



An Amigurumi Pattern by
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Skill level

I believe that **everyone** can crochet this pattern, whether they are new to crocheting or have been crocheting for years! There are plenty of step-by-step photos to help you along the way.

The techniques that you will need to know in order to follow this pattern are:

- ▶ Magic circle
- ▶ Single crochet
- ▶ Single crochet into the back loop
- ▶ Single crochet increase
- ▶ Single crochet invisible decrease
- ▶ Chain stitch
- ▶ Single crochet into a chain
- ▶ Double crochet
- ▶ Popcorn stitch
- ▶ Invisible crochet edge finish
- ▶ Neat amigurumi finish
- ▶ Attaching crocheted pieces

Construction

Petra the Pterodactyl is worked in continuous spiral rounds, in the traditional amigurumi way.

It may help you to keep track of your position if you use a stitch marker on the first or last stitch of each round, moving it to each new round as your Pterodactyl grows in size.

In the pattern I've noted the positions where I place the eyes. If you want your Pterodactyl to look as close as possible to mine then make sure to mark these positions as you crochet. But if you want to experiment then feel free, I'd love to see your version!

Size & Gauge

25 cm (10 in) tall when standing and 18 cm (7 in) when sitting if made using the recommended yarn & gauge

Gauge: 3.5 cm (1.5 in) across rounds 1-5


3 Abbreviations: US Crochet Terms

sc	• single crochet
sc tbl	• single crochet in the back loops only
inc	• increase
dec	• invisible decrease
dc	• double crochet
3dcpc	• 3 double crochet popcorn stitch
ch	• chain stitch
** rep x ...	• repeat the instructions between the *stars* the indicated number of times
(number)	• number of stitches in the round

Materials:

- 4 balls of Ricorumi yarn in shade 017 - Lilac (DK weight, 100% cotton, 25g/58 metres)
- 1 ball of Ricorumi in shade 070 - Apricot
- 2.5 mm crochet hook (I use the Clover amour hooks - they're super light with a comfortable handle, plus they come in lovely colours!)
- Soft toy stuffing (I use sheepswool cluster fill which is lovely and soft as well as being environmentally friendly!)
- A pair of 10mm safety eyes
- Yarn needle/tapestry needle (I find size 20 works best)

Alternative yarn options:

		
Ricorumi	017 - Lilac	070 - Apricot
Sirdar Happy Cotton	769 - Unicorn	793 - Sorbet (not a great match!)
Scheepjes Catona	520 - Lavender	414 - Vintage Peach
Remember that the colours may not be an exact match so there will be some differences if using anything other than Ricorumi!		

Notes:

- Make sure you crochet fairly tightly for all pieces of this pattern - this stops the stuffing from showing through the stitches later on.
- If you normally crochet fairly loosely consider using a slightly smaller hook instead - this will keep your stitches tight even with a looser tension.
- You can of course use whatever yarn you want to for your Pterodactyl but make sure you use a crochet hook a size or two smaller than recommended on the yarn. The final appearance of your Pterodactyl will of course change depending on the yarn you use!
- Petra the Pterodactyl is crocheted in a continuous spiral, as is typical of amigurumi. Using a stitch marker on the first or last stitch of each round may help you with counting rounds and stitches.
- You may sell items that you have made using this pattern in a small quantity. Crediting or tagging me as the designer in this situation is hugely appreciated!
- And finally...

*Have
Fun!!!*

Petra the Pterodactyl's Legs

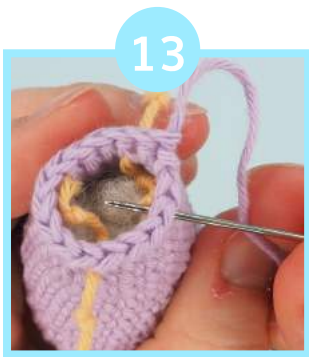
Make 2 starting in your Main Colour yarn

Round No.	Round Instructions
1	sc 6 in Magic Circle
2	*inc* rep x 6 (12)
3	*inc, sc 1* rep x 6 (18)
4	*sc 1, inc, sc 1* rep x 6 (24)
5	*inc, sc 3* rep x 6 (30)
6	sc 8 tbl, *3dcpc, sc 3 tbl* rep x 4, sc 6 tbl - Change the colour of your yarn to your contrasting colour for each of the popcorn stitches, then back again for the stitches in between [images 1-4].
7	sc 30
8	*dec, sc 13* rep x 2 (28)
9	sc 28
10	*sc 6, dec, sc 6* rep x 2 (26)
11	sc 26
12	*sc 3, dec, sc 8* rep x 2 (24)
13	sc 24
14	*sc 8, dec, sc 2* rep x 2 (22)
15	sc 22
16	*dec, sc 9* rep x 2 (20)
17	sc 20
18	*sc 4, dec, sc 4* rep x 2 (18)
19	sc 18

At this point stuff the leg - make sure to stuff the foot fairly firmly, but use less stuffing as you get towards the top of the leg, leaving approximately the last cm completely un-stuffed [images 5-6].

