

# Egg and Sperm Crochet Pattern

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This little project is a Valentine's Day gag. It is based on Giant Microbes's [egg](#) and [sperm](#) plushies. I decided that I wanted them in yarn. And with bigger bows. And to give the sperm a smaller head. And to make the egg's eyes not pink.

## Materials

- 5mm crochet hook
- 12mm safety eyes for the egg
- 8mm safety eyes for the sperm
- pipe cleaners (optional, sperm's tail)
- white, baby blue, and baby pink worsted weight yarn. (I use Red Heart Super Saver.)

## Stitches Used

This pattern uses American crochet terminology.

- single crochet (sc)
- single crochet increase (inc)
- “single crochet two together” or “invisible decrease” (dec)

- double crochet (dc)
- treble crochet (tr)
- magic ring

## Egg

Round	Instruction	Count
1	6 sc in magic ring	6
2	6 inc	12
3	(sc, inc) six times	18
4	(2 sc, inc) six times	24
5	(3 sc, inc) six times	30
6	(4 sc, inc) six times	36
7	(5 sc, inc) six times	42
8	(6 sc, inc) six times	48
9	(7 sc, inc) six times	54
10	(8 sc, inc) six times	60
11-19	sc around	60
20	(8 sc, dec) six times	54
21	(7 sc, dec) six times	48
22	(6 sc, dec) six times	42
23	(5 sc, dec) six times	36
24	(4 sc, dec) six times	30
25	(3 sc, dec) six times	24
Pause crocheting to attach safety eyes and begin stuffing. I attached the eyes between rounds 13 and 14 with four whole stitches between them.		
26	(2sc, dec) six times	18
27	(sc, dec) six times	12
28	6 dec	6
Fasten off		

# Sperm

Round	Instruction	Count
1	6 sc in magic ring	6
2	6 inc	12
3	(3 sc, inc) three times	15
4	(4 sc, inc) three times	18
5	(5 sc, inc) three times	21
6	(6 sc, inc) three times	24
7-9	sc around	24
10	(6 sc, dec) three times	21
11	(5 sc, dec) three times	18
12	(4 sc, dec) three times	15
13	(3 sc, dec) three times	12
Pause to attach safety eyes and stuff the head. The safety eyes are attached between rounds 3 and 4, with four stitches between them.		
14	(4 sc, dec) two times	10
15-20	sc around	10
Insert two pipe cleaners and stuff around them.		
21	(3 sc, dec) two times	8
22	(2 sc, dec) two times	6
23-onwards	sc around	6
Starting at round 23, you should be crocheting around the two pipe cleaners. The two pipe cleaners should fill up enough empty space so that there shouldn't be any need to stuff. Continue with sc around until the yarn completely covers the pipe cleaners. (See Figure 1.)		
Final	(sc, dec) two times	4



Figure 1: Working on the sperm's tail.



Figure 2: Side-view of the finished sperm.

## Egg's Bow

The egg's bow is the bow from this [hairclip pattern](#) on Hellow Yellow Yarn.

## Sperm's Bow

The sperm's bow is a smaller version of the egg's bow. Written instructions are:

Instruction	Count
ch 3	3
4 dc in first ch	4
ch 3 and sl st into the first chain	4
ch 3	3
4 dc in very first ch	4
ch 3 and sl st into the first chain	4
Fasten off and wrap around yarn as detailed on Hello Yellow Yarn.	

### Protip

Make the very first chain stitch as large and loose as possible. Try to keep all the dc (sperm bow) and tr (egg bow) for one "half" of the bow on the same side (top or bottom) of the first chain. To get the idea, a half-finished bow is pictured in Figure 3.

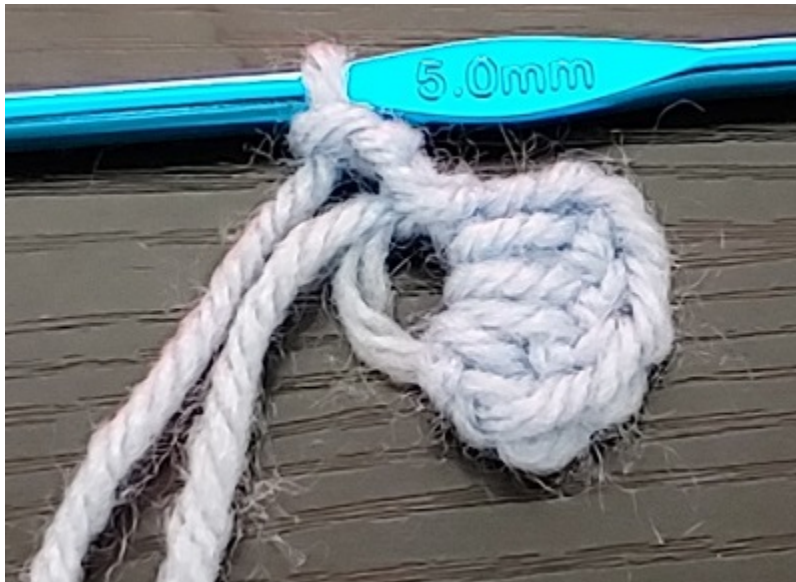


Figure 3: A half-finished bow.