

# CROCHET TOY OCTOPUS

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This makes a hanging toy with spiral legs.

## REQUIREMENTS

8 ply yarn

3.00 crochet hook

small amount stuffing

## HEAD

Start: ch 3, sl st together to form a small circle.

Row 1: ch 1, 8 dc into circle, sl st into 1st dc.

Row 2: ch 1, \*1 dc into dc, 2 dc into dc (inc.1),\* repeat from \* to \* until end. sl st into 1st dc.

Row 3: ch 1, dc into each dc. sl st into 1st dc.

Row 4: ch 1, \*\*1 dc into each of the next two dc, inc.1\*\*, repeat from \*\* to \*\* until end, sl st into 1st dc.

Row 5: ch 1, 1 dc into each dc, sl st into 1st dc.

Row 6: repeat row 4

Row 7: ch 1, 1 dc into each dc, sl st into 1st dc.

Row 8 & 9: repeat row 7 twice

Row 10: ch 1, \*\*1 dc into each of the next two dc, dec 1\*\*, repeat from \*\* to \*\* until end, sl st into 1st dc.

Row 11: ch 1, 1 dc into each dc, sl st into 1st dc.

Row 12: repeat row 10, Stuff firmly

Row 13: ch 1, \*\*1 dc into dc, dec 1\*\*, repeat from \*\* to \*\* until end, sl st into 1st dc.

Row 14: ch 1, dec every dc, sl st end.

LEGS, repeat 8 times.

Cast on 40 ch

Row 1: treble into 3rd chain from end, tr twice into same ch. #3 tr into next ch #, repeat from # to end. The trebles will cause the leg to twist into a spiral - that is what we want.

## HAT

Ch 30, sl st into the 1st ch to form a large loop.

Ch 3, sl st into ring to form a small ring (tip of hat)

Row 1: ch 1, dc into sml ring 5 times.

Row 2: ch 1, 1dc, inc.1, to end, sl st into 1st dc.

Row 3 onward: repeat row 2 until it fits the head.

Next row: 3 treble into each stitch. end.

Stitch hat to head.

Sew on facial features.

## VARIATIONS

1. Contrast dc could be added to the trebles on the hat.
2. Hair (wool) could be added at same time as the hat.
3. Add a bow tie
4. Contrast feet - last 6 ch in contrast and first 8 trebles also.