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Crochet Labrador: How To Make Your Own Toy Dog

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Would you like your very own handmade replica of your Labrador? A cute copy of your adorable pup, to proudly display in your home?

In this article I am going to share with you some simple instructions for how to make or order your very own crochet Labrador.

The pattern below is for the yellow Lab puppy shown in the picture here.

Free Crochet Labrador Pattern

BERNINA
TRADE-IN
BERNINA
TRADE-UP

The black and chocolate dogs are slight variants on this pattern to give different looks to the puppy.

These are available to order if you think they better reflect your pup’s appearance, but remember you can always adapt the pattern yourself instead!

If you want to make your own handmade crochet Labrador puppy toy you can find out how to do so with the easy instructions below.

But don’t worry if crochet isn’t your thing, as you can still get your hands on your own unique crochet Labrador puppy toy.

How To Order A Personalised Crochet Labrador Puppy Toy

You can order your own personalised commission through the Lucy Kate Crochet website here. Each order is placed on an individual basis, so you can choose all of the fine details. Making sure that your crochet Labrador looks exactly how you want it to.

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Looking for a darker shade of chocolate or yellow, or even to reflect your Lab's larger ears or adorably big puppy feet, then just let me know!

We can put together something which really captures the essence of your Labrador friend.

But the really fun part is making the toy yourself.

So why not give it a go?

Even if you are brand new to crochet, there are instructions to help you get started below.

How To Make A Crochet Labrador

If you are new to crochet, then check out this article to get to grips with the basic techniques before you begin your Crochet

Labrador.

For help with reading patterns, you might find this crochet abbreviations information useful as well.

Crochet Labrador Puppy Equipment

To make your own crochet Lab puppy you will need the following equipment.

Main Body Yarn

Your choice of main yarn will depend upon which color crochet Lab you want to create.

Choose *only one* of the following:

- 100g yellow aran yarn
- 100g light brown yarn
- 100g dark brown yarn
- 100g black aran yarn

Other Yarn

- 25g purple yarn for the collar
- 25g of black yarn for the nose and mouth

Other Supplies

- safety eyes

- Size E / 3.5mm crochet hook
- stitch marker
- sharp scissors
- yarn needle
- toy stuffing

If you are new to crochet, you might want to buy a complete starter kit to get you going.

You can also buy crochet equipment from hobby stores. In the UK Hobby Craft and in the USA Hobby Lobby both have a great range of yarns at reasonable prices.

To follow this pattern it doesn't matter which colour yarn you choose, as long as the yarn weight is the same.

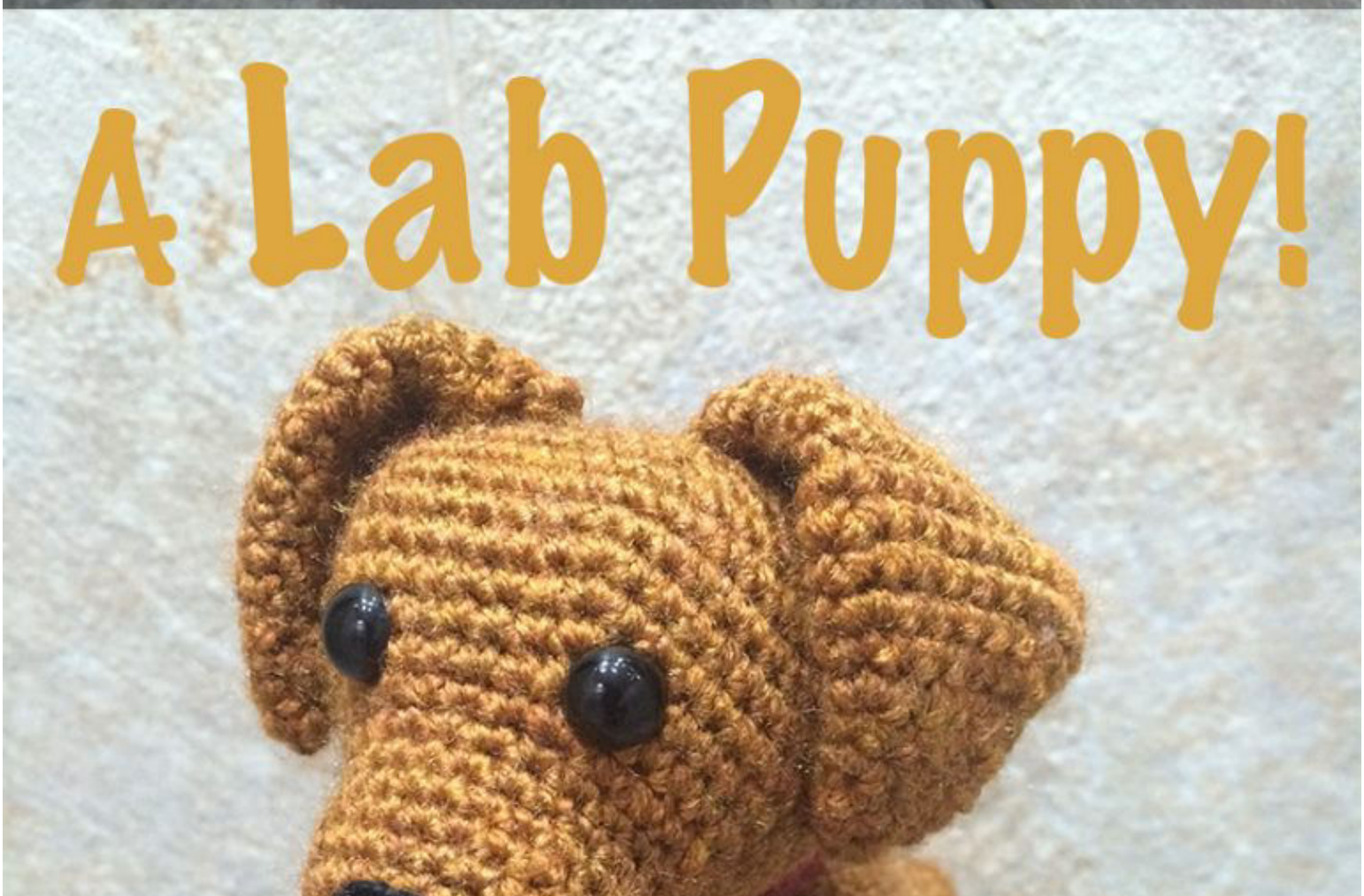
Most equipment can be found online through their websites or through Amazon.

