Crockut Mask
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## ATTENTION

This is not a sanitary face mask and is not a substitute for any Personal Protective Equipment. The use of this face mask does not replace safety measures for the prevention of infection. Please use a face mask approved according to health regulations under your crochet face mask to ensure your safety.

## YOU WILL NEED

-1 skein of The Pima Cotton from We Are Knitters (100g)

- One 5 mm / H-8 US / 6 UK hook
- One sewing needle to finish and connect your pieces

These are the stitches and techniques you'll need to complete this project:

1. Chains
2. Single crochet*
3. Single crochet through the back loop*
4. Increase $\mathbf{1}^{*}$
5. Decrease*

* These techniques are explained in the introduction

Tutorials for many of these stitches and techniques can be found on our website, make sure to watch them and practice.

*To make the mask thick enough, you will have to pull your work a little tighter than usual. If it does not come out tight enough, go down one hook size.

## GAUGE

Take time to save time! Spend 10 minutes making your sample ahead of time, to prevent having to adjust your pattern after you've already begun, which can take hours or days to change, especially if you have to start over completely.

The tension sample is the tension recommended for your project. It is very important to make a tension sample in a $10 \times 10 \mathrm{~cm}(4 " \times 4$ ") area, where you can count the number of rows and stitches that fit in order to ensure that your tension is correct for the project. With this method, your measurements will correspond with the specifications in the schematic.

If your sample is smaller than recommended, try to crochet more loosely. If your sample is larger than recommended, try to crochet more tightly.

Ultimately, crocheting is an art, not a science and you aren't a machine; so it's normal to have a small variation of $1-3 \mathrm{~cm}$ in the end.

You can find more information about creating a tension sample in our blog post "HOW TO MEASURE A TENSION SAMPLE" that you will find on our web site weareknitters.com

## CROCHET THE GAUGE IN:

SINGLE CROCHET


## INTRODUCTION

This project is worked in one piece lengthwise.
This pattern is written for two sizes M [L]. Follow the instructions for the size you are making, keeping in mind that the first number refers to size M , and the second to size $L$. When only one number is given it is the same for all sizes. If there is a 0 on your size, it means that instruction does not apply to your size and you don't need to work it. Go to the next instruction.

We recommend circling, or highlighting, the numbers in the pattern that correspond to the size you are making before beginning to make it easier to follow the pattern instructions.

Before beginning it is important that you know how to do the following techniques:

The stitches in crochet are built from the top. That's why when beginning a row, you always have to make the number of chains necessary to reach the height of the stitch you will work. These chains substitute the first stitch of the row.

Single crochet: insert the crochet hook into the stitch of the previous row as indicated in the pattern, yarn over. Draw yarn through chain and up onto the working area of
the crochet hook. You now have two loops on the hook. Again, yarn over and draw yarn through both loops on the crochet hook. To start a row in single crochet you need to chain 1 .

Single crochet through the back loop: single crochet through the back loop is worked the same as single crochet, but instead of inserting the crochet hook under both loops of the stitch on the previous row, the hook is inserted only under the back loop of the stitch.

Increase 1: to increase one stitch work the same stitch twice, this is, work two stitches into one stitch.

Decrease: to decrease you have to close 2 stitches together as if they were one, this means: insert the hook into the first stitch, yarn over and draw yarn through. You will have two loops on the hook. Insert your hook into the next stitch, yarn over and draw yarn through. You will have three loops on the hook. Yarn over and draw yarn through the remaining loops on the hook.

## START CROCHETING

1. Chain $14+1$ extra chain with your WAK crochet hook.
2. Work rows 1 to 4 in single crochet through the back loop, this means:

Row 1: work 1 single crochet into each of the chains. Remember that the extra chain counts as the first stitch, so you must insert your hook into the 3rd chain from your hook to make the first single crochet.

Rows 2 to 4: chain 1 and work all stitches in single crochet through the back loop*.
*Remember that the turning chain counts as the first stitch, so do not work the first stitch of the row. The last stitch is worked into the turning chain of the previous row. All rows in single crochet through the back loop are worked like this.
3. Work rows 5 to 14 [18] in single crochet through the back loop, keeping in mind the following increases:

Row 5: chain 1 and work 5 single crochets through the back loop. Increase 2, work the remaining stitches in single crochet through the back loop. You will have a total of 16 stitches.

Row 6 and all even rows until row 14 [18]: work in single crochet through the back loop.

