

Crochet Pattern

Super-Prickle



The pattern of the toy is suitable for any yarn type.

Himalaya Dolphin Baby/

YarnArt Dolce

(131 yds/3,5 Oz.)

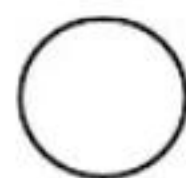
Main shade consumption (deep blue) 2.5 skeins

Hook 3.5 mm

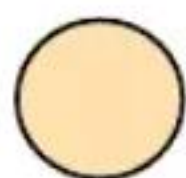
Height 35-38 cm/13.7"-15"



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*Please, pay attention to the fact that every person has his/her own style and crochet density. The size of the finished toy may vary from the size indicated in the pattern.

Materials & Supplies:

- ✓ plush yarn (120 m/100 gr.) (131 yds/3,5 oz) (Himalaya Dolphin Baby, YarnArt Dolce, etc.) (main shade consumption 2.5 skeins, other shades – less than a half of a skein):
 - palette for the body (page 6);
- ✓ cotton/semi-cotton yarn (~330 m/100 g) (361 yds/3.53 Oz.) (YarnArt Jeans, Alize Cotton Gold, Gazzal Jeans, etc.):
 - black (for pupils and nose);
 - to match plush yarn shades to sew the details (optional);
- ✓ 3.5 mm hook;
- ✓ long needle for tightening (for plush yarn ~ 12 cm);
- ✓ nylon thread for tightening or any strong light thread;
- ✓ needles for sewing body parts;
- ✓ stitch markers;
- ✓ pins with large head;
- ✓ scissors;
- ✓ fiber filling;
- ✓ love. 

*when creating a toy using plush yarn, I sew almost all the details with a semi-cotton thread to match. So, it turns out neater and stronger.

*depending on your crocheting density, thread tension, crocheting method ([tick / mixed / cross](#) — watch the video), you should correctly choose the hook size. I crochet in a mixed way (capture on top, then capture on bottom), strong thread gauge/tension.

Abbreviations:

*U.S. terminology

MR – magic ring;

CH – chain;

SS – slip stitch;

St(s) – stitch(es);

Rd(s) – round(s);

SC – single crochet;

HDC – half double crochet;

DC – double crochet;

INC – increase (work 2 DC in the same St);

DEC – decrease (2 SC together through the front loops);

BLO – back loops only;

FLO – front loops only;

(SC, INC)*6 (18) – repeat the combination in brackets 6 times, the number in brackets is the total number of St in a round.

About shifting of the beginning of the round:

In this crochet pattern we will shift the stitch marker so that my pattern coincides with yours. Next, I explain why the beginning of the round may shift in different ways or not shift at all.

The beginning of the round shifts to the right (for a right-handed person) as you crochet, or doesn't shift at all, which depends on your crocheting technique (the method and strength of the thread tension, the position of the thread relative to the canvas) (see photo below);



the beginning
of the Rd
DOES NOT shift



the beginning of the
Rd shifts to the **RIGHT**



align the beginning of the Rd:
work additional shifting stitches, which
we **DO NOT** take into account in the
total number of stitches in the Rd, and
shift the stitch marker to the **LEFT**

First, we are going to crochet arms, as they are going to be attached in the process of crocheting. But you can always sew them to the body in specified rounds.

Arms:

- *make 2 details
- *stuff only the palms

Thumb:

- *white yarn
- *don't stuff

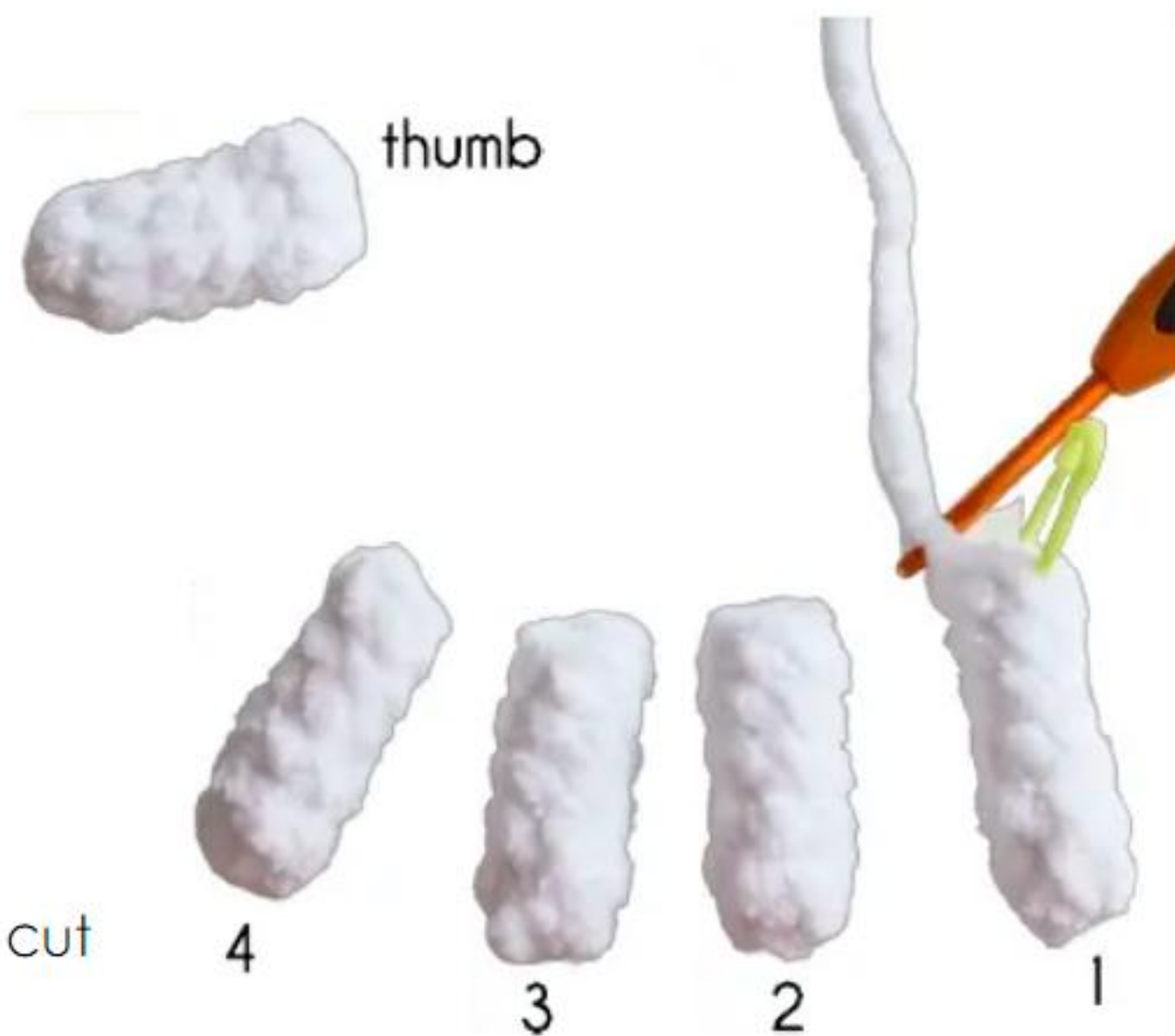
1. 6 SC in MR;
- 2-5. 4 rounds of 6 SC;
 - work a CH, fold in half and crochet the sides together with 3 SC;
 - fix and cut the thread.



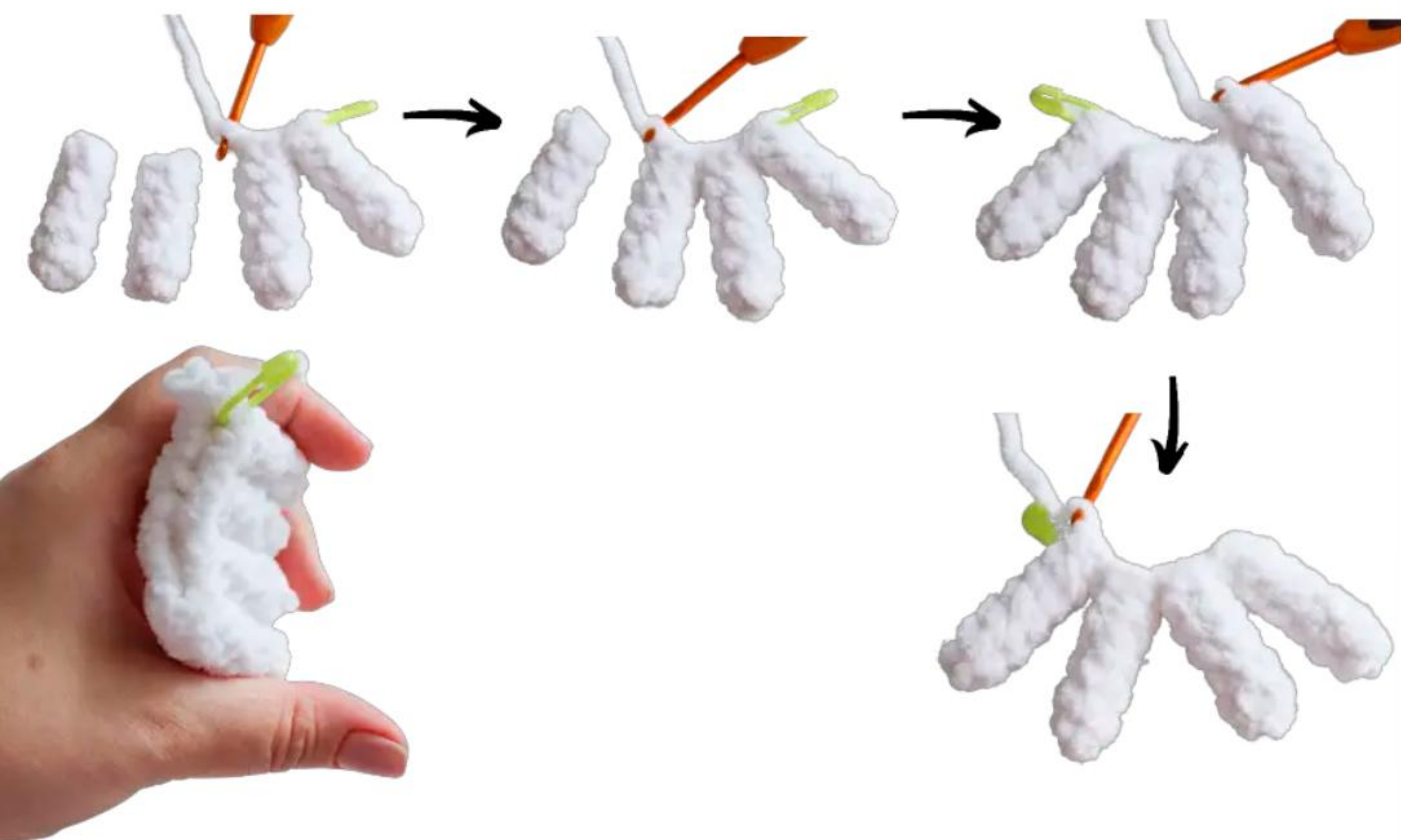
All other fingers (except the thumb):

