

Crochet angels

You will need DK yarn (any colour), a 3mm hook, a 3.5mm or 4mm hook and a stitch marker.

The angel is worked in spirals from the head down.

Place the stitch marker at the first stitch of the round, moving it down each round to mark the beginning of the next round.

Using a smaller hook for the head will make a tighter fabric for stuffing.

Abbreviations

dc – double crochet

dc2tog – decrease by working two double crochet together

HEAD

Using the 3mm hook, make a magic circle (adjustable ring) and work 8dc into it

Round 1: 2dc into each stitch (16 stitches)

Rounds 2 – 7: dc into each stitch around

Round 8: dc2tog all the way round, (8 stitches)

BODY – change to 3.5 or 4mm hook and continue on with no break

Round 9: 2dc in first stitch, 1dc in next stitch, repeat all the way around (12 stitches)

Round 10: 2dc in first stitch, 1dc in each of next 2 stitches, repeat all around (16 stitches)

Round 11: 2dc in first stitch, 1dc in each of next 3 stitches, repeat all around (20 stitches)

Round 12: 2dc in first stitch, 1dc in each of next 4 stitches, repeat all around (24 stitches)

Round 13: 2dc in first stitch, 1dc in each of next 5 stitches, repeat all around (28 stitches)

Rounds 14 to 23 work straight (1dc in each stitch). Finish off.

Put a small amount of stuffing in the head and sew a row of running stitches around the neck and pull tight.

WINGS

Start with a chain of 3 and work 2dc into the loop furthest away from the hook, the other 2 chain become your 3rd dc. Turn

Work 10 rows doing 2dc in the first and last stitch of each row, to increase the width of the wings, and 1dc in each of the middle stitches.

After row 10 you have 23 stitches.

Fasten off and stitch to the back of the skirt part of the angel.