

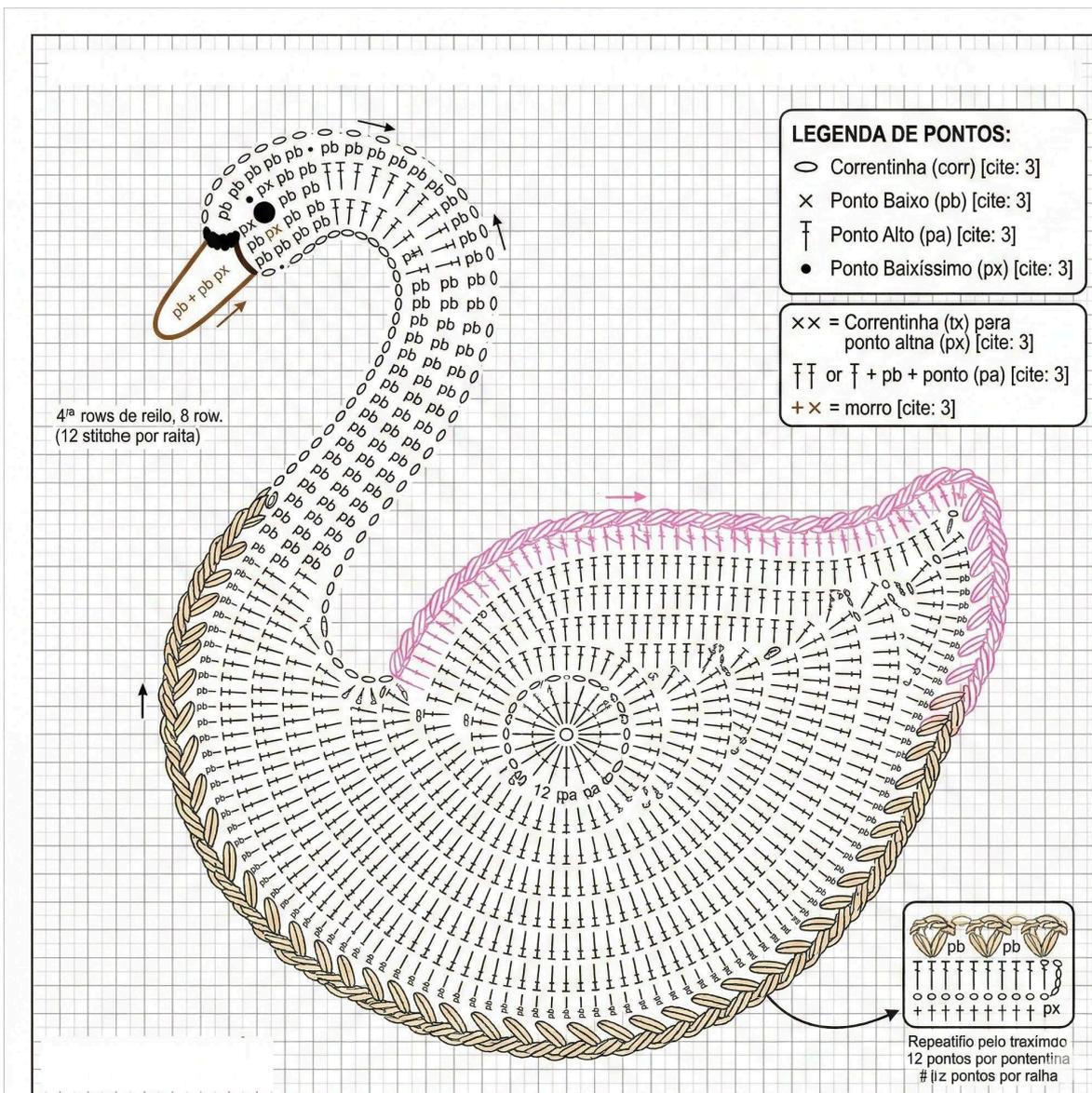
Swan Crochet Rug Pattern

US Crochet Terms – Detailed Step-by-Step Guide

Skill Level: Intermediate

Finished Size: approx. 28–35 in (70–90 cm) depending on yarn and hook.

