend using a finer, resistant cotton yarn to sew the parts because it will be much easier to use. Try to find the most similar color.

When you have to work with this yarn and a sewing needle, you should try to look for one that has as large a hole as possible, so that the yarn deteriorates as little as possible.

You can work this pattern with any chenille yarn that meets the following requirements (100g / 3.5oz - 120m / 131yds). Below you can find the most used ones and with which you will obtain the best results:

· Katia Bambi, Himalaya Dolphin Baby, Premier Parfait Chunky, Hobbii Honey Bunny

Note: This type of yarn is difficult to visualize on many occasions, so in some processes I will include photographs for your help taken using another yarn that is easier to see.

Abbreviations

chain stitch

Citatii Stitcii
single crochet stitch
double crochet stitch
half double crochet stitch
triple crochet stitch
slip stitch
skip
increase (2 sc into the same stitch).
invisible decrease (2 sc together in 1 stitch).
round / rounds
stitch / stitches
Back Loop Only
Front Loop Only
Third Loop Only
Work the instructions between the brackets and repeat them as many times as indicated in the number after the closing bracket, before the "x". Ex: [sc 2, inc] 2x
Work the instructions between the curly brackets into the same stitch
total number os stitches at the end of a round/row.
a bobble stitch made of "x" double crochet stitches.

General Tips

All parts of this pattern are worked with the main crochet hook listed in the Materials section. If you have to use another size hook it will be indicated on the pattern.

Always use stitch marker to make it easier for you to count the stitches of your round and follow the pattern.

Stuff your project generously, but not too tightly. If you do, the design will lose its shape. For this process I recommend stuffing the pieces while you crochet them, so it will be easier for you.

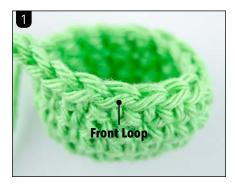
Please note that safety eyes are not recommended for children under 3 years of age. In this case, you must make embroidered eyes.

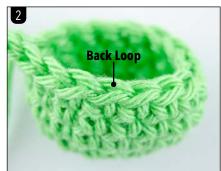
All my patterns are worked in continuous rounds. When you must work in joined rounds you will have a note at the beginning of the part you are going to crochet.

Tutorials

Stitch Loops

In these photos you can see the front loop (photo 1) and the back loop (photo 2) of a single crochet stitch.



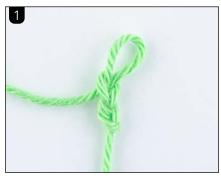


Starting Ring

The beginning of some pieces of this pattern will not use a regular Magic Ring. We will use another way to start.

Ch 2 (photo 1), sc 8 in 2nd ch from hook (photos 2 & 3).

If you prefer, you can also replace this starting way with a Magic Ring with sc 8.







SC Increase

Insert the hook under both loops of the indicated stitch, make a single crochet (photo 1), insert your hook under both loops of the same stitch and make a second single crochet (photo 2).





Invisible SC Decrease

Insert hook into the front loop of the first stitch of the decrease, insert the hook into the front loop of the next stitch of the decrease, yarn over and draw through both loop on hook, yarn over and draw through last two loops on hook (photo 2).

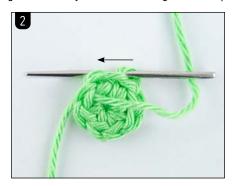




Invisible Fasten Off

Skip next stitch. Insert the needle into both loops of next stitch, pull yarn through (photo 1). Insert the needle through the back loop of the starting stitch (photo 2) and tighten it just enough so that the join looks like a regular stitch (photo 3).







Color Change

Make the color change while doing the last step of the last stitch in the first color as follows: work the last stitch with the first color until you only have two loops on the hook (photo 1). Now with the new color, grab it around the hook and pull through the 2 remaining loops on your hook (photo 2). The next stitch you make will be the first stitch in the new color (photo 3).