- *white yarn
- *make 4 details
- *don't stuff

1. 6 SC in MR;
- 2-6. 5 rounds of 6 SC;
 - fix and cut the thread in 3 details;
 - when crocheting the last 4th detail, do NOT cut the thread and begin to join all 4 fingers;



7. 3 SC on the 1st finger, 3 SC on the 2nd finger, 3 SC on the 3^d finger, 6 SC on the 4th finger, 3 SC on the 3^d finger, 3 SC on the 2nd finger, 3 SC on the 1st finger (24);



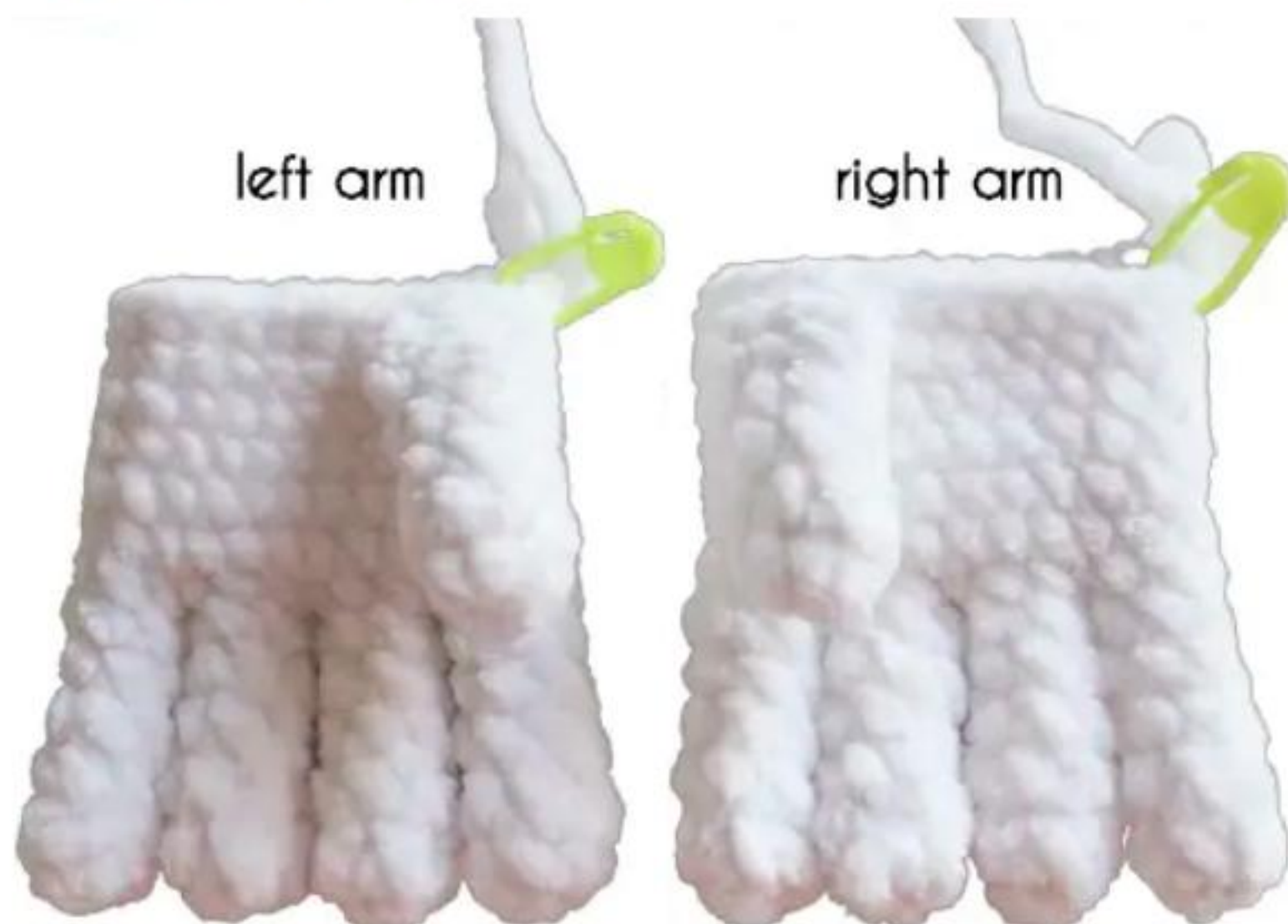
8 12. 5 rounds of 24 SC;

- in **Rd 13** we attach the thumb;
- to make sure that the finger is exactly in its place, fold the detail in half along all the fingers and shift the stitch marker to the next SC from the fold line (see page 9);



13. **left arm:** SC, 3 SC with the thumb, 20 SC (24);

right arm: 8 SC, 3 SC with the thumb, 13 SC (24);



14. (10 SC, DEC)* 2 (22);

15. (9 SC, DEC)* 2 (20);

16. (3 SC, DEC)*4 (16);

17. (2 SC, DEC)*4 (12);

- change thread color to ivory;

18. (4 SC, DEC)*2 (10);

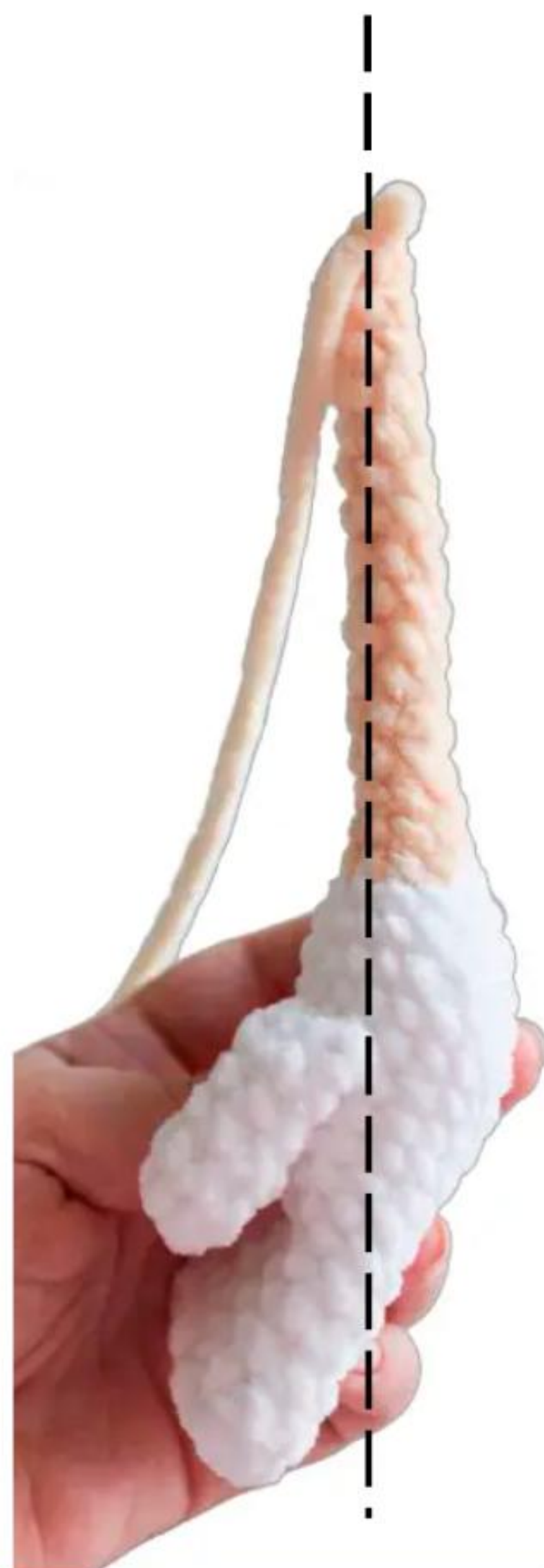
19. (3 SC, DEC)*2 (8);

20. (2 SC, DEC)*2 (6);

- stuff only the palm so that it stays flat;

21-32. 12 rounds of 6 SC;

- (if needed) work several additional SCs so that the 1st finger was in one line with the fold line, when folded;





- work a CH, fold in half and crochet the sides together with 3 SC;
- fasten off.



