Crochet Pattern

Ladybug

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Difficulty: Medium   **Size:** The Ladybug has a height of 18 cm / 7 inches

Material:

1. crochet hook: 2.5 mm
2. Catania wool by Schachenmayr in black, ecru and red
3. Fiberfill
4. Safety Eyes 9 mm
5. Sewing needle

Abbreviations:

ch – chain
R – round or row
sc – single crochet
sl st – slip stitch
Number x sc – the number tells you how many times you make a single crochet in each stitch
inc - make two single crochet in one stitch
dec - two stitches crochet together with a sc
sc with color change: change the color on this sc (when you make this single crochet stitch, grab the new color of your wool and pull it through the two loops on your hook).

Note: Unless otherwise stated, the parts are worked in rounds. Instead of 2 chains for the

beginning, you can also use the magic ring. The arms and the wings are crocheted to the body, so you have to crochet them before you start with your legs and the body.

To mark the beginning of the rounds take a yarn thread (running stitch marker) in contrasting color. When you finish the last stitch of your round, drape your yarn thread (running stitch marker) to the other side. When the crocheted part is ready, you can simply pull out the thread.

Arms (2 x)

2 x ch with red

R 01   5 x sc in second chain from hook, mark the round with a yarn thread (5)

R 02   inc x 5 (10)

R 03   sc in each stitch (10)

R 04   9 x sc, sc with color change to black (10)

R 05-16 sc in each stitch (10)

fasten off, stuff the hand, stuff the arms only with a small amount of fiberfill.

Wings (2 x)

2 x ch with red

R 01   6 x sc in second chain from hook, mark the rounds with a yarn thread (6)

R 02   6 x inc (12)

R 03   (sc, inc) x 6 (18)

R 04-06 sc in each stitch (18)

R 07   (7 x sc, dec) x 2 (16)

R 08-09 sc in each stitch (16)

R 10   (6 x sc, dec) x 2 (14)

R 11   sc in each stitch (14)

R 12   (5 x sc, dec) x 2 (12)

R 13   sc in each stitch (12)

R 14   (4 x sc, dec) x 2 (10)

R 15   sc in each stitch (10)

R 16   ch, fold the opening, so it lays flat and close it with 5 x sc, cut the yarn.

Nose

2 x ch with red

R 01   5 x sc in second chain from hook,
         mark the rounds with a yarn thread (5)

R 02   5 x inc (10)

R 03   (sc, dec) x 3, sl st (7)

cut the yarn and leave a long tail to sew the nose to the head

Cap

2 x ch with black

R 01   6 x sc in second chain from hook, mark the rounds with a yarn thread (6)

R 02   6 x inc (12)

R 03   (sc, inc) x 6 (18)

R 04   (2 x sc, inc) x 6 (24)

R 05   (3 x sc, inc) x 6 (30)

R 06   (4 x sc, inc) x 6 (36)

R 07   (5 x sc, inc) x 6 (42)

R 08   sc in each stitch (42)

R 09   (6 x sc, inc) x 6 (48)

R 10-16 sc in each stitch (48)

R 17   (14 x sc, dec) x 3 (45)

R 18   (13 x sc, dec) x 3 (42)

R 19   From here, crochet in rows, now you make a long ribbon to the cap, so it can be closed at the front of the head, turn, 3 x sc, ch, after that:

crochet 17 rows - 3 x sc, ch, turn

After the completion of the head put on your cap and make sure that the ribbon is long enough, then bind off, cut the thread, leave long tail to sew the ribbon to the cap.

Antennae (2)

2 x ch with red

R 01   6 x sc in second chain from hook, mark the rounds with a yarn thread (6)

R 02   6 x inc (12)

R 03-04 sc in each stitch (12)

R 05   (dec, sc) x 4, **color change** in the last stitch to black (8)

R 06-10 sc in each stitch (8)

fasten off, cut the yarn, leave long tail to sew the Antennae to the head, **stuff the antennae firmly.**

Points (6)

2 x ch with black

R 01   6 x sc in second chain from hook, sl st (6)

Cut the thread and knot or sew it on the back.

