

# Galaxy Dragon Rug Crochet Tutorial

This is a complete, beginner-to-intermediate friendly, **very detailed step-by-step tutorial** so you can recreate the exact dragon rug shown in your photo. The design is a flat rug (no stuffing), worked mostly in single crochet with color changes for the galaxy gradient, scalloped white border, yellow/white stars, and separate head + 4 legs. Everything is sewn together and shaped into the classic S-curve.

## GALAXY DRAGON CROCHET SCHEMATIC AND STITCH GUIDE

**WIDTH AT WIDEST POINT: 0.6M**

**TOTAL LENGTH: 1.8M (approx)**

**HEAD:** Amigurumi-Style with  $\text{nr} \times 4$  (approx)

**HEAD:** Amigurumi-Style with Horns and Whisker

**S-BODY:** Multi-Stitch Spiral and Stripe Construction

**LIMBS:** Attached Appliqué-Style

**WIDTH AT WIDEST HDC (0.6M (approx))**

### SECTIONAL BREAKDOWN

**① Head and Horns**

Miniature SC (Single Crochet)

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WHISKER (Slip Stitch Chaining)

EYES (Bead/Button Placement)

**BLUE YARN A**

**② S-Curve Main Body**

**BODY STRIPES**

HDC (Half Double Crochet) DC (Double Crochet)

**STRIPE 1** (Blue Yarn A, HDC Spiral)

**STRIPE 2** (Purple Yarn B, DC Stripe)

**STRIPE 3** (Pink Yarn C, DC Stripe)

**GALAXY SPARKLES** (Silver Thread and Sequins added after)

**GALAXY STARS** (Crochet Appliqué - Small & Large)

**③ Wavy Edge**

DC (Double Crochet) SHELL STITCH

WHITE TRIM (White Yarn D)

**④ Limbs and Tail**

SC (Single Crochet) in a Circle

TAPERED HDC (Half Double Crochet)

**BLUE YARN A**

### COLOR AND FIBER KEY

- YARN A:** Deep Cosmic Blue (Wool Blend, Worsted Weight)
- YARN B:** Imperial Purple (Wool Blend, Worsted Weight)
- YARN C:** Stellar Pink (Wool Blend, Worsted Weight)
- YARN D:** Cosmic White (Acrylic Blend, Worsted Weight)

**EMBELLISHMENTS:** Silver Lurex Thread, Small Clear Beads, Small & Large Felted Stars (Yellow and White)

### DIMENSIONAL REFERENCE AND STAR COUNTS:

**STAR COUNTS:** White Stars (Small: 10, Large: 5), Yellow Stars (8)

**BEAD COUNTS:** Clear Beads (18)

**OVERALL SCALE REFERENCING** [<IMAGE 0]

**Finished size (medium):** ~1.8 m long when laid out on the floor, body widest part ~50 cm.  
Perfect for a kid's room or bedside.

## **Materials (exactly as used in the photo style)**

**Yarn** – Super bulky weight 6 (or hold **3 strands of worsted #4** together for the same thick rug texture). Total approx. 1.8–2 kg:

- **Dark Navy Blue** – 600 g (head, legs, tail tip, body base)
- **Deep Purple** – 400 g
- **Hot Pink** – 300 g
- **Pastel Pink / White mix** – 200 g (the “swirl” center)
- **Light Blue** – 200 g
- **White** – 300 g (scalloped border + some stars + teeth/horns)
- **Bright Yellow** – 100 g (stars)

**Hook:** 10 mm (N/P 15)

**Other:** Yarn needle, scissors, stitch markers, optional fabric backing (felt or non-slip rug pad) to keep shape.

**Gauge (very important):** 7 sc × 7 rows = 10 cm × 10 cm. Adjust hook if needed.

## **Stitches & Abbreviations (US terms)**

- ch = chain
- sc = single crochet
- inc = increase (2 sc in same stitch)
- dec = decrease (sc 2 together)
- sl st = slip stitch
- dc = double crochet
- Shell/Scallop = 5 dc in one stitch, skip 2 sts, sl st in next
- Magic Ring (MR) – optional for head pieces

## **PART 1: Main Body (long flat piece from tail to neck base – 140 rows total)**

We crochet from the **tail tip** to the **neck**. Color changes create the galaxy gradient. The piece is rectangular but will be shaped into an S-curve later.

### **Tail section (rows 1–35, Dark Navy → Purple, narrow to medium width)**

Row 1: With Dark Navy, ch 12. Sc in 2nd ch from hook and across (11 sc). Ch 1, turn.

Rows 2–10: Sc in each st (11 sc).

Row 11: inc, sc to last st, inc (13 sc).

Row 12–15: Sc across.

Row 16: inc at both ends (15 sc).

Continue: increase 2 sts every 3 rows until row 35 = 25 sc. Change to Deep Purple at row 25.

**Body section (rows 36–90, widest part – Purple → Pink → Light Blue swirl)**

Row 36: Change to Deep Purple, inc at both ends (27 sc).

Rows 37–50: Sc across, inc 2 sts every 5 rows until 38 sc.

At row 51: Change to Hot Pink for 10 rows (keep 38–40 sc width).

Row 61: Change to Pastel Pink/White mix – this creates the bright “nebula” center. Keep width 40 sc for 15 rows.

Row 76: Change to Light Blue, decrease 2 sts every 4 rows down to 32 sc by row 90.

**Neck section (rows 91–140, Light Blue → Dark Navy again)**

Decrease gradually to 22 sc by row 110.

