



# LIL OCTOPUS

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**Skill Level:** Intermediate

**Materials:**

Approx. 50 yards of medium worsted weight yarn

Scrap yarn for stuffing

Stitch marker

**Crochet Hook:** 3.5mm [US-E]

**Gauge:** 4" = 20 STS and 24 rows

**Finished Measurements:** approx. 3" tall (not including tentacles)

## Octopus Instructions

**Note:** The pattern is worked in spirals; there will be no joining of rounds. Use a stitch marker to keep track of rounds.

CH 2

**RND 1:** Turn, SC 6 times in 2nd CH from hook. 6 STS

**RND 2:** [SC 2 times in next ST] 6 times. 12 STS

**RND 3:** [SC 2 times in next ST, SC in next ST] 6 times. 18 STS

**RND 4:** [SC 2 times in next ST, SC in next 2 STS] 6 times. 24 STS

**RND 5:** [SC 2 times in next ST, SC in next 3 STS] 6 times. 30 STS

**RNDs 6-16:** SC in each ST around. 30 STS

**Note:** If using safety eyes or embroidering eyes, do it now before the decreasing begins. Place them wherever you like.

**RND 17:** [SC2TOG, SC in next 3 STS] 6 times. 24 STS

**RND 18:** [SC2TOG, SC in next 2 STS] 6 times. 18 STS

**RND 19:** [SC2TOG, SC in next ST] 6 times. 12 STS

**RND 20:** [SC2TOG, SC in next ST] 4 times. Do not fasten off. 8 STS

Make Tentacles (see video for help if needed)

With yarn still attached, CH 25, turn, beginning in 2nd CH from hook, SC 2 times in each CH, (this will make the tentacle curl naturally), SL ST tentacle to next ST from RND 20.

Repeat 7 more times for a total of 8 tentacles.

Fasten off.

Finishing

There will be a small hole in the bottom of the octopus. Take the fastened off tail with a yarn needle and thread it around the hole and pull to close. Weave in ends.

**Abbreviations Used:**

**CH:** chain

**RND:** round

**SC-** single crochet

**SC2TOG-** single crochet 2 together

**SL ST:** slip stitch

**ST(S):** stitch(es)

[...]: repeat instructions within brackets the number of times it states after the brackets.