

Books & Notebooks

AMIGURUMI PATTERN



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Most rounds are written in the following format:

Round number: (work a number of stitches, increase or decrease) x n times (total number of stitches in the round/row)

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Materials

- 3.5mm hook (US E, UK 9)
- 2.5mm hook (UK 12)
- 5mm (0.20") button
- Embroidery needle
- Stuffing
- Cardboard

Medium weight yarn:

- Yellow (23m / 25.15yd)
- Dark purple (23m / 25.15yd)
- White (9m / 9.84yd)

Fine weight yarn:

- Red (4m / 4.37yd)
- White (51m / 55.77yd)

Mercerized thread nº6:

- Beige (1m / 1.09yd)

Sewing Thread:

- Yellow
- Purple

Skill Level

Easy

Abbreviations

St: Stitch or stitches

Ch: chain

Slst: slip stitch

Sc: single crochet

Inc X: increase by working X number of stitches in same stitch

Final Size

Closed Book

10x6.5cm / 3.94x2.56"

Open Book

13.5x9.5cm / 5.31x3.74"

Instructions - Closed Book

Cover

Using the 3,5mm hook and the medium weight yarn in yellow.

The cover is worked in rows.

All stitches are worked in both loops.

Optional: when working in rows you can use the Inverted Crochet Technique so that all stitches in all rows face the same side. **p. 8**

Ch 23

Row 1: 1sc into the 2nd ch from the hook, (22st) 21sc, ch1, turn

Row 2-14: 22sc, ch1, turn (22st)

Row 15: 21sc, inc 3 (24st)

- Sc down the side.

- On the initial ch: inc 3, 20sc, inc 3 (26st)

- Sc up the other side.

- On top of Row 15: inc 3, 20sc (23st)

- Slst to the 22nd st of Row 15.

- Needle join and weave in ends.

Clasp (optional) **p. 9**

Using the 3,5mm hook and the medium weight yarn in yellow.

The clasp is worked in rows.

All stitches are worked in both loops.

Optional: when working in rows you can use the Inverted Crochet Technique so that all stitches in all rows face the same side. **p. 8**

Row 1: join with 1sc to the side of the cover, (3st) 2sc, ch1, turn

Row 2-8: 3sc, ch1, turn (3st)

Row 9: 1sc, ch2, 1sc (4st)

- Finish off and weave in ends.

Pages

Using the 3,5mm hook and the medium weight yarn in white.

The pages are worked in rows.

All stitches are worked in both loops.

Ch 32

Row 1: 1slst into the 2nd ch from the hook, (31st) 29sc, 1slst, ch1, turn

Row 2-3: 31sc, ch1, turn (31st)

Row 4: 1slst, 29sc, 1slst (31st)

- Leave a tail of ±1.5m (1.64yds).

- Attach the pages to the cover **p. 10**

- Attach the button. **p. 18**

Bookmark

Using the 2,5mm hook and the fine weight yarn in red.

The bookmark is worked in rows.

All stitches are worked in both loops.

- Leave a long tail in the beginning.

Ch 12

Row 1: 1slst into the 3rd ch from the hook, (10st) 9sc, ch1, turn

Row 2: 9sc, ch3, 1slst into the back loop of the 3rd ch from the hook (10st)

- Finish off and weave in ends.

- Attach the bookmark to the top of the pages and front of the cover.

Small Book

The small book is made exactly like the big book the only difference being that you need to use a 3mm hook and light weight yarn.

The only element different from the bigger book is the bookmark:

Bookmark

Using the 2,5mm hook and the fine weight yarn in red.

The bookmark is worked in rows.

All stitches are worked in both loops.

- Leave a long tail in the beginning.

Ch 9

Row 1: 1slst into the 3rd ch from the hook, 6sc, (7st) ch1, turn

Row 2: 6sc, ch3, 1slst into the back loop of the (7st) 3rd ch from the hook

- Finish off and weave in ends.

- Attach the bookmark to the top of the pages and front of the cover.

Instructions - Open Book

Cover

Using the 3,5mm hook and the medium weight yarn in dark purple.

The cover is worked in rows.

All stitches are worked in both loops.

Optional: when working in rows you can use the Inverted Crochet Technique so that all stitches in all rows face the same side. **p. 8**

Ch 23

Row 1: 1sc into the 2nd ch from the hook, (22st) 21sc, ch1, turn

Row 2-14: 22sc, ch1, turn (22st)

Row 15: 21sc, inc 3 (24st)

- Sc down the side.

- On the initial ch: inc 3, 20 sc, inc 3 (26st)

- Sc up the other side.