The edge of the glove:

*white yarn

*make 2 details

*make a turn and work a turning CH at the end of each row

0. Chain 22;

1. start in the 2nd chain from the hook: 21 SC;

2. BLO: 21 SC;

3. FLO: 21 SC;

- fix the thread and leave a long end to sew;



- fold the detail in half so that the loose front loops of **rows 2 and 3** are on the front side;
- carefully sew the edges;
- turn out the detail;



- put it on the arm and fix it with two stitches on two opposite sides of the arm so that the seam is on the opposite side from the thumb between **Rds 15 and 16** of the arm.



Legs:

- *make 2 details
- *stuff in process
- *start with grey yarn

Principle of crocheting an oval without SS and turning chain using 10 CH in the base.

0. Chain 10;

- work in spiral (without a turning CH and SS) as in all amigurumi toys (oval-shape detail);

1. start in the 2nd chain from the hook: 8 SC, 3 into the last chain from the hook, on the other side: 7 SC, INC (20);



2. INC, 7 SC, 3 INC, 7 SC, 2 INC (26);

3. SC, INC, 7 SC, (SC, INC)*3, 7 SC, (SC, INC)*2 (32);

4. (2 SC, INC)*2, 4 SC, (2 SC, INC)*3, 4 SC, (2 SC, INC)*3 (40);

5. (3 SC, INC)*2, 4 SC, (3 SC, INC)*3, 4 SC, (3 SC, INC)*3 (48);



- change thread color to red, don't cut the grey thread and leave it on the outside for further crocheting;



6. BLO: 48 SC;

- shift stitch marker to the middle of the heel
(if needed);

7. 20 SC, 4 DEC, 20 SC (44);



- return to the grey thread, don't cut the red one;

- work 48 SS in loose front loops of **Rd 5**;

- join the Rd with SS, fasten off, hide the thread inside the foot;



- continue crocheting the foot with a red thread;
- 8. 18 SC, 4 DEC, 18 SC (40);
- 9. 16 SC, 4 DEC, 16 SC (36);
- 10. 14 SC, 4 DEC, 14 SC (32);
- 11. 12 SC, 4 DEC, 12 SC (28);
- 12. 10 SC, 4 DEC, 10 SC (24);
- 13. 8 SC, 4 DEC, 8 SC (20);
- 14. 6 SC, 4 DEC, 6 SC (16);
- stuff the foot tightly keeping a pointed triangle shape;



- change thread color to deep blue;
- 15. (6 SC, DEC)*2 (14);
- 16. (5 SC, DEC)*2 (12);
- 17. (4 SC, DEC)*2 (10);
- 18. (3 SC, DEC)*2 (8);
- stuff the ankle well, then keep stuffing the leg in the process;
- 19-31. 13 rounds of 8 SC;

- fasten off on the first leg; it is the **left** leg of the toy;

Do you know you could finish
crocheting with a neat,
straight line?



- do NOT fasten off on the second leg (right one),
work several additional SC (or loose several SC), so
that the end of the round is on the inner side
(see photo);



- continue crocheting the body;

Body-Head:

*stitch marker is on the back

*stuff in process

*crochet chain 4 from the right leg;

*attach both legs to each other and continue crocheting on the left leg from the side behind according to the pattern:



32. on the left leg: 8 SC, on the chain: 4 SC, on the right leg: 8 SC,
on the chain: 4 SC (24);

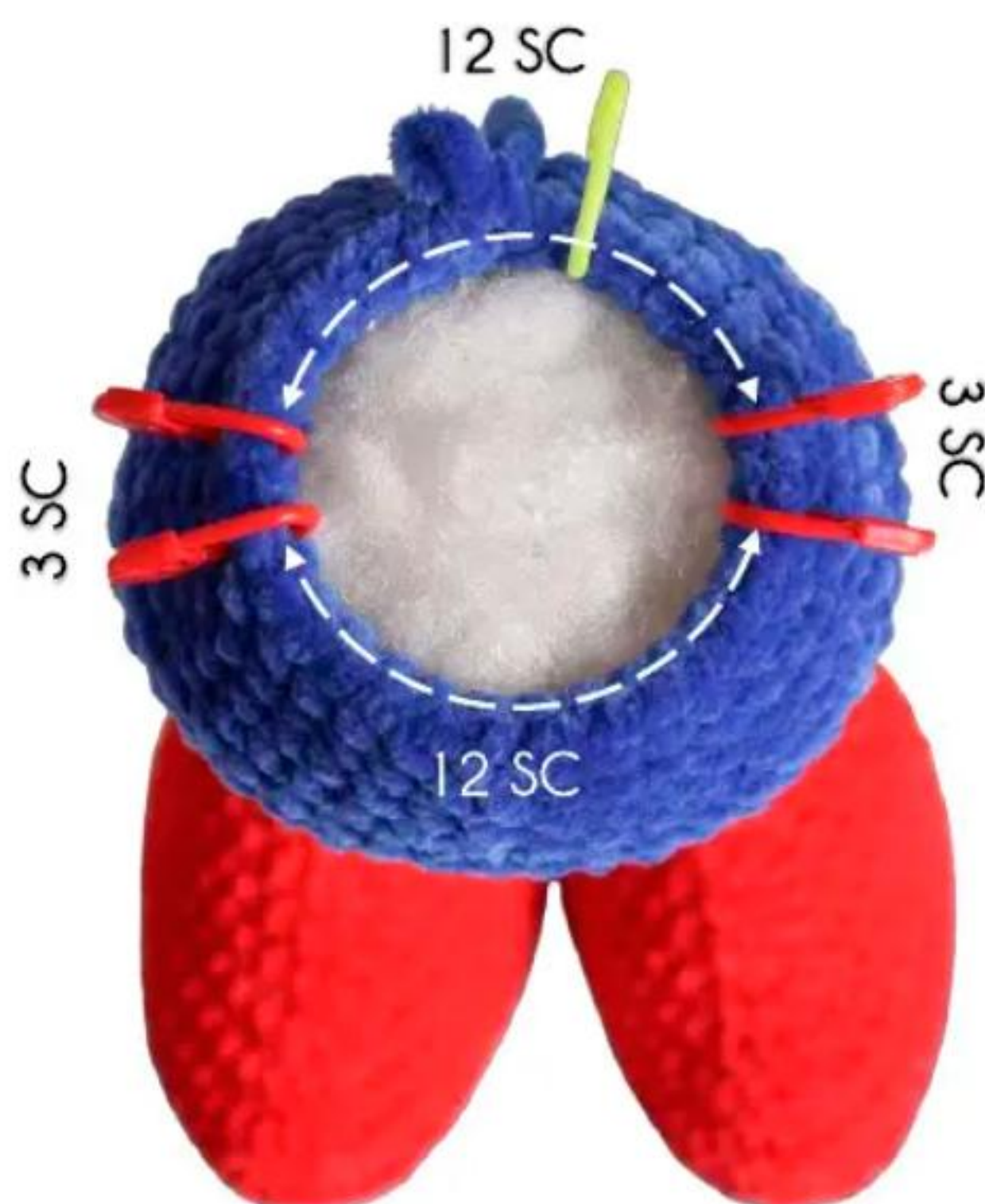




*if there is a gap between the legs, sew it with the thread end on the wrong side;

- 33. (3 SC, INC)*6 (30);
- 34. 30 SC;
- 35. (4 SC, INC)*6 (36);
- 36. 36 SC;
- 37. (5 SC, INC)*6 (42);
- 38-43. 6 rounds of 42 SC;
- 44. (5 SC, DEC)*6 (36);
- 45-46. 2 rounds of 36 SC;
- 47. (4 SC, DEC)*6 (30);

- in **Rd 48** we are going to attach arms;
- for accuracy of attachment mark **3 SC** (place of attachment) at a distance of **12 SC** in the front and on the back;
- the pattern of attachment (place of attachment) may differ, so double-check the area of attachment by markers;
- if needed, adjust (shift) the stitch marker;



48. 5 SC, 3 SC with the arm, 12 SC, 3 SC with the arm, 7 SC (30);



49. 30 SC;

50. (3 SC, DEC)*6 (24);

51. (2 SC, DEC)*6 (18);

52. (SC, INC)*9 (27); (the first Rd of the head)

53. (2 SC, INC)*9 (36);

54. (3 SC, INC)*9 (45);

55. (4 SC, INC)*9 (54);

56. (8 SC, INC)*6 (60);

57-68. 12 rounds of 60 SC;

69. (8 SC, DEC)*6 (54);

70. (7 SC, DEC)*6 (48);

71. (6 SC, DEC)*6 (42);

72. (5 SC, DEC)*6 (36);

73. (4 SC, DEC)*6 (30);

74. (3 SC, DEC)*6 (24);

75. (2 SC, DEC)*6 (18);

76. (SC, DEC)*6 (12);

77. 6 DEC (6);

- do NOT tighten the hole, we will need it for a neat muzzle tightening;

- fix the thread and leave the long end for tightening the hole.



