Sock monkey

US terms



Finished size
About 7¾ in (19.5 cm) tall as it sits, to the top of the pompom; about 15 in (38 cm) from the top of the pompom to the soles with the legs straight

Skill
Intermediate
Eleven pieces worked in rounds and sewn together.

Yarn
Medium (4), 4 colors

Hook
3.5 mm (US E-4)

Gauge
20 stitches and 22 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet, in a spiral.

What you need

Yarn A: brown and cream marl	**about 245 yd (224 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: cream, several of the pieces	**about 60 yd (55 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: red, several of the pieces	**about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: dark brown, the details	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 170 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Hook: 3.5 mm (US E-4), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: toy stuffing, a yarn needle, a stitch marker, pins, scissors and two black plastic eyes with washers, 10 mm.

The pieces



Body and head



Muzzle
to the body and head



Ear x 2
to the body and head



Arm x 2
to the body and head



Leg x 2
to the body and head



Tail
to the body and head



Cap



Pompom
to the cap

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Gauge

20 stitches and 22 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet, in a spiral.

To check it, work a flat circle: 6 sc in a magic ring, then 6 more sc in each round (12, 18, 24, 30, 36). After round 6 it should measure about 2¼ in (5.5 cm) across. The stitches should be tight enough that the stuffing does not show.

Use any hook that gives you this. If you count more stitches than this in 4 in (10 cm), change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, to a smaller one.

Instructions

US terms.

sc single crochet (UK dc), **sc2tog** 2 sc made into one, **st** stitch.
2 sc in next st: **both in one stitch**. Sc in next 2 sts: one in each.
Rounds run in a **spiral**: mark the first stitch and move the marker up each round. **Working in the round**
[ ] 6 times: 6 times in all. (18 sc): the round now has 18; a check, not a step. **How to read a pattern**
Also: RS right side, yo yarn over.
Every stitch, drawn: flossfield.com/crochet/stitches.

Body and head

Begin with yarn C, red.

Rounds 1 to 5 are the red seat. Stuff as you go, through the open top: the body firmly when round 22 is done, and the neck (rounds 24 to 26) hard when round 28 is done, so that the head does not wobble.

☐ **Start**	Make a magic ring. *Magic ring: wrap the yarn round two fingers, work round 1 into the loop and pull the tail to close it. Or chain 2 and work round 1 into the first chain.*	
☐ **Round 1 (RS)**	6 sc in the ring. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Round 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Round 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Round 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(24 sc)
☐ **Round 5**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(30 sc)
☐ **Round 6**	With A, **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(36 sc)
☐ **Rounds 7 to 18** 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18	Sc in each st around	(36 sc)
☐ **Round 19**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 10 sts**] 3 times**	(33 sc)
☐ **Round 20**	Sc in each st around	(33 sc)
☐ **Round 21**	**[**sc in next 9 sts, sc2tog**] 3 times**	(30 sc)
☐ **Round 22**	Sc in each st around	(30 sc)
☐ **Round 23**	**[**sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts**] 3 times**	(27 sc)
☐ **Round 24**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 7 sts**] 3 times**	(24 sc)
☐ **Rounds 25 to 26** 25 26	Sc in each st around	(24 sc)
☐ **Round 27**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(30 sc)

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☐ **Round 28**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(36 sc)
☐ **Round 29**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	(42 sc)
☐ **Round 30**	Sc in each st around	(42 sc)
☐ **Round 31**	**[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(48 sc)

Mark the center line now: a pin or a scrap of yarn between stitches 24 and 25 of round 31. It faces the front, round 1 at the bottom.

☐ **Rounds 32 to 40**	Sc in each st around	(48 sc)

32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40

☐ **Round 41**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	(42 sc)
☐ **Round 42**	Sc in each st around	(42 sc)
☐ **Round 43**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	(36 sc)
☐ **Round 44**	**[**sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	(30 sc)
☐ **Round 45**	**[**sc in next st, sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(24 sc)

Fix the eyes now: two 10 mm black plastic eyes, on the body and head between rounds 37 and 38, one to each side, 3½ stitches from the center line (7 stitches apart). For a child under three, or a pet, leave them out and embroider them later. Then stuff the head firmly, and keep adding stuffing until the last round.

