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Crochet Bee Rug Pattern – Complete Step-by-Step Guide

This detailed guide will teach you how to create a beautiful Crochet Bee Rug from scratch using standard US crochet terminology. This pattern follows traditional American crochet techniques, proper stitch structure, tension control, and construction methods. It is written in a beginner-friendly format while maintaining professional crochet standards.

Materials & Tools (US Standards)

To ensure durability and structure suitable for a rug, use medium to bulky weight yarn (Category 4 or 5). Cotton or cotton-blend yarn is highly recommended for rugs because it provides strength, stitch definition, and washability.

Recommended Materials:

- Worsted weight cotton yarn – Yellow, Black, White
- Crochet hook size H/8 (5.0 mm) or I/9 (5.5 mm)
- Yarn needle for weaving ends
- Stitch markers
- Scissors
- Non-slip rug backing (optional but recommended)

Understanding the Crochet Chart

The chart provided uses international symbols. Below are the US stitch translations used in this pattern:

- ch = chain
- sc = single crochet
- hdc = half double crochet
- dc = double crochet
- tr = treble crochet
- sl st = slip stitch

The rug is worked in sections: the body (oval base), stripes, head, wings, and antennae. The body is constructed in continuous rounds, while wings and antennae are worked separately and sewn on.

Step-by-Step Instructions – Bee Body (Oval Base)

Round 1: Chain 15. Work 2 dc in 4th chain from hook. Dc in next 10 chains. Work 5 dc in last chain. Rotate to work on opposite side of foundation chain. Dc in next 10 stitches. Work 3 dc in final stitch. Join with sl st.

Round 2: Ch 3 (counts as dc). Dc in same stitch. 2 dc in next 2 stitches. Dc across. Increase 2 dc in each of next 5 stitches at curve. Dc across opposite side. Increase evenly on curve. Join with sl st.

Continue increasing evenly at both rounded ends each round to maintain oval shape. Change colors following the chart to create the yellow and black stripes. Fasten off after reaching desired rug size.

Head Construction

Using black yarn, create a magic ring. Round 1: 10 dc in ring. Join. Round 2: 2 dc in each stitch around. Round 3: (1 dc, 2 dc in next stitch) repeat around. Continue increasing until head reaches proportional size according to chart.

Wings (Worked Separately)

Using white yarn, chain 12. Work dc mesh pattern as shown in chart. Increase gradually along outer edge to create wing curve. Work 2 identical upper wings and 2 slightly smaller lower wings.

Antennae

Chain 15. Slip stitch back along the chain for firmness. Sew securely to top of head. Repeat for second antenna.

Assembly & Finishing Techniques

Block all pieces lightly using steam (do not press iron directly on yarn). Sew wings symmetrically using whip stitch. Attach head securely to body. Weave in all ends carefully along stitch lines for durability. For rug safety, apply non-slip backing underneath.

Your Crochet Bee Rug is now complete! This rug can be customized in size by increasing additional rounds in the body. Always maintain even tension and symmetrical increases for professional results.