Chick applique

US terms



Finished size
About 4¼ in (11 cm) wide and about 4 in (10 cm) tall

Skill
Beginner
Worked in rows and rounds, with 6 pieces, color changes and 1 special stitch.

Yarn
Medium (4), 4 colors

Hook
5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge
14 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: chick yellow, the body	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: orange, the beak and the feet	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: sunflower, the wings	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: black, the eyes	**about 2 yd (2 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8). Also: a yarn needle, scissors, pins for blocking and a spray bottle.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Yarns A, B and C: the estimate is from the stitches and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added. Yarn D: the estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

ch	chain stitch
sl st	slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
hdc	half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
st	stitch
rnd	round
RS	right side

Special stitches

sc2tog: [insert the hook in the next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop] twice (3 loops on the hook), yarn over and pull through all 3 loops. It leaves 1 st for the next row.

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Gauge

14 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 2 the body measures about 1¼ in (3 cm) across. If yours is larger, use a smaller hook; if it is smaller, use a larger hook.

Before you start

- Rounds are worked with the right side facing; do not turn.
- Where a line says turn, turn the piece over and work back along the stitches just made.
- Magic ring: wrap the yarn round two fingers, work the first round or row into the loop, then pull the tail until the ring is closed. Four chains joined into a ring with a slip stitch may be used instead.
- A chain 1 at the start of a round or a row does not count as a stitch.
- Working along the other side of the chain: turn the piece round, not over, and work into the unused loops of the foundation chain, beginning in the chain next to the one just used.
- At the start of a round, same st is the stitch the round before was joined in.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line count its stitches; slip stitches, and chains that are not named there, are not counted.
- The middle of the body is its ring.
- The three toes of a foot are worked into a ring and not joined: draw the ring up and fan them out to one side of it.
- The distances under FINISHING are for the yarn and gauge above; in another yarn make them larger or smaller in the same proportion as the size.
- French knot (sewn): bring the yarn needle up from the back, wrap the yarn twice round the needle close to the surface, hold the wraps and put the needle down beside the place where it came up. For a large knot use the yarn double and wrap it three times.
- The same words in another yarn make another size, measured the longest way: fine yarn (2) and a 3.25 mm hook, about 2¾ in (7 cm); light yarn (3) and a 4 mm hook, about 3¼ in (8 cm); bulky yarn (5) and a 6.5 mm hook, about 5¼ in (13 cm).

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Instructions

Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a round is done. In UK terms sl st is slip stitch, sc is double crochet and hdc is half treble.

Body

Yarn A, chick yellow.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 6 sc in ring, sl st in first sc to join	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, sc in same st, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(36 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 40 in (102 cm) tail, for sewing the whole applique to your project.	

Beak

Yarn B, orange.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, ch 3.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next ch	**(2 sc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog in next 2 sts	**(1 sc2tog)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 10 in (25 cm) tail for sewing.	

Wing: make 2

Yarn C, sunflower.

☐ **Foundation**	With C, ch 4.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next ch, 3 sc in next ch, working along the other side of the chain, sc in next ch, 2 sc in next ch, sl st in first sc to join	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in same st, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, 3 hdc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st, 2 sc in each of next 2 sts, sl st in first sc to join	**(12 sc, 3 hdc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 10 in (25 cm) tail for sewing.	

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Foot: make 2

Yarn B, orange.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	**[**Ch 3, 2 hdc in ring, ch 3, sl st in ring**] 3 times**	**(6 hdc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 10 in (25 cm) tail for sewing.	

Finishing

- Block: pin the pieces to shape on a flat surface, spray them with water and let them dry.
- Sew the beak on with its point down, its middle over the ring of the body.
- With D, work a large French knot for each eye 3/8 in (1 cm) above the middle of the body, 1¼ in (3 cm) apart.
- Sew a wing on the front at each side, the long way up and down with the 3 hdc at the bottom and that end leaning out: the bottom of the wing is 5/8 in (1.6 cm) further than its top from the middle line of the body. The middle of each wing lies ½ in (1.3 cm) below the middle of the body and ¼ in (0.6 cm) inside the edge of the body, so that about a third of its width stands out past the edge.
- Sew the feet behind the lower edge of the body, their rings just hidden and 1 1/8 in (3 cm) apart, the three toes of each pointing down.
- To sew the applique on, pin it where it is to go and sew round its edge with the long tail, under the outermost strands of the stitches.
- Weave in all the ends that are left with the yarn needle.

In all: 6 pieces; 14 ends to weave in.

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