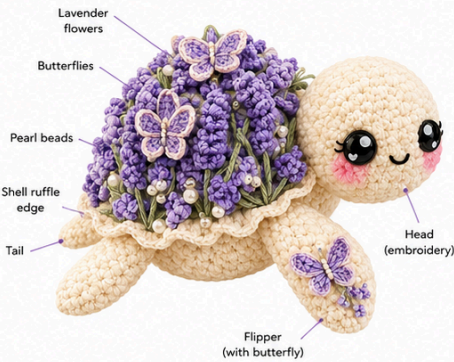


Lavender Turtle

CROCHET PATTERN



OVERVIEW



STITCH LEGEND (US TERMS)

- chain (ch)
- slip stitch (sl st)
- + single crochet (sc)
- T half double crochet (hdc)
- ⊥ double crochet (dc)
- ⊥ treble crochet (tr)
- ∨ increase (2 sc in next st)
- ∧ decrease (sc2tog)
- Ⓢ bobble stitch (bob):
5 dc in same st, yarn over, pull through all loops
- Ⓢ popcorn stitch (pc):
5 dc in same st, drop loop from hook, insert hook in first dc and pull loop through
- start here
- direction of work

HEAD (in cream yarn)

Embroider the smile between R6–R7. Sew on safety eyes between R7–R8. Add blush.

SHELL BASE (in cream yarn)

SHELL FLOWERS (lavender yarn)

Make many.

- Ⓢ = lavender flower (bobble)
- = stem (ch + sl st)
- = attach to shell

SHELL RUFFLE EDGE (in cream yarn)

Repeat

BUTTERFLY (make 3)

(in light purple yarn)

FLIPPER WITH BUTTERFLY (make 2)

PEARL BEADS

Sew pearl beads in between flowers.

ASSEMBLY

- Sew the head to the front of the shell.
- Sew the flippers (with butterflies) to the sides.
- Sew the tail to the back.
- Embroider blush and eyelashes.
- Attach pearl beads among the flowers.

MATERIALS

- Yarn: cream, lavender, light purple, green
- 2.0–2.5 mm crochet hook
- Safety eyes (12 mm)
- Pearl beads (various sizes)
- Yarn needle, scissors, stitch markers, stuffing

Materials Needed

Yarn Colors

- Cream (main turtle)
- Lavender
- Light Purple
- Sage Green
- Soft Pink

Crochet Hook

- 2.25 mm crochet hook

Supplies

- 12 mm safety eyes
- Polyester stuffing
- Pearl beads (various sizes)
- Yarn needle
- Stitch markers
- Embroidery needle
- Scissors

Crochet Abbreviations

- MR = Magic Ring
- ch = chain
- sl st = slip stitch
- sc = single crochet
- hdc = half double crochet
- dc = double crochet
- tr = treble crochet
- inc = increase
- dec = decrease
- bob = bobble stitch
- pc = popcorn stitch

Step 1: Crochet the Head

Using cream yarn.

Round 1

MR, 6 sc.

Round 2

Inc in each stitch.

12 sc.

Round 3

1 sc, *inc.*

18 sc.

Round 4

2 sc, *inc.*

24 sc.

Round 5

3 sc, *inc.*

30 sc.

Round 6

4 sc, *inc.*

36 sc.

Round 7

5 sc, *inc.*

42 sc.

Round 8

6 sc, *inc.*

48 sc.

Rounds 9–13

Sc around.

Place safety eyes between Rounds 7 and 8.

Space eyes approximately:

- 10 stitches apart

Round 14

6 sc, dec.

Repeat around.

Round 15

5 sc, dec.

Repeat around.

Stuff firmly.

Round 16

4 sc, dec.

Repeat around.

Fasten off leaving a long tail.

The head should measure approximately:

- 3 inches (7.5 cm) wide

Step 2: Embroider the Face

Using black embroidery thread.

Create:

- Small curved smile
- Eyelashes on outer corners

Using pink yarn or blush powder:

Add soft rosy cheeks beneath the eyes.

Step 3: Crochet the Shell Base

Using cream yarn.

Round 1

MR, 6 sc.

Round 2

Increase around.

12 sc.

Round 3

18 sc.

Round 4

24 sc.

Round 5

30 sc.

