

So Croch'

PATTERN

Little star

Crochet keychain



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## ★ MATERIAL NEEDED ★

♥ Cotton yarn. 1 color plus a small amount of pink yarn for the cheekbones, and a small amount of white or off-white yarn for the eyes.

*The stars on the picture on page 7 are made with Happy Cotton from DMC, 100% cotton, 20g – 43m (0.70oz. – 47yds): Lemon yellow, 788 ; Bubblegum pink, 799 ; Splash blue, 767 – 0.25oz. (7g) ; Chamallow pink, 764 – 12in. (30cm) ; Off-white, 761 – 12in. (30 cm)*

- ♥ Hook size 2.25mm (US size B-1)
- ♥ Toy stuffing
- ♥ Yarn needle
- ♥ Stitch markers
- ♥ Scissors
- ♥ 6 mm safety eyes pour the smaller version, 7mm pour the larger one
- ♥ Key ring attachment
- ♥ Flat jewelry pliers

## ★ BEFORE STARTING ★

♥ This pattern is written using the US crochet terminology.

♥ Your little star will be about 1.6in. (4cm) wide if you use the same yarn and hook (2in. – 5cm for the large version). However, you can use the yarn of your choice, by adapting the hook.

♥ Be sure to always use a smaller hook size than the one shown on the ball, so that the stitches are not too far apart, and you can't see the stuffing inside.

♥ The star is crocheted in continuous rounds (without closing with a slip stitch). Remember to mark the first stitch of each round so you don't get lost.

## ★ ABBREVIATIONS ★

**ch** = chain  
**dec** = invisible decrease  
**dc** = double crochet  
**hdc** = half double crochet  
**inc** = increase  
**rnd** = round  
**sc** = single crochet  
**slst** = slip stitch  
**st** = stitch  
**( ) x 6** = repeat 6 times what is in parentheses  
**(6 st)** = number of stitches for each round

## ★ CONTACT ★

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# LITTLE STAR



## 1<sup>st</sup> part

With splash blue yarn. In continuous rounds.

**Rnd 1:** 5 sc in a magic ring (5 st).

**Rnd 2:** 5 inc (10 st).

**Rnd 3:** (1 sc, [1 sc, 1 hdc and 1 sc in the same st]) x 5 (20 st).

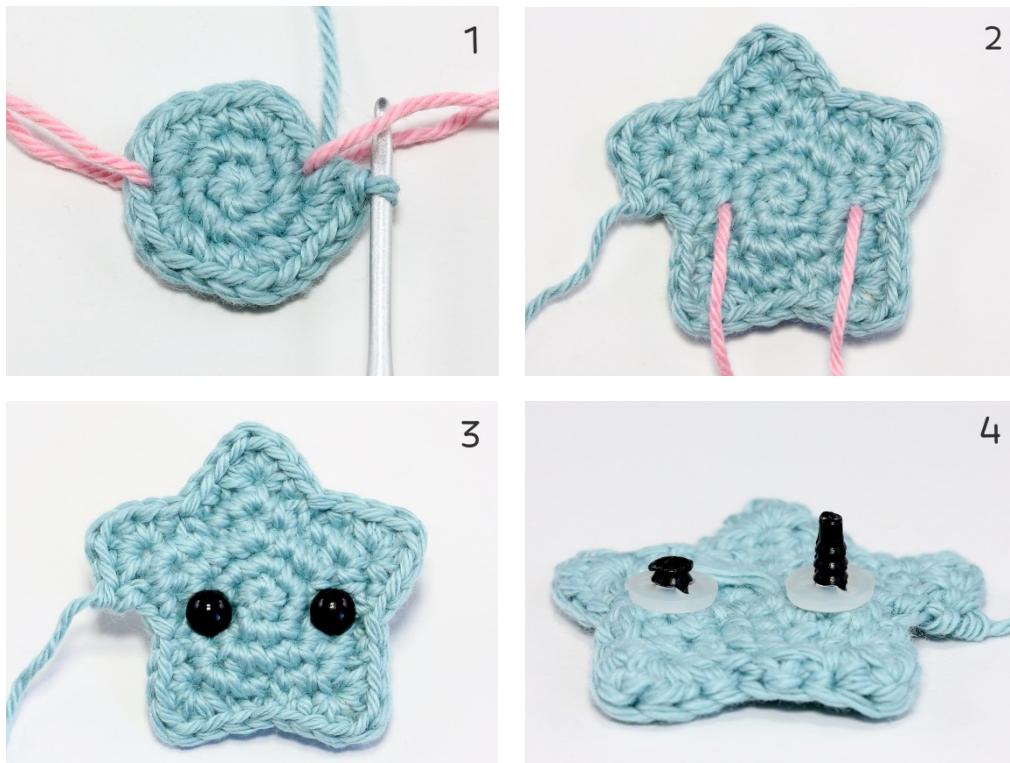
Place a small piece of a contrasting color yarn under the 2 loops of the 1st and 9<sup>th</sup> stitches of rnd 3 (Photo 1). Leave these pieces of yarn in place until the eyes are placed.

