



Sophie Snail Pillow

By Amy Gunderson for Premier® Yarns

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Width: 12"

Length: 16"

MATERIALS

Premier® Yarns Anti-Pilling® Everyday®

Bulky (100% Anti-Pilling Acrylic; 3.5 oz/100g, 87yds/80m)

- CC1: 1068-19 Cream – 2 balls
- CC2: 1068-05 Black – 1 ball
- CC3: 1068-23 Rust – 3 balls

Hook: US Size L-11 (8 mm) or sizes needed to obtain gauge

Notions: Tapestry needle, polyester stuffing, removable markers

GAUGE

11 sc x 12 rows = 4"

Save time, check your gauge.

Skills/techniques used in this pattern:

- Chain, single and half double crochet stitches.
- Working in the round.
- Invisible decrease.
- Working in continuous and joined rounds.
- Magic Ring
- Seaming.

STITCH GUIDE

Magic Ring: Wrap yarn around your left middle finger twice, leaving a 6" tail. Insert hk under both strands and pull up a lp. Ch 1 and beg working directly into center of ring. This ring can be tightened later by pulling on the yarn tail.

Inv-dec (invisible single crochet decrease):

Insert hk in front lp only of each of next 2 sts, yo and pull through both sts, yo and pull through 2 lps on hk (1 st dec'd)

PATTERN NOTES

Snail Shell is worked in the round in two pieces and crocheted together. Snail Body is made separately and sewn to the Shell.

Join rounds with a slip stitch in first stitch when indicated. When working in continuous rounds, place a marker to indicate beginning of round. Move marker up as each round is completed. Work tightly so that stuffing does not show between stitches.

When changing colors at the end of a round, finish the final pull-through of the last stitch of the round with the new color. Cut the old color and weave in the end.

SNAIL

First Shell

With CC1, begin with **Magic Ring**.

Rnd 1 (CC1): Ch 1, 6 sc in ring, join with sl st to beg sc – 6 sc.

Rnd 2 (CC1): Ch 1, 2 sc in each sc around, join with sl st to beg sc – 12 sc.

Rnd 3 (CC2): Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in next sc, *2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc; rep from * around, join with sl st to beg sc – 18 sc.

Rnd 4 (CC3): Ch 1, sc in first sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc, *sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc; rep from * around, join with sl st to beg sc – 24 sc.

Rnd 5 (CC3): Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in next 3 sc, *2 sc in next sc, sc in next 3 sc; rep from * around, join with sl st to beg sc – 30 sc.

Rnd 6 (CC1): Ch 1, sc in first 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 2 sc, *sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 2 sc; rep from * around, join with sl

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st to beg sc – 36 sc.

Rnd 7 (CC1): Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in next 5 sc, *2 sc in next sc, sc in next 5 sc; rep from * around, join with sl st to beg sc – 42 sc.

Rnd 8 (CC2): Ch 1, sc in first 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 3 sc, *sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 3 sc; rep from * around, join with sl st to beg sc – 48 sc.

Rnd 9 (CC3): Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in next 7 sc, *2 sc in next sc, sc in next 7 sc; rep from * around, join with sl st to beg sc – 54 sc.

Rnd 10 (CC3): Ch 1, sc in first 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 4 sc, *sc in next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 4 sc; rep from * around, join with sl st to beg sc – 60 sc.

Rnd 11 (CC1): Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in next 9 sc, *2 sc in next sc, sc in next 9 sc; rep from * around, join with sl st to beg sc – 66 sc.

Rnd 12 (CC1): Ch 1, sc in first 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 4 sc, *sc in next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 4 sc; rep from * around, join with sl st to beg sc – 72 sc.

Rnd 13 (CC2): Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in next 11 sc, *2 sc in next sc, sc in next 11 sc; rep from * around, join with sl st to beg sc – 78 sc.

Fasten off.

Second Shell

Work as for First Shell, leaving a long tail. Holding both Shells with WS together, sew together using mattress st. When there are approximately 2" left to sew, stuff Shell, then finish seaming.

Body

With CC3, begin with **Magic Ring**.

Rnd 1: Ch 1, 6 sc in ring. Do not join, work in continuous spiral.

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each sc around – 12 sc.

Rnd 3: (2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc) around – 18 sc.

Rnd 4: (2 sc in next sc, sc in next 2 sc) around – 24 sc.

Work even in sc until piece measures approximately 16". Using CC1 & CC2, embroider "x" marks as you go, using photo as a rough guide for placement. "X" stitches should be more concentrated toward the base, becoming more sparse toward the top. Stuff the Body firmly as you go.

Head

Rnd 1: (2 sc in next sc, sc in next 3 sc) around – 30 sc.

Rnd 2: (2 sc in next sc, sc in next 4 sc) around – 36 sc.

Rnd 3: (2 sc in next sc, sc in next 5 sc) around – 42 sc.

Rnds 4-9: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 10: (Inv-dec, sc in next 5 sc) around – 36 sc rem.

Rnd 11: (Inv-dec, sc in next 4 sc) around – 30 sc rem.

Rnd 12: (Inv-dec, sc in next 3 sc) around – 24 sc rem.

Rnd 13: (Inv-dec, sc in next 2 sc) around – 18 sc rem.

Stuff Head firmly.

Rnd 14: (Inv-dec, sc in next sc) around – 12 sc rem.

Rnd 15: (Inv-dec) around – 6 sc rem.

Fasten off leaving an 8" tail. Sew top closed.

Tentacles (make 2)

With CC, begin with **Magic Ring**.

Rnd 1: 4 sc in ring. Do not join, work in continuous rounds.

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each sc around – 8 sc.

Rnd 3: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 4: (Inv-dec) around – 4 sc rem.

Work even in sc until Horns measure approx. 4".

Fasten off.

Eyes (make 2)

With CC2, begin with **Magic Ring**.

Rnd 1: Ch 1, 6 sc in ring. Do not join, work in continuous rounds.

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each sc around – 12 sc.

Rnd 3: Loosely sl st in blo of each sc around. Fasten off. With CC1, embroider Eye detail.

FINISHING

Sew Tentacles to Head. With CC2, embroider mouth. Sew Eyes to head. Sew Shell to Body securely, using diagram as a guide.

Weave in ends.

Abbreviations

beg	beginning
blo	back loop only
CC	contrasting color
ch(s)	chain(s)
dec('d)	decrease(d)
hdc	half double crochet
hk	hook
inc('d)	increase(d)
lp	loop
MC	main color
rem	remain
rep	repeat(ing)
rnd(s)	round(s)
RS	right side
sc	single crochet
sl st	slip stitch
st(s)	stitch(es)
WS	wrong side

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Sophie Snail Pillow shown with
Margot Mushroom and Owen Owl