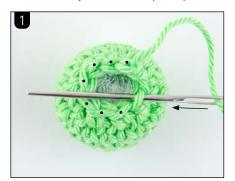


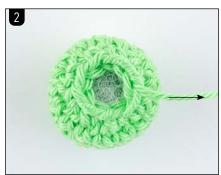


Close using the front loops of the last stitches

Pull the yarn out of the last stitch. Now with your needle, pass the yarn through the front loops of the last stitches of the last round (from outside to inside). Pull the yarn tightly to close the piece (photos 1, 2 & 3).

Then hide the yarn inside the piece (photos 4 & 5).







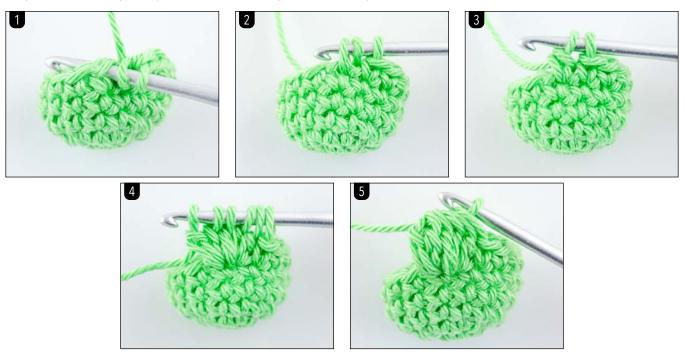




Bobble dc 5

Yarn over, insert the hook into the indicated stitch (photo 1), yarn over and draw the yarn through the stitch. You now have three loops on the hook (photo 2). Yarn over the hook again and pull it through the first two loops on the hook. One half-closed double crochet is complete, and 2 loops remain on the hook (photo 3). In the same stitch, repeat the preceding steps four times. You should have 6 loops on your hook (photo 4). Yarn over your hook and draw the yarn through all 6 loops on the hook. One Bobble dc 5 stitch is complete (photo 5).

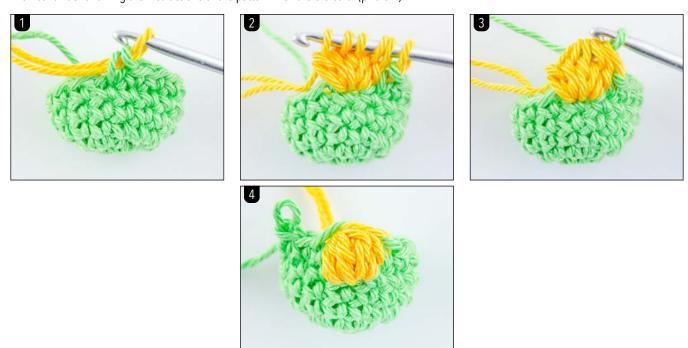
It is possible that in the pattern you have to do this same process but making a different number of dc stitches.



Bobble dc 5 with a new color

To do this process you must make the color change as explained previously in the stitch before starting the bobble stitch (*photo 1*). Then do the booble stitch as explained in the previous tutorial (*photo 2*). Finally you must take the old color to make the last yarn over and draw it through all loops on your hook (*photo 3*).

Then continue following the instructions of the pattern with the old color (photo 4).



Mini Cactus Cat -Light Green version

Tail

With light green yarn ch 2, sc 6 in second ch from hook.

01 - 02.	(2 rnds) sc 6	(6 sts)
03.	sc 2, bobble dc 3, sc 2, bobble dc 3	(6 sts)
04.	sc 6	(6 sts)
05.	sc 2, dec, sc 2	(5 sts)
06.	sc 1, bobble dc 3, sc 3	(5 sts)
07.	sc 5	(5 sts)
08.	sc 3, dec. Invisible fasten off (photo 1)	(4 sts)



Leave the tail aside because you will use it later.

Tail Flower

Place the Starting Ring on the right side to work this part. Attach a new light coral yarn in 4th st between the starting ring and rnd 1 (photo 2).

