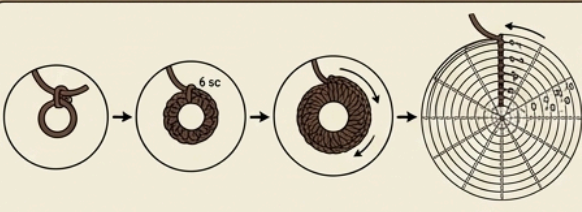


Complete Crochet Tutorial: Bear Rug & 3D Head Project

COMPLETE TUTORIAL: CROCHET BEAR RUG & HEAD PROJECT

REQUIRED TOOLS & MATERIALS

- **YARN:** Super Bulky (Category 6), 100% Cotton or Acrylic (e.g., Bernat Biannet or similar).
- **Colors:** Main Dark Brown, Light Beige/Cream.
- **HOOKS:**
 - Main Body 10mm (N/P-15),
 - Face Details 8mm (L-11).
- **SUPPLIES:**
 - Large Yarn Needle
 - Stitch Markers
 - Poly-fil Stuffing
 - 18mm Safety Eyes
 - Measuring Tape.



Phase 1: RUG BODY
(Main Brown, 10mm hook)

1. MR, 6 sc.
2. Inc in each st (12).
3. *Sc, Inc* rep (18).
- Round 10: *18 sc, Inc* rep (10).
- Round 15: *18 sc, Inc* rep (90).
- Round 20: *28 sc, Inc* rep (180).
- Round 25: *28 sc, Inc* rep (180).
- Round 30: *28 sc, Inc* rep (180).
4. Continue pattern of even increases until desired diameter is reached, making the edges look like a large rope-style braid.

US CROCHET TERMS LEGEND
(with Detailed Descriptions)

MR: Magic Ring (A tight, closed loop to start rounds).

Sc: Single Crochet (insert hook, yarn over (YO), pull up loop, YO, pull through both loops on hook).

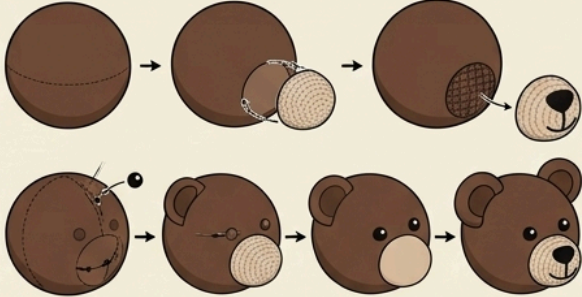
Sl st: Slip Stitch (Insert hook, YO, pull up loop AND through loop on hook).

Ch: Chain (YO, pull loop through loop on hook).

Inc: Increase (Work 2 Sc in the same stitch/space).

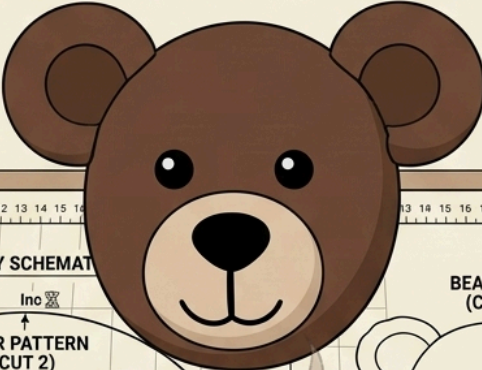
Dec: Decrease (invisible Dec recommended: Insert into front loop of two adjacent stitches, YO, pull through both front loops, YO, pull through both remaining loops on hook).

BLO: Back Loop Only (Work stitches into the back loop of the previous stitch only).

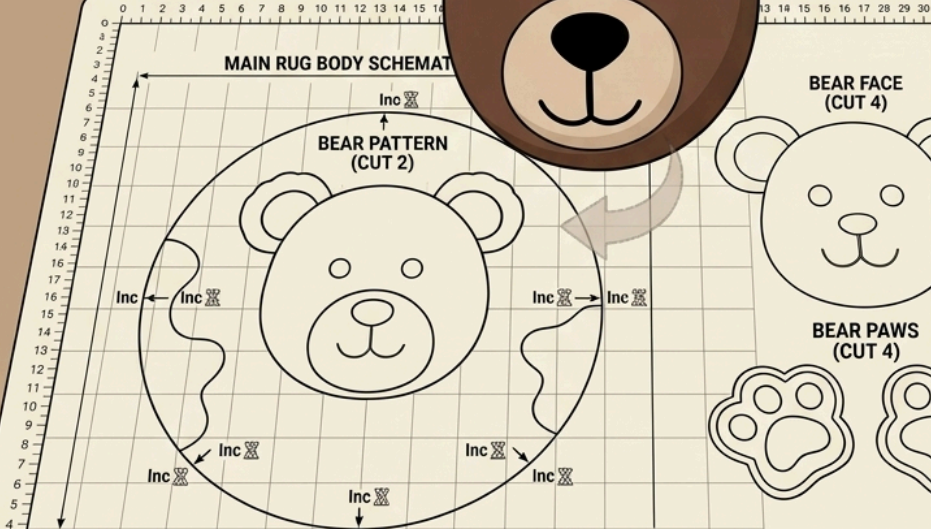


Phase 2: 3D BEAR HEAD
(Main Brown & Light Beige, 8mm hook)


1. (Using Brown) Start head shape with even increases (as per rug but smaller, e.g., to ~48 st).
2. Rounds of even sc to build the sphere height (e.g., 8 rounds).
3. (Change to Beige) Work a specific snout increase pattern for the bottom half.
4. Insert safety eyes between specific rounds.
5. Stuff head with Poly-fil before closing with decreases.
6. **EARS** (make 2): Small circular pieces, sttached.
7. **Nose/Mouth details:** Embroider with contrasting yarn.



