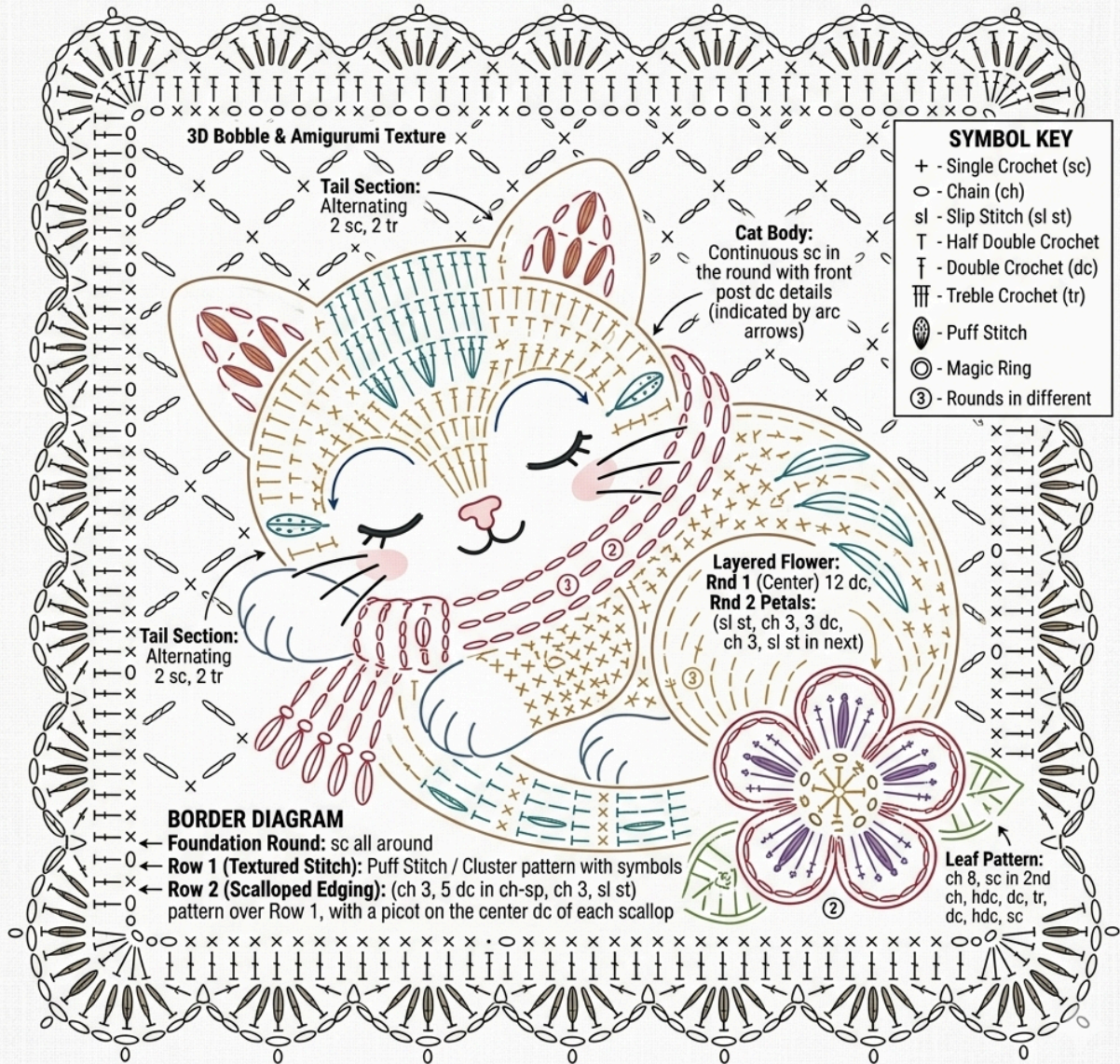


Crochet Sleeping Cat

CROCHET PATTERN DIAGRAM: SLEEPING CAT & FLOWER SQUARE



Finished Measurements

- Approximate size: 16–18 inches (40–46 cm) square
- Cat size: 9–10 inches (23–25 cm) wide
- Flower size: 3 inches (7.5 cm)
- Scarf length: 10 inches (25 cm)

Measurements may vary depending on yarn and hook size.