Row 7: chain 1 and work 5 single crochets through the
back loop. Increase 1, work 2 single crochet through the back loop, increase 1. Work the remaining stitches in single crochet through the back loop. You will have a total of 18 stitches.

Row 9: chain 1 and work 5 single crochets through the back loop. Increase 1, work 4 single crochet through the back loop, increase 1 . Work the remaining stitches in single crochet through the back loop. You will have a total of 20 stitches.

Row 11: chain 1 and work 5 single crochets through the back loop. Increase 1, work 6 single crochet through the back loop, increase 1 . Work the remaining stitches in single crochet through the back loop. You will have a total of 22 stitches.

Row 13: chain 1 and work 5 single crochets through the back loop. Increase 1, work 8 single crochet through the back loop, increase 1. Work the remaining stitches in single crochet through the back loop. You will have a total of 24 stitches.

## SIZE L

Row 15: chain 1 and work 5 single crochets through the back loop. Increase 1, work 10 single crochet through the back loop, increase 1 . Work the remaining stitches in single crochet through the back loop. You will have a total of 26 stitches.

Row 17: chain 1 and work 5 single crochets through the back loop. Increase 1, work 12 single crochet through the back loop, increase 1 . Work the remaining stitches in single crochet through the back loop. You will have a total of 28 stitches

## ALL SIZES

4. Work rows 15 [19] to 23 [27] in single crochet through the back loop.
5. Work rows 24 [28] to 32 [40], keeping in mind the following decreases:

Row 24 [28]: chain 1 and work 5 single crochets through the back loop. Decrease 1, work 8 [12] single crochet through the back loop, decrease 1. Work the remaining stitches in single crochet through the back loop. You will have a total of 22 [26] stitches.

Rows 25 [29] and all odd rows until row 31 [39]: work all stitches in single crochet through the back loop.

Row 26 [30]: chain 1 and work 5 single crochets through the back loop. Decrease 1, work 6 [10] single crochet through the back loop, decrease 1. Work the remaining stitches in single crochet through the back loop. You will have a total of 20 [24] stitches.

Row 28 [32]: chain 1 and work 5 single crochets through the back loop. Decrease 1, work 4 [8] single crochet through the back loop, decrease 1. Work the remaining stitches in single crochet through the back loop. You will have a total of 18 [22] stitches.

Row 30 [34]: chain 1 and work 5 single crochets through the back loop. Decrease 1, work 2 [6] single crochet through the back loop, decrease 1. Work the remaining stitches in single crochet through the back loop. You will have a total of 16 [20] stitches.

## SIZE M

Row 32: chain 1 and work 5 single crochets through the back loop. Decrease 2, work the remaining stitches in single crochet through the back loop. You will have a total of 14 stitches.

SIZE L
Row 36: chain 1 and work 5 single crochets through the back loop. Decrease 1, work 4 single crochet through the back loop, decrease 1 . Work the remaining stitches in single crochet through the back loop. You will have a total of 18 stitches.

Row 38: chain 1 and work 5 single crochets through the back loop. Decrease 1, work 2 single crochet through the back loop, decrease 1 . Work the remaining stitches
in single crochet through the back loop. You will have a total of 16 stitches.

Row 40: chain 1 and work 5 single crochets through the back loop. Decrease 2, work the remaining stitches in single crochet through the back loop. You will have a total of 14 stitches.

## ALL SIZES

6. Work rows 33 [41] to 36 [44] in single crochet through the back loop.
7. Now we are going to make the first tie for your mask, to do so work row 37 [45] as follows:

Row 37 [45]: chain 25 [30], turn your work. Work all stitches in single crochet through the back loop starting with the stitch at the other side of where the chain starts.

8. Once you have finished the 37 [45] rows, cut the yarn leaving an 8 inch $(20 \mathrm{~cm})$ tail and pull the yarn out through the last stitch.
9. Now we are going to make the other tie for the mask. To do so, go to the first row and work 1 slip stitch in the first stitch of the foundation chain to join the yarn to your work, work row 38 [46] as follows:

Row 38 [46]: chain 25 [30], turn your work. Work all stitches in single crochet through the back loop starting with the stitch at the other side of where the chain starts.

## JOIN AND FINISH

Once you have finished knitting the mask, it will look like the image in the diagram.

To finish, make a knot and weave in the tail end of yarn about 3 inches, cut off even with the fabric. Weave in any loose ends in the same way.


## CUSTOMIZE!

Once you're done crocheting, customize your project with pins, brooches, etc. Have fun with it! Send us your pics through Instagram using the hashtags \#weareknitters \& \#crochetmask!