**Rnd 4:** (1 slst, 1 sc, [1 sc, 1 hdc and 1 sc in the same st], 1 sc) x 5 (30 st).

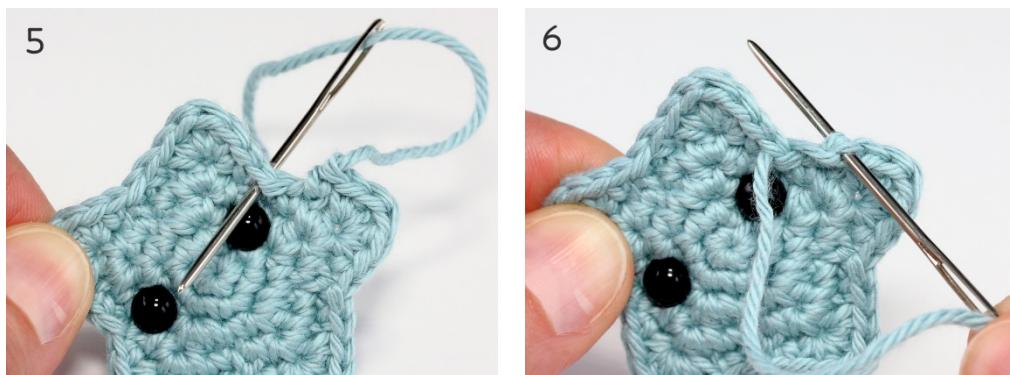
**Rnd 5:** (1 slst, 1 dec, [1 sc, 1 hdc, 1 dc, 1 hdc and 1 sc in the same st], 1 dec) x 5 (40 st).

Cut the yarn leaving a 4in. (10cm) tail.

Place the 6 mm safety eyes in the locations marked by the pieces of yarn (Photos 2 and 3). To prevent the stems at the back of the eyes from protruding too much, you can cut the ends with a pair of wire cutters (Photo 4).



Finish invisibly. To do this, pass the yarn under the 2 loops of the 2<sup>nd</sup> stitch of rnd 5, from the back side to front side (Photo 5). Then pass it between the 2 loops of the last stitch of rnd 5, from the front side to the back side (Photo 6). Tie the yarn on the back side. Mark the **back loop** of the false stitch thus created.



Using a needle and 6in. (15cm) of white or off-white yarn, embroider a small line at the bottom and outside of each eye, close to the plastic eye (Photo 7). Tie the ends at the back. Do the same with 6in. of splash blue yarn, but this time at the top and outside of each eye, like an eyelid (Photo 8).

Using a needle and the small length of pink yarn, embroider the cheekbones by making a small line of two layers of yarn at the bottom of each eye, at the outer corner (Photo 9).



## 2<sup>nd</sup> part

With splash blue yarn. In continuous rounds.

