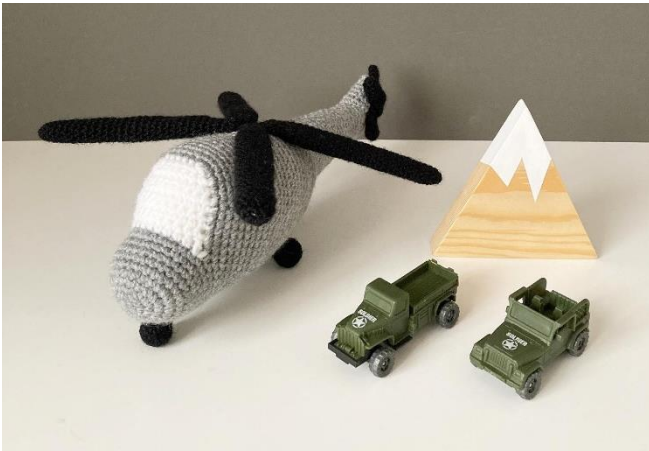


# HEROIC HELICOPTER CROCHET PATTERN

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## What will you need?

3.5mm crochet hook

Tapestry needle to weave ends

DK weight yarn in three colours for the main body, windscreen, and rotors blades/wheels

Stitch markers

Soft toy filling

Four lolly sticks (optional)

## Stitch abbreviations

UK crochet terms used throughout

mr – magic ring

ch – chain

sl st – slip stitch

dc – double crochet

htr – half treble crochet

tr – treble crochet

inc – increase

dec – decrease

sts – stitches

flo – front loop only

## Nose

*Use main body colour yarn, work in the round*

R1: begin with a mr, ch 1 then 6dc into the ring (6)

R2: inc in every stitch (12)

R3: (inc in 3 sts, dc 3) x2 (18)

R4: dc 2, inc in 3 sts, dc 6, inc in 3 sts, dc 4 (24)

R5: dc 3, inc in 3 sts, dc 9, inc in 3 sts, dc 6 (30)

R6-9: dc in every stitch (30)

*Secure yarn with a stitch marker, do not fasten off.*

## Windscreen

*Use windscreen colour yarn, work in short rows*

Count 10 stitches on from the stitch marker, pull up a loop with contrast yarn and ch1 (does not count as a stitch)

R1: (work in flo for this row) tr 1, htr 1, dc 7, htr 1, tr 1, ch1 and turn (11)

R2-7: dc in every stitch, ch1 and turn (11)

R8: dec, dc 7, dec, ch1 and turn (9)

R9: dec, dc5, dec (7)

*Fasten off contrast yarn and weave in ends.*

## Main body

*Remove stitch marker from main yarn colour and continue to work in the round from this stitch on*

R1: dc 10, 2dc in the side of the treble stitch, dc 8 up the side of the windscreen (one stitch in the end of every windscreen row), dc 7 across the top of the windscreen, dc 8 down the other side of the windscreen, 2dc in the side of the treble stitch, dc 9 (46)

R2-19: dc in every stitch (46)

*Stuff front half of helicopter. Carefully shape the body of the helicopter and then, looking from the back towards the front, place a stitch marker halfway down the right-*

*hand side of the helicopter. Double crochet around until you reach the new stitch marker. This now becomes the beginning of the next row.*



- R20: dec, dc 9, dec, dc 8, dec, dc 23 (43)
- R21: dc 5, dec, dc 6, dec, dc 5, dc 23 (41)
- R22: dec, dc 6, dec, dc 6, dec, dc 23 (38)
- R23: dc 4, dec, dc 3, dec, dc 4, dc 23 (36)
- R24: dec, dc 4, dec, dc 3, dec, dc 2, dec, dc 15, dec, dc 2 (31)
- R25: dc 2, dec, dc 2, dec, dc 4, dec, dc 13, dec, dc 2 (27)
- R26: dec, dc 1, dec, dc 1, dec, dc 19 (24)

*Stuff back half of helicopter*

- R27-34: dc in every stitch (24)
- R35: (dec, dc 6) x3 (21)
- R36-37: dc in every stitch (21)
- R38: (dec, dc 5) x3 (18)
- R39-40: dc in every stitch (18)
- R41: (dec, dc 4) x3 (15)
- R42-45: dc in every stitch (15)
- R46: dc 2, htr, tr7, htr, dc 2, sl st 2 (15)
- R47-48: sl st 2, dc, htr, tr 5, htr, dc, sl st 4 (15)
- R49-54: dc in every stitch (15)

*Fasten off leaving a long end for sewing. Stuff tail and sew shut.*

### **Main rotor blades**

*Use rotor blade colour yarn, work in the round*

- R1: Begin with a mr, ch1 then 6dc into the ring (6)
- R2: inc in every stitch (12)
- R3-27: dc in every stitch (12)
- R28: dec x6 (6)
- R29-30: dc in every stitch (6)

*Insert lolly stick into rotor blade (if using). Ensure the stick is fully inside the rotor blade, cut to size if necessary. Fasten off leaving a long end for sewing. Make 4*



- R1: Begin with a mr, ch1 then 6dc into the ring (6)
- R2: inc in every stitch (12)

*Fasten off leaving a long end for sewing. Sew rotor blades to this circle, then sew everything to the top of the helicopter.*



## Tail rotor

*Use rotor blade colour yarn, work in the round*

R1: Begin with a mr, ch1 then 6dc into the ring (6)

R2: (dc, inc) x3 (9)

R3-18: dc in every stitch (9)

R19: (dec, dc) x3 (6)

*Fasten off, leaving a long end to weave through R19 stitches to close. Make 2. Flatten, then sew into place, one on top of the other in a cross shape as illustrated.*



## Wheels

*Use same colour yarn as for rotor blades, work in the round*

R1: Begin with a mr, ch1 then 6dc into the ring (6)

R2: inc in every stitch (12)

R3-4: dc in every stitch (12)

R5: dec x6 (6)

R6-7: dc in every stitch (6)

*Fasten off, leaving a long end for sewing, and stuff. Sew to underside of helicopter as illustrated.*

