CROCHET JELLYFISH: JULIE THE JELLYFISH

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Printable pattern, adapted in my own words from the free Nicole Chase design listed in sources.txt. US crochet terms.

SKILL LEVEL

Advanced beginner. The designer says it helps to have had some amigurumi experience first. Required skills: magic ring, single crochet, increasing, and decreasing (single crochet 2 together, invisible decrease recommended).

MATERIALS

- Any yarn you choose: one main color for the body, and three supporting colors for the tentacles. Sample colors shown: teal body, mint oral arms, purple tentacles, peach or coral tentacles, plus pink for embroidered blush and black for the smile.
- Crochet hook: 4.0 mm (G) for worsted weight yarn, or whatever hook size suits your chosen yarn
- Safety eyes: 9 mm
- Polyester fiberfill stuffing
- Stitch marker
- Yarn needle

GAUGE

Checking gauge is not required for this pattern. Use a hook that is smaller than the size recommended for your yarn weight. This will keep the stuffing from showing through the stitches.

FINISHED SIZE

Body about 2.5 inches tall; with tentacles about 8 inches tall.

ABBREVIATIONS

ch: chain

sc: single crochet

hdc: half double crochet

dc: double crochet

sl st: slip stitch

st: stitch

sc2tog: single crochet 2 stitches together (invisible decrease recommended: insert hook into front loop of first stitch, then into front loop of second stitch, yarn over and draw through the first two loops, yarn over and draw through both loops)

PATTERN NOTES

- The body is worked in continuous rounds from a magic ring. Do not join rounds. Use a stitch marker to mark the start of each round.
- Stuff the body as you work so the piece is completely filled.
- The oral arms and tentacles are made separately and sewn on afterwards.

BODY

Using color A (shown as teal) and a 4.0 mm hook

Round 1: Work 6 single crochet in a magic ring. (6 stitches)

Round 2: Work 2 single crochet in each stitch around. (12 stitches)

Round 3: Repeat around: work 2 single crochet in the next stitch, then 1 single crochet in the next stitch. (18 stitches)

Round 4: Repeat around: work 2 single crochet in the next stitch, then 1 single crochet in each of the next 2 stitches. (24 stitches)

Round 5: Repeat around: work 2 single crochet in the next stitch, then 1 single crochet in each of the next 3 stitches. (30 stitches)

Round 6: Repeat around: work 2 single crochet in the next stitch, then 1 single crochet in each of the next 4 stitches. (36 stitches)

Round 7: Repeat around: work 2 single crochet in the next stitch, then 1 single crochet in each of the next 5 stitches. (42 stitches)

Rounds 8-13: Work 1 single crochet in each stitch around. (42 stitches)

Round 14: Repeat around: work 1 single crochet 2 together, then 1 single crochet in each of the next 5 stitches. (36 stitches)

Round 15: Work 1 single crochet in each stitch around. (36 stitches)

If using safety eyes, insert them now between rounds 10 and 11, with 6 stitches showing between the eyes.

Round 16: Working in the front loops only, repeat around: work 1 single crochet in the next stitch, skip the next stitch, work 5 double crochet in the next stitch, skip the next stitch. (9 shells)

Round 17: Working behind round 16, into the unworked back loops of round 15, work 1 single crochet in each stitch around. (36 stitches)

Round 18: Repeat around: work 1 single crochet 2 together, then 1 single crochet in each of the next 4 stitches. (30 stitches)

Round 19: Repeat around: work 1 single crochet 2 together, then 1 single crochet in each of the next 3 stitches. (24 stitches)

Round 20: Repeat around: work 1 single crochet 2 together, then 1 single crochet in each of the next 2 stitches. (18 stitches)

Fill with stuffing.

Round 21: Repeat around: work 1 single crochet 2 together, then 1 single crochet in the next stitch. (12 stitches)

Round 22: Repeat around: work 1 single crochet 2 together. (6 stitches)

Cut yarn, leaving a long strand. Weave the yarn in and out of the remaining stitches, pull tight to close, tie off, and weave in the ends.

ORAL ARMS (one joined piece of 4 curls)

Using color B (shown as mint)

Row 1: Chain 40, work 2 half double crochet in the second chain from the hook, then 1 half double crochet in each of the next 2 stitches. Repeat across: work 2 half double crochet in the next stitch, then 1 half double crochet in each of the next 2 stitches. Do not fasten off. (52 stitches)

Row 2: Chain 49, work 2 half double crochet in the second chain from the hook, then 1 half double crochet in each of the next 2 stitches. Repeat across: work 2 half double crochet in the next stitch, then 1 half double crochet in each of the next 2 stitches. Do not fasten off. (64 stitches)

Row 3: Chain 40 and repeat row 1. Do not fasten off. (52 stitches)

Row 4: Chain 49 and repeat row 2. (64 stitches)

Cut yarn, leaving a long strand for sewing. Fasten off.

TENTACLE A (make 4)

Using color C (shown as purple)

Row 1: Chain 30, work 1 single crochet in the second chain from the hook and in each stitch to the end. (29 stitches)

Cut yarn, leaving a long strand for sewing. Fasten off.

TENTACLE B (make 4)

Using color D (shown as peach)

Row 1: Chain 30, work 1 slip stitch in the second chain from the hook and in each stitch to the end. (29 stitches)

Cut yarn, leaving a long strand for sewing. Fasten off.

ASSEMBLY AND FINISHING

- Pin the pieces in place before sewing so the tentacles do not shift while you sew.

- Attach the oral arms between rounds 20 and 21, in a circle on the underside of the body.
- Attach the tentacles around rounds 18 and 19, leaving about 2 to 3 stitches between each tentacle, alternating between tentacle A and tentacle B.
- Using color E (shown as pink), embroider blush under each eye, over 2 stitches, between rounds 12 and 13.
- Using color F (shown as black), embroider a smile between rounds 12 and 13, with about 3 stitches between the top ends of the smile, sloping down over 1 row.
- Weave in all ends neatly.
- Safety note: safety eyes pose a choking risk for babies. If making this toy for a baby, use yarn, felt, or embroidered eyes instead.

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