☐ **Round 46**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Round 47**	**[**sc in next st, sc2tog**] 6 times**	(12 sc)
☐ **Round 48**	**[**sc2tog**] 6 times**	(6 sc)
☐	Fasten off, leaving an 8 in (20 cm) tail. Thread the tail through the front loop of each of the last 6 stitches, pull it tight to close the hole and bury the end inside.	

Muzzle

Begin with yarn C, red.

☐ **Start**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Round 1 (RS)**	6 sc in the ring. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Round 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Round 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Round 4**	With B, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(24 sc)
☐ **Round 5**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(30 sc)
☐ **Rounds 6 to 7**	Sc in each st around	(30 sc)

6 7

☐	Fasten off, leaving a 24 in (61 cm) tail for sewing. Rounds 1 to 3 are the lips. Stuff lightly up to the open edge.

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Ear: make 2

Yarn A, brown and cream marl.

☐ **Start**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Round 1 (RS)**	6 sc in the ring. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Round 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Round 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 4 times**	(16 sc)
☐ **Round 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts**] 2 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Round 5**	Sc in each st around	(18 sc)
☐ **Round 6**	**[**sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog**] 3 times**	(15 sc)
☐	Fasten off, leaving a 16 in (41 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff. Press it flat, so that the last round makes a straight double edge of 7½ stitches. The odd stitch lies at one fold.	

Arm: make 2

Begin with yarn B, cream.

Rounds 1 to 7 are the hand. Stuff as you go, every few rounds: the hand firmly, the rest lightly, so that the arm still bends. Leave the last 2 rounds empty.

☐ **Start**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Round 1 (RS)**	6 sc in the ring. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Round 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Round 3**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 2 times**	(14 sc)
☐ **Rounds 4 to 7** 4 5 6 7	Sc in each st around	(14 sc)
☐ **Round 8**	With A, sc2tog, sc in next 12 sts	(13 sc)
☐ **Rounds 9 to 26** 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26	Sc in each st around	(13 sc)
☐ **Round 27**	Sc in next 11 sts, sc2tog	(12 sc)
☐	Fasten off, leaving a 14 in (36 cm) tail for sewing.	

Leg: make 2

Begin with yarn B, cream.

Rounds 1 to 10 are the foot. Stuff as you go, every few rounds: the foot firmly, the rest lightly, so that the leg still bends. Leave the last 2 rounds empty.

☐ **Start**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Round 1 (RS)**	6 sc in the ring. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Round 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Round 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 4 times**	(16 sc)
☐ **Rounds 4 to 10** 4 5 6 7 8 9 10	Sc in each st around	(16 sc)

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☐ **Round 11**	With A, sc2tog, sc in next 14 sts	(15 sc)
☐ **Rounds 12 to 40**	Sc in each st around	(15 sc)
	12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40	
☐ **Round 41**	Sc in next 13 sts, sc2tog	(14 sc)
☐	Fasten off, leaving a 16 in (41 cm) tail for sewing.	

Tail

Begin with yarn B, cream.

Stuff lightly every few rounds as you go, so that the tube still bends.

☐ **Start**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Round 1 (RS)**	6 sc in the ring. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Round 2**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(8 sc)
☐ **Rounds 3 to 5**	Sc in each st around	(8 sc)
	3 4 5	
☐ **Rounds 6 to 29**	With A, sc in each st around	(8 sc)
	6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29	
☐	Fasten off, leaving a 12 in (30 cm) tail for sewing.	

Cap

Begin with yarn A, brown and cream marl.

Worked from the top down.

☐ **Start**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Round 1 (RS)**	6 sc in the ring. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Round 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Round 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Round 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(24 sc)
☐ **Round 5**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(30 sc)
☐ **Round 6**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(36 sc)
☐ **Round 7**	With B, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	(42 sc)
☐ **Round 8**	With C, sc in each st around	(42 sc)
☐ **Round 9**	**[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(48 sc)
☐ **Rounds 10 to 11**	With B, sc in each st around	(48 sc)
	10 11	
☐	Fasten off, leaving a 30 in (76 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff.	