There are also a wealth of independent craft shops to be stumbled upon locally, where the prices are often a little higher, but you can find some fantastic quality unique yarns.

Crochet Labrador Puppy Pattern

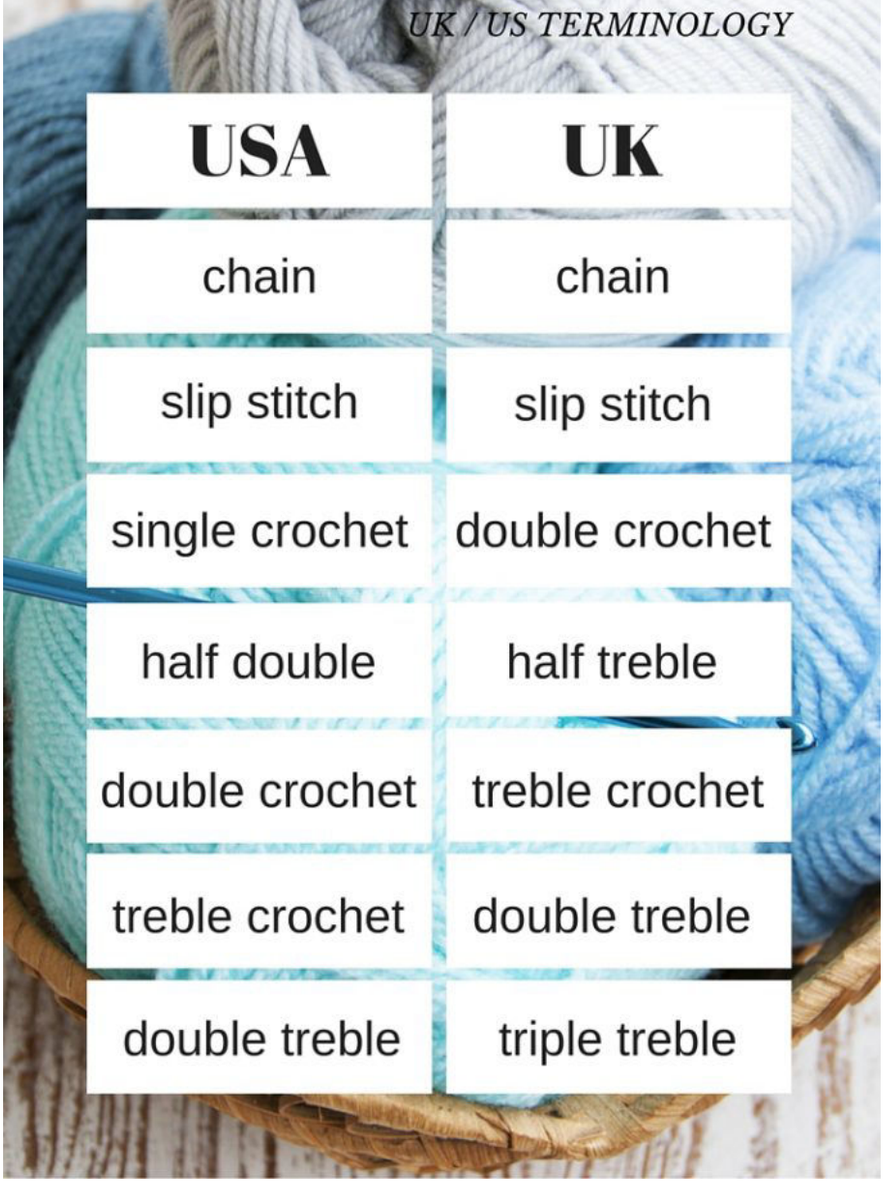
Your crochet Lab will be worked in a circular pattern, building from a magic circle. Each section of the Lab will be made individually, then sewn together when complete.

