



Crochet Shark-Head Bookmark – Complete Step-by-Step Tutorial

This adorable shark-head bookmark is a fun and practical crochet project that's perfect for beginners and intermediate crafters alike. .

Let's get started! 🧶

COMPLETE CROCHET SHARK-HEAD BOOKMARK TUTORIAL

ABBREVIATIONS & STITCH GUIDE (USA)

SL ST:
Slip Stitch

CH:
Chain Stitch

SC: Single Crochet
Insert
YO
pull through two loops

2SC (inc):
2 Single Crochets in one stitch (Increase)

SC2TOG (dec):
Single Crochet Two Together (Decrease)

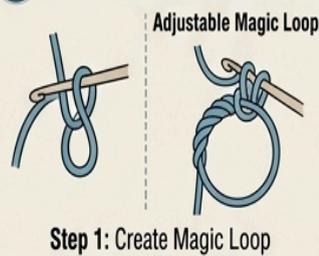
DC: Double Crochet (For teeth)

MR: Magic Ring / Magic Loop

[]: Repeat patterns within brackets.

Step-by-Step Instructions

1 START (BEGINNING)



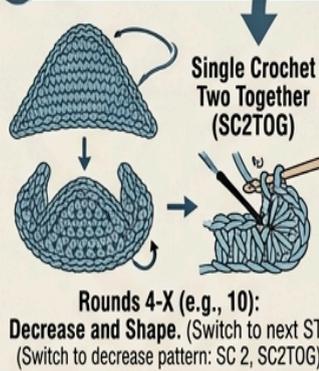
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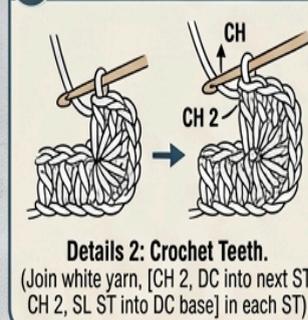
3 BUILDING THE SHAPE



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6 CROCHETING TEETH



MATERIALS NEEDED

- Medium (4) Worsted Weight Yarn (Teal/Blue & White)
- Size G/6 (4.0mm) Crochet Hook
- Small amount of black felt (for eyes)
- Yarn Needle
- Fiberfill (optional, if filling)

4 SEALING THE TIP



5 ADDING EYES



7 FINAL STEPS



MAIN METHODS USED: Magic Ring, Increasing (2SC), Decreasing (SC2TOG), Special Stitch Cluster (Teeth)

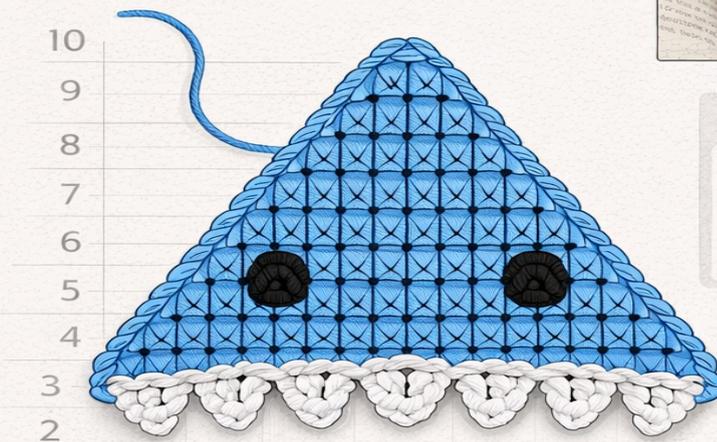
Materials Needed

Before beginning, gather the following materials:

- Medium (4) worsted weight yarn (teal/blue for the shark body, white for teeth)
- Size G/6 (4.0 mm) crochet hook
- Small amount of black felt or black yarn (for eyes)
- Yarn needle
- Scissors
- Fiberfill (optional, if you want slight dimension)

CROCHET SHARK-HEAD BOOKMARK

Diagram



Stitch Key

- sc
- ✓ sc in back loop only
- ⊗ sl st

Color Key

- Blue
- White

Instructions

- sc 3 in a magic ring (3)
- ✓ 2 sc in each st (6)
- ⊗ * sc, 2 sc in next st *, repeat (9)
- ✓ * sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st *, repeat (12)
- 5-6 : sc in blo around (12)
- 7-8 : sc, sc in blo around (12)
- 9-10: sc, sc in blo around (12)

Rows 1 – in rnt st

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Instructions

After the final row, chain to desired length, fasten off and weave in the end.