Round 6

36 sc.

Round 7

42 sc.

Round 8

48 sc.

Round 9

54 sc.

Continue increasing evenly until the shell reaches:

- 5½ inches (14 cm) across

Work 2 additional rounds without increases.

The shell should form a gentle dome.

Step 4: Create the Shell Ruffle Edge

Attach cream yarn.

Ruffle Round

Skip 1 stitch, 5 dc in next stitch, skip 1 stitch, sc in next stitch.

Repeat around.

This creates the delicate shell edging shown in the design.

The ruffle should extend approximately:

- ½ inch (1.5 cm)

from the shell.

Step 5: Crochet the Body Underside

Using cream yarn.

Create another circle following the shell instructions.

Stop when it measures:

- 4½ inches (11.5 cm)

This piece will become the belly.

Set aside.

Step 6: Crochet the Front Flippers

Using cream yarn.

Make 2.

Round 1

MR, 6 sc.

Round 2

Increase around.

12 sc.

Round 3

1 sc, inc.

18 sc.

Rounds 4–8

Sc around.

Flatten slightly.

Shape into a paddle.

Finished size:

- 2½ inches (6 cm)

Step 7: Crochet the Back Flippers

Using cream yarn.

Make 2.

Round 1

MR, 6 sc.

Round 2

12 sc.

Round 3

18 sc.

Rounds 4–6

Sc around.

Finished size:

- 1½ inches (4 cm)

Step 8: Crochet the Tail

Using cream yarn.

Round 1

MR, 4 sc.

Round 2

Sc around.

Round 3

Decrease slightly.

Fasten off.

The tail should measure approximately:

- 1 inch (2.5 cm)

Step 9: Assemble the Turtle Base

Position:

- Head at front
- Front flippers on both sides
- Back flippers near rear
- Tail at center back

Sew all pieces to the belly section.

Lightly stuff body.

Attach shell over top.

Sew securely.

Step 10: Create Lavender Flower Stems

Using green yarn.

Stem

Chain 18.

Work slip stitches back along chain.

Create approximately:

- 20–25 stems

in varying lengths.

Attach stems across the shell.

Allow some stems to drape naturally.

Step 11: Crochet Lavender Blossoms

Using lavender yarn.

Tiny Flower Cluster

Chain 3.

Into first chain:

- Bobble stitch
- Ch 1

Repeat 3 times.

Fasten off.

Each cluster should resemble a tiny lavender bloom.

Create:

- 80–120 blossoms

for a lush shell.

Attach along the stems.

Step 12: Crochet Butterflies

Using light purple yarn.

Make 3 butterflies.

Butterfly Body

Chain 6.

Work sl st back.

Upper Wings

Into ring:

- 4 dc
- Ch 2
- 4 dc

Lower Wings

Into same ring:

- 3 dc
- Ch 2
- 3 dc

Fasten off.

Shape gently.

Each butterfly should measure approximately:

1 inch (2.5 cm).

Step 13: Decorate the Flippers

Create 2 miniature butterflies.

Attach one to each front flipper.

Add a few tiny lavender blossoms around them.

Step 14: Add Pearl Beads

Using sewing thread.

Scatter pearl beads throughout the shell.

Position between flower stems.

Use various bead sizes for a natural look.

Approximately:

- 20–30 pearls

create the effect shown in the image.

Step 15: Final Shell Arrangement

Before permanently sewing all flowers:

Arrange:

- Taller stems near center
- Shorter stems toward edges
- Butterflies near top

Balance the colors evenly.

Secure all embellishments.

Step 16: Final Shaping

Gently shape:

- Head
- Shell dome
- Flippers

Adjust flower stems so they cascade naturally.

Step 17: Blocking and Finishing

Weave in all ends.

Check safety eyes.

Trim loose threads.

Lightly steam the flowers.

Avoid flattening the shell.

Finished Measurements

Your completed **Lavender Turtle** should measure approximately:

- Length: 9 inches (23 cm)
- Width: 7 inches (18 cm)
- Height: 5 inches (13 cm)

The finished turtle features a soft cream body, elegant lavender flower garden shell, delicate butterflies, pearl accents, and a ruffled shell edge, creating a whimsical crochet masterpiece perfect for display or gifting.