- On top of Row 15: inc 3, 20sc (23st)

- Slst to the 22nd st of Row 15.

- Needle join and weave in ends.

Clasp (optional) **p. 9**

Using the 3,5mm hook and the medium weight yarn in dark purple.

The clasp is worked in rows.

All stitches are worked in both loops.

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Row 1: join with 1sc to the side of the cover, (3st) 2sc, ch1, turn

Row 2-8: 3sc, ch1, turn (3st)

Row 9: 1sc, ch2, 1sc (4st)

- Finish off and weave in ends.

Bottom Page

Using the 2,5mm hook and the fine weight yarn in white.

The page is worked in rows.

All stitches are worked in both loops.

Ch 27

Row 1: 1sc into the 2nd ch from the hook, (26st) 25sc, ch1, turn

Row 2-19: 26sc, ch1, turn (26st)

Row 20: 25sc, inc 3 (28st)

- Sc down the side.

- On the initial ch: inc 3, 24sc, inc 3 (30st)

- Sc up the other side, inc 2 in the same space as the 1st st of Row 20.

- Needle join to the 1st st of Row 20.

- Weave in ends.

Top Page

Using the 2,5mm hook and the fine weight yarn in white.

The page is worked in rows.

All stitches are worked in both loops.

Ch 25

Row 1: 1sc into the 2nd ch from the hook, (24st) 23sc, ch1, turn

Row 2-19: 24sc, ch1, turn (24st)

Row 20: 23sc, inc 3 (26st)

- Sc down the side.

- On the initial ch: inc 3, 22sc, inc 3 (28st)

- Sc up the other side, inc 2 in the same space as the 1st st of Row 20.

- Needle join to the 1st st of Row 20.

- Weave in the ends.

Instructions - Open Book

Bookmark

Using the 2,5mm hook and the fine weight yarn in red.

The bookmark is worked in rows.

All stitches are worked in both loops.

- Leave a long tail in the beginning.

Ch 27

Row 1: 1slst into the 3rd ch from the hook, (25st)
24sc, ch1, turn

Row 2: 24sc, ch3, 1slst into the back loop of (25st)
the 3rd ch from the hook

- Finish off and weave in ends.

- Assemble the book.

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Special Techniques

Inverted Crochet Technique

Work as described below in the rows that usually would show the “wrong side”.



1 With the help of your thumb keep the working yarn always to the right side of the hook.



2 Insert the hook from the back to the front of the next stitch.



3 Yarn over – make the hook go under the working yarn and grab it.



4 Pull up a loop (two loops on the hook).



5 Yarn over and pull the yarn through the two loops on the hook.

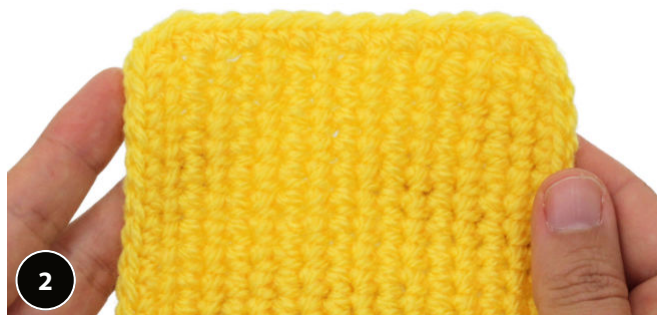


6 Flat piece worked using the Inverted Crochet Technique: all rows show the characteristic “v” of the single crochet

Clasp



1 With the right side of the single crochets on the finishing round of the cover turned to you...



2 ...turn the cover so that one of the narrower sides is on top.



3 Join with 1 single crochet to the single crochet in front of the 8th row from the right.



4 Work 1 single crochet in the next 2 stitches. Leaving you with 3 single crochets in total.



5 Follow the written instructions to complete the clasp.



6 At the end, the cover with the clasp, should look like this.

Closed Book - Attach Pages



1
On the last row of the pages place stitch markers on the 1st and last stitches and on the 9th stitch counting from the left and right edges.



2
Place the piece for the pages on the top of the inside of the cover and align the 2nd marker from the left with the 1st stitch on the left to the finishing round of the cover.



3
Attach the 2nd marker from the left to the 1st stitch on the cover next to the finishing round. Attach the 1st marker to the 9th stitch counting from the 1st marker. Attach the markers under the finishing round of the cover.



4
Attach the 3rd marker to the 1st stitch next to the finishing round of the cover, this time on top of the finishing round.



