

# Spring Chickie

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## Skill Level



Finished size: 6" tall

## Materials

### Yarn:



**Dream** (100% Acrylic, 224 yards/205 meters; 3½ ounces/100 grams)

- #24-204 Baby Pink (MC) – 1 ball
- #24-203 Baby Yellow (CC) – 1 ball

**Crochet hook:** US F-5 (3.75 mm)

**Extras:** Yarn needle, 2 yards black embroidery floss, polyester fiberfill for stuffing

## Gauge

9 sc and 9 sc rnds = 2". While gauge is not crucial for this project, work evenly and consistently though. Stitches should be firm and even, with no gaps for stuffing to show through. Change hook size if necessary to obtain a firm crochet fabric.

## Special Abbreviation

**Sc2tog (single crochet 2 together):** Draw up a loop in each of next 2 sts, yo and pull through both loops on hook – 1 sc decreased.

## Abbreviations

<b>beg</b>	beginning
<b>CC</b>	contrast color
<b>ch</b>	chain
<b>MC</b>	main color
<b>mm</b>	millimeter
<b>rem</b>	remaining
<b>rep</b>	repeat
<b>rnd</b>	round
<b>sc</b>	single crochet
<b>sl st</b>	slip stitch
<b>st(s)</b>	stitch(es)
<b>yo</b>	yarn over
<b>*</b>	repeat instructions after asterisk as indicated

## Project notes

- Do not join rnds unless otherwise specified. Insert a contrasting piece of yarn in the last st of rnd and move this yarn up with each rnd.
- Stuff pieces firmly, but do not overstuff and distort stitches so that stuffing shows through.



## HEAD

With MC, ch 2.

**Rnd 1:** 6 sc in second ch from hook.

**Rnd 2:** 2 sc in each sc around – 12 sc.

**Rnd 3:** \* Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc; rep from \* around – 18 sc.

**Rnd 4:** \* Sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc; rep from \* around – 24 sc.

**Rnd 5:** Sc in each sc around.

**Rnd 6:** \* Sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc; rep from \* around – 30 sc.

**Rnd 7:** \* Sc in each of next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc; rep from \* around – 36 sc.

**Rnd 8:** Sc in each sc around.

**Rnd 9:** \* Sc in each of next 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc; rep from \* around – 42 sc.

**Rnds 10-13:** Sc in each sc around.

**Rnd 14:** \* Sc in each of next 5 sc, sc2tog; rep from \* around – 36 sc.

**Rnd 15:** \* Sc in each of next 4 sc, sc2tog; rep from \* around – 30 sc.

**Rnd 16:** Sc in each sc around.

**Rnd 17:** \* Sc in each of next 3 sc, sc2tog; rep from \* around – 24 sc.

**Rnd 18:** \* Sc in each of next 2 sc, sc2tog; rep from \* around – 18 sc.

**Rnd 19:** \* Sc in next sc, sc2tog; rep from \* around – 12 sc. Stuff head firmly.

**Rnd 20:** Sc2tog around; fasten off, leaving a 12" yarn end – 6 sc.

Finish stuffing head. Thread yarn end through yarn needle and weave through each st. Pull tightly to close opening. Knot yarn securely and thread yarn to inside head; cut.

### **BODY**

With MC, ch 2.

**Rnds 1-4:** Rep Rnds 1-4 of head – 24 sc.

**Rnds 5-10:** Sc in each sc around.

**Rnd 11:** \* Sc in each of next 2 sc, sc2tog; rep from \* around – 18 sc.

**Rnd 12 (neck opening):** \* Sc in next sc, sc2tog; rep from \* around; fasten off – 12 sc.

Stuff body firmly. Sew head to neck opening.

### **BEAK**

With CC, ch 2.

**Rnd 1:** 6 sc in second ch from hook.

**Rnds 2-4:** 2 sc in first sc, sc in each rem sc; fasten off at end of Rnd 4 – 9 sc.

Stuff lightly and sew to front of head, using photo as a guide.

### **FOOT (Make 2)**

\* With CC, ch 6, sc in second ch from hook and each rem ch across, rep from \* 2 times; fasten off – 3 toes formed.

Sew each foot to bottom of body, using photo as a guide.

### **WING (Make 2)**

With MC, ch 2.

Rep Rnds 1-4 of beak. Do not stuff. Pinch Rnd 4 closed flat and sew one wing to each side of body, using photo as a guide.

### **FINISHING**

Using photo as a guide, embroider eyes using a doubled length of black embroidery floss. Sew loops of yarn to top of head and back of body to resemble feathers.



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