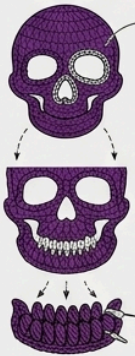


Crochet Skull Shawl: Complete Step-by-Step Tutorial

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REQUIRED METHODS & KEY STITCHES (US Terminology)

• SKULL MOTIF STITCH (3D and Flat hybrid)



Detail toe eye sockets form chain loops - chain form the chain loops for the nose nose and eye openings, for the flat loops / workers, worked in round, around the worked in flat top, and attached to the flat top.

Jaw with textured 'teeth' clusters and chain spaces, chain spaces for tone and an eye conin room worked on the first chain attached in round in the sum of the motifs and form andhan eye socket.

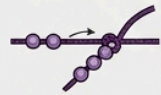
Jaw teamised with clusters and chain spaces fill upper clusters and chain spaces with laured.

• SPIDER LACE STITCH



R1: ch-5, sc in base loop,
R2: ch-3, dc in next dc.
R3: ch-3, dc in next dc, R1: ch-5,
R4: ch-3, dc in next dc, R2: ch-3,
R5: ch-3, dc in next next dc.

• CROCHET BEADS ATTACHMENT



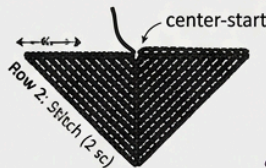
Threaded now small beads to intrgraine yarn integrated stains into fringe chains.



• COLOR CHANGE (SC2TOG and slip stitch join)

Seamlessly switch between Black (body) and Purple (skulls and edge). Switch, them between Black (body) and Purple (skulls and edge).

1 STARTING THE BACK (Black Yarn)



Center-start and triangle body.
Row 1: center-start: stitch (6 sc).
Row 2: iniil rows in stict 6 sc).

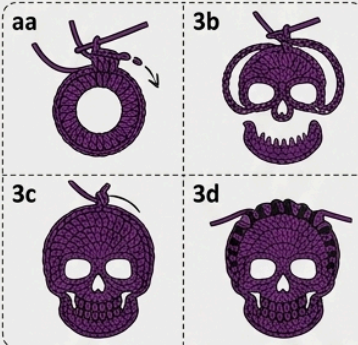
2 JOINING THE COLOR & FORMING MOTIFS (Purple Yarn)

Step-by-step joining.



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Step-by-dc in next dc, sc.
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3 SKULL MOTIF CONSTRUCTION (Purple)



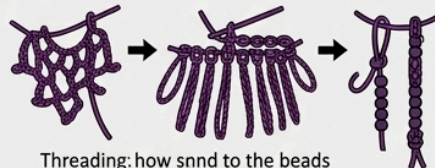
Detailed Skull Steps: Form circle (Magic Ring, 6 sc).
Inc. Rnd 2. Form ch-loops for eyes/nose. Fill upper head with clusters. Join to shawl edge with sc.

4 SPIDER LACE BODY AND BORDER (Purple)



Steps to create body and borderg between (Purple).
Steps to create tn netting txure the brwnzin da open netting between (Purple).

5 ADDING THE FRINGE & BEADS



Threading: how snnd to the beads chains by knotting final knots.



Chain



Single Crochet



Double Crochet



Treble Crochet



Slip Stitch



Skip Stitch



Half Double Crochet



Skull Cluster (SC)



Picot (P)



Beaded Chain (BCH)

This detailed tutorial will guide you through creating a beautiful skull-themed crochet shawl using US terminology. Follow each step carefully, and you'll be able to recreate the design from start to finish—even if you're an intermediate crocheter looking to challenge yourself!

