

Tiny Crochet Car

This tiny crochet car pattern has been lying around for about 2 and a half years. I figure it is about time that I knuckle down and publish it.

These little cars work up in under half an hour and require very little yarn. This makes them not only the perfect stash-buster, but also the perfect take-along project.

I am happy for you to make as many of these Tiny Cars as you want — both for personal use and for small-scale sale. Please just keep in mind that this pattern has taken me A LOT of hours to write and refine, so I ask that you credit me as and when you make anything using this pattern (even if you modify it). Please do not copy or reproduce the actual pattern in any way, shape or form.

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Materials

- ♥ 4 mm Crochet Hook
- Double knit yarn in 3 colours (one for the windows, one for the car, one for the wheels)
- ▼ Yarn needle
- ♥ Stuffing
- ♥ Scrap yarn to use as a running stitch marker.
- ♥ Optional: 4 Buttons for the wheels

Running Stitch Marker

A running stitch marker is a piece of scrap yarn used to indicate the first stitch of each round. Simply place the piece of scrap yarn across your work BEFORE making the first st of a round. Then flick the yarn backwards/forwards at the beginning of each new round. This will form what looks like a running stitch up your work.

Read more about running stitch markers here.

I hope you enjoy making—and playing with—your **Tiny Crochet Car**. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions!

Abbreviations

US Terminology used.

Blo	Back Loop Only
Ch	Chain
Fpsc	Front post sc
Sc	Single Crochet
Sc inc	Single Crochet Increase – work 2 sc's in the same stitch.
SI st	Slip stitch
St	Stitch
*	Repeat instructions between asterisks the amount of times specified. *Sc x 5, sc inc x 2* x 2, for example, will mean sc x 5, sc inc x 2, sc x 5, sc inc x 2.

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Notes

Place a running st marker at the beginning of each round. Once you get used to how the car is formed (so when you've made one or two cars), you can dispense with the marker.

Wheels

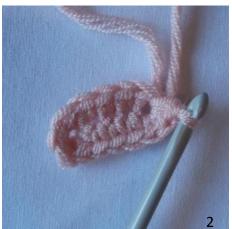
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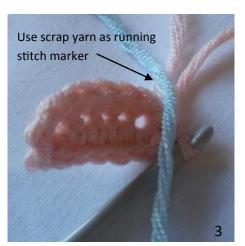
Car

1. With **Main Colour:** Ch 6 (*photo 1*). Sc in the 2nd ch from the hook and the next 3 st's. Sc x 4 in the last st. Continue around, working into the remaining loops of the opposite side of the foundation chain. Sc in the next 3 st's. Sc x 3 in the last st (*photo 2*). Don't turn and don't join. Just keep working around, making the first st of the next round in the first st of this round. {14}

Place a piece of scrap yarn over your work to act as a running stitch marker (see the front page for more details and photo 3 for an illustration).

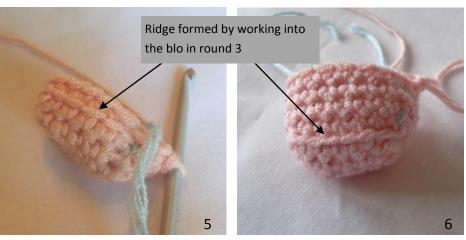






- 2. *Sc x 5, sc inc x 2* x 2. See photo 4. {18}
- 3. **In blo:** Sc x 18. *See photo 5*. {18}
- 4-6. Sc x 18. See photo 6. {18}





You will now work the window. So leave the end of round 6 alone for a minute and work the window as follows:

- a. With **white yarn** and a slip knot already on your hook: Join the white yarn by making a fpsc around the post of the next st. *To do this, insert your hook from front to back into the first st of round 6. Then insert it from back to front into the second st of round 6 (photo 7). Make a sc. Make 6 more fpsc's (photo 8). Ch 1 and turn. {7}*
- b. Sc x 7, working into the 7 st's of row a. Ch 1 and turn. The last st might be a bit tricky to get into. {7}
- c. Sc x 7. Ch 1 and bind off. See photo 9. {7}







7. Now take up the coloured yarn again. Continuing on where you left off at the end of round 6, sc in the first st (the st that already contains the first fpsc) - see photo 10. Working into the rows of the window, sc x 2 up the side of the window (photo 11). Sc inc in the first st of row c (window). Sc x 5, working into each st of row c. Sc inc in the last st of row c. Sc x 2 down the other side of the window, working into each row as before (photo 12). Sc into the st at the base of the window (the one right next to the fpsc - see photos 13 and 14). Sc x 10 into the remaining st's of round 6. {25}





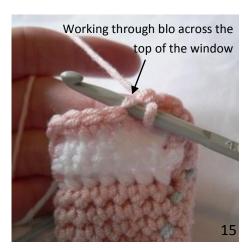


8. Sc x 4. This will bring you to the top of the window. Working into the **blo:** sc x 7 across the top of the window (*photo 15*). Working through both loops for the rest of the round, sc x 14. {25}