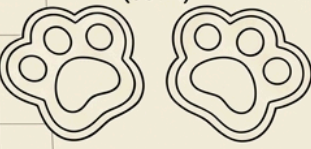
MAIN RUG BODY SCHEMATIC




BEAR FACE (CUT 4)



BEAR PAWS (CUT 4)



PAW PAD (CUT 4)



TOTAL PROJECT YARN REQUIRED:
~1500 yards (1370 meters) main color,
~200 yards (180 meters) accent color.

This detailed step-by-step guide will walk you through creating a beautiful crochet bear rug with an adorable 3D bear head centerpiece. Follow each section carefully, and you'll be able to

complete this project from start to finish—even if you're an intermediate crocheter looking to grow your skills.

Materials & Tools You'll Need

Before starting, gather everything to make your process smooth and enjoyable:

Yarn

- Super Bulky (Category 6), 100% cotton or acrylic
- Main Color: Dark Brown
- Secondary Color: Light Beige/Cream

Hooks

- 10 mm (N/P-15) for rug and main body
- 8 mm (L-11) for facial details

Other Supplies

- Large yarn needle
- Stitch markers
- Poly-fill stuffing
- 18 mm safety eyes
- Measuring tape

Crochet Abbreviations (US Terms)

Make sure you're familiar with these stitches:

- **MR:** Magic Ring
- **Sc:** Single Crochet
- **Sl st:** Slip Stitch
- **Ch:** Chain
- **Inc:** Increase (2 sc in same stitch)
- **Dec:** Decrease (invisible preferred)
- **BLO:** Back Loop Only

Phase 1: Creating the Rug Base

Step 1: Start with a Magic Ring

Begin with a Magic Ring using your dark brown yarn and 10 mm hook. Work **6 single crochets (sc)** into the ring. Pull tight to close.

Step 2: Build the Circle

You will now increase evenly to form a flat circle:

- Round 2: Inc in each stitch (12 sts)
- Round 3: (1 sc, inc) repeat (18 sts)
- Round 4: (2 sc, inc) repeat (24 sts)
- Continue increasing evenly in this pattern

Step 3: Expand the Rug

Keep increasing each round by adding one more stitch between increases:

- Round 10: Follow pattern to reach ~108 sts
- Round 15: ~180 sts
- Round 20–30: Maintain even increases

Continue until your rug reaches your desired diameter. The edges will naturally form a slightly textured, rope-like border due to the stitch tension—this is expected and beautiful!



Phase 2: Crocheting the 3D Bear Head

Step 1: Start the Head Base

Using dark brown yarn and 8 mm hook:

- Create a Magic Ring with 6 sc
- Increase in the same pattern as the rug, but stop earlier (around 48 stitches total)

Step 2: Build the Sphere Shape

Work several rounds of **even single crochet (no increases)** to build height:

- Crochet about 6–8 rounds evenly
- This forms the rounded head shape

Step 3: Shape the Snout

Switch to beige yarn:

- Create a small oval or circle using increases
- Slightly flatten if needed
- Sew onto the lower front of the head

Step 4: Insert Safety Eyes 🧐

Place the eyes symmetrically above the snout:

- Insert between rounds
- Secure tightly from inside

Step 5: Add Stuffing

Fill the head firmly with poly-fill stuffing, shaping as you go to maintain a round form.

Step 6: Close the Head

Begin decreasing:

- Use invisible decreases evenly
- Continue until the opening closes
- Fasten off and weave in ends

Step 7: Make the Ears (Make 2)

- Create a small circle (start with MR and 6 sc)
- Increase slightly, then stop
- Fold slightly and sew onto the top sides of the head

Step 8: Embroider the Face 😊

Using black yarn:

- Stitch a small triangle nose
- Add a vertical line down
- Curve into a gentle smile

Phase 3: Assembly & Finishing Touches

Step 1: Attach the Head

Using a yarn needle:

- Sew the finished bear head to the **top-center edge** of the rug
- Make sure it is secure and evenly positioned

Step 2: Create the Paw Pads (Make 4)

Using brown yarn:

- Crochet small oval or rounded shapes
- Switch to beige for pad details if desired

Step 3: Add Paw Details

- Sew smaller toe pads onto each paw
- Use tight stitches for durability

Step 4: Attach the Paws

Position paws evenly around the rug edges:

- Two on each side or spaced evenly
- Sew securely using invisible stitches



Final Yarn Estimate

- Main color: ~1500 yards (1370 meters)
- Accent color: ~200 yards (180 meters)



Final Tips

- Use stitch markers to track rounds
- Keep tension consistent for a smooth finish
- Shape pieces with your hands while stuffing
- Take your time assembling—this is where your project comes to life