2 points are sewn onto each wing. 2 points are sewn on the front of the body.

Legs (2 x)

2 x ch with red

R 01   6 x sc in second chain from hook, mark the rounds with a yarn thread (6)

R 02   inc x 6 (12)

R 03   sc in each stitch (12)

R 04   11 x sc, sc with **color change** to black (12)

R 05-10   sc in each stitch (12)

fasten off, cut the thread, then make the second leg. Do not fasten off the second leg, continue crocheting:

Now connect the second leg to the first leg:

R 01   3 x ch, then take the first leg and crochet around it with 12 x sc,
          then 3 x sc over the chain, 12 x sc over the next leg, and you're done with the
          first round of the body, insert thread mark (end of round) (27 sc, 3 x ch)

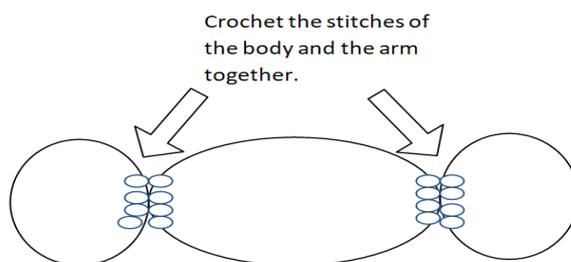R 02   3 x sc over the chain, then 27 x sc until end of round (30)

R 03   (5 x sc, inc) x 5 (35)

R 04-07   sc in each stitch (35) **stuff the legs and the body, continue stuffing**

R 08   20 x sc, sc with **color change** to red, 14 x sc (35)

R 09-15   sc in each stitch (35)

R 16   12 x sc, hold one arm close to it and crochet the stitches of the arm and the body
          together with 4 x sc, then 14 x sc on the body, hold the next arm to the body and
          crochet with 4 x sc arm and body together, sc (35)

Crochet the stitches of the body and the arm together.

R 17   12 x sc, with 6 x sc crochet over the outside of the arm, 14 x sc,
6 x sc over the outside of the arm, sc (39)

R 18   2 x sc, dec, 3 x sc, dec, 2 x sc, dec, 4 x sc, dec, 3 x sc, dec,
3 x sc, dec, 2 x sc, dec, 4 x sc, dec (31)

R 19   2 x sc, dec, 3 x sc, dec, 6 x sc, hold one wing to the body and
crochet body and wing together with 5 x sc, then crochet the
second wing to the body with 5 x sc, and now 6 x sc (29)
here you can see the crocheted wings on the body:

R 20   3 x sc, dec, (2 x sc, dec) x 6 (22)

R 21   13 x sc, **sc with color change** to ecru, 8 x sc (22)

continue with the **head**

R 22   sc in each stitch (22)

R 23   (10 x sc, inc) x 2 (24)

R 24   (sc, inc) x 12 (36)

R 25   (2 x sc, inc) x 12 (48)

R 26-31 sc in each stitch (48)

R 32   5 x sc, insert thread to mark here to mark the place where you have to plug in the
safety eye, 10 x sc, insert another thread mark for the second eye,
33x sc (48)

R 33-36 sc in each stitch (48)

R 37   (6 x sc, dec) x 6 (42), stuff

R 38   (5 x sc, dec) x 6 (36)

R 39   (4 x sc, dec) x 6, plug in the safety eyes in row 32 (30)

R 40   (3 x sc, dec) x 6 (24)

R 41   (2 x sc, dec) x 6 (18) stuff again and make sure that head and neck is stuffed firmly

R 42   (sc, dec) x 6 (12)

R 43   dec x 6 (6)

fasten off, cut the thread and sew it

Finishing

Your little ladybug should look like this now:

Sew the nose slightly below the eyes and embroider a small mouth with black yarn.

Then put on the cap and sew the ribbon to the side of the cap.

Attach the antennae with pins and sew them.

Then you can sew on the points:
Two at the front of the body and two points on each wing.

And you're done ♥

Have fun crocheting!

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