Materials Needed

Yarn Colors

- Cream or ivory (background lace and cat face)
- Light beige/tan (main cat color and border)
- Dark brown (cat stripes)
- Pink (ears, nose, blush)
- Red (scarf and flower)
- Olive green (leaves)
- Black (whiskers and facial embroidery)

Recommended Yarn

- Worsted Weight #4 Cotton Yarn
- Or DK Cotton Yarn for a more delicate version

Crochet Hook

- 3.5 mm (E)
- 4 mm (G)

Other Supplies

- Yarn needle
- Stitch markers
- Scissors
- Fabric glue (optional)
- Blocking pins
- Foam blocking board
- Polyester stuffing (small amount)

Crochet Abbreviations

- ch = chain
- sl st = slip stitch
- sc = single crochet
- hdc = half double crochet
- dc = double crochet
- tr = treble crochet
- inc = increase
- dec = decrease
- st = stitch
- sp = space
- rnd = round

H2: Step 1 – Creating the Lace Background Panel

The lace panel forms the foundation of the entire project.

Row 1

Ch 46.

Work 1 sc into the second chain from hook.

Continue placing 1 sc into every chain.

Turn.

You should have 45 stitches.

Row 2

Ch 5.

Skip 3 stitches.

Sc into next stitch.

Ch 5.

Skip 3 stitches.

Repeat across row.

Turn.

Row 3

Ch 2.

Work 5 dc into first chain space.

Sc into next chain space.

Work 5 dc into next chain space.

Repeat across.

Turn.

Row 4

Ch 5.

Sc into center of shell.

Ch 5.

Repeat across.

Turn.

Continue Pattern

Repeat Rows 3 and 4 until the panel measures approximately 12 inches (30 cm) square.

The resulting fabric creates the beautiful diamond lattice effect visible behind the cat.

When finished, fasten off cream yarn.

Block the lace square carefully.

H2: Step 2 – Creating the Inner Frame

Join beige yarn to any corner.

Round 1

Work evenly around the entire lace square.

Place:

- 1 sc in each stitch
- 3 sc in each corner

Join with sl st.

Round 2

Ch 3.

Work dc around entire square.

Corners:

2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc.

Join.

Round 3

Repeat Round 2.

This creates the solid frame that surrounds the lace center.

Fasten off.

H2: Step 3 – Creating the Scalloped Border

This decorative edge creates the large shell border seen in the image.

Join beige yarn.

Border Round

Skip 2 stitches.

Work:

- 8 dc in next stitch

Skip 2 stitches.

Sl st into next stitch.

Repeat around entire square.

At corners, place:

- 10 dc shell

This produces the rounded petal-like border.

Continue around entire project.

Fasten off.

Weave in ends.

H2: Step 4 – Crocheting the Cat Head

Using beige yarn.

Round 1

Magic Ring.

6 sc.

Round 2

Inc in each stitch.

(12)

Round 3

(sc, inc) around.

(18)

Round 4

(2 sc, inc) around.

(24)

Round 5

(3 sc, inc) around.

(30)

Round 6

(4 sc, inc) around.

(36)

Round 7

(5 sc, inc) around.

(42)

Round 8

(6 sc, inc) around.

(48)

Continue increasing until approximately 4 inches wide.

Fasten off leaving a long sewing tail.

Stuff lightly.

Flatten slightly.

H2: Step 5 – Creating the Face Markings

Using cream yarn.

Create two oval muzzle pieces.

Muzzle Oval

Ch 8.

Work around chain.

Increase at both ends.