Sneaker fastener:

*white yarn

*make 2 details

*make a turn and work a turning CH at the end of each row

0. Chain 19;

1. start in the 2nd chain from the hook: 18 SC:



1. start in the 2nd chain from the hook: 10 SC;

2. 18 SC;

- fix the thread and leave a long end to sew;
- sew on the sneakers on the sides;
- tie the ends of the threads into a knot and hide them inside the foot.



Upper edge of the sock:

*white yarn

*make 2 details

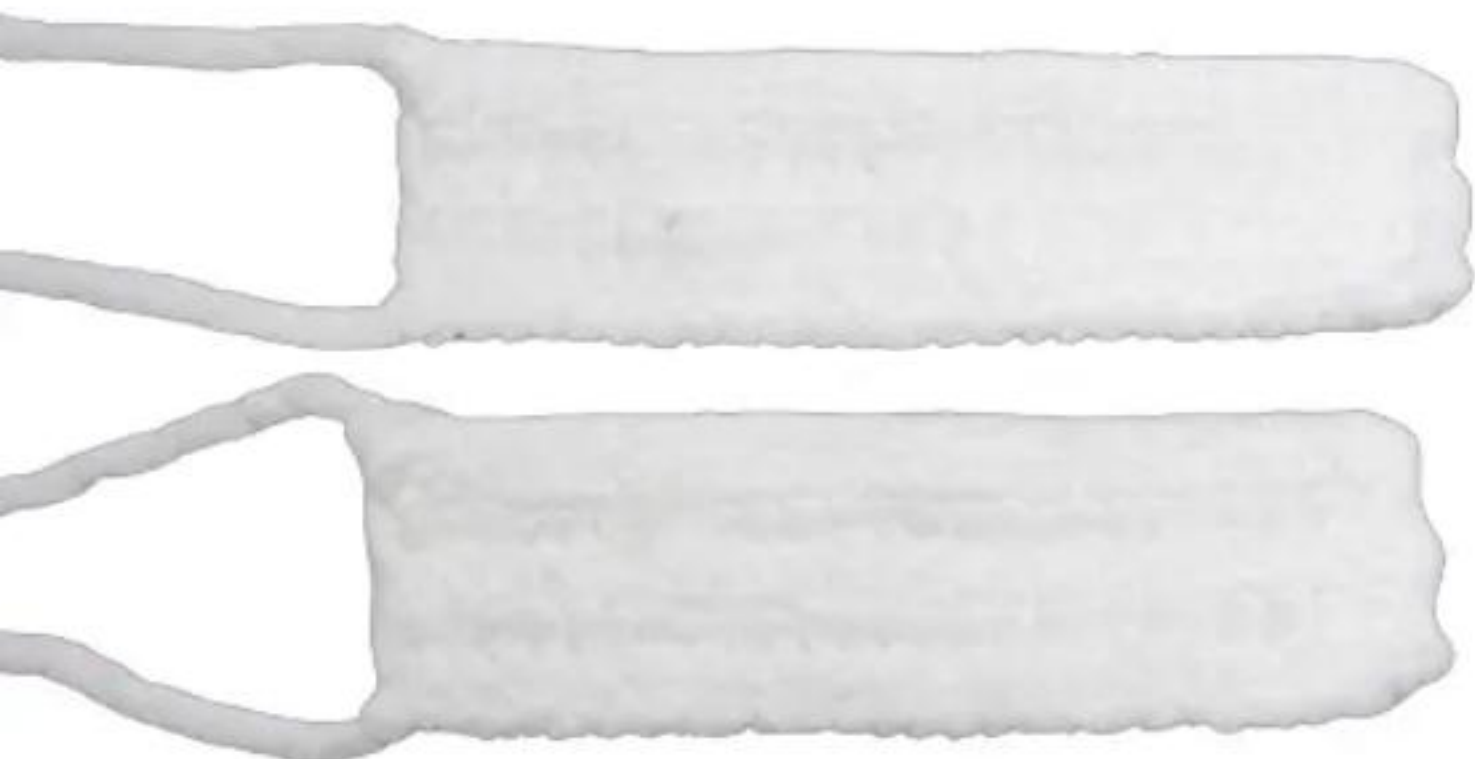
*make a turn and work a turning CH at the end of each row

0. Chain 27;

1. start in the 2nd chain from the hook: 26 SC;

2. BLO: 26 SC;

3. 26 SC;
 4. BLO: 26 SC;
 5. 26 SC;
- fix the thread and leave a long end to sew;



- wrap the detail around the leg so that the front loose loops of **rows 1 and 3** are on the front side, and the start chain is on top;
- carefully sew the edges of the detail without removing it from the leg;
- the seam is performed in an upward direction;



- turn the detail on the leg to the other side;



- fix the detail from the bottom (back and front) with several stitches for the loops of the start chain two rows below the thread color change line;
- tie the ends of the threads into a knot and hide inside the foot.



Tummy:

*ivory yarn

1. 6 SC in MR;
 2. 6 INC (12);
 3. (3 INC, 3 SC)*2 (18);
 4. (SC, INC)*3, 3 SC, (SC, INC)*3, 3 SC (24);
 5. (2 SC, INC)*3, 3 SC, (2 SC, INC)*3, 3 SC (30);
 6. (3 SC, INC)*3, 3 SC, (3 SC, INC)*3, 3 SC (36);
- finish with a straight line;
 - sew on the tummy with a thin cotton thread to match.

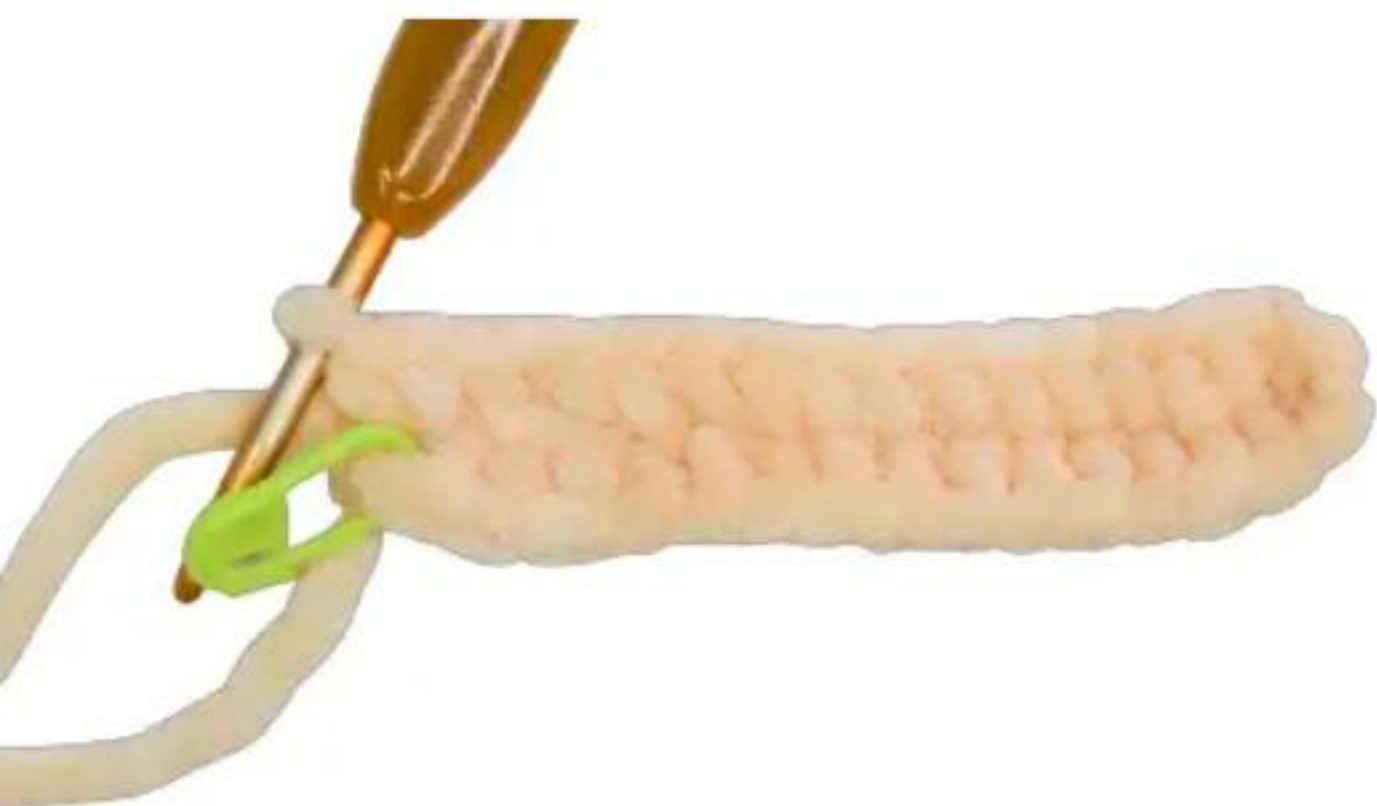


Muzzle:

*ivory yarn

0. Chain 16;

1. start in the 2nd chain from the hook: 14 SC, 3 SC into the last chain from the hook, on the other side: 13 SC, INC (32);



2. INC, 13 SC, 3 INC, 6 SC, 3 SC in the same St, 6 SC, 2 INC (40);



3. SC, INC, 13 SC, (SC, INC)*3, 7 SC, 3 SC in the same St, 7 SC, (SC, INC)*2 (48);



4. 2 SC, INC, 13 SC, (2 SC, INC)*3, 8 SC, 3 SC in the same St, 8 SC, (2 SC, INC)*2
(56);



5-6. 2 rounds of 56 SC;
- finish with a straight line;



- fold the part in half inside out;



- sew with a needle or work a seam of 5 SS in the area of the top of the detail;



- turn it out on the front side.