20	*sc 2, dec, sc 5* rep x 2 (16)
21	sc 16 - Mark stitches 6 and 15 in the final round of both legs [images 7-10]

Cut the yarn leaving a short tail and pull through the final stitch. Finish off neatly with an invisible crochet edge finish before securing the yarn and cutting off any excess [images 11-16].



Petra the Pterodactyl's Arms

Make 2 starting in your Main Colour yarn

Round No.	Round Instructions
1	sc 6 in Magic Circle
2	*inc* rep x 6 (12)
3	*inc, sc 1* rep x 6 (18)
4	sc 4 tbl, *3dcpc, sc 2 tbl* rep x 4, sc 2 tbl - Change the colour of your yarn to your contrasting colour for each of the popcorn stitches, then back again for the stitches in between.
5-11 (7 rounds)	sc 18
12	*dec, sc 7* rep x 2 (16)
13-19 (7 rounds)	sc 16
20	*sc 3, dec, sc 3* rep x 2 (14)
21-24 (4 rounds)	sc 14
<p>At this point stuff the arm - make sure to stuff the foot fairly firmly, but use less stuffing as you get towards the top of the arm, leaving approximately the last 1 cm completely un-stuffed.</p>	
25-27 (2 rounds)	sc 14 - Mark stitches 8 in this round
28	sc 3 - Mark stitch 1 in this round then end the round

Cut the yarn leaving a short tail and pull through the final stitch. Finish off neatly with an invisible crochet edge finish before securing the yarn and cutting off any excess.

Petra the Pterodactyl's Body

Make 1 in your Main Colour yarn

Round No. Round Instructions

Step 1 ch 13 **[image 1]**

Step 2 Starting in the 2nd ch from the hook sc 11 then 3 sc in the final ch

Step 3 **[images 2-4]**

Continuing down the other side of the foundation chain sc 10 then 2 sc in the final ch **(26) [images 5-7]**

Now that you have set up your basic oval shape the full rounds will begin from here.

1 *inc, sc 10, inc 2* rep x 2 **(32)**

2 *inc 2, sc 11 inc 2, sc 1* rep x 2 **(40)**

In the next 2 rounds you will attach the legs as follows:

Round 3, Step 1 Take a leg and hold the top against the next 8 stitches of your oval, making sure that the toes are facing forwards and that the first marked stitch on the leg lines up with the next stitch on the body **[image 8-9]**

Round 3, Step 2 sc through both the marked stitch and the next stitch of the body **[images 10-11]**

Round 3, Step 3 sc another 7 stitches through both layers of fabric, finishing in the 2nd marked stitch **[image 12]**

Round 3, Step 4 sc 3 through just the single layer of fabric of the body

Round 3, Step 5 Repeat steps 1-3 for the 2nd leg **[images 13]**

Round 3, Step 6 sc 1, inc, sc 1, inc, sc 13, inc, sc 1, inc, sc 1 **(44)**

Round 4, Step 1 sc 10 around the front stitches of the left leg, starting and ending in the marked stitches **[image 14-15]**

Round 4, Step 2 sc 3

Round 4, Step 3 sc 10 around the front stitches of the right leg, starting and ending in the marked stitches **[image 16]**

Round 4, Step 4 sc 4, inc, sc 15, inc, sc 4 **(50) - Remove the stitch markers [image 17]**

5 sc 14 - **New rounds will start from here (just to the left of the middle of the front of your Pterodactyl)**

6-15 (10 rounds) sc 50

16 *sc 11, dec, sc 12* rep x 2 **(48)**

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Petra the Pterodactyl's Body Continued

Round No.	Round Instructions
17-18 (2 rounds)	sc 48
19	*sc 9, dec, sc 2, dec, sc 9* rep x 2 (44)
20	sc 44
21	*sc 10, dec, sc 10* rep x 2 (42)
22	sc 42
23	*sc 8, dec, sc 2, dec, sc 7* rep x 2 (38)
24	sc 38
25	*sc 9, dec, sc 8* rep x 2 (36)
26	sc 36
27	*sc 7, dec, sc 2, dec, sc 5* rep x 2 (32)
28	sc 32
29	*sc 8, dec, sc 6* rep x 2 (30)