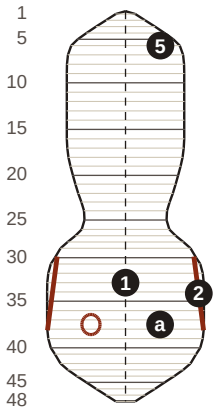
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Pompom

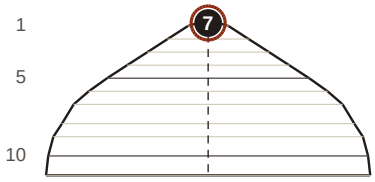
Yarn C, red.

☐ **Start**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Round 1 (RS)**	6 sc in the ring. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Round 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Round 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Round 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts**] 2 times**	(20 sc)
☐ **Round 5**	Sc in each st around	(20 sc)
☐ **Round 6**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog**] 5 times**	(15 sc)
☐ **Round 7**	**[**sc in next st, sc2tog**] 5 times**	(10 sc)
☐	Fasten off, leaving a 12 in (30 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff firmly up to the open edge.	

Assembly



Body and head: 1 muzzle, 2 ears, 5 tail, a eyes



Cap: 7 pompom

A number is the step below that puts it on; a letter is put on under Finishing. Each line is a round, counted as the rounds are worked. The upright broken line is the center line. A place with a broken edge is on the far side.

1. Pin the muzzle to the body and head: the middle of the open edge lies on round 33, on the center line. The edge (30 sts) is eased into an oval about 2¼ in (5.5 cm) wide and 1½ in (4 cm) tall: its highest point is on round 37 and its lowest on round 29, both on the center line, and its two sides are on round 33, 6 stitches from the center line. The place where the rounds of the muzzle begin looks down. Press the lips wide with your fingers as well. Sew all the way round with the tail, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches.

2. Pin the two ears to the body and head: the middle of each flat edge lies on round 34, one to each side, 12 stitches from the center line (24 stitches apart), half way between the front and the back. The flat edge runs straight up and down the body and head, half of it above that place and half below, so that it reaches from round 30 to round 38. They point out to the side. Sew through both layers of the 7½-stitch edge with the tail.

3. Sew the two legs to the body and head by their open edges (14 sts), one to each side: the middle of each edge lies on round 5, 4 stitches from the center line (8 stitches apart). Each edge covers about rounds 3 to 7. The legs point out to the side and forward and lie along the table. Sew all the way round with the tail. Knees: bend each leg at about round 30, so that the part from round 28 to round 1 points in toward the middle, in front of the body. Hold each bend with a new length of A (brown and cream marl): take running stitches along the inner side of the bend from round 34 to round 26, to and fro twice, and draw them up until the knee stays bent. Cross the legs: the right one lies on the table, the left one lies over it, and they cross at about round 14 of each. Where they cross, catch the left leg to the right one with four or five stitches.

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4. Sew the two arms to the body and head by their open edges (12 sts), one to each side: the middle of each edge lies on round 24, 6 stitches from the center line (12 stitches apart), half way between the front and the back. Each edge covers about rounds 22 to 26. Sew all the way round with the tail. The arms hang down loose, the hands beside the knees.

5. Pin the tail to the body and head: the middle of the open edge lies on round 6, 14 stitches to the right of the center line. The edge (8 sts) covers about rounds 5 to 7 of the body and head. It points back, turns to the right by about round 23 of the tail, up by about round 12 and to the left by the tip. Bend it as you pin it, and hold each bend with a few running stitches, drawn up a little, on the side it turns toward. Sew all the way round with its tail of yarn, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft.

6. Pull the cap over the head, right side out, the place where its rounds begin at the back. The middle of its round 1 lies behind the top of the head, on round 47 of the body and head, on the line opposite the center line. Its edge (round 11) lies on round 40 on the center line in front, on round 38 at the two sides (12 stitches from the center line), just above the ears, and on round 36 at the back. Pin it at these four places, then between them. Sew all 48 stitches of the edge down with the tail.

7. Pin the pompom to the cap: the middle of the open edge lies over the middle of round 1 of the cap. The edge (10 sts) lies all the way round on about round 2. It points up. Sew all the way round with the tail, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft.