Eyes:

Eye whites:

*white yarn

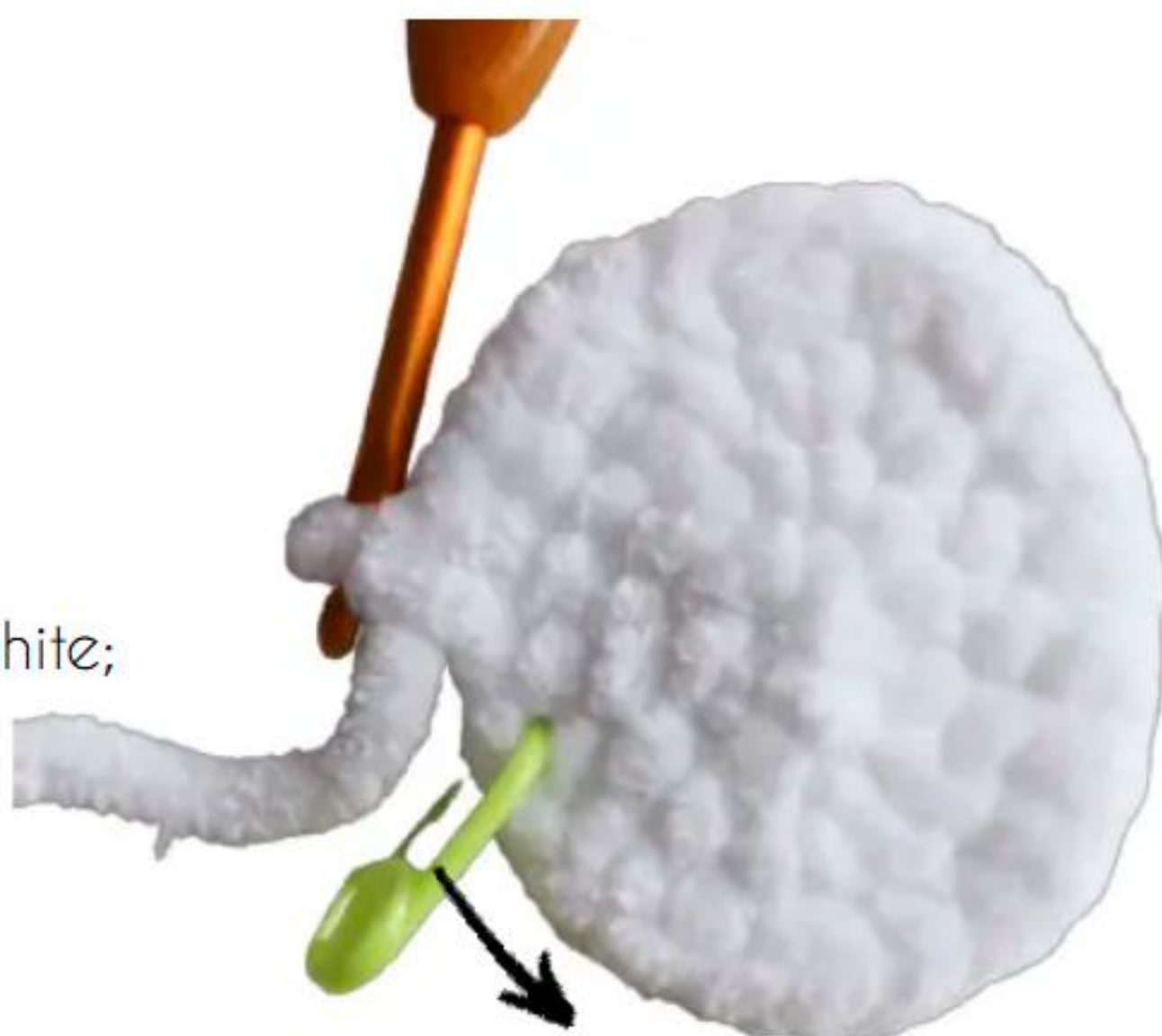
*make 2 details

1. 6 SC in MR;
2. 6 INC (12);
3. (3 INC, 3 SC)*2 (18);
4. (SC, INC)*3, 3 SC, (SC, INC)*3, 3 SC (24);

- finish with a straight line on the first eye white;



- work additional 3 SC on the second eye white;
- don't fasten off;



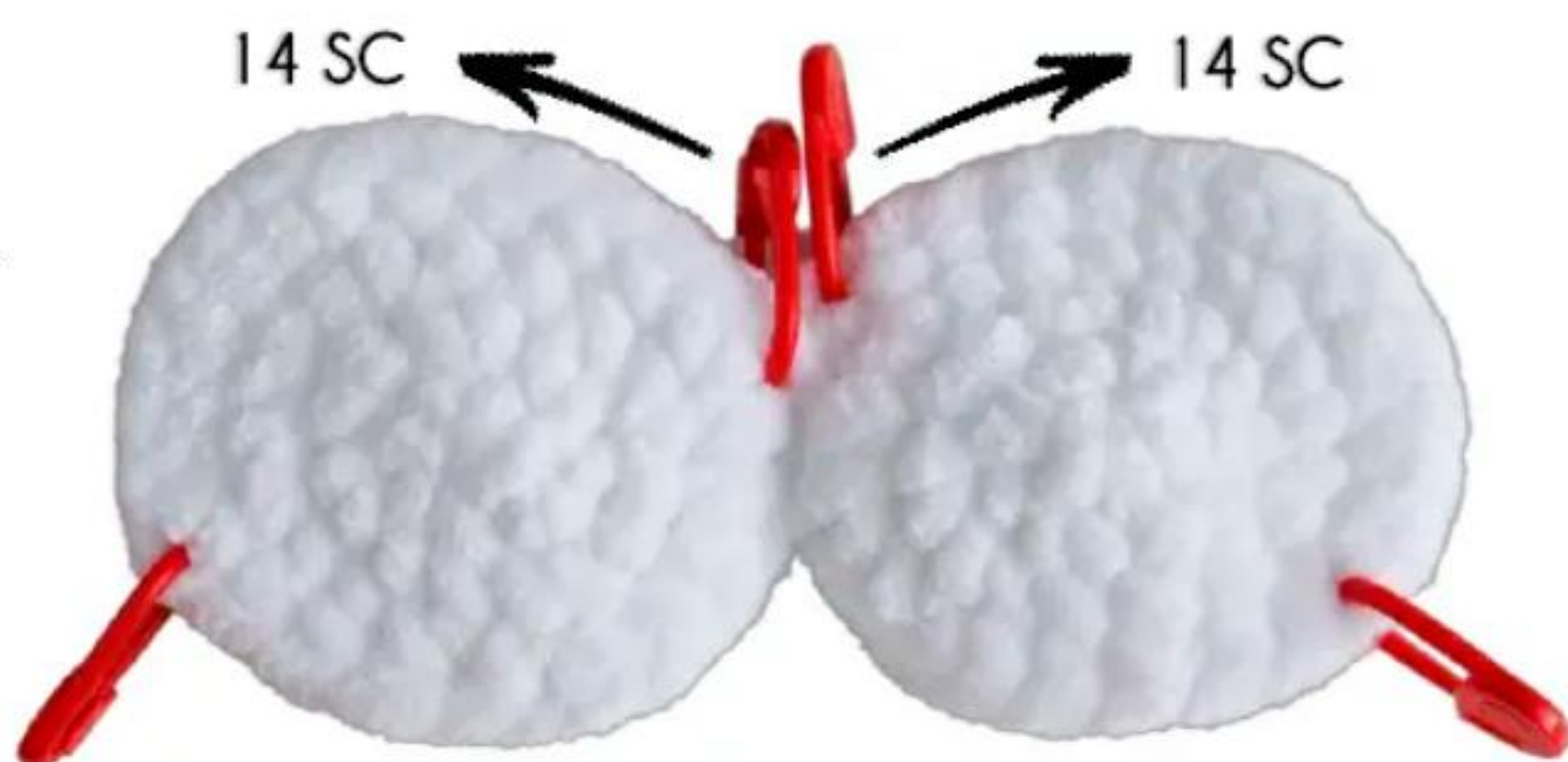
- attach eye whites front sides to each other and crochet both sides together with 3 SS;



- fix and cut the thread;