In the next 2 rounds you will attach the arms as follows:

Round 30, Step 1	sc 5
Round 30, Step 2	Take the an arm and hold the top against the next 8 stitches of your body, making sure that the toes are facing outwards and that the first marked stitch on the arm lines up with the next stitch on the body [image 18-19]
Round 30, Step 3	sc through both the marked stitch and the next stitch of the body [images 20-21]
Round 30, Step 4	sc another 7 stitches through both layers of fabric, finishing in the 2nd marked stitch [image 22]
Round 30, Step 5	sc 7 through just the single layer of fabric of the body
Round 30, Step 6	Repeat steps 2-4 for the Left arm [images 23]
Round 30, Step 7	sc 2
Round 31, Step 1	sc 5
Round 31, Step 2	sc 8 around the outer stitches of the Right arm, starting and ending in the marked stitches [image 24-25]
Round 31, Step 3	sc 7
Round 31, Step 4	sc 8 around the outer stitches of the Left arm, starting and ending in the marked stitches [image 26]
Round 31, Step 5	sc 2 - Remove the stitch markers

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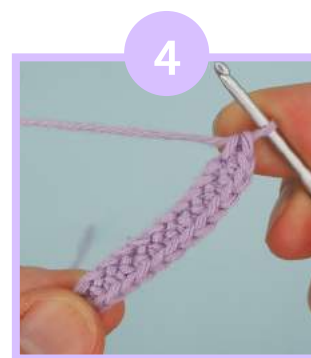
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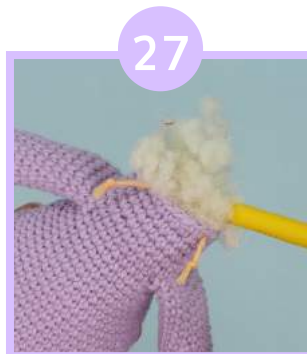
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32	*sc 6, dec, sc 2, dec, sc 3* rep x 2 (26)
33	sc 26
34	*sc 7, dec, sc 4* rep x 2 (24)

At this point stuff the body up to the current point [image 27]

35-49 (15 rounds) sc 24 - Mark stitches 6 and 23 of the final round round.

Now stuff the neck firmly to avoid it being too floppy, then cut the yarn, leaving a short tail and pull through the final stitch. Finish off neatly with an invisible crochet edge finish before securing the yarn and cutting off any excess.





Petra the Pterodactyl's Head

Make 1 in your Main Colour yarn

Round No.	Round Instructions
1	sc 6 in Magic Circle
2	*inc* rep x 6 (12)
3	*inc, sc 1* rep x 6 (18)
4	*sc 1, inc, sc 1* rep x 6 (24)
5	*inc, sc 3* rep x 6 (30)
6	*sc 2, inc, sc 2* rep x 6 (36)
7	*inc, sc 5* rep x 6 (42)
8	*sc 3, inc, sc 3* rep x 6 (48)
9-10 (2 rounds)	sc 48
11	*sc 7, dec, sc 7* rep x 3 (45)
12	sc 45
13	*dec, sc 13* rep x 3 (42)
14	sc 42
15	*sc 6, dec, sc 6* rep x 3 (39) Mark stitches 17 & 23 in this round
16	sc 39
17	*dec, sc 11* rep x 3 (36)
18	sc 36
19	*sc 5, dec, sc 5* rep x 3 (33)
20	sc 33
21	*dec, sc 9* rep x 3 (30) - Mark stitch 28 in this round
22	sc 27 - Mark stitch 5 in this round [image 1] then end the round after 27 stitches but keep the yarn attached.
Joining - Step 1	Place the head and body together, matching up the marked stitches. [images 2-3]
Joining - Step 2	Take a length of yarn around 30cm long and use it to sew the head to the body, starting and ending in the marked stitches [images 4-7]
Joining - Step 3	You now have a new round of 42 stitches around both the head and body (including the marked stitches)
	Now you can continue to crochet around this new round, picking up from your last stitch of Round 22 of the head!
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Petra the Pterodactyl's Head Continued

Round No.	Round Instructions
1	sc 42 - Don't forget to crochet into the marked stitches! [image 8]
2	*sc 6, dec, sc 6* rep x 3 (39)
3	sc 39
4	*dec, sc 11* rep x 3 (36)
<p>At this point insert your eyes into the stitches that you marked in the front of the head, then stuff the head firmly [images 9-13]</p>	
5	*sc 2, dec, sc 2* rep x 6 (30)
6	*dec, sc 3* rep x 6 (24)
7	dec 6, sc 12 (18)
8	dec 3, sc 12
9-16 (8 rounds)	sc 15
<p>Now finish stuffing the remainder of your Pterodactyl [image 14]</p>	
17	*dec, sc 3* rep x 3 (12)
18	*dec* rep x 6 (6)