5
Attach the 4th marker to the 9th stitch from the 3rd marker.



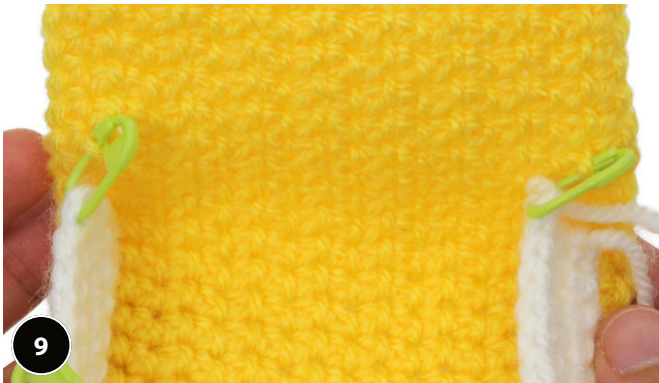
6
Start to attach the pages to the cover grabbing a loop from the inside of the cover directly below the stitch on the page, and both loops of the stitch on the page. Attach using the v-stitch. **p. 13**



Continue to attach the pages to the end of the 1st long side of the pages. Don't cut the yarn.



On the remaining long side, mark the 1st and last stitches and the 9th stitches from the left and right edges. Measure the rectangle inside the pages.



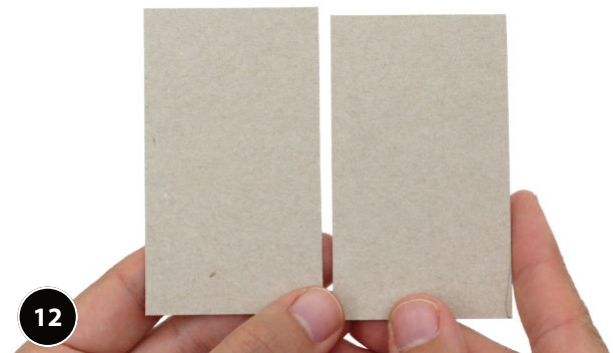
Attach the markers on the 1st and last stitches of the pages to the 9th stitches of the inside of the cover. Count from the edge of the cover that it's loose excluding the finishing round of the cover.



Attach the remaining markers to the 1st stitches next to the finishing round of the cover.



Continue to attach the pages until you get to the bottom of the book.



Cut 2 pieces of cardboard using the measurements from Step 8.



13
Place the 2 reinforcements inside the book.
If your cardboard has a darker and a lighter side, or a side with writing, turn the lighter sides or the side without writing to the outside of the book.



14
Stuff the book placing the stuffing between the reinforcements.



15
Close the book completely.



16
Finish off and weave in ends.

V Stitch



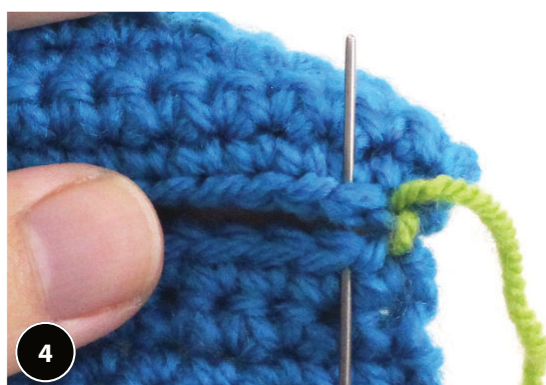
1
Secure the yarn to the back of the lower piece and make the needle come out through the 1st stitch of the top edge.



2
Insert your needle into the 1st stitch of the bottom and top edges.



3
Pull the yarn.



4
Insert your needle into the next stitches to the left on the top and bottom edges.



5
Pull the yarn.



6
Insert your hook into the same stitches as before.



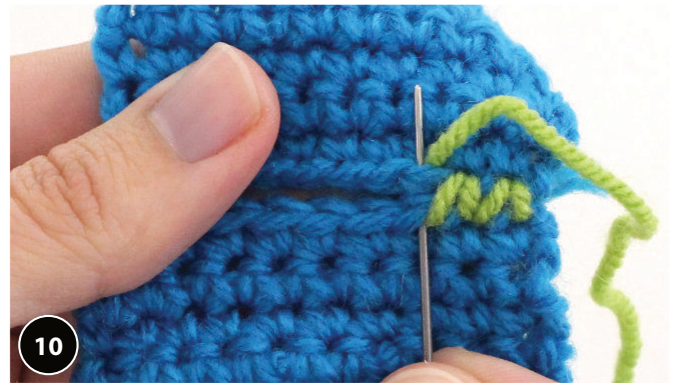
7
Pull the yarn.