**Rnds 1 to 5 :** repeat the instructions of rnds 1 to 5 of the 1<sup>st</sup> part, without placing contrasting colored yarn.  
Cut the yarn leaving a 20in. (50cm) tail.

Finish invisibly (Photos 5 and 6) and pull the yarn out between the two loops of the false stitch thus created (Photo 10). Keep the length of yarn for the assembly.

Proceed to the "**Assembly**" section to finish the little star.

# LARGE STAR



## 1<sup>st</sup> part

With splash blue yarn. In continuous rounds.

**Rnd 1 :** 5 sc in a magic ring (5 st).

**Rnd 2 :** 5 inc (10 st).

**Rnd 3 :** (1 inc, 1 sc) x 5 (15 st).

**Rnd 4 :** (1 sc, 1 inc, 1 sc) x 5 (20 st).

Place a small piece of a contrasting color yarn under the 2 loops of the 1st and 9<sup>th</sup> stitches of rnd 4 (Photo 11). Leave these pieces of yarn in place until the eyes are placed.

**Rnd 5 :** (1 slst, 1 sc, [1 sc, 1 hdc and 1 sc in the same st], 1 sc) x 5 (30 st).

**Rnd 6 :** (1 slst, 2 sc, [1 sc, 1 hdc and 1 sc in the same st], 2 sc) x 5 (40 st).

**Rnd 7 :** (1 slst, 1 dec, 1 sc, [1 sc, 1 hdc, 1 dc, 1 hdc and 1 sc in the same st], 1 sc, 1 dec) x 5 (50 st).

Cut the yarn leaving a 4in. (10cm) tail.

Place the 7 mm safety eyes in the locations marked by the pieces of yarn. To prevent the stems at the back of the eyes from protruding too much, you can cut the ends with a pair of wire cutters (Photos 2, 3 and 4).

Finish invisibly. To do this, pass the yarn under the 2 loops of the 2<sup>nd</sup> stitch of rnd 7, from the back side to front side (Photo 5). Then pass it between the 2 loops of the last stitch of rnd 7, from the front side to the back side (Photo 6). Tie the yarn on the back side. Mark the **back loop** of the false stitch thus created.

Using a needle and 6in. (15cm) of white or off-white yarn, embroider a small line at the bottom and outside of each eye, close to the plastic eye (Photo 7). Tie the ends at the back. Do the same with 6in. of splash blue yarn, but this time at the top and outside of each eye, like an eyelid (Photo 8).

Using a needle and the small length of pink yarn, embroider the cheekbones by making a small line of two layers of yarn at the bottom of each eye, at the outer corner (Photo 12).



## 2<sup>nd</sup> part

With splash blue yarn. In continuous rounds.

**Rnds 1 to 7 :** repeat the instructions of rnds 1 to 7 of the 1<sup>st</sup> part, without placing contrasting colored yarn.

Cut the yarn leaving a 24in. (60cm) tail.

Finish invisibly (Photos 5 and 6) and pull the yarn out between the two loops of the false stitch thus created (Photo 10). Keep the length of yarn for the assembly.

Proceed to the "**Assembly**" section to finish the large star.