This decorative swan rug is crocheted starting from the center of the body and worked outward in continuous rounds. After the oval body is completed, the neck and head are shaped by crocheting extended rows from one side of the body. The border and decorative feather stitches are added at the end to give the rug its elegant swan appearance.



Materials

- Medium weight cotton yarn or rug yarn
- Main Color – White or Cream (swan body)
- Accent Color – Beige or Light Brown (outline and feathers)
- Black yarn for the eye
- Optional: Orange yarn for the beak

Tools:

- Crochet hook size 5 mm – 7 mm depending on yarn thickness
 - Yarn needle
 - Stitch markers
 - Scissors
 - Optional anti-slip rug backing
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Crochet Abbreviations (US Terms)

ch – chain
sl st – slip stitch
sc – single crochet
hdc – half double crochet
dc – double crochet
tr – treble crochet
inc – increase (2 stitches in same stitch)
dec – decrease
st – stitch
MR – magic ring

Pattern Notes

The swan body is crocheted in **continuous rounds forming a large oval**. The neck is worked separately but directly attached to the body so there is no sewing required.

If the rug begins to curl, switch to a larger hook. If it becomes wavy, switch to a smaller hook.

Swan Body (Main Oval Rug Base)

Using the main color.

Round 1

Make a Magic Ring.

Ch 3 (counts as first dc).

Work 11 dc into the ring.

Join with sl st to the first stitch.

(12 dc)

Round 2

Ch 3.

Work 2 dc in every stitch around.

Join.

(24 dc)

Round 3

Ch 3.

1 dc, 2 dc in next stitch repeat around.

Join.

(36 dc)

Round 4

Ch 3.

2 dc, inc repeat around.

Join.

(48 dc)

Round 5

Ch 3.

3 dc, inc repeat around.

Join.

(60 dc)

Round 6

Ch 3.

4 dc, inc repeat around.

Join.

(72 dc)

Round 7

Ch 3.

Work dc evenly around without increases.

Round 8

Ch 3.

5 dc, inc repeat around.

Continue increasing evenly every round until the body reaches approximately **18–22 inches wide**.

The rug should form a slightly oval shape as stitches distribute toward the back side.

Shaping the Tail Area

When the body reaches the desired size, begin shaping the rear of the swan.

Row 1

Work dc across half the circle.

Row 2

Turn.

Ch 2 and work hdc across.

Row 3

Turn.

Ch 1 and work sc across.

Repeat rows while slightly decreasing at both edges every other row to create a tapered tail shape.

Fasten off.

Swan Neck

Attach yarn to the upper left side of the body where the neck begins.

Row 1

Ch 12.

Row 2

Work sc across the chain.

Row 3

Ch 1, turn.

Increase at the beginning and end of the row.

Row 4–8

Continue working sc rows, increasing slightly on the outer curve of the neck.

This creates the graceful curved swan neck.

To enhance the curve, add an extra stitch every second row on the outside edge.

Head

Continue directly from the neck.

Row 1

Work 6 sc.

Row 2

Increase every other stitch.

Row 3

Sc evenly.

Row 4

Decrease slightly to round the head.

Fasten off leaving a long tail.

Beak

Using orange or beige yarn.

Ch 4

Sc across

Decrease once

Fasten off

Sew to the front of the head.

Eye

Using black yarn, embroider a small French knot or sew a small round stitch.

Position slightly above the beak.

Feather Texture (Optional Decorative Detail)

Using accent color.

Attach yarn along the wing area of the body.

Work surface slip stitches or small leaf-shaped stitches across the wing area to imitate feathers.

These stitches are optional but add depth and realism to the swan.

Rug Border

Attach beige or brown yarn to the edge.

Round 1

Work sc evenly around the entire rug.

Round 2 – Feather Border

Skip 2 stitches, work 5 dc in next stitch, skip 2 stitches, sl st in next

Repeat around the rug.

At tight curves, work fewer stitches if necessary to keep the edge flat.

Fasten off.

Finishing

- Weave in all yarn ends.
 - Steam block the rug lightly if needed.
 - Add anti-slip fabric backing for safety if using on tile or hardwood floors.
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Tips for a Professional Rug Finish

Use cotton rug yarn or t-shirt yarn for durability.
Keep tension consistent to prevent curling.

Blocking the rug after completion helps maintain the swan shape.
Surface embroidery can be used to add feather texture or subtle outlines.