Finishing

- Put in the plastic eyes when the words of a piece say so, or embroider eyes in the same places with the other details. Embroider with one strand of yarn and the yarn needle when the pieces round the place are sewn on; begin and end each strand on the wrong side of a flat piece, inside a stuffed one. Satin stitch is straight stitches side by side until the shape is filled. Backstitch is a line of short stitches end to end: bring the needle up one stitch ahead, put it down at the end of the stitch before, and repeat.
- Eyes: two 10 mm black plastic eyes, on the body and head between rounds 37 and 38, one to each side, 3½ stitches from the center line (7 stitches apart).
- Mouth: with D (dark brown), in backstitch, one long curve across the red lips, about 1 in (25 mm) wide, that dips 1/8 in (3 mm) in the middle. Its two ends are on the muzzle on round 3, level with its middle, one to each side; its middle crosses round 1 just under the center.
- Weave every tail through the toy and trim it. For a toy that will be played with, go round each seam a second time with a new length of yarn. Check the seams and small parts from time to time.

In all: 11 pieces; 4,542 stitches (1,623 in the body and head, 150 in the muzzle, 85 in each ear, 347 in each arm, 610 in each leg, 230 in the tail, 354 in the cap, 101 in the pompom).

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. The estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Notes

- Every piece is worked in a continuous spiral with the right side facing you: do not join and do not turn. Put the marker in the first stitch of each round and move it up.
- Square brackets hold a repeat; work it as many times as the line says. The number in parentheses is the count at the end of the round.
- A is a marl: one yarn of a brown and a cream strand twisted together, in the thickness of your size. Or hold one strand of brown and one strand of cream together and work them as one strand, for Standard both in fine (2, sport) yarn. For another size the two strands together must be as thick as the yarn of that size and give its gauge. You then need as many yards of each color as A of your size.
- Color change: where a line begins "With A," (or another letter), work the last pull-through of the round before it in A. Cut the old yarn and knot the ends on the wrong side.

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- Center line: places on a piece are given by round and by stitches from a center line. It is half way round from where the rounds begin. Mark it with a pin or a scrap of yarn as listed here, run it straight from round 1 to the last round by eye, and count out from it along the round, in stitches and half stitches.
- Body and head: the center line runs between stitches 24 and 25 of round 31 (48 sts). It faces the front, round 1 at the bottom.
- Right and left are as you look at the front of the monkey. Rounds are counted from the start of each piece.
- Running stitches go in and out along a line.
- In every step of putting it together: where a piece meets or overlaps another, sew through both. Where no tail is left or a tail is too short, sew with a new length of the yarn of the piece you are putting on.
- To work sc2tog, put the hook under the front loop only of each of the next 2 stitches, yarn over, pull through both loops, yarn over, pull through 2 loops.
- For a child under three, or a pet, embroider the eyes instead: satin stitch dots of the same size in D (dark brown).
- The rounds and stitches are the same for every size; the yarn and the hook make the difference. Lengths in the words (tails, details) are for Standard, the size written here: for another size multiply them by the number in its line.
- Small: fine (2, sport) yarn, 2.25 mm (B-1) hook, 27 sc and 30 rounds to 4 in (10 cm): about 5¾ in (14.5 cm) tall as it sits, to the top of the pompom; about 11 in (28 cm) from the top of the pompom to the soles with the legs straight; eyes 7 mm; multiply lengths by 0.74; about 0.74 times the yarn.
- Large: bulky (5, chunky) yarn, 5 mm (H-8) hook, 14 sc and 15.4 rounds to 4 in (10 cm): about 11¼ in (28.5 cm) tall as it sits, to the top of the pompom; about 21½ in (54.5 cm) from the top of the pompom to the soles with the legs straight; eyes 14 mm; multiply lengths by 1.4; about 1.4 times the yarn.
- Jumbo: super bulky (6, plush or velvet) yarn, 6.5 mm (K-10½) hook, 11 sc and 12.1 rounds to 4 in (10 cm): about 14¼ in (36 cm) tall as it sits, to the top of the pompom; about 27¼ in (69 cm) from the top of the pompom to the soles with the legs straight; eyes 18 mm; multiply lengths by 1.8; about 1.8 times the yarn.

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