

Cute and friendly bumblebees to adorn your summer-fun accessories!

Add to hats, purses, totes, wreaths ... whatever strikes your fancy.

Sizes and Materials List ...

Size:	Approx. 2" long
Hook(s):	US G/6 (4.00 mm)
Yarn:	Tahki Cotton Classic [100% mercerized cotton, 1.75 oz./50 g. hank, 108 yds./100 m. per hank] Lightweight cotton or cotton/acrylic thread (e.g., Tahki Cotton Classic, Plymouth Wildflower DK, Patons Grace), or similar wt. thread or yarn that works to gauge
Colors & Approx. Yardage:	Black, 20 yds; Yellow, 20 yds
Notions:	Yarn Needle
Gauge:	Not critical for this project, but approx. $20 \text{ sc } \& 20 \text{ rows} = 4"/10 \text{ cm}$ in single crochet on size G/6 (4.00 mm) hook
	EASY

Notes ...

	Amigurumi Bumblebees
Tips	 Bumblebee is worked in joined rounds from "tail" end to "nose." Do not turn at end of each round but continue in same direction to form tube-shaped body piece. As you work, push yarn tails to inside for stuffing.
Stitches Used	Chain (ch) Slip Stitch (sl st) Single Crochet (sc) Half Double Crochet (hdc) Double Crochet (dc) Single Crochet Two Together (sc2tog)
Abbreviations	beginning (beg) decrease (dec) each (ea) hook (hk) increase (inc) loop (lp) pattern (patt) repeat (rep) stitch (st) yarn over (yo)
Special Stitches	Disappearing Loop Method Wrap yarn around finger once, insert hk into lp on finger, yo, pull lp through, follow patt as directed, working over strands of ring. After first few rows are completed, pull tail to close ring.
Instructions	
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Round 2	(inc rnd) Ch 1, sc in same sc, 2 sc in next sc, *sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc, rep from * once, join with sl st. (9 sc)
Round 3	Ch 1, sc in ea sc around, join with sl st, pulling yellow through as you work sl st (drop black but do not cut it).
Round 4	With yellow, ch 1, sc in ea sc around, join with sl st. (9 sc)
Round 5	Ch 1, sc in ea sc around, join with sl st, pulling black through as you work sl st

	(drop yellow but do not cut it).
Round 6	With black, ch 1, sc in ea sc around, join with sl st. (9 sc)
Round 7	Ch 1, sc in ea sc around, join with sl st, pulling yellow through as you work sl st.Cut black and fasten off, stuffing tail to inside.
Round 8	With yellow, ch 1, sc in ea sc around, join with sl st. (9 sc)
Round 9	(dec rnd) Ch 1, sc in same sc, *sc2tog, rep from * around, join with sl st (5 sc).

Finishing ...

Fasten off yellow, leaving 12" tail for sewing. Gather top lps of ea rem sc around and cinch to close. Bury tail inside piece.

Fold piece so it is flattened a bit, positioning joining point of rnds at bottom part of fold.



Eyes

With black, embroider two French knots on either side of "face" near "nose" end.

Wings

Insert hk between sts of first black stripe and first yellow stripe, about 2 sts down from top. Draw yellow through, leaving 6" tail for sewing. Ch 6, sc in 2nd ch from hk, hdc in next ch, dc in next 3 ch; join with sl st to other side of same yellow stripe by inserting hk between sts of this stripe and next black stripe. Fasten off, leaving 6" tail for sewing. Rep on other side of piece for second wing.

Finishing ...

Secure wings by weaving tails through sts on body and through to inside of piece. Wings can be folded up (as shown in photos) or down as desired.



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