 $\textbf{01.} \qquad [\{ \text{ch } 2 + \text{hdc } 1 + \text{ch } 1 + \text{slst } 1 \} \text{ to the same st } (photo 3)] \text{ 5x, slst } 1 \text{ in } 1 \text{st ch of this rnd } (photo 4)$ (26 sts)

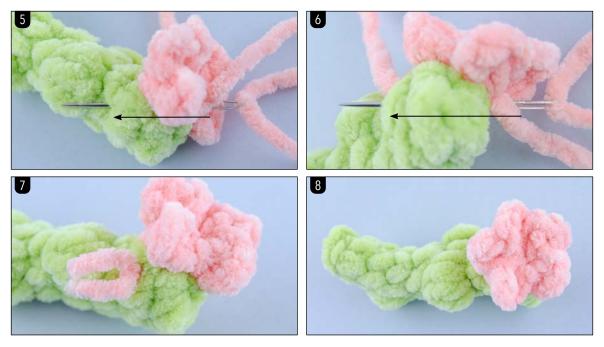






At this moment the tail has two tails (the tail from finishing the flower and the one left when attaching the yarn to start making it). Using your needle, pull these tails out through a stitch of your choice away from the flower (photo 5 & 6).

Tie a knot with these tails and hide them inside the tail (photos 7 & 8).



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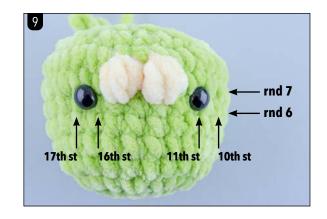
Head and Body

With light green yarn ch 2, sc 8 in second ch from hook.

01.	[inc] 8x	(16 sts)
02.	[sc 1, inc] 8x	(24 sts)
03.	sc 24	(24 sts)
04.	[sc 2, inc, sc 3] 4x	(28 sts)
05 - 06.	(2 rnds) sc 28	(28 sts)
07.	sc 7, [inc] 4x, sc 1, cream color , bobble dc 3, sc 1,	
	bobble dc 3, light green color , sc 1,	
	[inc] 4x, sc 8	(36 sts)
08.	sc 36	(36 sts)
09.	[sc 1, dec] 12x	(24 sts)
10.	[dec] 12x	(12 sts)

Put the 10mm black safety eyes between rnds 6 and 7. The first eye will be placed between stitches 10 and 11. The second eye will be placed between stitches 16 and 17 (photo 9).

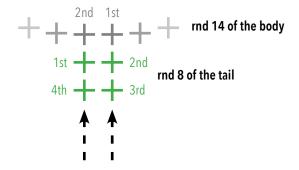
11.	FLO [inc] 6x	(24 sts)
12.	sc 9, cream color , bobble dc 5,	
	light green color, sc 4, cream color, bobble dc 5,	
	light green color, sc 9	(24 sts)
13.	sc 10, [inc] 4x, sc 10	(28 sts)
14.	sc 28	(28 sts)



In the next round you will join the tail to the body.

15. Flatten the open part of the tail. Insert your hook through the third and second sc of the last rnd of the tail (photo 10) and the first st of of the body (photo 11). sc 1 (photo 12)

Look at the chart below to help you.





15. Now insert your hook through the fourth and first sc of the last rnd of the tail (photo 13) and the second st of the body (photo 14). sc 1 (photo 15)



- 15. sc 6, cream color, bobble dc 5, light green color, sc 1, [dec] 4x, sc 1, cream color, bobble dc 5, light green color, sc 8
- (24 sts)

16. FLO [sc 1, dec] 8x (16 sts)

17. [dec] 8x (8 sts)

Stuff the head and body.

Close using the front loops of the last stitches. Fasten off (photo 16).

Optionally you can add a small amount of glue to the base of the tail to attach it to the body (photo 17).



Left Ear

To make the left ear you will work between rnds 2 and 5 of the body. You can add pins to help you.

Place the cat with its face facing you (and its legs to the left) to work this part.

Attach a new light green yarn in 5th st between rnds 2 and 3 (photo 3).

Q1.
$$\{ ch \ 1 + hdc \ 2 + ch \ 2 + slst \ 1 \text{ in } 2nd \ ch \ from \ hook} \}$$
 to the same st $(photo \ 4)$ (6 sts)







Jump to 5th st between rnd 3 and 4 (photo 21).

