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CROCHET

Heart Pattern

Finished Heart measures 2.5 inches

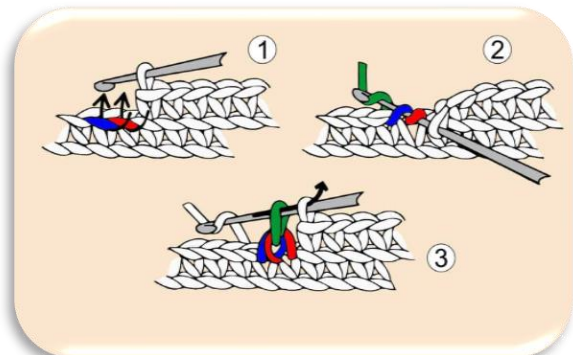Skill Level: Beginner

Supplies Needed:

- #4 Medium Weight Yarn (Aran) in desired color

- 3.5mm crochet hook

- Stitch marker

- Scissors

- stuffing

- Yarn needle

Sample Round: *sc 1x, inc* 6x (18)

Explanation: *Single crochet 1 time, increase by working 2 single crochets in the next stitch* repeat section between * * 6 times (you will have a total of 18 stitches for this round)
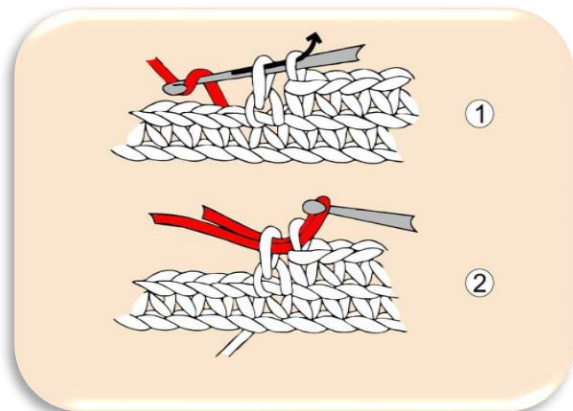
Invisible Decrease

For a cleaner look with fewer gaps you may use the invisible decrease method. Insert your hook into the front loop only of two stitches. Yarn over and pull thru the two loops, then yarn over and pull thru again.

Changing Colors

When changing to a new color it is best to finish the previous stitch with the new color. You will work the first three steps of the stitch in the current color- insert hook, yarn over, pull thru.

Then pick up the new color- yarn over and pull thru both loops to finish the stitch.

Bumps (make 2)

Rnd. 1: 6 sc in adjustable ring (6)
Rnd. 2: inc. in each stitch (12)
Rnd. 3: *sc 1x, inc* 6x (18)
Rnd. 4: *sc 2x, inc* 6x (24)
Rnd. 5-7: sc in each stitch (24)

Slip stitch, pull yarn through

Repeat rounds 1-7 for bump #2 but do not slip stitch, hold your place with a stitch marker and sew the two bumps together.

Sew together with 5 stitches, I have used a contrasting color only to make the stitches visible for the photo. Use the same color yarn as your heart.

Heart Base

Pick back up where you have placed the stitch marker and continue around both bumps

Rnd. 8: *sc 4x, dec* 6x, sc 3x (32)
Rnd. 9: *sc 4x, dec* 5x, sc 2x (27)
Rnd. 10-11: sc in each stitch (27)
Rnd. 12: *sc 3x, dec* 5x, sc 2x (22)
Rnd. 13: *sc 2x, dec* 5x, sc 2x (17)
Rnd. 14: sc in each stitch (17)
Rnd. 15: * sc 1x, dec* 5x, sc 2x (15)
-stuff
Rnd. 16: dec around until closed

Pull the yarn through and use the tail to sew up any gaps that may be visible where the two bumps were joined.