

# RED HEART PREEMIE CROCHET OCTOPUS | CROCHET



### **MATERIALS**

**Red Heart® Bunches of Hugs™** (14 oz/397 g; 948 yds/868 m)

Capri (5514) **1 ball** 

Note: 1 ball will make 5 Preemie Octopus toys.

Size U.S. G/6 (4 mm) crochet hook **or size needed to obtain gauge.** Stitch markers. Stuffing. Black embroidery floss for eyes and mouth.





CROCHET I SKILL LEVEL: EASY

#### **ABBREVIATIONS**

**Approx** = Approximately

**Beg** = Beginning

Ch = Chain(s)

**Dc** = Double crochet

**Sc** = Single crochet

**Sc2tog** = Draw up a loop in each of next 2 sc. Yoh and draw through all 3 loops on hook

**SI st** = Slip stitch

**Rem** = Remaining

**Rep** = Repeat

Rnd(s) = Round(s)

**Yoh** = Yarn over hook

## **MEASUREMENTS**

Approx 12" [30.5 cm] long, including tentacles

# **GAUGE**

15 sc and 18 rows = 4'' [10 cm].

### **INSTRUCTIONS**

**Note:** Head of Octopus is worked in continuous rnds. **Do not** join at end of rnds. Place a st marker to indicate beg of rnds and move marker as each rnd is worked.

Head: Ch 2.

\*\*1st rnd: 7 sc in 2nd ch from

hook. 7 sc.

2nd rnd: 2 sc in each sc around.

14 sc.

3rd rnd: \*1 sc in next sc. 2 sc in next sc. Rep from \* around. 21 sc. 4th rnd: \*1 sc in each of next 2 sc. 2 sc in next sc. Rep from \* around. 28 sc.

**5th rnd:** \*1 sc in each of next 3 sc. 2 sc in next sc. Rep from \* around. 35 sc.

**6th and 7th rnds:** 1 sc in each sc around

8th rnd: \*1 sc in each of next 4 sc. 2 sc in next sc. Rep from \* around. 42 sc.



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**9th and 10th rnds:** 1 sc in each sc around.

11th rnd: \*1 sc in each of next 5 sc. 2 sc in next sc. Rep from \* around. 49 sc.

**12th and 13th rnds:** 1 sc in each sc around.

**14th rnd:** \*1 sc in each of next 6 sc. 2 sc in next sc. Rep from \* around. 56 sc.

**15th to 20th rnds:** 1 sc in each sc around.

**21st rnd:** \*1 sc in each of next 6 sc. Sc2tog. Rep from \* around. 49 sts.

22nd rnd: 1 sc in each sc around. 23rd rnd: \*1 sc in each of next 5 sc. Sc2tog. Rep from \* around. 42 sts.

24th rnd: 1 sc in each sc around. 25th rnd: \*1 sc in each of next 4 sc. Sc2tog. Rep from \* around. 35 sts.

**26th rnds:** 1 sc in each sc around. **27th rnd:** 1 sc in each of first 3 sc. \*Sc2tog. 1 sc in each of next 9 sc. Rep from \* around. 32 sts.

**28th rnd:** Working in back loops only, 1 sc in each sc around. Place a marker on last rnd.

**29th rnd:** Working in both loops, \*1 sc in each of next 2 sc. Sc2tog. Rep from \* around. 24 sts. Stuff Head.

**30th rnd:** Ch 1. \*1 sc in next sc. Sc2tog. Rep from \* around. 16 sts. **31st rnd:** Ch 1. \*Sc2tog. Rep from \* around. 8 sts. Cut yarn, leaving a long end. Fasten off. Thread end of yarn through rem 8 sts. Pull tightly. Fasten securely.

### **Divide for 8 Tentacles:**

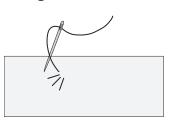
Join yarn with sl st to any rem front loop of marked rnd.

1st Tentacle: Ch 38. 4 dc in 4th ch from hook. \*5 dc in next ch. Rep from \* to end of chain. Skip next 3 sc of 27th rnd. Sl st in next sc.

**2nd to 8th Tentacles:** As 1st Tentacle. Fasten off at end of 8th Tentacle.

With black embroidery floss, embroider mouth using straight stitch and eyes, using French knots.

## **Straight Stitch**



**French Knot** 

