



Crocheted Shark

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Welcome!

I hope you will enjoy the creation of this shark! Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions that you may have along the way. Have fun!

Materials You Will Need:

Crochet hook size: G/4.25mm

Worsted weight yarn: Gray, white, and black

Yarn needle

One pair of 12 mm safety eyes (also called shank back eyes; they are sold at Etsy, Walmart, your local craft store, Amazon, ebay, etc.)

Note: The safety eyes are highly recommended, but they can be substituted with black buttons or yarn if you prefer

Polyester fiber fill stuffing

Straight pins, for holding shark belly in place as you sew it on (optional)

Black sewing thread and needle

Final measurement for the finished shark will be about 9 inches long and 5 inches tall.

Abbreviations:

ch(s) – chain/chains

sc – single crochet

sts – stitches

dec – sc decrease st*

***Single crochet decrease stitch explanation:**

Insert the hook into the next stitch and yarn over. Pull a loop through so that there are now 2 loops on the hook. Insert the hook into the next stitch and yarn over. Pull a loop through so that there are now 3 loops on the hook. Yarn over again and pull the loop of yarn through all 3 loops on the hook.

Note: In making this shark, you will be working in continuous rounds.

Shark's Body

With gray yarn,

Round 1: Ch 2, 6 sc in first ch. (6 sts)

R2: (Sc 1, 2 sc in next sc), 3 times. (9 sts)

R3: (Sc 2, 2 sc in next sc), 3 times. (12 sts)

R4: (Sc 3, 2 sc in next sc), 3 times. (15 sts)

R5: (Sc 4, 2 sc in next sc), 3 times. (18 sts)

R6: (Sc 5, 2 sc in next sc), 3 times. (21 sts)

R7: (Sc 6, 2 sc in next sc), 3 times. (24 sts)

R8: (Sc 7, 2 sc in next sc), 3 times. (27 sts)

R9: Sc 27.

R10: (Sc 8, 2 sc in next sc), 3 times. (30 sts)

R11: Sc 30.

R12: (Sc 9, 2 sc in next sc), 3 times. (33 sts)

R13: Sc 33.

R14: (Sc 10, 2 sc in next sc), 3 times. (36 sts)

R15: Sc 36.

R16: (Sc 11, 2 sc in next sc), 3 times. (39 sts)

R17: Sc 39.

R18: (Sc 11, dec 1), 3 times. (36 sts)

R19: Sc 36.

R20: (Sc 10, dec 1), 3 times. (33 sts)

Here, begin firmly stuffing the head, pushing the stuffing into the very tip of the shark's nose. Then, place 12 mm eyes into either side of the head, between R11 and R12. They should be about 17 sts apart across the bottom of the head. (If you lay the shark body flat, the eyes should be on top of each other.)

Secure by firmly pushing the washers onto the backs of the eyes.

R21: Sc 33.

R22: (Sc 9, dec 1), 3 times. (30 sts)

R23: Sc 30.

R24: (Sc 8, dec 1), 3 times. (27 sts)

R25: (Sc 7, dec 1), 3 times. (24 sts)

Continue to stuff the shark as you go.

R26: (Sc 6, dec 1), 3 times. (21 sts)

R27: Sc 21.

R28: (Sc 5, dec 1), 3 times. (18 sts)

R29: Sc 18.

R30: (Sc 4, dec 1), 3 times. (15 sts)

R31: Sc 15.

R32: (Sc 3, dec 1), 3 times. (12 sts)

R33: Sc 12.

Stuff firmly before decreasing further.

R34: (Sc 2, dec 1), 3 times. (9 sts)

R35-38: Sc 9. (4 total rows)

Here, finish stuffing the body firmly. Using a wooden stuffing tool, make sure the body is evenly and firmly stuffed throughout.

R39: Dec 4.

Now, fasten off and use yarn tail to sew the small opening closed. Weave in end.

Note: By "weave in end," I mean take the needle and push it through the part of the body you're working on and out the other side. Cut off extra yarn so that the end is hidden inside body.

Shark Belly

With white yarn,

R1: Ch 10, turn, sc 9.