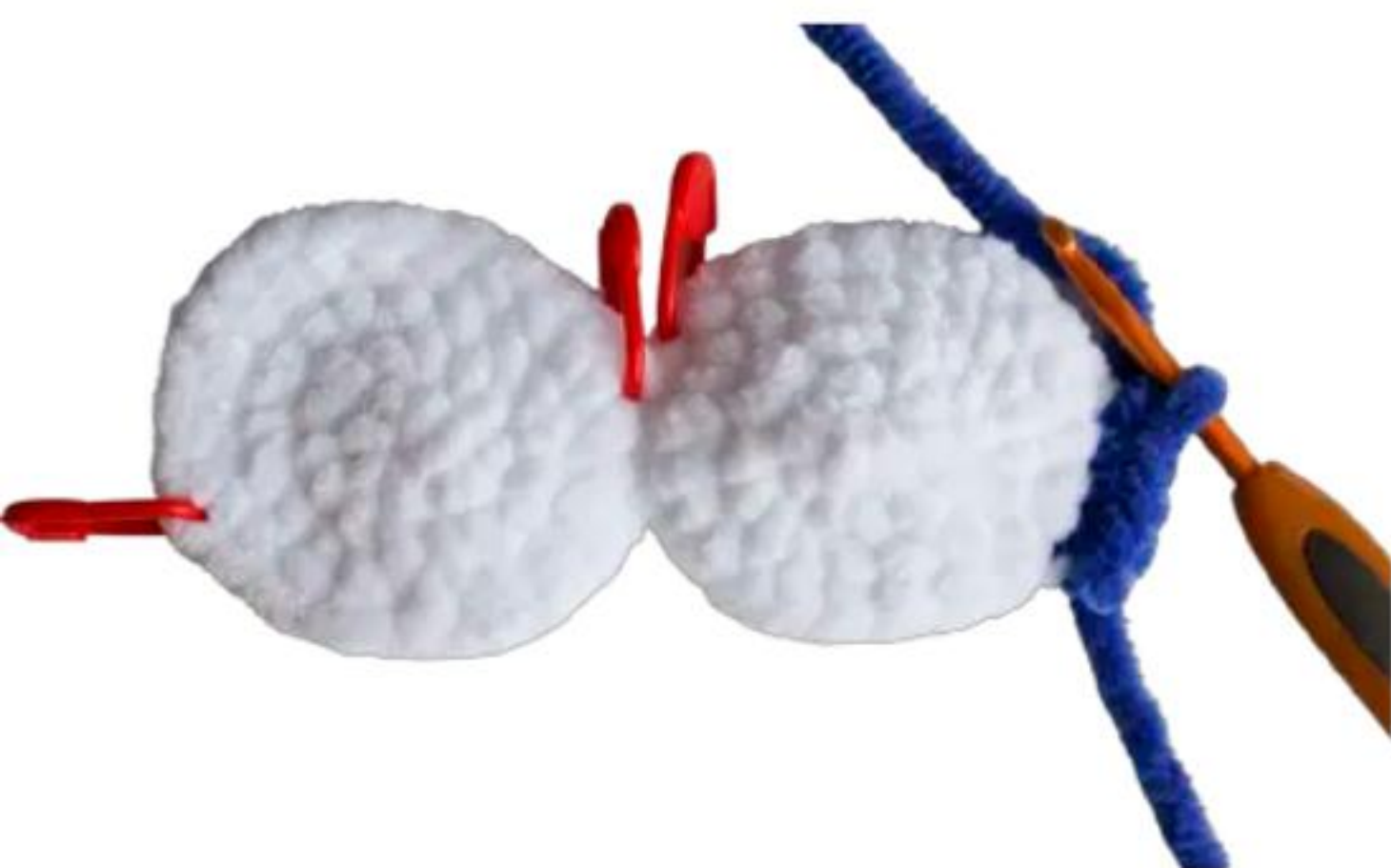


- count 14 SC from the middle of the eye whites attachment to the side for each eye white;



- attach the deep blue thread to the right extreme front loop and begin to crochet the eyelid according to the pattern:

1. FLO: 28 SC, a turning CH, turn;



2. 28 SC, a turning CH, turn;



- in Rd 3 we form a crease;

- work SCs in Rd 3 together with back loops of the last Rd of the eye white;

3. 28 SC + back loops of the last Rd of the eye white;



- fix and cut the thread.



Pupils:

Guideline for choosing yarn for pupils and nose:

*for a semi-cotton toy: use the same thread as for the body divided in half;

*for a toy made of thin plush /velour /chenille: use a semi-cotton thread as

YarnArt JEANS/Alize Cotton Gold (174 yds./1.76 Oz.);

*in all cases, we use the same hook as for the body (it is allowed to use a smaller hook if there are gaps or the pupil comes out too large);

*make 2 details using black semi-cotton yarn

0. Chain 6;

1. start in the 2nd chain from the hook:

4 SC, 3 SC into the last chain from the hook,

on the other side: 3 SC, INC (12);

- fix the thread and leave a long end to sew.



Nose:

*black semi-cotton yarn

*don't stuff

1. 6 SC in MR;

2. (SC, INC)*3 (9);

3. 9 SC;

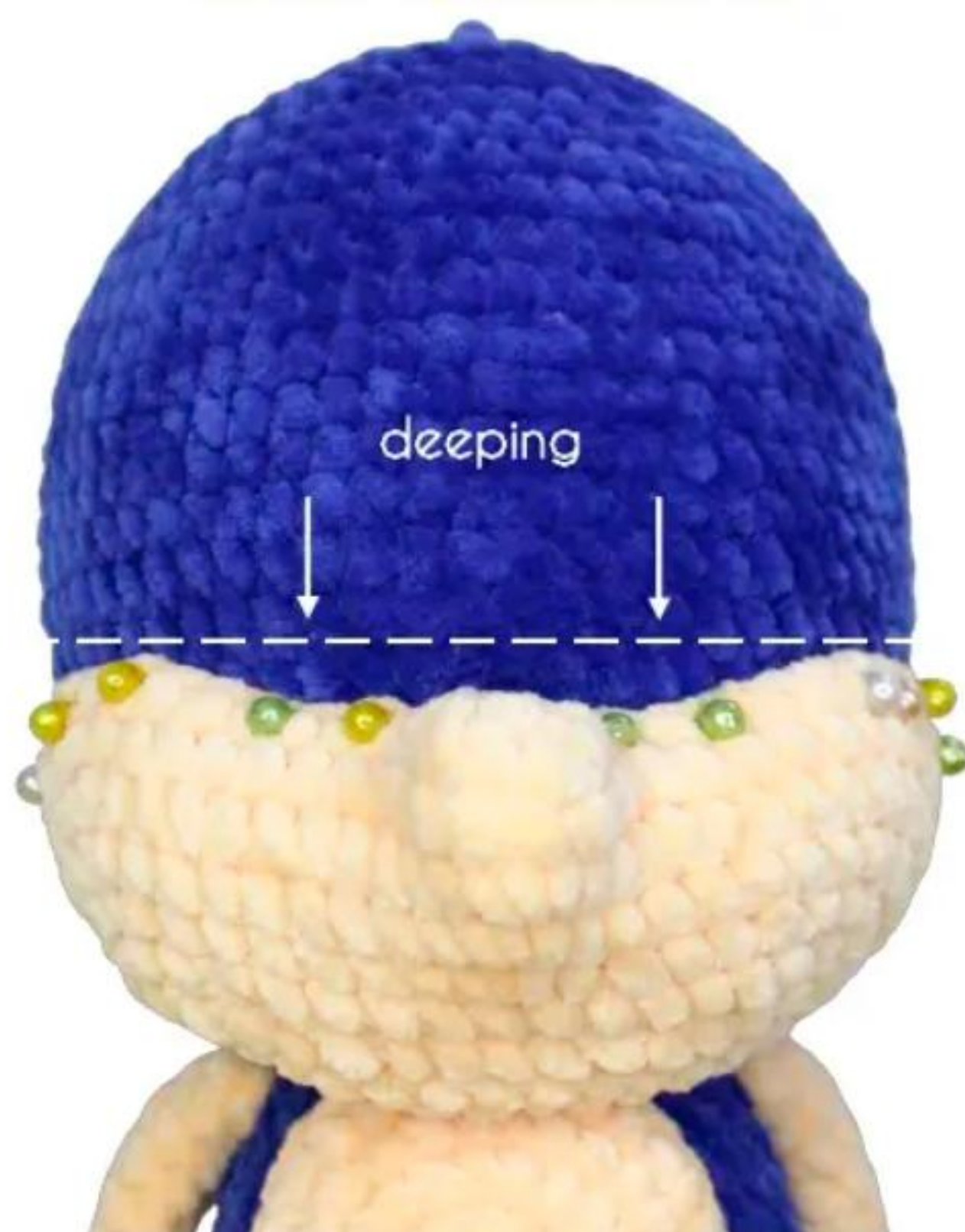
4. (SC, DEC)*3 (6);

- fix the thread and leave a long end to sew.



Now begins the most painstaking part of the work. It is important to place all the details correctly on the head. Fix each detail well before sewing so that it does not shift when sewing. Check the placement of the details according to the photo and indicated rounds in the description.