Materials & Tools

- Yarn:
 - Black yarn (main body)
 - Purple yarn (skulls, border, lace, fringe)
- Crochet hook (size appropriate for your yarn, typically H/5.0 mm or similar)
- Yarn needle
- Scissors
- Optional: small beads (for fringe detail)

Key Stitches & Techniques (US Terms)

- Ch (Chain)
- Sc (Single Crochet)
- Dc (Double Crochet)
- Tr (Treble Crochet)
- Sl St (Slip Stitch)
- Sk (Skip Stitch)
- Hdc (Half Double Crochet)

Special Techniques


- **Magic Ring:** Used to start circular motifs (like skulls)
- **Chain Spaces:** Create openwork areas (used in lace and skull features)
- **Cluster Stitches:** Used to form texture (like skull teeth)
- **SC2TOG:** Single crochet two stitches together (used in color transitions)
- **Slip Stitch Join:** For seamless color changes

Step 1: Starting the Back (Black Yarn)

Begin with the shawl's top center.

1. **Create a center start:**
 - Chain 6.
 - Join with a slip stitch to form a ring.
2. **Row 1:**
 - Work 6 single crochets into the ring.

3. **Row 2 and onward:**
 - Begin forming a triangle by increasing evenly.
 - At the beginning and end of each row, add increases (2 stitches in one space).
 - Continue using double crochet stitches to build rows.
4. **Shape the triangle:**
 - Always increase at both ends.
 - Keep edges straight and symmetrical.
 - Continue until the shawl reaches shoulder width.

 Tip: The triangle should grow evenly from the center outward.

Step 2: Joining the Color & Forming Motifs (Purple Yarn)

Now switch to purple to begin the decorative skull section.

1. **Attach purple yarn** using a slip stitch at the edge.
2. Use **SC2TOG and slip stitch joins** to transition smoothly.
3. Begin working along the edge of the triangle.

Motif Placement

- Each skull motif is worked separately, then joined as you go.
- Position them evenly along the edge.

Step 3: Skull Motif Construction (Purple)

Each skull is made in parts and then combined.

Step 3a: Base Circle

1. Make a **magic ring**.
2. Work **6 single crochets** into the ring.
3. Increase in the next round to expand the circle.

Step 3b: Eye & Nose Openings

1. Create **chain loops**:
 - Chain spaces form the eye sockets.
 - Leave open gaps while working stitches around.
2. Continue shaping:
 - Work around the chain loops to secure them.
 - This creates hollow eye and nose areas.

Step 3c: Skull Shape

1. Continue building upward using double crochets.
2. Maintain symmetry for the skull shape.
3. Fill in areas between eyes and edges.

Step 3d: Jaw & Teeth

1. Add **cluster stitches** for texture.
2. Use small chain spaces between clusters to mimic teeth.
3. Attach jaw to skull base.

Final Skull Step

- Join the completed skull to the shawl edge using single crochet stitches.
- Repeat for multiple skulls across the edge.

💡 Tip: Keep spacing consistent so the design looks balanced.

Step 4: Spider Lace Body & Border (Purple)

This creates the elegant net-like section below the skulls.

Spider Lace Pattern

Row 1:

- Chain 5, single crochet into base loop.

Row 2:

- Chain 3, double crochet into next stitch.

Row 3–5:

- Repeat pattern:
 - Chain 3
 - Double crochet into next stitch

How to Work It

1. Start from the skull row.
2. Work downward in rows.
3. The lace will naturally expand outward.
4. Maintain even spacing for a clean mesh look.

✨ Step 5: Adding Fringe & Beads

Fringe

1. Cut equal lengths of yarn.
2. Fold each piece in half.
3. Pull through edge loops and knot.

Beaded Chains (Optional)

1. Thread beads onto yarn before attaching.
2. Incorporate beads into chain stitches.
3. Knot securely at the ends.

💡 Tip: Add fringe at each lace point for a dramatic effect.

🎯 Final Touches

- Weave in all loose ends.
- Block your shawl to shape:
 - Lightly dampen
 - Pin into shape
 - Let dry completely

💖 Finished Result

You now have a stunning skull shawl featuring:

- A structured triangular base
- Decorative skull motifs
- Elegant spider lace mesh
- Fringe with optional beads

Perfect for Halloween 🎃 or as a bold gothic accessory!