Abbreviations & Stitch Guide (USA Terms)

Make sure you're familiar with these stitches:

- **SL ST** – Slip Stitch
- **CH** – Chain
- **SC** – Single Crochet
- **2SC (INC)** – 2 Single Crochets in the same stitch (increase)
- **SC2TOG (DEC)** – Single Crochet Two Together (decrease)
- **DC** – Double Crochet
- **MR** – Magic Ring

Tip: If you're new to crochet, practice these stitches first before starting the project 👍

Step 1: Start with the Magic Ring

Begin by creating an adjustable **Magic Ring (MR)**.

- Wrap the yarn around your fingers to form a loop.
- Insert your hook, yarn over, and pull through.
- Chain 1 to secure the loop.

Now you're ready to crochet into the ring.

Step 2: Increasing the Base

This step builds the rounded triangular base of the shark head.

Round 1:

- Work 6 SC into the Magic Ring.
- Pull the ring tight and join with a SL ST.

Round 2:

- 2SC in each stitch around (increase in every stitch).
- You should now have 12 stitches.

Round 3:

- (1 SC, 2SC in next stitch) repeat around.
- Total: 18 stitches.

At this point, your piece should begin to curve slightly into a dome shape.

▲ Step 3: Building the Shark Head Shape

Now you'll continue expanding and shaping the head.

Rounds 4–6:

- Continue increasing evenly to widen the base.
- Example pattern:
 - Round 4: (2 SC, INC) repeat
 - Round 5: (3 SC, INC) repeat
 - Round 6: (4 SC, INC) repeat

Your shape should now resemble a rounded triangle or semicircle.

Make sure your stitches are even to keep the shark head symmetrical.

▼ Step 4: Shaping with Decreases

Now we start forming the pointed top of the shark head.

Rounds 7–10 (or as needed):

- Begin decreasing:
 - (SC, SC2TOG) repeat around
- Gradually reduce stitches each round.

Tips:

- Work slowly to maintain shape.
- Lightly stuff with fiberfill if desired (optional).

By the end, your piece should look like a soft triangular cap.

Step 5: Sealing the Tip

To close the top:

- Continue decreasing until only a few stitches remain.
- Use SC2TOG to tighten the opening.
- Finish with a SL ST.
- Cut yarn and pull through to secure.

Weave in the end using a yarn needle.

Now your shark head structure is complete! 🎉

Step 6: Adding the Eyes

You have two options:

Option 1: Felt Eyes

- Cut small black circles.
- Attach using fabric glue or sew them on.

Option 2: Yarn Eyes

- Use black yarn and stitch small round eyes directly.

Placement tip:

- Position eyes evenly on both sides, slightly above the mouth line.

Step 7: Crocheting the Teeth

This is what gives your shark its personality!

Join white yarn to the lower edge of the head.

For each stitch along the edge:

- CH 2
- DC into the same stitch
- CH 2
- SL ST into the base

Repeat across the bottom edge.

This creates a zig-zag tooth pattern 🦷

Step 8: Final Steps and Bookmark Loop

To turn your shark into a bookmark:

- Attach yarn to the top center of the head.
- CH 25–40 (depending on desired length).
- SL ST back into the base to secure.

Finish off and weave in all loose ends.

Optional:

- Add a tassel at the end of the chain for decoration.

Final Result

You now have a super cute shark-head bookmark that:

- Fits snugly over book pages 
- Has a fun 3D shape
- Makes a great handmade gift 

Extra Tips

- Use tighter stitches for a cleaner look.
- Try different yarn colors for creative variations.
- Add embroidery details for extra personality.