R2: Ch 1, turn, sc 4, 2 sc in next sc, sc 4. (10 sts)

R3: Ch 1, turn, (sc 4, 2 sc in next sc), 2 times. (12 sts)

R4: Ch 1, turn, (sc 5, 2 sc in next sc), 2 times. (14 sts)

R5: Ch 1, turn, (sc 6, 2 sc in next sc), 2 times. (16 sts)

R6: Ch 1, turn, (sc 7, 2 sc in next sc), 2 times. (18 sts)

R7: Ch 1, turn, sc 18.

R8-10: Repeat R7. (3 total rows)

Note: Do not ch 1 in any of the following rounds, unless otherwise noted.

R11: Turn, sc 17.

R12: Turn, sc 16.

R13: Turn, sc 15.

R14: Turn, sc 14.

R15: Turn, sc 13.
 R16: Turn, sc 12.
 R17: Turn, sc 11.
 R18: Turn, sc 10.
 R19: Turn, sc 9.
 R20: Turn, sc 8.
 R21: Turn, sc 7.
 R22: Turn, sc 6.
 R23: Turn, sc 5.
 R24: Turn, sc 4.
 R25: Ch 1, turn, sc 4.
 R26-28: Repeat R25. (3 total rows)
 R29: Turn, sc 3.
 R30: Ch 1, turn, sc 3.
 R31-32: Repeat R30.
 R33: Turn, sc 2.



Fasten off, leaving a very long tail for sewing. Position this white belly onto the bottom of the shark's body, starting at R5, and extending all the way to the back tip of the body. Pull on the first few rows of the belly to stretch it out so that it is straight across at the top. Now, line up the belly so that there are 2 sts between the eye and the start of the white belly on either side.

Use straight pins to hold the belly in place while you sew it on. With your yarn needle, sew the belly onto the shark from the top (see picture). Insert your needle down through the top of the belly and up through the white a few stitches over. Continue all the way around the belly a few times until there are no more loose sections. Remove the straight pins as you go. Fasten off and weave in ends.

Side Fins (make 2)

With gray yarn,

R1: Ch 2, 4 sc in first ch. (4 sts)
 R2: (Sc 1, 2 sc in next), 6 times. (You will now have 10 sts around.)
 R3-6: Sc 10. (4 total rows)
 R7: (Sc 4, 2 sc in next sc), 2 times. (12 sts)
 R8: Sc 12.
 R9: (Sc 5, 2 sc in next sc), 2 times. (14 sts)

Fasten off, leaving long tail for sewing to body. Do not stuff. For each fin, count 7 sts back from the eyes, and then sew the fins to the body just above where the white belly starts. Weave in end.

Top Fin

With gray yarn,

R1: Ch 2, 4 sc in first ch. (4 sts)
 R2: (Sc 1, 2 sc in next), 8 times. (You will now have 12 sts around.)
 R3-7: Sc 12. (5 total rows)



Fasten off. Using your crochet hook or stuffing tool, push out the very top of this fin, and bend it backward so it has somewhat of a curve. Leave long tail for sewing. Do not stuff. Sew to very top of

the body, starting at R23 (or counting back 10 sts from the eyes). Also, count the number of stitches between the top fin and side fins on both sides to make sure it is even. The top fin should be just a little further back on the body than the side fins.



Back Fin Parts (make 2)

With gray yarn,

R1: Ch 2, 4 sc in first ch. (4 sts)

R2: (Sc 1, 2 sc in next sc), 7 times. (You will now have 11 sts around).

R3-5: Sc 11. (3 total rows)

R6: (Sc 1, dec 1), 5 times.

Fasten off and leave long tail for sewing to the other back fin part. After making the second back fin, sew them together at an angle (as pictured). Sew this completed back tail to the back of the body.

Gills

Take a long strand of black yarn, thread it onto your yarn needle and using a basic whip stitch, sew to the body as pictured above. Weave in ends. Do the same on the other side of the body.

Mouth

Take another black strand of yarn and with your yarn needle, sew on a mouth between R4 and R5 of the belly that is about 7 sts wide. Weave in black yarn ends.

Now, take a sewing needle and black thread and do several stitches on either side of each gill to hold them in place. Weave in your thread ends. Do the same on either side of the shark's mouth.



And there you go, you are done! Thank you so much for joining me in making a shark! Enjoy!

~Theresa