Continue for 3 rounds.

Make two.

Sew onto lower half of face.

Create center cream forehead section.

Attach between eyes.

Nose

Using pink yarn.

Magic Ring.

6 sc.

Fasten off.

Sew between muzzle sections.

Mouth

Using black embroidery thread.

Embroider:

- Smile
- Small curved mouth

Eyes

Using black thread.

Create sleeping eyes using curved embroidered lines.

Add 3 eyelashes on each side.

Blush

Lightly embroider pink cheeks.

H2: Step 6 – Making the Cat Ears

Make 2.

Ear Front

Using pink yarn.

Magic Ring.

6 sc.

Increase into triangular shape.

Work rows until ear measures approximately 2 inches.

Ear Back

Repeat using beige yarn.

Place pieces together.

Sc around edges.

Sew ears to head.

Angle slightly outward just like the picture.

H2: Step 7 – Adding the Head Stripes

Using dark brown yarn.

Embroider three stripes on top of the head.

Center stripe:

- Longest

Side stripes:

- Slightly shorter

Add small side face markings near cheeks.

These details give the realistic tabby appearance.

H2: Step 8 – Creating the Body

Using beige yarn.

Round 1

Magic Ring.

6 sc.

Round 2

12 sc.

Round 3

18 sc.

Round 4

24 sc.

Continue increasing evenly.

Work until body forms a rounded oval approximately 6 inches wide.

Stuff lightly.

Flatten slightly.

Fasten off.

H2: Step 9 – Making the Front Paws

Create 2 paws.

Using cream yarn.

Round 1

Magic Ring.

6 sc.

Round 2

12 sc.

Round 3

12 sc.

Fasten off.

Stuff lightly.

Sew onto front of body.

Position one paw crossing over the scarf area.

H2: Step 10 – Making the Hind Legs

Using cream yarn.

Create two larger oval shapes.

Work:

- 18–20 stitches around
- 4 rounds

Stuff lightly.

Attach beneath body.

Position exactly as shown in sleeping pose.

H2: Step 11 – Creating the Curled Tail

Using beige yarn.

Round 1

Magic Ring.

6 sc.

Round 2

12 sc.

Round 3

18 sc.

Work several rounds without increasing.

Stuff lightly as you go.

Curve tail into circular shape.

Sew securely.

Using dark brown yarn.

Add stripes every few rounds.

H2: Step 12 – Crocheting the Red Scarf

Using red yarn.

Foundation

Ch 61.

Row 1

Sc in second chain from hook.

Sc across.

Turn.

Rows 2–6

Sc across.

For fringe:

Cut multiple strands.

Attach to both ends.

Wrap scarf around cat's neck.

Tie loosely.

Sew in place.

H2: Step 13 – Making the Flower

Using red yarn.

Center

Magic Ring.

12 sc.

Join.

Petals

For each petal:

Ch 3.

3 dc.

Ch 3.

Sl st.

Repeat 5 times.

This creates five flower petals.

Flower Center

Using cream yarn.

Work small star stitches in center.

Sew securely.

H2: Step 14 – Making the Leaves

Using green yarn.

Leaf

Ch 10.

Work:

- sc
- hdc
- dc
- dc
- hdc
- sc

Along one side.

Continue around opposite side.

Make two leaves.

Attach beneath flower.

H2: Step 15 – Assembling the Cat

Lay the lace panel flat.

Position:

1. Cat body first.
2. Head slightly overlapping body.
3. Tail curled around lower section.
4. Front paws over scarf.
5. Hind legs underneath body.
6. Flower near tail.
7. Leaves beneath flower.

Pin everything before sewing.

Once satisfied:

Sew each component securely.

Hide all yarn tails.

H2: Step 16 – Final Finishing and Blocking

Lightly steam block the entire project.

Pin the border so every shell opens evenly.

Shape:

- Cat ears
- Tail curve
- Flower petals
- Scarf folds