CRAB JEWELERY



A pattern for crocheted crab jewelery

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Materials and Tools:

For brooch

- Light worsted weight yarn in red or gold
- 4 mm hook
- Some scrap plastic (yogurt or ice cream tub lid)
- 5 mm black beads (2)
- Tapestry needle
- Brooch pin attachment or safety pin

For earrings

- Light worsted weight yarn in red or gold
- 1.75 mm hook
- Some scrap plastic (yogurt or ice cream tub lid)
- 3 mm black beads (4)
- Tapestry needle
- Earring hooks (2)
- 3 mm gold beads (10)

Abbreviations:

Ch - Chain

Sc - Single Crochet

Inc – Single Crochet Increase

(...) - Repeat Instructions in brackets given the number of times.

[..] - Stitch Count

Notes:

- This pattern uses only continuous rounds.
- The pattern is the same for the brooch and the earrings, only the hook size changes
- You may sell any items you make from this pattern but you may not sell or reproduce the pattern itself.

The pattern is the same for both the brooch and the earrings. The yarn weight is also the same. I used a 4 mm hook for the brooch and a 1.75 mm hook for the earrings. The size difference between the two finished products is relatively slight but I found it to make for good proportions.

Rows 1, 2, and 3 make the body and row 4 makes the legs and claws.

The pieces are all double sided so make the pattern twice for a brooch and four times for a pair of earrings.

- 1. ch 7, starting in second from the hook, st 5, inc, st 5, inc, st 1 [14]
- 2. st 4, inc 3, st 4, inc 3 [20]
- 3. st 4, (inc, st) x3, st 4, (inc, st) x3 [26]
- 4. st 6, (ch 5, starting in second from the hook st 4, st 2 into row 3) x3, ch 9, starting in second from the hook st 3, ch 4, starting in second from the hook st 8, st 6 into row 3, ch 9, starting in second from the hook st 3, ch 4, starting in second from the hook st 8, st 2 into row 3, (ch 5, starting in second from the hook st 4, st 2 into row 3) x3, Fasten off leaving a very long tail.

Once you have both sides done, cut out some plastic with a bit of rigidity. The top of a yogurt or ice cream tub is ideal. Trace the outline of your piece onto the plastic and then cut it slightly smaller than the outline. When the size is right, sandwich the plastic between your two crocheted pieces. With one of the tails and a fine tapestry needle, use a mattress stitch to join the two sides. (see reference image). The other tail can be cut and tucked into your work.

Place and sew on the eyes. 5mm beads for the brooch and 3mm beads for the earrings.

Sew the brooch pin on the back or attach the earring hooks. For the earrings, I found that using five 3mm gold beads gave me a good length between the hook and the crab.

All done!!