How To Crochet A Lab Puppy!



The total number of stitches in each row will be shown in brackets at the end of the instructions.

I recommend using a stitch marker to help you keep count of your stitches as you go. If you don’t have any stitch markers then you can use a small piece of yarn to mark your place instead.



UK / US TERMINOLOGY

USA	UK
chain	chain
slip stitch	slip stitch
single crochet	double crochet
half double	half treble
double crochet	treble crochet
treble crochet	double treble
double treble	triple treble

Please note: my crochet patterns are always written using US terminology.

(I learned from American youtube channels, and despite being British this has very much stuck with me).

If you are already keen on crochet but use the UK terminology, just have a quick check with this crochet terminology conversion chart before you begin.

Crochet Lab Head

Row 1 – Make a magic circle of 6 stitches (6)

Row 2 – Make 2 single crochets (2sc) into each stitch (12)

Row 3 – Put 1 single crochet (1sc) into the first stitch, and 2 single crochets (2sc) into the next. (1sc, 2sc) Repeat six times (18)

Row 4 – Put 1sc into the first two stitches, 2 sc into the next. (1sc x 2, 2sc) Repeat six times (24)

Row 5 to 9 – Make 1sc in each stitch (24)

Row 10 – (1sc x 3, 2sc) Repeat six times (30)

Row 11 – (1sc x 4, 2sc) Repeat six times (36)

Row 12 – (1sc x 5, 2sc) Repeat fives times. Then make 1sc in each stitch for the final 6 stitches (41)

Row 13 – (1sc x 6, 2sc) Repeat fives times. Then make 1sc in each stitch for the final 6 stitches (46)

Row 14 – (1sc x 7, 2sc) Repeat fives times. Then make 1sc in each stitch for the final 6 stitches (51)

Row 15 to 17 – Make 1sc in each stitch (51)

Row 18 – Put 1sc into the first seven stitches, then sc the next two stitches together. (1sc x 7, sc2tog) Repeat fives times. Then make 1sc in each stitch for the final 6 stitches (46)

Row 19 – (1sc x 6, sc2tog)

Repeat fives times. Then make 1sc in each stitch for the final 6 stitches (41)

Row 20 – (1sc x 5, sc2tog) Repeat fives times. Then make 1sc in each stitch for the final 6 stitches (36)

Row 21 – Make 1sc in each stitch (36)

Row 22 – (1sc x 4, sc2tog) Repeat six times (30)

Row 23 – (1sc x 3, sc2tog) Repeat six times (24)

Take two safety eyes and attach them just beyond the crochet Labrador puppy's muzzle.

Row 24 – (1sc x 2, sc2tog) Repeat six times (18)

Fill the head with toy stuffing. Do not overstuff, make sure you can gently squeeze the head and that stuffing is not separating or poking through the stitches.

Row 25 – (1sc, sc2tog) Repeat six times (12)

Row 26 – sc2tog six times, then thread your yarn needle and sew the head closed. Leave a long string of yarn for attaching the head to the body later.

Crochet Labrador Nose

To make your crochet Labrador a nose you will need to make a small separate circle using your black yarn.

Row 1 – Make a magic circle of three stitches (3)

Row 2 – Put 2sc into each stitch (6)

Row 3 – Put 1sc into the first stitch, then 2sc into the next. Repeat for the round (9)

Using your yarn needle, sew your small black circle onto the end of your muzzle. Place it slightly higher than the centre starting point and between the position of the eyes.

You can also sew on any mouth features you want below the nose, using your threaded yarn needle.

Crochet Labrador Ears

You will need to make two crochet Lab ears for your toy. Using the same colour as their body, and working from a magic circle again in a circular pattern.

Row 1 – Make a magic circle of 3 stitches (3)

Row 2 – Make 2 single crochets (2sc) into each stitch (6)

Row 3 – Put 1sc into the first stitch, and 2sc into the next. (1sc, 2sc) Repeat three times (9)

Row 4 – Put 1sc in each stitch (9)

Row 5 – (1sc x 2, 2sc) Repeat three times

(12)

Row 6 – Put 1sc in each stitch (12)

Row 7 – (1sc x 3, 2sc) Repeat three times (15)

Row 8 – Put 1sc in each stitch (15)

Row 9 – (1sc x 4, 2sc) Repeat three times (18)

Row 10 to 17 – 1sc in each stitch (18)

When finished do not stuff, simply sew the bottom of the ear closed in a line.

Crochet Labrador Body

To make the crochet Lab's body, follow the same circular pattern as the head. Using your 3.5mm crochet hook and yellow yarn.

Row 1 – Make a magic circle of 8 stitches (8)