

# EAGLE CROCHET PATTERN

Calling all crocheters, we are inviting people everywhere to help us create a trail of mini eagles that will be flying out across the area this summer. They will be flying out to local locations, shops and organisations for people to find during the Hampshire school summer holidays. We would like to thank Ginette Pope of The Kind Stitchers of Andover for creating the following pattern.

Once complete, please drop them into the museum or post to:

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## Stitch abbreviations

UK crochet terms used throughout

mr – magic ring

ch – chain

sl st – slip stitch

dc – double crochet

htr – half treble crochet

tr – treble crochet

dtr – double treble crochet

inc – increase

dec – decrease

sts – stitches

flo – front loop only

blo – back loop only

## What will you need?

3.5mm crochet hook

Tapestry needle to weave ends

DK weight yarn in three colours white, brown and yellow

Stitch markers

Soft toy filling

Safety eyes (optional)

## Head

*Use white yarn, work in the round*

R1: begin with a mr, ch 1 then 6dc into the ring (6)

R2: inc in every stitch (12)

R3: \*inc, dc 1\* x6 (18)

R4: \*inc, dc 2\* x6 (24)

R5: \*inc, dc 3\* x6 (30)

R6-14: dc in every stitch (30)

R15: \*inc, dc 9\* x3 (33)

R16: \*inc, dc 10\* x3 (36)

R17: \*inc, dc 11\* x3 (39)

R18a: (FLO) \*(dc, ch 1, tr) in the first stitch, (dtr, ch1) in the second stitch, dtr in the third stitch, (tr, ch 1, dc) in the fourth stitch, sl st in the fifth stitch\* x8 (the final sl st should go into the first stitch from the previous round)

*Fasten off, leaving a long end for sewing*

## Body

*Use brown yarn, work in the round*

*Begin by drawing up a loop and securing yarn in the back loop of the first stitch of row 18*



R18b: (BLO) \*inc, dc 12\* x3 (42)

R19-23: dc in every stitch (42)

R24: inc, dc, inc, dc 39 (44)

R25: dc 2, inc, dc 41 (45)

R26: inc, dc 4, inc, dc 39 (47)

R27: dc 4, inc (place a stitch marker here to mark the centre back), dc 42 (48)

*Use the centre back stitch marker to help you find the centre front then insert the safety eyes on the front of the head between rows 7 and 8, 5 stitches apart or embroider eyes*

*Stuff head*

*Using the long tail end of the head (white yarn), stitch the neck frills to the main body*



R28-35: dc in every stitch (48)

R36: \*dec, dc 6\* x6 (42)

R37: \*dec, dc 5\* x6 (36)

R38: \*dec, dc 4\* x6 (30)

R39: \*dec, dc 3\* x6 (24)

*Stuff body*

R40: \*dec, dc 2\* x6 (18)

R41: \*dec, dc 1\* x6 (12)

*Finish stuffing lightly (ensure the base of the body lies flat so the eagle can sit down)*

R42: dec x6 (6)

*Fasten off leaving a long end for sewing – sew shut*

## Beak

*Use yellow yarn, work in the round*

R1: begin with a mr, ch 1 then 4dc into the ring (4)

R2: \*inc, dc 1\* x2 (6)

R3: dc in every stitch (6)

R4: htr 3, sl st 3 (6)

R5: htr 3, sl st 3 (6)

*Fasten off leaving a long end for sewing. Sew beak to head then stitch three triangles at the top and sides of the beak as pictured*



## Wings

*Use brown yarn, work in rows (see picture below for ref.)*

*Make 2*

Base row 1: ch7, dc in the second chain from hook and across. Ch 1 and turn (6)

dc in the first stitch, then...

Feather 1: ch 8, (begin in the 2<sup>nd</sup> chain from hook) htr 5, dc 2, sl st into the next stitch in the base row, ch 1 and turn

Feather 2: (skip the ch and sl st), dc 2, htr 5, ch 3 and turn, (begin in the 2<sup>nd</sup> chain from hook) htr 7, dc 2, sl st into the next stitch in the base row, ch 1 and turn

Feather 3: (skip the ch and sl st), dc 2, htr 7, ch 3 and turn, (begin in the 2<sup>nd</sup> chain from hook) htr 9, dc 2, sl st into the next stitch in the base row, ch 1 and turn

Feather 4: (skip the ch and sl st), dc 2, htr 9, ch 3 and turn, (begin in the 2<sup>nd</sup> chain from hook) htr 11, dc 2, sl st into the next stitch in the base row, ch 1 and turn

Feather 5: (skip the ch and sl st), dc 2, htr 11, ch 3 and turn, (begin in the 2<sup>nd</sup> chain from hook) htr 13, dc 2, sl st into the next stitch in the base row, ch 1 and turn

Feather 6: (skip the ch and sl st), dc 2, htr 13, ch 3 and turn, (begin in the 2<sup>nd</sup> chain from hook) htr 15, dc 2, sl st into the side of the base row



Base row 2: Ch 1, then dc along the bottom of the base row, working in the unused loops. Ch 1 and turn (6)

Base row 3: dec, dc 2, dec (for the left wing, work the dec in the FLO, for the right wing work the dec in the BLO). Ch 1 and turn (4)

Base row 4: dc in every stitch (4)

*Fasten off and leave a long end for sewing*

*Pin wings to body as pictured and sew around the base rows only to secure to body*



### Tail feather

*Use white, work in rows*

R1: begin with a mr, ch 1 then 6dc into the ring. Ch 1 and turn (6)

dc in the first stitch, then...

Feather 1: ch 11, (begin in the 3<sup>rd</sup> chain from hook) tr 6, htr 2, dc 1, sl st into the next stitch in the base row, ch 1 and turn

Feathers 2-7: (skip the ch and sl st), dc 1, htr 2, tr 5, ch 3, (begin in the 3<sup>rd</sup> chain from hook) tr 6, htr 2, dc 1, sl st into the next stitch in the base row, ch 1 and turn (place the sl st at the end of the final feather in the side of the base row and omit the final ch 1 and turn)

*Fasten off leaving a long end for sewing*

*Sew to base of back, ensuring that the tail feather does not prevent the eagle from sitting down*

### Legs

*Use brown yarn (leg)*

*Make 2*

R1: Begin with a mr, ch1 then 6dc into the ring (6)

R2: inc in every stitch (12)

R3-7: dc in every stitch (12)

*Fasten off leaving a long end for sewing*

*Use yellow yarn (foot)*

*Make 2*

1: \*ch 5, skip the first chain and sl st loosely in the next 4 sts\* x3 (three talons made)

2: ch 3, skip the first chain and sl st loosely in the next 2 sts (back talon made)

3: Sl st over the middle of the talons to secure in position with the three longer talons at the front, the shorter fourth talon at the back

4: ch 3, skip the first chain and sl st loosely in the next 2 sts (lower leg made)

*Fasten off leaving a long end for sewing*

*Sew lower leg to closed end of upper leg*

*Sew legs to front of body as illustrated, ensuring they do not prevent the eagle from sitting down – the legs should hang down when the eagle is sitting down*



Happy Stitching!

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