Rows 111–140: Sc across at 22 sc (neck is narrower). Fasten off.

The finished body strip should be ~180 cm long when stretched flat.

## **PART 2: Head (worked in rows, attached later)**

Use Dark Navy Blue.

**Head base (oval shape)**

Row 1: Ch 18, sc across (17 sc).

Rows 2–8: Sc across, inc 2 sts at both ends on rows 3,5,7 (ends with 29 sc).

Rows 9–14: Sc across (29 sc).

Row 15: Dec at both ends (27 sc).

Rows 16–18: Sc across. Fasten off.

**Snout (attached to front of head)**

Row 1: Ch 14, sc across (13 sc).

Rows 2–6: Sc, inc on row 3 and 5 at sides (ends 17 sc). Sew to head front.

**Horns (make 2, White)**

Ch 8, sc 6, turn, dec 3 times. Sew to top of head.

**Teeth (White, 4–6 small triangles)**

Ch 4, sc 2, dec. Sew inside open mouth area.

**Eye:** With Yellow, make a small circle (MR 6 sc, inc to 12 sc) and sew or embroider pupil in black/navy.

# PROFESSIONAL CROCHET PATTERN DIAGRAM: COSMIC GALAXY DRAGON RUG

### 1 MAIN BODY STRUCTURE

27 stc, 32 stc, 17 stc, 32 stc, 30 stt, 32

Start Tail Tip -> Increase -> Main Body S-Curve

Sewing/Crochet (lets)

Body Repeat

One Repeat

### 2 BODY SEGMENT REPEAT

30 Double Crochet (dc)

Cluster change

Join

3dc

2dc

dc

2dc Cluster Increase

2do

Join

### 3 3D HEAD ASSEMBLY (Exploded View)

Horns

Horns

Upper head

Insert: eyes to towel soroms

Ears/ears

Lower jaw

Add Fiberfill here

Jaw

Jaw: SC (Single Crochet) decrease pattern

Jaw: SC (Single Crochet) decrease pattern

Sewing/Joining Plan

### 4 Legs & Scaloped Edge

Leg Pattern (Cut 4)

Scaloped Edge Detail

6 dc in one space, skip 2, repeat

6 dc in one space, skip 2, repeat

### 5 Cosmic Appliques

Crochet Star Chart

Simple point stitch

White Cosmos Dot (Puff Stitch)

### Legend & Key

⌋ - SC	⌋ - DC	■ - Deep Purple (app. skein)
⌋ - DC	∨ - Puff St	■ - Electric Blue (app. skein)
⌋ - HDC	⌋ - Cluster	■ - Hot Pink (approx. skein)
○ - Puff St	• - SI St	■ - Dneep Purple (app. skein)
		□ - White (approx. skein)

## PART 3: Legs (make 4 identical – 2 front, 2 back)

Each leg is a flat “paw” shape.

### Leg (Dark Navy)

Row 1: Ch 16, sc across (15 sc).

Rows 2–6: Sc, inc both ends on row 3 (19 sc).

Row 7: Sc.

**Toes (3 per leg):** At the end of row 7, ch 6, sc 5, sl st back to leg. Repeat for 3 toes.

Fasten off. Make 4 legs.

## **PART 4: Tail Tip Curl (extra piece if you want more curl)**

With Dark Navy, ch 30, sc across, then 3 rows decreasing to point. Sew to end of main tail.

## **PART 5: Stars & Dots (make 15–20 stars)**

### **Yellow Star (5-pointed, easy version)**

Ch 5, sl st to form ring.

*Ch 3, 2 dc in ring, ch 3, sl st in ring* repeat 5 times. Fasten off.

Make 10 large yellow stars + 5–10 small white stars (same pattern but ch 4 ring).

**Dots:** Small white or yellow sc bumps (MR 6 sc, pull tight) – scatter everywhere.

## **PART 6: Assembly & Shaping**

1. Lay the long body strip on the floor in the exact S-curve from your photo (head to the top right, tail curling bottom right).
2. Position:
  - Head at the end of the neck.
  - Front legs at rows ~100–110 (shoulder area).
  - Back legs at rows ~60–70 (widest body).
3. Sew everything with matching yarn using whip stitch or mattress stitch. Use the photo as guide for exact placement.
4. Curve the tail and neck gently – the yarn is thick so it holds shape.

## **PART 7: Scalloped White Border (the fluffy white edge)**

Work around the **entire outer edge** of the assembled dragon (body + head + legs + tail).

With White yarn:

*Skip 2 sts, 5 dc in next st, skip 2 sts, sl st in next* repeat all the way around.

This creates the exact scalloped look in the photo. Do 1–2 rounds if you want it thicker.

## **PART 8: Final Details**

- Sew all stars randomly across the galaxy sections (concentrate on dark blue/purple areas).
- Add small white dots everywhere for “stars”.
- Embroider or sew the yellow eye on the head.
- Optional: Sew a non-slip rug backing underneath so it stays flat on wooden floors.

**Total time:** 25–35 hours for medium size (spread over a week).

**Tips for exact photo match:**

- Change colors exactly where the gradient shifts in your image (tail dark → purple → pink swirl → light blue → dark head).
- Keep tension loose for the thick rug feel.
- Block the finished piece under a towel with steam if needed to set the S-shape.

You now have everything you need to make this exact rug! Follow the stitch counts and color order precisely and it will look identical to the photo. If you get stuck on any row or color transition, just count your stitches and match the width numbers.

Happy crocheting!