



Octopus & Starfish

Designed by Sara Delaney.

Octopus is 6½” tall; Starfish is 5½” across.

RED HEART® “Sport”: *Octopus* – 1 skein each 585 Purple **A**, 846 Skipper Blue **B**, and 12 Black **C**; *Starfish* – 1 skein each 230 Yellow **D**, 254 Pumpkin **E**, and 12 Black **C**.

Crochet Hook: 4mm [US G-6].

Split-ring stitch markers, tapestry needle, scissors, two 18mm safety eyes per toy (not safe for children under the age of 3; instead, use black embroidery floss), fiberfill stuffing.

GAUGE: 20 sc = 4”; 16 rounds = 4”. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE.** Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.

SPECIAL ABBREVIATIONS

Sc2tog = [Insert hook in front loop only of next st] twice; yo and draw loop through both sts, yo and draw through both loops on hook.

Adjustable Ring

Step 1: Make a loop (as if making a slip knot), leaving a 4” tail.

Step 2: Draw working yarn through loop.

Step 3: Ch 1.

NOTE: Do not join rounds; instead, place st marker in 1st st of round and move marker up as work progresses.

OCTOPUS

Base

With **B**, adjustable ring.

Round 1: 6 sc in ring. Tighten ring.

Round 2: 2 sc in each st around – 12 sts.

Round 3: * Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st; repeat from * around – 18 sts.

Round 4: * Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st; repeat from * around – 24 sts.

Round 5: * Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st; repeat from * around – 32 sts.

Round 6: * Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st; repeat from * around – 40 sts.

Round 7: * Sc in next st, dc in next 3 sts, sc in next st; repeat from * around.

Round 8: * Sc in next 2 sts, dc in next st, sc in next 2 sts; repeat from * around.

Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Head & Body

With **A**, work same as Base through Round 3.

Round 4: Sc in each st around.

Round 5: * Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st; repeat from * around – 24 sts.

Round 6: Repeat Round 4.

Round 7: * Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st; repeat from * around – 30 sts.

Round 8: * Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st; repeat from * around – 36 sts.

Rounds 9-14: Repeat Round 4.

Begin Short Row Shaping-Row 15: Sc in next 32 sts, slip st in next st; TURN.

Row 16: Skip first sc, sc in next 30 sts, slip st in next st; turn.



Row 17: Skip first sc, sc in next 28 sts, slip st in next st; turn.

Row 18: Skip first sc, sc in next 26 sts, slip st in next st; turn.

Row 19: Skip first sc, sc in next 24 sts, slip st in next st; turn.

Row 20: Skip first sc, sc in next 22 sts, slip st in next st; turn.

End Short Row Shaping-Round 21: Ch 1, sc in each st around – 36 sts.

Round 22: * Sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog; repeat from * around – 30 sts.

Round 23: * Sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog; repeat from * around – 24 sts.

Round 24: * Sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog; repeat from * around – 18 sts.

Rounds 25 & 26: Sc in each st around.

Round 27: * Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st; repeat from * around – 24 sts.

Round 28: * Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st; repeat from * around – 32 sts.

Round 29: * Sc in next st, 2 dc in next st, dc in next st, sc in next st; repeat from * around – 40 sts.

Round 30: * Sc in next 2 sts, dc in next st, sc in next 2 sts; repeat from * around.

Attach eyes to the points made by the short rows. Match Round 30 of Head & Body to Round 8 of Base. Round 31 will be worked through both layers.

Joining-Round 31: [Sc in next 2 sts, 2 hdc in next st, sc in next 2 sts] 6 times; add stuffing; work directions in brackets 2 more times – 48 sts.

Tentacles-Round 32: * Sc in next 3 sts, ch 32, 2 dc in 3rd ch from hook, [2 dc in next ch] 29 times; sc in next 3 sts; repeat from * around – 8 tentacles.

Fasten off. Weave in ends.

FINISHING

With **C**, embroider smile according to picture. Weave in ends.

STARFISH

Star

With **D**, adjustable ring.

Round 1: 10 sc in ring. Tighten ring.

Round 2: 2 sc in each st around – 20 sts.

Round 3: * Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st; repeat from * around – 30 sts.

Round 4: * Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st; repeat from * around – 40 sts.

Round 5: * Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st; repeat from *

around – 50 sts.

Round 6: * Sc in next 2 sts, hdc in next st, dc in next st, 2 dc in next 2 sts, dc in next st, hdc in next st, sc in next 2 sts; repeat from * around – 60 sts.

Round 7: * Sc2tog, sc in next 3 sts, 2 hdc in next 2 sts, sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog; repeat around.

Round 8: * Sc2tog, sc in next 3 sts, (2 hdc, dc) all in next st, (dc, 2 hdc) all in next st, sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog; repeat from * around – 70 sts.

Slip st in next st. Attach eyes according to picture. Fasten off, weave in ends.

Back Star

With **E**, adjustable ring.

Work same as Front Star through Round 8. With Wrong Sides together, match sts. Round 9 will be worked through both layers.

Joining-Round 9: * Sc in next st, ch 3, slip st in side of next st, sc in next st; repeat from * around. When 4 points have been worked, add fiberfill and finish working around last point. Slip st in first st. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

FINISHING

With **C**, embroider smile according to picture. Weave in ends.



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(150 m) skeins.

ABBREVIATIONS: **A, B, C** = Color A, Color B, Color C, etc; **ch** = chain; **dc** = double crochet; **hdc** = half double crochet; **mm** = millimeters; **sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **yo** = yarn over; **[]** = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; * or ** = repeat whatever follows the * or ** as indicated.