



CROCHET
SKILL LEVEL
EASY

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What you will need:

RED HEART® Super Saver: 1 skein each 3620 Glowworm **A**, 0254 Pumpkin **B**, 0324 Bright Yellow **C**, 0316 Soft White **D** and 0312 Black **E**

Susan Bates® Crochet Hook:
5mm [US H-8]

Stitch holders, Polyester fiberfill for stuffing, Yarn needle

GAUGE: 14 sc = 4" [10 cm]; 20 rows sc = 4" [10 cm]. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE.** Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.



RED HEART® Super Saver®, Art. E300 available in solid color 7 oz (198 g), 364 yd (333 m); multicolor, heather and print 5 oz (141 g), 244 yd (223 m), flecks 5 oz (141 g), 260 yds (238 m) skeins

Spicy Crab Cakes

Spicy Crab Cakes will bring a smile to anyone who needs one—he'll be on their side no matter what. Crochet this little guy in bright, snappy colors and he'll never be lost in the crowd.

Crab measures 4.5" (11 cm) long x 3.5" (9 cm) tall

Special Stitches

sc2tog = [draw up a loop in next st] twice, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

Special Technique

Change color: At end of sc, with 2 loops left on hook, drop first color; pick up new color, yarn over, draw new color through both loops to complete stitch.

CRAB Shell

Shell is worked in alternating Rounds of **B** and **C** without turning. Use a stitch holder to mark the beginning of each Round, moving up as work progresses. Carry unused color in back of work. With **B**, ch 2.

Round 1: Work 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook, change to **C** in last sc. Slip st in first sc to join—6 sc.

Round 2: Ch 1, [2 sc in next sc] 6 times, change to **B** in last sc. Slip st in first sc to join—12 sc.

Round 3: Ch 1, [2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc] 6 times, change to **C** in last sc. Slip st in first sc to join—18 sc.

Round 4: Ch 1, [sc in each of the next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 6 times, change to **B** in last sc. Slip st in first sc to join—24 sc.

Round 5: Ch 1, [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of the next 3 sc] 6 times, change to **C** in last sc. Slip st in first sc to join—30 sc.

Round 6: Ch 1, sc in each of the next 2 sc, [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of the next 4 sc] 5 times, 2 sc in next sc, sc in each of the next 2 sc, change to **B** in last sc. Slip st in first sc to join—36 sc.

Rounds 7-10: Ch 1, sc in each sc around, change color in pattern at end of each Round. Fasten off **C**.

Round 11: Working in front loops only, ch 1, hdc in each sc around. Slip st in first hdc to join—36 hdc.

Round 12: Slip st in each hdc around—36 slip sts. Fasten off and weave in ends.

Underside

Underside is worked in continuous Rounds without joining or turning. With **A**, ch 2.

Round 1: Work 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook—6 sc.

Round 2: [2 sc in next sc] 6 times—12 sc.

Round 3: [2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc] 6 times—18 sc.

Round 4: [Sc in each of the next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 6 times—24 sc.

Round 5: [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of the next 3 sc] 6 times—30 sc.

Round 6: 2 sc in next sc, sc in each of the next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc, [ch 7, turn, slip st in second ch from hook and next 5 chs, slip st in front loop of next sc (Leg formed)] 3 times, [sc in each of the next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc] 3 times, [ch 7, turn, slip st in second ch from hook and next 5 chs, slip st in front loop of next sc] 3 times, sc in each of the next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in each of the next 3 sc —30 sc and 6 Legs. Do not fasten off.

Attaching Shell to Underside

Underside and Shell will be attached by slip stitching together through back loops of last Round of Underside and back loops of Round 11 of Shell. Align Shell and Underside with wrong sides together. *Insert hook through next back loop of Underside and next back

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loop of Shell, draw loop through both back loops and loop on hook (slip st made). Repeat from * around Shell, working through the back loop of each sc and the last st of each Leg on the Underside, stuffing as you close. Stuff firmly but do not overstuff or stretch stitches (this helps prevent stuffing showing through work). Fasten off and weave in ends.

Front Claws (Make 2)

With **A**, ch 2.

Round 1 (Right side): Work 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook—6 sc.

Round 2: [2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc] 3 times—9 sc.

Round 3: Working in current st, [wrap yarn over hook, insert hook into st and pull up a loop] 3 times, yarn over and pull loop through all 7 loops on hook (Thumb made). Sc in each of the next 8 sc—1 Thumb and 8 sc.

Round 4: Sc2tog 4 times, sc in last st—5 sc. Stuff lightly.

Rounds 5-8: Sc in each st around. Continue stuffing lightly as work progresses. At the end of Round 8, fasten off, leaving 8” tail for sewing.

Eyes

Eye Whites (Right side): With **D**, *ch 6, turn, 3 hdc in 2nd ch from hook, 3 hdc in next ch, slip st in next ch, 3 hdc in each of the next 2 chs. Fasten off, leaving 8 “ tail for sewing.

Eyelids: With **A**, work same as Eye Whites; do not fasten off. Ch 1 turn; matching wrong sides of Eye Whites and Eyelids, sc two pieces together working 1 sc in each of the next 6 matching hdc’s, slip st in the next matching slip sts, work 1 sc in each of the next 6 matching hdc’s. Fasten off, leaving 12” tail for sewing.

Eyebrow

With **E**, *ch 4 loosely, turn, slip st in 2nd ch from hook and in the next 2 chs. Repeat from *, ending in middle of Eyebrow. Fasten off, leaving 8” tail for sewing.

Assembly

Using photograph as a guide, sew Front Claws to Underside in front of each set of Legs with Thumbs pointing inward. Lightly stuff Eyes and position on top of Shell, centered between Claws. Sew to Shell, matching colors.

With **E**, add a French knot in the center of each Eye White for a Pupil. Attach center of Eyebrow between Eyes with 2 for 3 stitches. Embroider a sassy **V**-smile. Weave and hide any remaining ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

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