9-11. Sc x 25. {25}

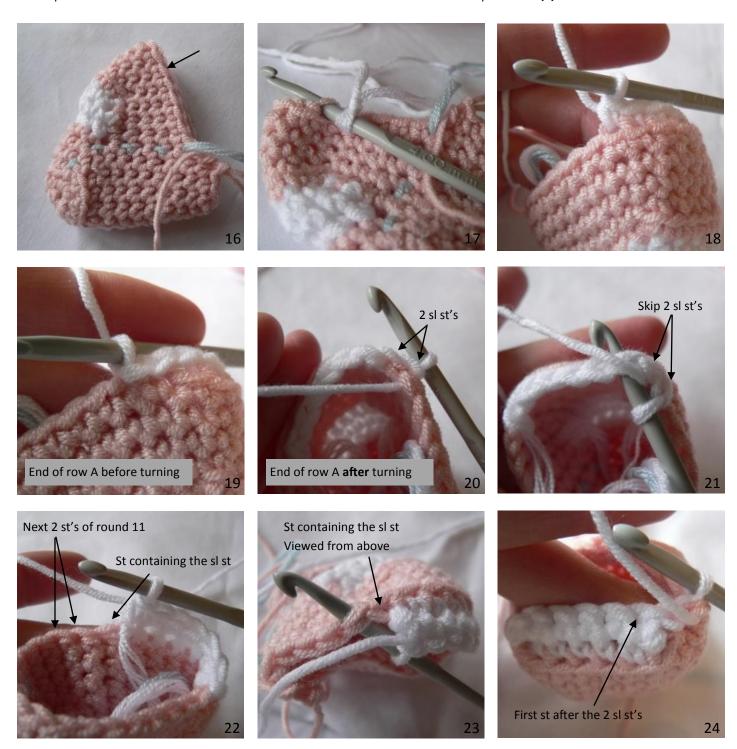






You will now work the back window, so leave round 11 alone again for a minute.

- A. With **white yarn** and a slip knot already on your hook: Working into **blo:** join your yarn by making a sl st into the 6th st of round 11 (*photos 16 and 17*). Still working in blo, sc x 6 (*photo 18*). Now sl st through both loops of the next 2 st's (*photo 19*) and turn (*photo 20*).
- B. Skip the first 2 st's (the sl st's see photo 21). Sc x 6. Sl st in the next 2 st's of round 11 and turn. *Please note:* be careful that you do not work into the st that already contains the sl st from the beginning of row A. It should be skipped (photos 22 and 23). {6}
- C. Skip the first 2 st's (photo 24). Sc x 6. Sl st in the next 2 st's of round 11 and turn. {6}
- D. Skip the first 2 st's. Sc x 6. Sl st in the next st of round 11. Ch 1 and bind off. See photo 25. {6}



12. Now take up the coloured yarn again. Sc x 2. This will bring you to the window section (photo 26). Fpsc x 6 along the white edge (photo 27). Sc x 9 into the remaining st's of round 11, remembering to skip the st at the base of the window that already contains a sl st. Photo 28 shows round 12 completed. {17}

13-14. Sc x 17. {17}

- 15. **Short row:** Sc x 9. Sl st in the next 2 st's and turn. {9}
- **Short row:** Skip the first 2 st's (the sl st's). Sc x 7. Sl st in the next 2 st's and turn. STUFF the car. {7} 16.
- 17. **Short row:** Skip the first 2 st's. Sc x 7. Ch 1 and turn. See photo 29. {7}
- 18. Fold the boot of the car flat (with the hook on the fold) and sl st through both layers into the next 7 st's (photos 30 and 31). Ch 1 and bind off. Photos 32, 33 and 34 illustrate what your car should look like now.

Work away your tails and sew your wheels of choice to the sides of the car (photos 35 and 36). If you are attaching crochet wheels, only sew the top half of the wheel to the car, otherwise your wheels will curve in under the car.

Finally embroider any optional extras like windscreen wipers.



Appendix - Written Pattern Only

I figured that once you knew how these babies worked, you'd get fed up with having to crochet around all the photos and the references to the photos. So here, should you choose to use it, is the naked pattern.

Wheels

(Make 4)

With **black yarn**: Into a magic ring: Ch 2 and hdc x 8. Join to the first st with a sl st. Bind off, leaving a 15 cm (6") tail. You will use this tail later to sew the wheels onto the car.

Car

1. With Main Colour: Ch 6. Sc in the 2nd ch from the hook and the next 3 st's. Sc x 4 in the last st. Continue around, working into the remaining loops of the opposite side of the foundation chain. Sc in the next 3 st's. Sc x 3 in the last st. Don't turn and don't join. Just keep working around, making the first st of the next round in the first st of this round. {14}

Place a piece of scrap yarn over your work to act as a running stitch marker.

- 2. *Sc x 5, sc inc x 2* x 2. {18}
- 3. **In blo:** Sc x 18. {18}
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- b. Sc x 7, working into the 7 st's of row **a**. Ch 1 and turn. *The last st might be a bit tricky to get into.* {7}
- c. Sc x 7. Ch 1 and bind off. {7}
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- A. With **white yarn** and a slip knot already on your hook: Working into **blo:** join your yarn by making a sl st into the 6th st of round 11. Still working in blo, sc x 6. Now sl st through both loops of the next 2 st's and turn.
- B. Skip the first 2 st's (the sl st's). Sc x 6. Sl st in the next 2 st's of round 11 and turn. *Please note:* be careful that you do not work into the st that already contains the sl st from the beginning of row A. It should be skipped. {6}
- C. Skip the first 2 st's. Sc x 6. Sl st in the next 2 st's of round 11 and turn. {6}
- D. Skip the first 2 st's. Sc x 6. Sl st in the next st of round 11. Ch 1 and bind off. {6}
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