- first, place the muzzle correctly on the head (try on);
- place of attachment: from the first Rd of the head (**Rd 52**) 7-8 Rds in height;
- there is a wave-deeping (under the eyes) one Rd down from the edges of the muzzle to the nose;
- stuff a bit the muzzle, when trying it on;



*BEFORE tightening, the muzzle may look too bulky

- place the eyes on the head (try them on);
- place of attachment: edge to edge, 5 Rds in height;
- stuff them a bit, when trying them on;
- try the pupils on the eyes and fix them with pins;
- the pupils will shift to the center due to the seam in the center between the eyes after sewing the eyes on the head;



- remove the eyes and sew the pupils on;
- embroider highlights;



- fix the eyes back on the head;
- move the upper edge of the muzzle and sew the eyes along the contour at the bottom, too) with the appropriate color of the thread (I use a thin semi-cotton thread);
- stuff in process so that the eyes are voluminous;

- pull the upper edge of the eyelid in the middle (deeping) on the eye whites, fix it with a thread;
- sew the seam between the eyes with a white thread;





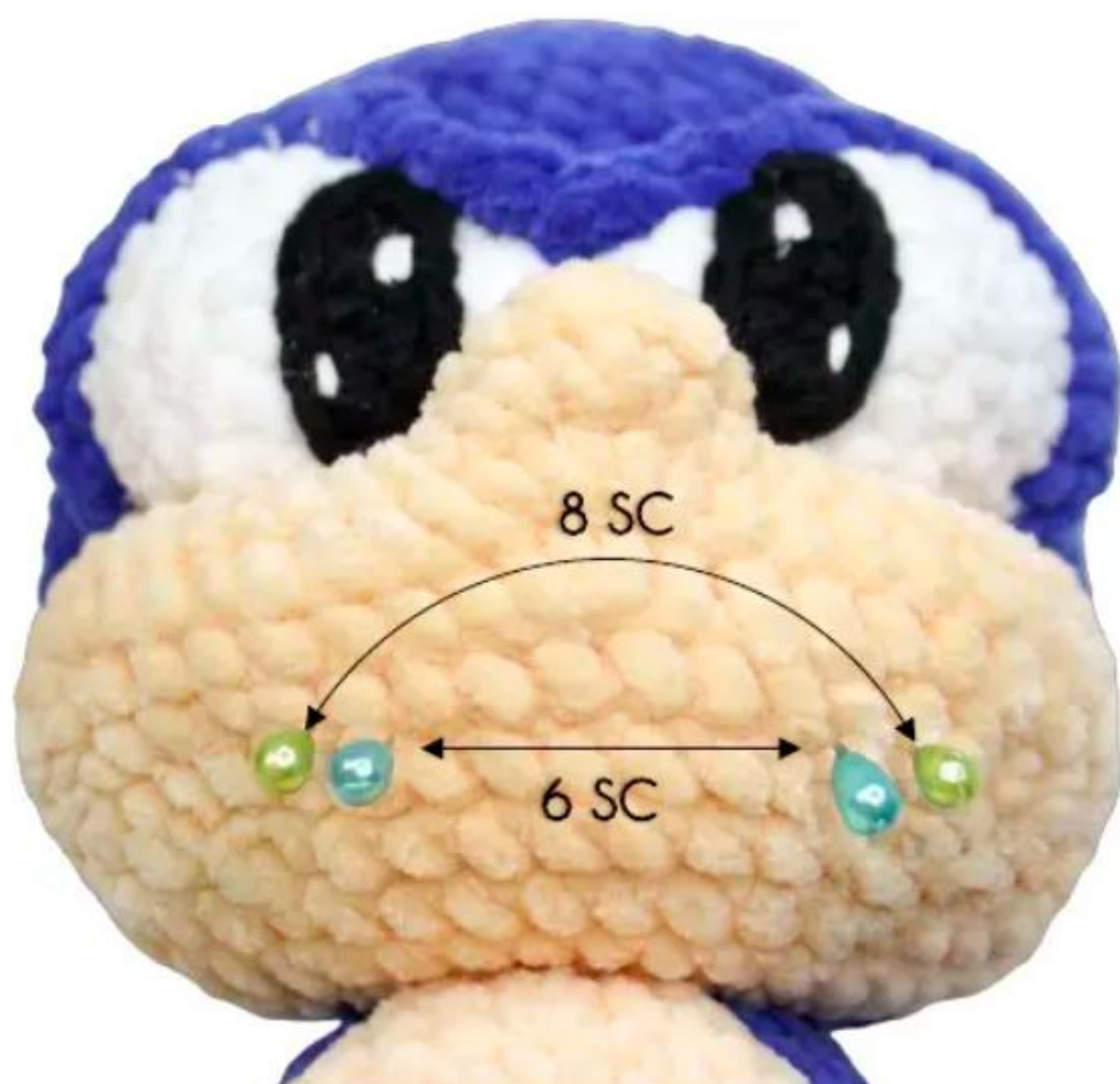
- sew the muzzle edge to edge with the eyes;
- stuff in process;



Muzzle tightening:

Important! Tightening is like a plastic surgery. The mood and character of your Hedgehog will depend on it. I suggest that before tightening, put two fingers on the sides of the muzzle and press, determine the height of the tightening. The smile should not be too low and wide.

- mark 4 points of tightening: 2 points on the sides of the muzzle at a distance of 1 SC between them;



- use a nylon thread or a strong cotton thread for tightening;
- insert the needle from above into the open hole of the head and withdraw it at the lateral extreme point;
- withdraw the needle with the thread through the adjacent point back into the open hole;
- stretch the ends of the threads, tie them into a knot;
- perform the same steps from the opposite side;



- embroider the outline of a smile with a black thread;
- the black thread lies on the same Rd with the tightening line, it does not go down;
- the arc is formed with the help of tightening points that lift the smile line up;



- sew the nose on;



- do not sew the nose too high;



- hide all the ends of the threads into the open hole of the head;
- if needed, stuff additionally the top of the head and tighten the hole, hide the thread inside.

How do I usually tighten the hole and hide the thread end inside.



Ears:

Inner part:

*make 2 details

*ivory yarn

*make a turn and work a turning CH at the end of each row

0. Chain 2;

1. start in the 2nd chain from the hook: INC (2);

2. INC, SC (3);

3. INC, 2 SC (4);

4. INC, 3 SC (5);

5. INC, 4 SC (6);

6. INC, 5 SC (7);

- fix the thread, leave a long end to sew (if you are going to sew it with a plush thread).



Outer part + assembly:

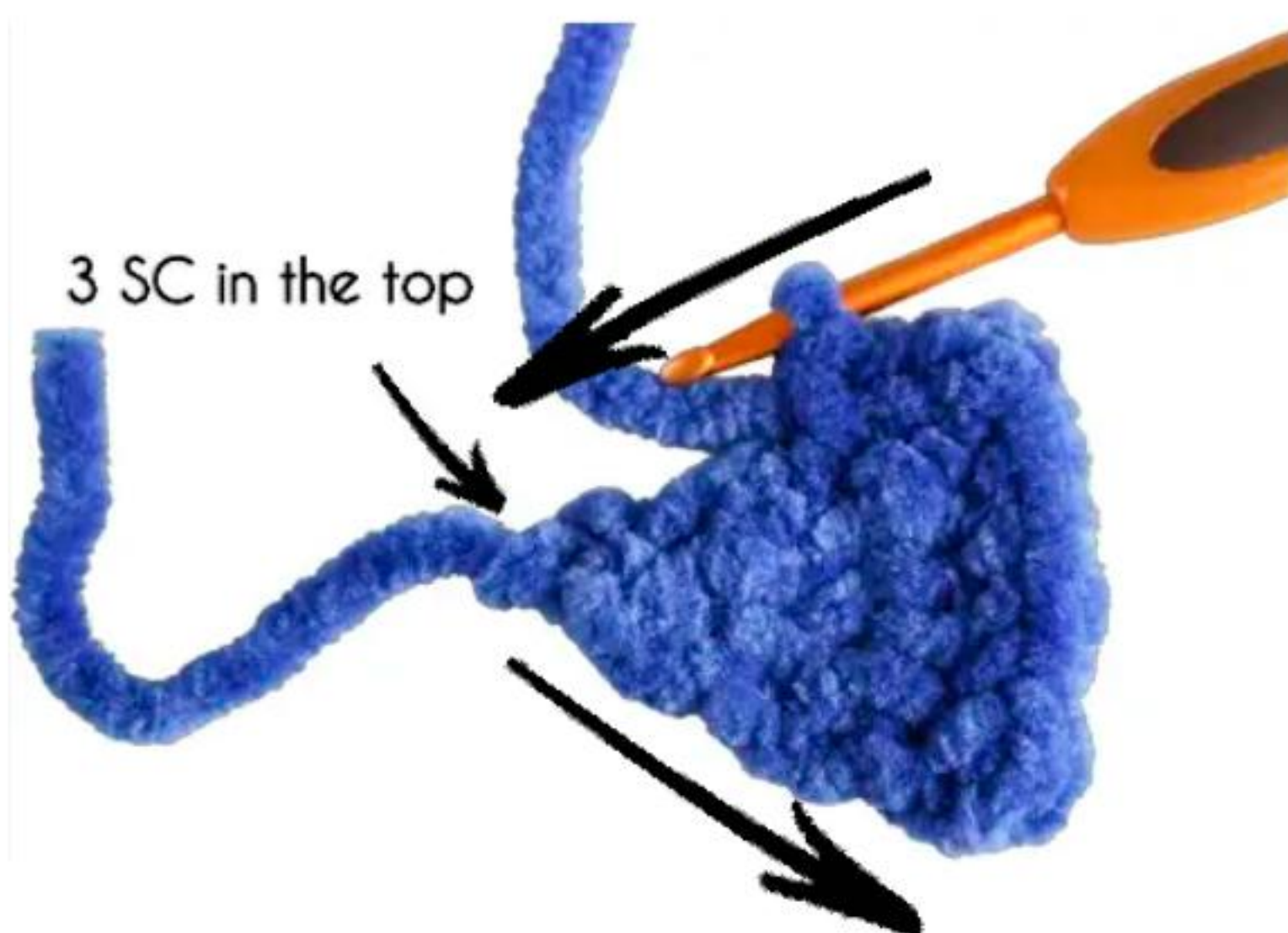
- *make 2 details
- *deep blue yarn
- *make a turn and work a turning CH at the end of each row

