



Crochet Little Bird Applique Pattern

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Materials

Yarn: fiber & weight to match project ~ 10 y Bird colour, ~1 y each Beak, Wing & Eye colours PER Bird (size 4 medium weight acrylic used in photo)

Hook: 4.00 – 4.25 mm / US G or 6 / UK 7 or to match project

Scissors, Yarn Needle

Stitch Legend

r – row	st(s) – stitch(es)	sp(s) – space(es)
ch(s) – chain(s)	sl st – slip stitch	sc – single crochet
dc – double crochet		



Special Stitches

Cinch Circle - cross yarn to make a circle, pass hook through circle from front to back, hook yarn and bring it back through circle to pull up a loop on your hook, chain 1. This will make, and secure, the circle. Work all successive stitches into circle over top of the shorter tail. When finished the first row of stitches, pull the shorter tail to cinch the circle shut.

French Knot – bring yarn in from wrong side of piece, leaving short end out back for knotting. Hold needle firmly against piece, wrap yarn around needle 3 or 4 times tightly, pull needle through wrapped yarn and tighten knot. Bring yarn back through to wrong side of piece (not through the same place) and knot ends together.

Pattern Notes

- The number of stitches or motifs you should have at the end of the row will appear in parentheses.
- Bird will measure approx. 5 cm or 2” long.
- Easily size bird up or down by changing yarn weight and/or hook size.

Pattern

Bird

R1: with main bird colour, make a cinch circle, ch 2 (does not count as a dc), 12 dc into circle, cinch tightly shut and join with a sl st to the first dc (12). Make Head: (Ch 1, 4 dc, ch 1, sl st) in the same st as joining (4). Fold circle in half at Head. 2 sc in each set of sts (10). Make Tail: ch 4, sl st into the 2nd ch from the hook, sc into each of the next 2 chs, sl st into edge of Bird (3). Fasten off and leave a long tail for sewing.

Wing

With a length of wing colour and yarn needle, embroider a wing shape or simply a few straight stitches in the same place. Knot ends on back and trim any excess.

Beak

With a length of yellow yarn and yarn needle, make 2 whip stitches around edge of st in middle of Head (see photo above). Anchor yarn ends on wrong side of Bird, knot and weave in. Trim any excess.

Eye

With a length of black yarn and yarn needle, bring yarn in from wrong side of Head to front where you want Eye, make a French Knot, bring yarn back through to wrong side of Head, knot ends together and weave in ends. Trim any excess. Alternatively, you may want to sew a black bead in place for an eye.

Sew Bird to project using long tail left on Bird. Sew or glue to magnets, hair pins or broach pins too!