02. hdc 2 (photo 22) (2 sts)





Jump to 6th st between rnd 4 and 5 (photo 23).

03. slst 1 (1 st)

Repeat the process to secure the tails of this part as you did with the tail flower (photo 24).





Right Ear

To make the right ear you will work between rnds 2 and 5 of the body. You can add pins to help you.

Place the cat with its face facing you (and its legs to the right) to work this part.

Attach a new light green yarn in 21th st between rnds 4 and 5 (photo 25).

(6 sts)
$${ch 1 + hdc 2 + ch 2 + slst 1 in 2nd ch from hook} to the same st$$

Jump to 18th st between rnd 3 and 4.

Jump to 18th st between rnd 2 and 3.

Repeat the process to secure the tails of this part as you did with the other ear (photo 26).





Nose

To embroider the nose you will need your needle and a new Green yarn. Add 3 small stitches between the bobble stitches of the head between rnds 6 and 7. Then you can add another stitch horizontally down to rnd 8 (photos 27, 28 & 29).







Cheeks

Make the cheeks under the eyes with a little blush and a soft brush (photo 30).

Spots

To make the spots you will need your needle and a new light yellow yarn. Add random stitches on the head and body. Optionally you can add two small stitches on each side of the snout to simulate the cat's whiskers (photos 31 & 32).







Flower

With light yellow yarn ch 2, sc 5 in second ch from hook.

01. fuchsia color, [slst 1, {ch 2 + hdc 1 + ch 2 + slst 1} to the same st] 5x, slst 1 in first sc of this rnd. Fasten off (photo 33) (36 sts)

Glue the flower to the top of your cat's head.



Heart Pot

With brown yarn ch 2, sc 8 in second ch from hook.

01.	[inc] 8x	(16 sts)
02.	[sc 1, inc] 8x	(24 sts)
03.	[sc 2, inc] 8x	(32 sts)
04.	BLO sc 32	(32 sts)
05.	[sc 7, inc] 2x, sc 3, cream color, sc 1, brown color,	,
	sc 3, inc, sc 7, inc	(36 sts)
06.	sc 20, cream color, sc 3, brown color, sc 13	(36 sts)
07.	sc 19, cream color, sc 5, brown color, sc 12	(36 sts)
08.	sc 19, cream color, sc 2, brown color, sc 1,	
	cream color, sc 2, brown color, sc 12	(36 sts)
09.	sc 36 (photo 34)	(36 sts)



Finishing

Finally, place the cactus cat inside the heart-shaped pot.



Mini Cactus Cat - Spotted version

Tail

With green yarn ch 2, sc 6 in second ch from hook.

01 - 02.	(2 rnds) sc 6	(6 sts)
03.	sc 2, bobble dc 3, sc 2, bobble dc 3	(6 sts)
04.	sc 6	(6 sts)
05.	sc 2, dec, sc 2	(5 sts)
06.	sc 1, bobble dc 3, sc 3	(5 sts)
06.	sc 1, bobble dc 3, sc 3	(5 sts)
07.	sc 5	(5 sts)
08.	sc 3, dec. Invisible fasten off	(4 sts)

Leave the tail aside because you will use it later.

Tail Flower

Place the Starting Ring on the right side to work this part. Attach a new light yellow yarn in 4th st between the starting ring and rnd 1.

Repeat the process to secure the tails of this part as you did in the previous design.

Head and Body

With light green yarn ch 2, sc 8 in second ch from hook.

01.	[inc] 8x	(16 sts)
02.	[sc 1, inc] 5x, light green color , sc 1, inc, sc 1,	
	green color, inc, sc 1, inc	(24 sts)
03.	sc 15, light green color, sc 5, green color, sc 4	(24 sts)
04.	sc 2, inc, [sc 5, inc] 2x, light green color , sc 5,	(= : :::)
	green color, inc, sc 3	(28 sts)
05.	sc 8, light green color, sc 3, green color, sc 7,	, ,
	light green color, sc 5, green color, sc 5	(28 sts)
06.	sc 8, light green color, sc 4, green color, sc 7,	(/
	light green color, sc 3, green color, sc 6	(28 sts)
07.	sc 7, [inc] 2x, light green color , [inc] 2x, sc 1,	(2000)
• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	bobble dc 3, sc 1, bobble dc 3, green color , sc 1,	
	[inc] 4x, sc 8	(36 sts)
08.	sc 36	(36 sts)
09.	[sc 1, dec] 12x	(24 sts)
	- , -	, ,
10.	[dec] 12x	(12 sts)

Put the 10mm black safety eyes between rnds 6 and 7. The first eye will be placed between stitches 10 and 11. The second eye will be placed between stitches 16 and 17.