8
Insert your needle into the next stitches to the left on the top and bottom edges.



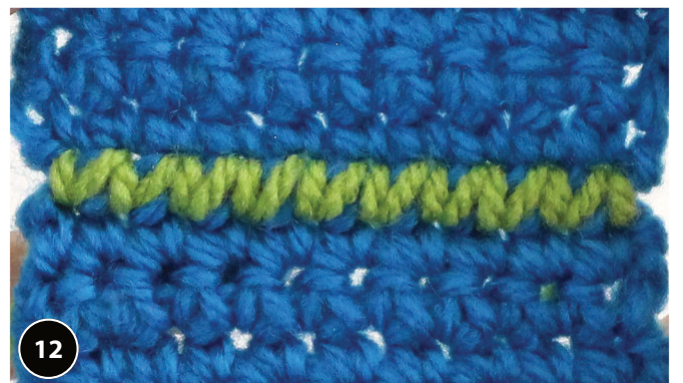
9
Pull the yarn.



10
Insert your hook into the same stitches as before.



11
Pull the yarn.



12
Continue stitching with the same pattern (next stitches, same stitches) to the end.

Open Book - Assemble



1 Fold the cover in half bringing the narrower sides together and mark the center with a sewing pin.



2 Open the cover and attach the bookmark to its inside 4 stitches to the right of the sewing pin.



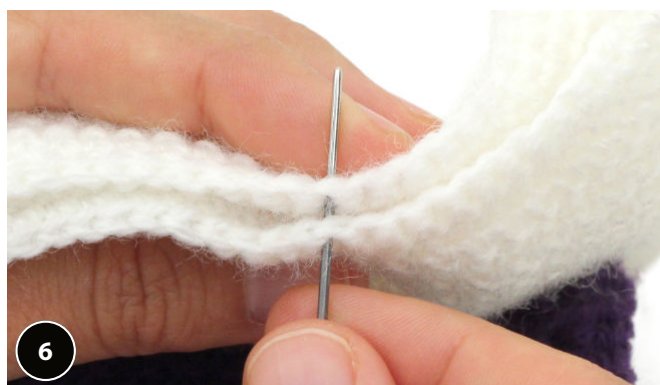
3 Repeat Step 1 for the pages. Place the pages on top of each other aligning their centers marked with the sewing pins and fold them. Make sure that the bottom page is on the outside and that the top page is on the inside.



4 Cut $\pm 1\text{m}$ (1.09yd) of the beige thread and secure it to the outside of the fold of the bottom page (the one on the outside).



5 Grab a loop from the inside of the cover that is right above the finishing round of the cover and aligns with the sewing pin marking the center of the cover.



6 Insert the needle, at the bottom of both pages, under both loops of the stitches on the finishing round that is at the center of the pages. Pull the thread.



Insert the needle, piercing both pages, 3 rows above from where it came out of.



Pull the thread.



Fold the pages to the left so you can see the cover. Grab a loop on the inside of the center of the cover. Pull the thread.



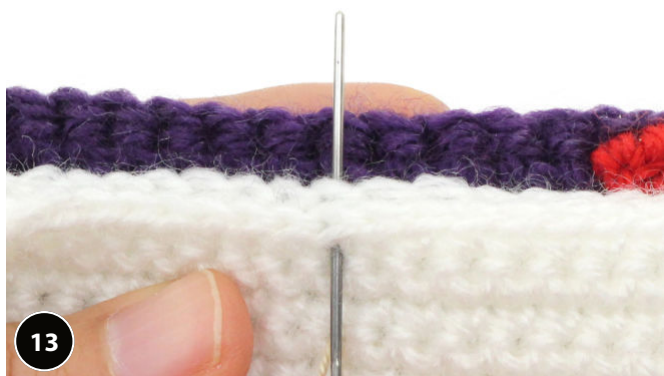
Insert the needle into the same space it came out of on Step 7...



... and make it come out in the same spot where it was inserted in Step 7. Pull the yarn.



Insert the needle, piercing both pages, 3 rows above from where it came out of. Repeat from Step 8 to the top of the pages.



For the last stitch insert the needle under the top loops of the finishing round in the center and at the top of both pages.



Fold the pages to the left so you can see the cover. Grab a loop on the inside of the center of the cover. Pull the thread.



Insert the needle through both pages making it come out at the same space where it was inserted in Step 13. Pull the thread.



Repeat the stitches but this time going down the pages. Use the same spaces on the pages and the same loops on the inside of the cover to secure the pages.



Finish off and weave in ends.



Attach the button to the front of the cover. **p. 18**

Attach the Button

1



Bring the clasp around the front of the notebook as straight as you can.

2



Mark the space of the chain 2 on the last row of the clasp with a sewing pin.

3



Attach the button to the spot where the sewing pin was.