0. Chain 2;

1. start in the 2nd chain from the hook: INC (2);
2. INC, SC (3);
3. INC, 2 SC (4);
4. INC, 3 SC (5);
5. INC, 4 SC (6);
6. INC, 5 SC (7);

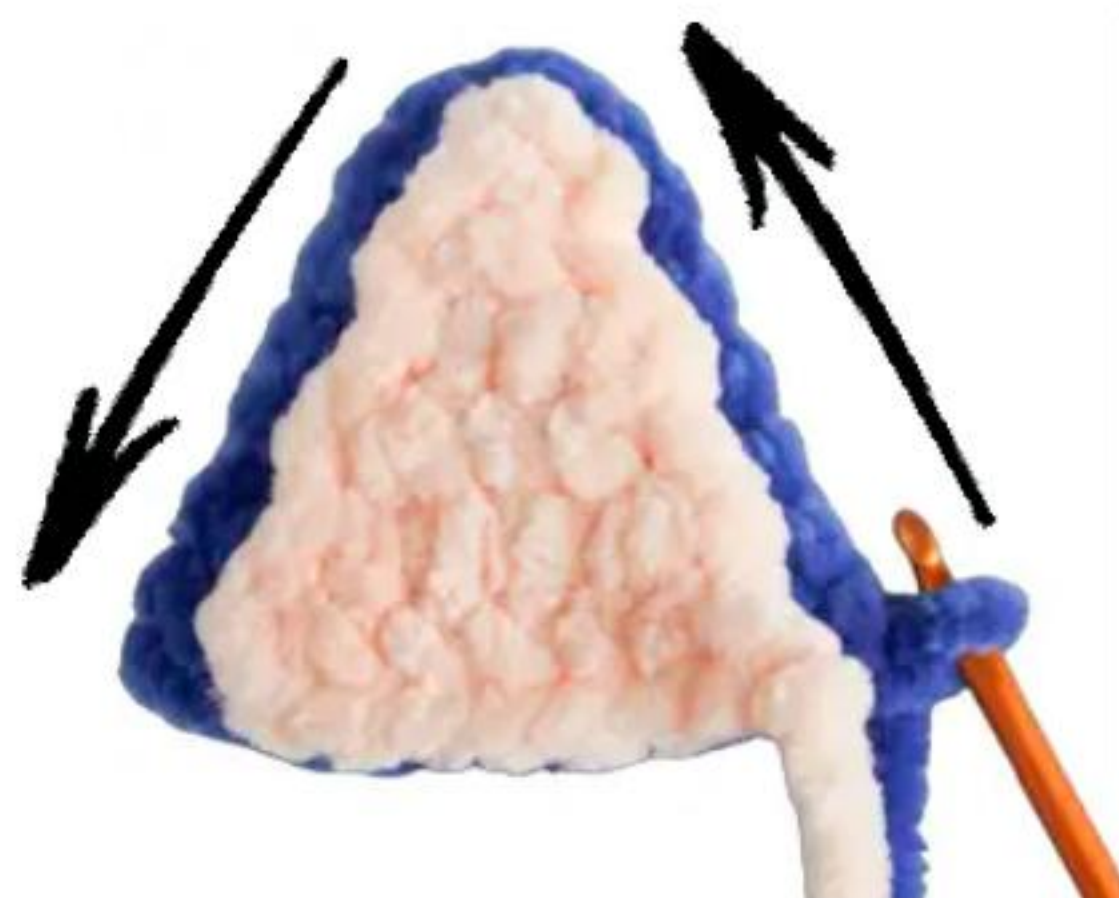


- work a CH, work the detail on the sides, work 3 SC in the top: 6 SC on one side, 3 SC in the top, 6 SC on the other side;



- do not cut the thread, continue the assembly with the inner part;

- work a CH, attach the ivory inner part of the ear to the outer part and crochet two details together with SC on the sides;



- work 3 SC in ONE St on the inner part, but 3 separate SC on the outer part (see photos and video);



- fix the thread and leave a long end to sew;
- do not sew the ears yet and proceed to crocheting prickles.



Prickles on the head:

Central upper prickle:

- *make 1 detail
- *deep blue yarn
- *stuff a bit, but not tightly, otherwise the prickles will stick out to the sides

1. 6 SC in MR;
 2. (SC, INC)*3 (9);
 3. (2 SC, INC)*3 (12);
 4. (3 SC, INC)*3 (15);
 5. (4 SC, INC)*3 (18);
 6. (5 SC, INC)*3 (21);
 7. (6 SC, INC)*3 (24);
 8. (7 SC, INC)*3 (27);
 9. (8 SC, INC)*3 (30);
 - 10-20. 11 rounds of 30 SC;
- work a CH, fold in half and crochet the sides together with 15 SC;



- fix and cut the thread;
- hide the thread inside the detail (if you crochet with a semi-cotton, then we leave a long thread for sewing).



Central middle and lower prickles:

- *make 2 details
- *deep blue yarn
- *stuff a bit, but not tightly, otherwise the prickles will stick out to the sides

1. 6 SC in MR;
2. (SC, INC)*3 (9);
3. (2 SC, INC)*3 (12);
4. (3 SC, INC)*3 (15);
5. (4 SC, INC)*3 (18);
6. (5 SC, INC)*3 (21);
7. (6 SC, INC)*3 (24);
8. (7 SC, INC)*3 (27);
9. (8 SC, INC)*3 (30);
- 10-17. 8 rounds of 30 SC;

- work a CH, fold in half and crochet the sides together with 15 SC;



- fix and cut the thread;
- hide the thread inside the detail (if you crochet with a semi-cotton yarn, then we leave a long thread for sewing).

Side prickles:

- *make 4 details
- *deep blue yarn
- *stuff a bit, but not tightly, otherwise the prickles will stick out to the sides

1. 6 SC in MR;
 2. 2 SC, 2 INC, 2 SC (8);
 3. 2 SC, 4 INC, 2 SC (12);
 4. 12 SC;
 5. 4 SC, 4 INC, 4 SC (16);
 6. 16 SC;
 7. 6 SC, 4 INC, 6 SC (20);
 8. 20 SC;
 9. 8 SC, 4 INC, 8 SC (24);
 10. 24 SC;
 11. 11 SC, 2 INC, 11 SC (26);
 12. 12 SC, 2 INC, 12 SC (28);
 - 13-20. 8 rounds of 28 SC;
- if needed, work 1-2 additional SC so that when the detail is folded in half, it has a clear beveled acute angle;
 - work a CH, fold in half and crochet the sides together with 14 SC;
 - fix and cut the thread;
 - hide the thread inside the detail (if you crochet with a semi-cotton yarn, then we leave a long thread for sewing).



Prickles on the body:

Side prickles:

*make 2 details

*deep blue yarn

*stuff a bit, but not tightly, otherwise the prickles will stick out to the sides

1. 6 SC in MR;

2. 2 SC, 2 INC, 2 SC (8);

3. 3 SC, 2 INC, 3 SC (10);

4. 4 SC, 2 INC, 4 SC (12);

5. 5 SC, 2 INC, 5 SC (14);

6. 6 SC, 2 INC, 6 SC (16);

7. 7 SC, 2 INC, 7 SC (18);

8-12. 5 rounds of 18 SC;

- if needed, work 1-2 additional SC so that when the detail is folded in half, it has a clear beveled acute angle;

- work a CH, fold in half and crochet the sides together with 9 SC;

- fix and cut the thread;

- hide the thread inside the detail (if you crochet with a semi-cotton yarn, then we leave a long thread for sewing).



Small lower prickle:

*make 1 detail

*deep blue yarn

*don't stuff

1. 6 SC in MR;
2. 3 SC, INC, 2 SC (7);
3. 3 SC, INC, 3 SC (8);
4. 8 SC;
5. 3 SC, 2 INC, 3 SC (10);
6. 4 SC, 2 INC, 4 SC (12);
7. 5 SC, 2 INC, 5 SC (14);

- work a CH, fold in half and crochet the sides together with 7 SC;
- fix and cut the thread;
- hide the thread inside the detail (if you crochet with a semi-cotton, then we leave a long thread for sewing).



Assembly:

- first, place the ears and the upper central prickle on the head, as shown in the photo;



*the prickle is sewn edge to edge with the back part of the ears

- then sew them alternately with cotton thread to match;
- the upper prickle, like all the others, is fixed with a stitch two Rds lower so that it does not rise too high;



- then place all the other prickles on the head and sew them on (see photo);
- pay attention to the attachment of the side prickles: the straight side is at the bottom: the lower side prickles are sewn at an angle;





- sew the prickles on the body.



That's all! Your Super-Prickle is ready!

I was glad to help you in its creation.

See you! 😊