Cut the yarn leaving a short tail, then pull through the final stitch. Close the small hole that's left with a neat amigurumi finish and thread the yarn end into the body. [images 15-22]



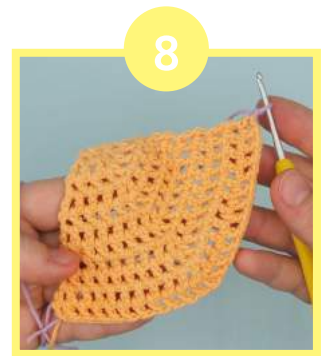


Petra the Pterodactyl's Wings

Make 2 starting in your Contrasting Colour yarn

Round No.	Round Instructions
1	ch 5
2	In the 5th chain from the hook (the first chain you made) [dc, ch, dc, ch, dc] [images 1-3]
	From now on you will be crocheting into the spaces between the double crochet stitches.
3	Turn, ch 4, [dc, ch] into the first space, [dc, ch, dc, ch] into the middle space, [dc, ch, dc] into the final space [images 4-7]
4	Turn, ch 4, [dc, ch] into the first 2 spaces, [dc, ch, dc, ch] into the middle space, [dc, ch] into the next space, [dc, ch, dc] into the final space
5	Turn, ch 4, [dc, ch] into the first 3 spaces, [dc, ch, dc, ch] into the middle space, [dc, ch] into the next 2 spaces, [dc, ch, dc] into the final space
6	Turn, ch 4, [dc, ch] into the first 4 spaces, [dc, ch, dc, ch] into the middle space, [dc, ch] into the next 3 spaces, [dc, ch, dc] into the final space
7	Turn, ch 4, [dc, ch] into the first 5 spaces, [dc, ch, dc, ch] into the middle space, [dc, ch] into the next 4 spaces, [dc, ch, dc] into the final space
8	Turn, ch 4, [dc, ch] into the first 6 spaces, [dc, ch, dc, ch] into the middle space, [dc, ch] into the next 5 spaces, [dc, ch, dc] into the final space
9	Turn, ch 4, [dc, ch] into the first 7 spaces, [dc, ch, dc, ch] into the middle space, [dc, ch] into the next 6 spaces, [dc, ch, dc] into the final space
10	Turn, ch 4, [dc, ch] into the first 8 spaces, [dc, ch, dc, ch] into the middle space, [dc, ch] into the next 7 spaces, [dc, ch, dc] into the final space
11	Turn, ch 4, [dc, ch] into the first 9 spaces, [dc, ch, dc, ch] into the middle space, [dc, ch] into the next 8 spaces, [dc, ch, dc] into the final space
12	Turn, ch 4, [dc, ch] into the first 10 spaces, [dc, ch, dc, ch] into the middle space, [dc, ch] into the next 9 spaces, [dc, ch, dc] into the final space
	Change to your main colour yarn [image 8]
13	Turn, ch 1, sc 23 into the first 12 dc stitches and the spaces in between, [sc 1, ch 2, sc 1 into 2nd ch from hook, sc 1] into the middle space, sc 22 into the remaining 11 dc stitches and the spaces in between [images 9-14]