4



Close the clasp making the button go through the chain 2 space on the last row of the clasp.

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Materials

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 - 2.5mm hook (UK 12)
 - 6mm safety eyes
 - Embroidery needle
 - Stuffing
 - Cardboard
 - 4 Chenille (30cm/12")
 - Glue gun and hot glue
- Fine weight yarn:
- White (22m/24yd)
 - Light grey (17m/19yd)
 - Dark grey (50cm/20")
- Medium weight yarn:
- Dark green (43m/47yd)
 - Light grey (175m/192yd)
 - Brown (26m/29yd)
- Mercurised cotton thread n°6:
- Off-white (8m/9yd)
- Soft cotton thread:
- Light salmon (45cm/18")

Skill Level

Intermediate

Abbreviations

- Rnd: round or rounds
- St: stitch or stitches
- Ch: chain
- Slst: slip stitch
- Sc: single crochet
- Hdc: half double crochet
- Inc X: increase by working X number of stitches in same stitch
- Inv dec: decrease using the invisible decrease method
- Sc2tog: single crochet X stitches together

Final Size

±26cm/hm / 10,24"

Instructions

Cactus

Using the 3.5mm hook and the medium weight yarn in dark green and the fine weight yarn in white.

The cactus is worked in rows. Work on the front or back loop only according to the instruction below.

Important: Use the white yarn to work all the puff stitches and the green yarn to work all the other stitches.

Ch24

Row 1: 1sc, in the 2nd ch from hook, 1sc, 19hdc, 2sc, ch1, turn (23st)

Row 2: Back loop - 2sc, 1hdc, (1 puff st, 3hdc) x 4, 1 puff st, 1hdc, 2sc, ch1, turn (23st)

Row 3: Front loop - 2sc, 19hdc, 2sc, ch1, turn (23st)

Row 4-5: Back loop - 2sc, 19hdc, 2sc, ch1, turn (23st)

Row 6: Back loop - 2sc, 1hdc, (1 puff st, 3hdc) x 4, 1 puff st, 1hdc, 2sc, ch1, turn (23st)

Row 7: Front loop - 2sc, 19hdc, 2sc, ch1, turn (23st)

Row 8-9: Back loop - 2sc, 19hdc, 2sc, ch1, turn (23st)

Row 10: Back loop - 2sc, 1hdc, (1 puff st, 3hdc) x 4, 1 puff st, 1hdc, 2sc, ch1, turn (23st)

Row 11: Front loop - 2sc, 19hdc, 2sc, ch1, turn (23st)

Row 12-13: Back loop - 2sc, 19hdc, 2sc, ch1, turn (23st)

Row 14: Back loop - 2sc, 1hdc, (1 puff st, 3hdc) x 4, 1 puff st, 1hdc, 2sc, ch1, turn (23st)

Row 15: Front loop - 2sc, 19hdc, 2sc, ch1, turn (23st)

Row 16-17: Back loop - 2sc, 19hdc, 2sc, ch1, turn (23st)

Row 18: Back loop - 2sc, 1hdc, (1 puff st, 3hdc) x 4, 1 puff st, 1hdc, 2sc, ch1, turn (23st)

Row 19: Front loop - 2sc, 19hdc, 2sc, ch1, turn (23st)

Row 20-21: Back loop - 2sc, 19hdc, 2sc, ch1, turn (23st)

Row 22: Back loop - 2sc, 1hdc, (1 puff st, 3hdc) x 4, 1 puff st, 1hdc, 2sc, ch1, turn (23st)

Row 23: Front loop - 2sc, 19hdc, 2sc, ch1, turn (23st)

Row 24-25: Back loop - 2sc, 19hdc, 2sc, ch1, turn (23st)

Row 26: Back loop - 2sc, 1hdc, (1 puff st, 3hdc) x 4, 1 puff st, 1hdc, 2sc, ch1, turn (23st)

Row 27: Front loop - 2sc, 19hdc, 2sc, ch1, turn (23st)

Row 28-29: Back loop - 2sc, 19hdc, 2sc, ch1, turn (23st)

Row 30: Front loop - 2sc, 19hdc, 2sc, ch1, turn (23st)

Row 31: Back loop - 2sc, 19hdc, 2sc (23st)



- Assemble the cactus. [p. 13 and 14](#)

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Cactus - Closing



1 Thread the long tail left at the end of an embroidery needle and catch a few loops all around the opening of the cactus.

2 Pull the yarn closing the opening completely.



3 Grab a few more loops around the opening.

4 Pull the yarn.



5 Insert the needle into the middle of the opening bringing it to the inside of the cactus. Finish off.

6 Stuff the cactus.

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