11.	FLO [inc] 6x	(24 sts)
12.	sc 9, light green color , bobble dc 5,	
	green color, sc 4, light green color,	
	bobble dc 5, green color , sc 9	(24 sts)
13.	sc 10, [inc] 4x, sc 10	(28 sts)
14.	sr 28	(28 sts)

In the next round you will join the tail to the body.

15. Flatten the open part of the tail. Insert your hook through the third and second sc of the last rnd of the tail and the first st of the body. sc 1

Look at the chart on page 7 to help you.

Now insert your hook through the fourth and first sc of the last rnd of the tail and the second st of the body. sc 1

sc 6, light yellow color, bobble dc 5, light green color, sc 1, [dec] 4x, sc 1, light yellow color, bobble dc 5, light green color, sc 8 (24 sts)

16. FLO [sc 1, dec] 8x (16 sts)

17. [dec] 8x (8 sts)

Stuff the head and body.

Close using the front loops of the last stitches. Fasten off.

Optionally you can add a small amount of glue to the base of the tail to attach it to the body.

Left Ear

To make the left ear you will work between rnds 2 and 5 of the body. You can add pins to help you.

Place the cat with its face facing you (and its legs to the left) to work this part.

Attach a new light green yarn in 5th st between rnds 2 and 3.

(6 sts)
$${\cosh 1 + hdc 2 + ch 2 + slst 1 in 2nd ch from hook} to the same st$$

Jump to 5th st between rnd 3 and 4.

Jump to 6th st between rnd 4 and 5.

Repeat the process to secure the tails of this part as you did in the previous design.

Right Ear

To make the right ear you will work between rnds 2 and 5 of the body. You can add pins to help you.

Place the cat with its face facing you (and its legs to the right) to work this part.

Attach a new green yarn in 21th st between rnds 4 and 5.

(6 sts)
$${ch 1 + hdc 2 + ch 2 + slst 1 in 2nd ch from hook} to the same st$$

Jump to 18th st between rnd 3 and 4.

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Repeat the process to secure the tails of this part as you did in the previous design.

Nose

To embroider the nose you will need your needle and a new light pink yarn. Add 3 small stitches between the bobble stitches of the head between rnds 6 and 7. Then you can add another stitch horizontally down to rnd 8.

Cheeks

To make the cheeks use light pink yarn and your needle. Just add 2 small stitches under each eye (1 st long). Place them between rnds 7 and 8, one st outward from each eye (photo 35).

Spots

To make the spots you will need your needle and a new light yellow yarn. Add random stitches on the head and body.



Flower

With light yellow yarn ch 2, sc 5 in second ch from hook.

orange color, [slst 1, {ch 2 + hdc 1 + ch 2 + slst 1} to the same st] 5x, slst 1 in first sc of this rnd.

Fasten off (36 sts)

Glue the flower to the top of your cat's head.

Pot

With bright brown yarn ch 2, sc 8 in second ch from hook.

01.	[inc] 8x	(16 sts)
02.	[sc 1, inc] 8x	(24 sts)
03.	[sc 2, inc] 8x	(32 sts)
04.	BLO sc 32	(32 sts)
05.	[sc 7, inc] 4x	(36 sts)
06 - 09.	(4 rnds) sc 36. Invisible fasten off	(36 sts)

To make the edge of the pot, place it with the hole facing you to work this part.

Attach a new bright brown yarn in front loop of 1st st of rnd 9 of the pot.

Fold this round down to finish the pot (photo 36).



Finishing

Finally, place the cactus cat inside the pot.







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