Crochet Teddy Bear

A beginner-friendly amigurumi pattern



The little bear

Start at the crown and crochet straight through the neck into the belly. A cream muzzle and a few embroidery stitches give the bear its expression.

Shown in honey brown with a cream muzzle and dark stitched eyes.

Your project map

02	Gather supplies and learn the stitches
03-04	Shape and stuff the head and body
05-06	Crochet the limbs, ears and muzzle
07	Pin, sew and embroider the face

The photographic illustrations are AI-generated placement guides. Follow the written round totals for the pattern.

Tools & stitches

Use smooth yarn in a light color for your first bear so you can see the top of each stitch.

What to gather

Sport-weight cotton yarn in brown, a small amount of cream in the same weight, and dark brown embroidery thread. Start with a 2.5 mm hook.

You will also need a locking stitch marker, polyester fiberfill, a yarn needle, an embroidery needle, scissors and pins.



Mark the first stitch of each round.

Read the rounds

sc	Single crochet. Insert hook under both top loops, yarn over and pull up a loop. Yarn over and pull through both loops.
inc	Increase. Work 2 sc into the same stitch.
dec	Decrease. Insert hook under the front loop of each of the next 2 stitches. Yarn over, pull through both front loops, yarn over and pull through the 2 loops on the hook.
BLO	Back loop only. Work into the loop farther from you.
x 6	Repeat the entire group in parentheses six times. The total is your stitch count at the end of that round.

Fabric check

Gently stretch the first few rounds. If stuffing would show through the gaps, try a smaller hook. Yarn and tension determine the finished size.

Start at the crown

Use brown yarn. Work in a continuous spiral. Leave the round unjoined and keep the same side facing you.

Start the ring

Wrap the yarn once around two fingers to make a loop. Insert the hook, pull up the working yarn through the loop, then chain 1 to secure it. Work Round 1 into the ring and pull the starting tail to close the center. The securing chain does not count.

For a chain start, chain 2 instead. Work all Round 1 stitches into the first chain you made. Use the starting tail to stitch the center closed if needed.

ROUND	WORK	TOTAL
1	6 sc in the ring	**6**
2	Inc in each stitch around	**12**
3	(1 sc, inc) x 6	**18**
4	(2 sc, inc) x 6	**24**
5	(3 sc, inc) x 6	**30**
6-11	Sc in each stitch for 6 rounds	**30**

Track the spiral

Clip your marker into the first sc of Round 1. Each time you reach the marker, count the round you just finished. Remove the marker, work the first stitch of the new round and mark that stitch immediately.

After Round 11, keep the working loop on the hook and continue on page 4.

Shape the neck & belly

Continue in brown. The narrow neck joins the head to the body in one continuous piece.

ROUND	WORK	TOTAL
12	(3 sc, dec) x 6	**24**
13	(2 sc, dec) x 6	**18**
14	(1 sc, dec) x 6	**12**
15	Sc in each stitch	**12**
16	(1 sc, inc) x 6	**18**
17	(2 sc, inc) x 6	**24**
18-22	Sc in each stitch for 5 rounds	**24**
23	In BLO, (2 sc, dec) x 6	**18**
24	In both loops, (1 sc, dec) x 6	**12**
25	Dec x 6	**6**



Stuff as you go

At Round 16, push small tufts through the neck into the head. Fill the crown and cheeks evenly. Add a little at the neck to support the head.

After Round 22, fill the belly lightly. Top it up after Round 24, keeping the base flat enough for the bear to sit.

Close the base

After Round 25, cut a 6 in / 15 cm tail and pull it through the last loop. Thread it through the front loops of the last 6 stitches, draw closed and bury the end.

Make the legs & arms

Use brown throughout. Begin each piece at the rounded tip. Keep a sewing tail at the open end.

Legs / make two

ROUND	WORK	TOTAL
1	6 sc in a ring	6
2	Inc in each stitch	12
3-4	Sc in each stitch for 2 rounds	12
5	(2 sc, dec) x 3	9
6-7	Sc in each stitch for 2 rounds	9

Put a small pinch of stuffing in each foot. Leave the top round empty so the leg can bend into a sitting position.

Arms / make two

ROUND	WORK	TOTAL
1	6 sc in a ring	6
2	(1 sc, inc) x 3	9
3-7	Sc in each stitch for 5 rounds	9

Add a tiny tuft to each paw and leave the shoulder soft. Lay both arms side by side to check that they have the same number of rounds.

Finish each limb

Cut an 8 in / 20 cm tail and draw it through the working loop. Pinch the open edge flat. Keep this tail for sewing both layers to the body on page 7.

Make the ears & muzzle

These pieces stay unstuffed. Use the same hook so their stitches match the rest of the bear.

Ears / make two in brown

ROUND	WORK	TOTAL
1	5 sc in a ring	5
2	Inc in each stitch	10
3	(1 sc, inc) x 5	15
4	Sc in each stitch	15

Cut an 8 in / 20 cm sewing tail and pull it through the last loop. Flatten the little cup so the opening forms a straight edge. The rounded starting end becomes the top of the ear.

Muzzle / make one in cream

ROUND	WORK	TOTAL
1	6 sc in a ring	6
2	Inc in each stitch	12



Lay out the pieces

Keep the muzzle flat and finish with an 8 in / 20 cm tail. Lay it beside the two ears, two arms and two legs. You should have seven separate pieces plus the joined head and body.

Keep the sewing tails attached until assembly.

Give your bear a face

Choose the smoothest side as the front. Use pins to try the placement, then sew one piece at a time.



Pin the face first

Mark the eyes between head Rounds 7 and 8, leaving four stitches between the eye positions. Pin the cream muzzle just below, centered between them.

Pin the flattened ears high on either side, with each straight edge spanning roughly Rounds 3 to 6. Look at both ears from the front before you sew.

1 Stitch the expression

With dark thread, make two short stitches in the same spot for each eye. On the loose muzzle, lay three short horizontal stitches for the nose. Add one vertical stitch below it and two small diagonal stitches for the mouth. Hide the ends on the back of the muzzle.

2 Sew on the muzzle and ears

Thread the cream tail. Catch one edge stitch of the muzzle, then a small stitch of the head beside it. Repeat around the disk. With each ear tail, sew through both layers of its straight edge and into the head.

3 Set the sitting position

Pin the legs low at the front along the ridge from Round 23, with about four stitches between their inner edges. Point the feet forward and check the bear sits evenly. Pin the arms at Round 16, slightly behind the legs.

4 Secure the seams

Use each limb tail to sew both layers of its flattened edge to the body. Weave each tail under several stitches, reverse direction and trim. Remove all pins and check that the seams are closed.