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Crochet Pattern

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Skill level: Intermediate

Frog "Kvak"

About this pattern

Frog "Kvak" is crochet in continuous spirals without joining the rounds. You will need a stitch marker to keep track of where the beginning of each round starts. Move the marker up to the first stitch of the next round after finishing the previous one.

This pattern is easy to follow with step-by-step instructions.

I use USA terminology for my pattern (don't worry if you use UK terms, all the differences are explained in the pattern).

Instructions are given for the 16 inches (40 cm) tall frog. You should use 1,5 mm (UK 4 1/2) (US 8) hook and 1-Super fine (380 m per 100 gr) type of the yarn to obtain the right size.

25 inches (65 cm) tall using DK (8 ply) (200 m per 100 gr) and 3,5 mm (US 4 / E or 9 UK) hook.

Hello! My name is Kvak.

I'm a friendly French frog or maybe just funny Russian guy.

I'm traveling a lot between France and Russia and still can't decide where to live.



Perhaps I could come to your house to live and be your friend.

Thanks to the wire frame inside of me I can bend my legs and arms. I can also cheer you up with different smiles.

I promise to make you smile every time you look at me.

Hope we are now friends?

Let me tell you a secret! I dream about wearing different costumes from around the world. I want to dress up like a cowboy, a king, or maybe a princess.



Can you help me?

Happy crocheting!

Finished size

Approx. 16 inches (40 cm) tall

Materials and tools

For the frog:

- ✓ Steel Hook 1,5 mm (UK 4 1/2) (US 8)
- ✓ Any *1-Super Fine type* (380 m per 100 gr) green yarn (300 m or 328 yards) and small amount of white for eyes, pink for the mouth and red for the tongue.

  Please note: you'll be using smaller hook than suggested on the yarn label.
- ✓ Needle (long).
- ✓ Stitch marker.
- ✓ Approximately 150 cm (60 inches) long *Single core copper PVC electrical wire* 3 mm diameter in total (preferably white color to make sure it is not visible behind a stuffing).

  Please note: you'll need aprox. 220 cm (85 inches) of wire if you use DK (200 m per 100 gr) yarn.
- ✓ Polyester fiberfill.
- ✓ 2 small black beads for eyes.
- ✓ Thin medical plaster tape (1,25 cm (0,5 inches)) to secure wire ends (the one you use to cover wound).
- ✓ Pliers for cutting and bending wire.

For the Russian hat "Ushanka"

- ✓ 20 m (22 yards) of fluffy light blue yarn (or any other color you like)
- ✓ Scrap of red yarn to embroider the star

For the French style beret and scarf

- ✓ 40 m (44 yards) of blue yarn (or any other color you like)
- ✓ 1,5 mm hook (UK 4 1/2) (US 8) or two knitting needles 2 mm (US 0, UK 14)

For the Bicorne

- ✓ 10 m (11 yards) of black yarn
- ✓ 10 m (11 yards) of yellow or gold yarn. This yarn should be slightly thicker than black yarn (it is very important).
- ✓ Button

Tip (yarn and hook)

You can use any yarn and matching hook you like to crochet Kvak. The thicker your yarn the taller Kvak would be. Make sure you crochet tight enough that the stuffing will not come out. If you decide to use thicker yarn you may need to stuff legs and arms around the wire. Finished size approx. 25 inches (65 cm) tall using DK (8 ply) and 3,5 mm (US 4 / E or 9 UK) hook.

Abbreviations

ch = chain
ea = each
inc = increasing (2sc in 1st)
ins = insert
dec = decreasing (sc2tog)
rnd = round
st(s) = stitch(s)
sc = single crochet
sl st = slip stitch
dc = double crochet

Gauge (tension)

For 16 inches (40 cm) tall frog

40 stitches and 40 rows to 10 cm (3.93 inches) measured over single crochet using 1,5 mm (UK 4 1/2) (US 8) hook.

To work a 12 cm x 12 cm tension square, use 1,5 mm hook, chain 48+1. Work 48 rows.

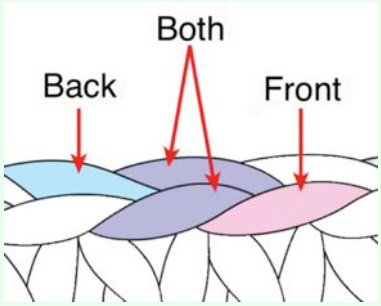
Please check your tension carefully. If less stitches use smaller hook, if more stitches use bigger hook.

Tip (marker)

If you don't have stitch marker you can always use scrap of contrasting yarn instead. You can see it on my photos.

Tip (make it right)

If there are no special notes, the toy is crocheted under both parts of the loop. In some rows, there are special notes: 'into the front loop only' or 'into the back loop only'. In that case, you need to follow these instructions.



Tip (make it right)

When making toys the right side looks like this:



And the backside looks like this:



Tip (gauge)

When making toys, you should use a much smaller hook than recommended for the yarn you choose.

Make sure you crochet tight enough; otherwise, the stuffing will show through the holes.

USA/UK terminology comparison chart.

Abbreviations USA	Abbreviations UK
ch - chain	ch - chain
sc - single crochet	dc - double crochet
hdc - half double crochet	htr - half treble
dc - double crochet	tr - treble
tr - treble (triple crochet)	dtr - double treble
dtr - double treble	tr tr - triple treble
sl st - slip stitch	sl - slip stitch

Other differences in crochet terminology used:

Terminology USA	Terminology UK
fasten off	cast off
skip	miss
gauge	tension
yarn over (yo)	yarn over hook (yoh)

Skill levels



Projects for first-time crocheters using basic stitches. Minimal shaping.



Projects using yarn with basic stitches, repetitive stitch patterns, simple color changes, and simple shaping and finishing.



Projects using a variety of techniques, such as basic lace patterns or color patterns, mid-level shaping and finishing.



Projects with intricate stitch patterns, techniques and dimension, such as non-repeating patterns, multi-color techniques, fine threads, small hooks, detailed shaping and refined finishing.

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Head

To Begin: Chain 2.

Rnd 1: 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook.

Rnd 2: ins marker into the loop on hook, 2 sc in each st around = 12 sts

Rnd 3: (1 inc, 2 sc) x 4 times = 16 sts

Rnd 4: (1 inc, 3 sc) x 4 times = 20 sts

Rnd 5: (1 inc, 4 sc) x 4 times = 24 sts

Rnd 6: (1 inc, 5 sc) x 4 times = 28 sts

Rnd 7: (1 inc, 6 sc) x 4 times = 32 sts

Rnd 8: 8 sc, ch 10, skip 10 sc, 1 sc in 19th sc, 13 sc = 32 sts

Rnd 9: 1 inc, 23 sc, 1 inc, 7 sc = 34 sts

Or if it is easier you can do: 1 inc, 7 sc, over the 10 ch of previous rnd, 6 sc, 1 inc, 7 sc = 34 sts

Rnd 10: 1 inc, 26 sc, 1 inc, 6 sc = 36 sts

Rnd 11: (1 inc, 2 sc) x 2 times, 1 inc, 7 sc, 3 dc in one sc, 2 sc, 3 dc in one sc, 6 sc, (1 inc, 2 sc) x 3 times, 1 inc, 1 sc, 1 inc = 48 sts

Rnd 12: 17 sc, skip 3 dc, 2 sc, skip 3 dc, 23 sc = 42 sts

Rnd 13: 17 sc, 1 inc, 1 sc, 1 inc, 22 sc = 44 sts



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Dog

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Frog

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