





#### **Wenona Preemie Cocoon**

A Sunflower Cottage Crochet Pattern

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- About 200 yards of #4 worsted weight yarn
- 5mm hook
- Stitch markers (optional)
- Scissors
- Tapestry needle

15 dc and 9 rows = 4x4" square

Gauge Sízíng

11-11.5 inches at longest point

### Abbreviations

- Ch(s)--chain(s)
- St(s)--stitch(es)
- rep--repeat
- Hdc—Half-double crochet
- MR—Magic Ring
- Ss—slip stitch
- SC—single crochet
- NST—N stitch

#### Pattern Notes

- Written in US terms
- Ch3 count as DC stitches.
- Read the instructions for how to do the special stitches!
- Ch2 does not count as a stitch
- If you want to make this project larger, continue adding 8 sts to each round. See explanation in "special stitches"



# Special Stitches

### Crab Stítch

Working from left to right (instead of towards the left like usual), complete a single crochet in the next stitch to the RIGHT. This will create a slightly twisted stitch that makes a great border. Video <a href="here">here</a>.

## Magíc Ríng

This is the alternative to the ch4 ring method. As it is difficult to put into words, we have a video here.

#### N Stítch

Skip next stitch, hdc in next, insert hook into skipped stitch, yo and pull up a loop, yo, pull thru 1 loop, yo, insert hook back into the next st (where you did the hdc), yo, pull up a loop, yo, pull thru all loops on the hook.

video <u>here</u>.

### Increasing size

If you would like to increase the size of the cocoon, you can continue to make more increase rounds. In this pattern, the last increase round is round 8, where you work 6 dc's and then increase in the next stitch by putting 2dc in that next stitch, then work another 6 dc's and do another increase and so on. For each increase round, you are working another 8 increases, so each round's final count will have a multiple of 8: 8, 16, 24, 32, 40, 48, 56, 64, 72, and so on. Here are the stitch counts for the next few rows of increases:

\*REMEMBER THAT THE CH3 COUNTS AS A DC\*

DC in 6 sts, increase in next; around

DC in 7 sts, increase in next; around

DC in 8 sts, increase in next; around

DC in 9 sts, increase in next; around



### Pattern

- Rnd 1— MR and chain 3 (counts as a dc)

  Complete 7 more dc's in the ring. SS to join to top of ch3. (8)
- Rnd 2— Ch3, dc in same as join (counts as 2dc), 2dc in each st around, ss to top of ch 3 to join. (16)
- Rnd 3— Ch3, \*2dc in next st, dc in next; rep from \* to end—ending with 2dc in final st. SS to top of ch3 to join. (24)
- Rnd 4— Ch3, dc in next, 2dc in next, \*dc next 2 sts, 2dc in next; rep from \* to end—ending with 2dc in final st. SS to top of ch3 to join. (32)
- Rnd 5— Ch3, dc in next 2 sts, 2dc in next, \*dc next 3 sts, 2dc in next; rep from \* to end—ending with 2dc in final st. SS to top of ch3 to join. (40)
- Rnd 6— Ch3, dc in next 3 sts, 2dc in next, \*dc next 4 sts, 2dc in next; rep from \* to end—ending with 2dc in final st. SS to top of ch3 to join. (48)
- Rnd 7-- Ch3, dc in next 4 sts, 2dc in next, \*dc in next 5 sts, 2dc in next; rep from \* to end—ending with 2dc in final st. SS to top of ch3 to join. (56)
- Rnd 8-- Ch3, dc in next 5 sts, 2dc in next, \*dc in next 6 sts, 2dc in next; rep from \* to end—ending with 2dc in final st. SS to top of ch3 to join. (64)
- Rnd 9— Ch1, hdc in same as join, NST around, hdc in final stitch. SS to ch1 to join. (64)
- Rnd 10— Ch1, sc in same as join, sc in each stitch around. SS to ch1 to join. (64)
- Rnds 11-24—Repeat rows 9 & 10.
- Border— You can do the simple crab stitch border or the shell border. Instructions for both as follows:

Crab stitch border: Ch1, crab st in first and in each st around (please read the instructions for crab stitch). FO and weave in ends.

Shell Border: Ch1, sc in same, sk2, 5dc in next st, \*sk2, sc in next st, sk 2, 5dc in next; rep from \* to end, join to first sc. FO and weave in ends.

#### Links

Facebook Group: Sunflower Cottage Crochet Community

Blog: <u>www.sunflowercottagecrochet.com</u>

LoveCrafts: <a href="https://www.lovecrafts.com/en-us/user/Sunflower-Cottage-">https://www.lovecrafts.com/en-us/user/Sunflower-Cottage-</a>

<u>Crochet/080c84a2-7e32-4fe4-a1cc-b43d6bffb130</u>

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