# ASSEMBLY

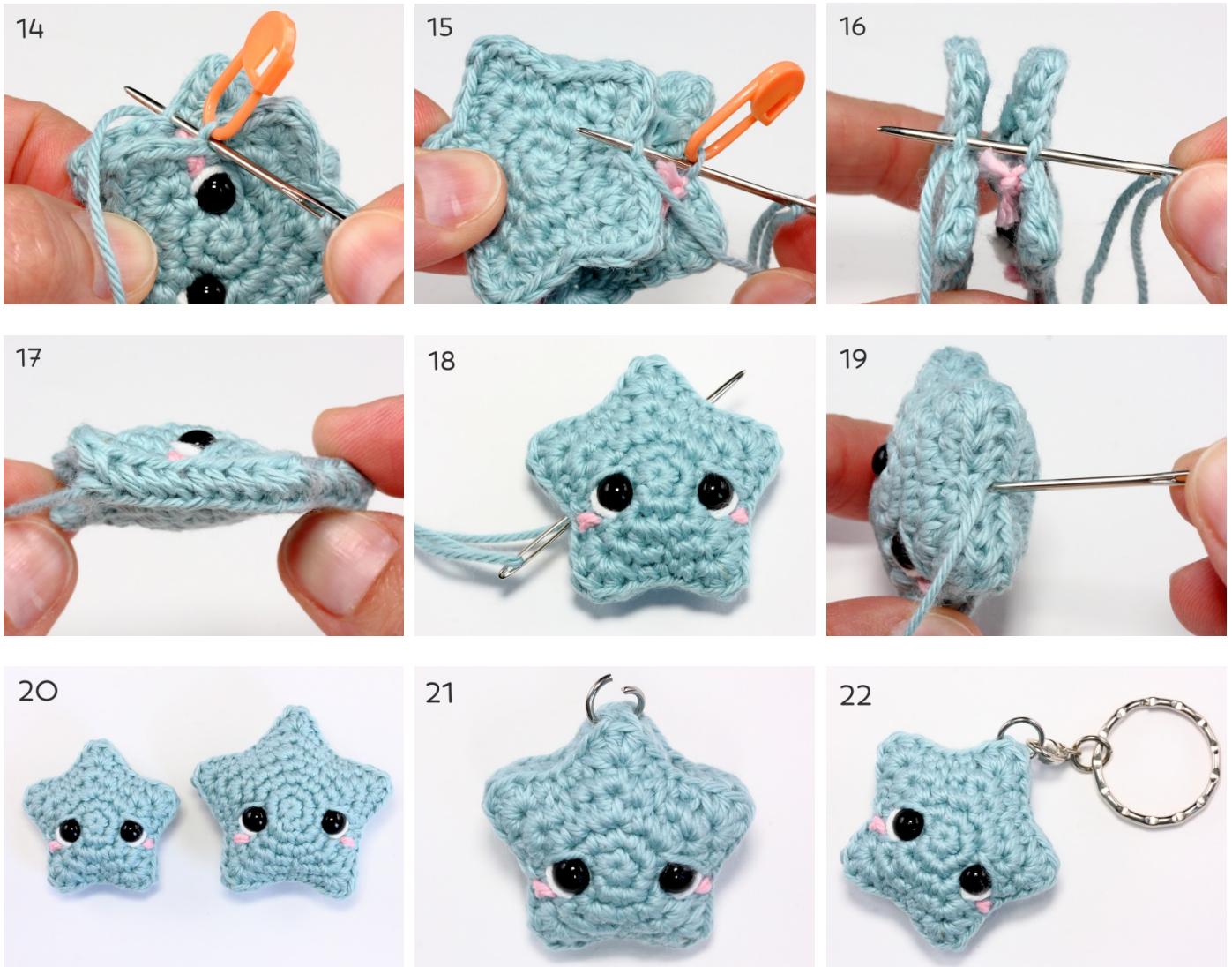


Place the 2 parts back to back to sew them edge to edge. Stitch under the back loop of the marked stitch on the 1<sup>st</sup> part, from the front side to the back side, then under the back loop of the next stitch on the 2<sup>nd</sup> part, from the back side to the front side (Photos 14, 15 and 16). Continue sewing in this manner through all the stitches (Photo 17).

Before sewing the last stitches of the star, stuff, making sure to place a little bit of stuffing in each branch. Then finish sewing by stuffing the last branch as you go.

After the last stitch, bring out the needle on the other side of the star, in the hollow between 2 branches (Photo 18). Then insert the needle just next to where you pulled it out (Photo 19), and bring it out on at the opposite, in another hollow. Do this for the 5 hollows between the branches, in order to slightly tighten the star, and accentuate its shape (Photo 20).

Finally, using a pair of pliers, attach the key ring to the top of the star, under 2 stitches between the two sides (Photos 21 and 22).



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