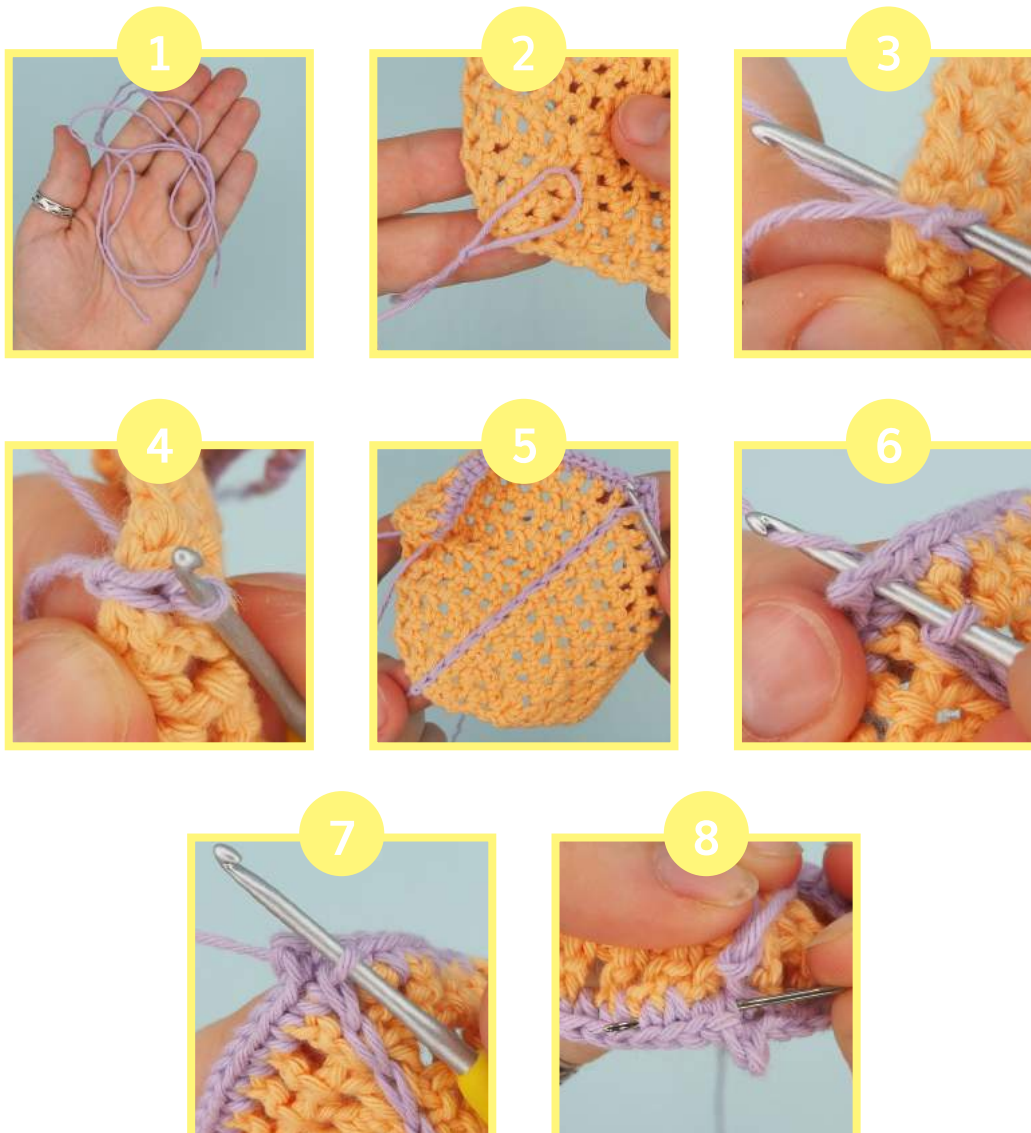
Cut the yarn leaving a long tail, then pull the yarn through [image 15]. You will use this tail to sew the wing onto your pterodactyl. Secure all other loose ends and cut off any excess yarn [image 16].



Crocheting the Line Down the Middle of the Wings

1. Cut a long strand of yarn in your main colour.
2. Slipknot a loop into the end of this yarn and hold it over the point at the top of your wing, with the loop over the middle gap and the yarn at the back.
3. Insert your hook through the loop as well as the middle space.
4. Draw the yarn through to the front of the loop. This is a surface slip stitch. Make sure to keep the slip stitches loose so that they don't pull the wing out of shape.
5. Repeat steps 2 & 3 for each of the middle spaces until you get to the bottom of the wing.
6. Slip stitch into the point that you created at the bottom of the wing.
7. Cut the yarn and draw through the final stitch.
8. Secure the yarn through a few stitches and cut off any excess.

NOTE: You can use a tapestry needle and chain stitch to get the same effect if you find this technique a little tricky!



Attaching Petra the Pterodactyl's Wings

1. Thread the yarn end from your wing onto a tapestry needle.
2. Pin the wing into place with the right side facing forwards - the yarn end will be at the bottom of the body on your Pterodactyl's right wing and at the end of the arm on your Pterodactyl's left wing.
3. Sew down into one of the stitches on your Pterodactyl just underneath the outer corner of the wing, and out of a neighbouring stitch, following the wing edge.
4. Sew through a stitch at the edge of the wing. Sew down through the same stitch on your Pterodactyl that you sewed out of in step 3, and out again through a neighbouring stitch, following the wing edge.
5. Repeat step 4 until you have completely sewn up to the top point of the wing.
6. Continue repeating steps 4 down the other edge of the wing.
7. Secure the yarn through a few stitches and cut off any excess.
8. Repeat for the second wing.



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