THE EGG

Size	Approximate size in DK/3 mm hook (worsted/3.5 mm hook)
XS	4 cm/1.6 inch (5.5 cm/2.2 inch)
S	5.5 cm/2.1 inch (7 cm/2.8 inch)
M	7 cm/2.8 inch (8.5 cm/3.3 inch)
L	8 cm/3.3 inch (9.5 cm/3.7 inch)

Abbreviation (American crochet terms)**:** sc = single crochet, inc = increase, dec = decrease, sts = stitches

For **invisible decreases** insert hook into front loops of two stitches, yarn over and pull through both loops. Now you have two loops on the hook. Yarn over and pull through both loops on the hook. Fill the egg with toy stuffing. To **close the egg**, cut the yarn after second last round and draw through the loop on the hook and thread yarn on darning needle. Insert needle in front loop of next stitch from outside to inside and draw yarn through, repeat for all stitches (6 in total) and draw yarn tight to close hole. Insert needle into the center of the ring coming out on the side of the egg and pull through. Now sew in the yarn and cut off the end.

UNI

Uni colored eggs are worked in spirals. They can be decorated with cross stitch pattern.

XS

1)	6 sc into magic loop	(6 sts)
2)	[inc] x 6	(12 sts)
3)	[sc, inc] x 6	(18 sts)
4)	[sc 2, inc] x 6	(24 sts)
5)-6)	sc around	(24 sts)
7)	[sc 6, dec] x 3	(21 sts)
8)-9)	sc around	(21 sts)
10)	[sc 5, dec] x 3	(18 sts)
11)	sc 2, [dec, sc 4] x 2, dec, sc 2	(15 sts)
12)	[sc 3, dec] x3	(12 sts)
13)	dec 6	(6 sts)
14)	close	

S

1)	6 sc into magic loop	(6 sts)
2)	[inc] x 6	(12 sts)
3)	[sc, inc] x 6	(18 sts)
4)	[sc 2, inc] x 6	(24 sts)
5)	sc, [inc, sc 3] x 5, inc, sc 2	(30 sts)
6)-9)	sc around	(30 sts)
10)	[sc 8, dec] x 3	(27 sts)
11)-12)	sc around	(27 sts)
13)	[sc 7, dec] x 3	(24 sts)
14)	sc around	(24 sts)
15)	[sc 6, dec] x 3	(21 sts)
16)	sc 2, [dec, sc 5] x 2, dec, sc 3	(18 sts)
17)	[sc 1, dec] x 6	(12 sts)
18)	dec 6	(6 sts)
19)	close	

M

1)	6 sc into magic loop	(6 sts)
2)	[inc] x 6	(12 sts)
3)	[sc, inc] x 6	(18 sts)
4)	[sc 2, inc] x 6	(24 sts)
5)	sc, [inc, sc 3] x 5, inc, sc 2	(30 sts)
6)	[sc 4, inc] x 6	(36 sts)
7)-11)	sc around	(36 sts)
12)	[sc 10, dec] x 3	(33 sts)
13)-14)	sc around	(33 sts)
15)	[sc 9, dec] x 3	(30 sts)
16)	sc around	(30 sts)
17)	[sc 8, dec] x 3	(27 sts)
18)	sc 3 [dec, sc 7] x 2, dec, sc 4	(24 sts)
19)	[sc 6, dec] x 3	(21 sts)
20)	sc 2 [dec, sc 5] x 2, dec, sc 3	(18 sts)
21)	[sc 1, dec] x 6	(12 sts)
22)	dec 6	(6 sts)
23)	close	

L

1)	6 sc into magic loop	(6 sts)
2)	[inc] x 6	(12 sts)
3)	[sc, inc] x 6	(18 sts)
4)	[sc 2, inc] x 6	(24 sts)
5)	sc, [inc, sc 3] x 5, inc, sc 2	(30 sts)
6)	[sc 4, inc] x 6	(36 sts)
7)	sc 2, [inc, sc 5] x 5, inc, sc 3	(42 sts)
8)-13)	sc around	(42 sts)
14)	[sc 12, dec] x 3	(39 sts)
15)-16)	sc around	(39 sts)
17)	[sc 11, dec] x 3	(36 sts)
18)	sc around	(36 sts)
19)	[sc 10, dec] x 3	(33 sts)
20)	sc 4 [dec, sc 5] x 2, dec, sc 5	(30 sts)
21)	[sc 8, dec] x 3	(27 sts)
22)	sc 3 [dec, sc 7] x 2, dec, sc 4	(24 sts)
23)	[sc 6, dec] x 3	(21 sts)
24)	sc 2 [dec, sc 5] x 2, dec, sc 3	(18 sts)
25)	[sc 1, dec] x 6	(12 sts)
26)	dec 6	(6 sts)
27)	close	

PATTERN

Eggs with pattern are worked in rounds. To start the egg, crochet 6 sc into the magic ring and slip stitch into the first stitch of the round. This slip stitch is ignored in the stitch count. To begin the next round, chain 1 and sc into the first stitch (= same that was used for slip stitch join). Work all stitches around ignoring the slip stitch from the previous round, slip stitch into first stitch to close the round.

To change color in the next row, make slip knot in new yarn, end row by inserting hook into first stitch to make slip stitch and pull through the slip knot loop of the new color. Now continue with chain 1 with the new color to start the next round. To change color in the middle of a row, make last stitch of old color as follows: insert hook into next stitch and pull through a loop with old color, yarn over with new color and pull new color through both loops on the hook and continue with new color.

PATTERN SUGGESTIONS

Xtra Small

XS1 - stripes

1)-4)	color A
5)	color B
6)-7)	colorA
8)-9)	color B
10)	color A
11)-13)	color B

XS2 - stripes

1)-4)	color A
5)	color B
6)	colorA
7)	color B
8)	color A
9)-13)	color B

Small
S1 - stripes

1)-6)   color A
7)   color B
8)   colorA
9)   color B
10)   color A
11)   color B
12)   color A
13)-19) color B

S2 – zigzag 1

1)-7) color A, when closing round 7 with slip stitch, pull through color B

8) (1 stitch color B, 2 stitches color A) x 10, slip stitch with color B
9) (2 stitches color B, 1 stitch color A) x 10, slip stitch with color B
continue with color B
10) sc 9, dec, sc 7, dec, sc 7, dec, sc 1, slip stitch
sew in color A and continue pattern **S** from row 11)

S3 – zigzag 2

1)-10) color A, when closing round 7 with slip stitch, pull through color B

11) (1 stitch color B, 2 stitches color A) x 9, slip stitch with color B
12) (2 stitches color B, 1 stitch color A) x 9, slip stitch with color B
continue with color B
13) sc 6, dec, sc 7, dec, sc 7, dec, sc 1, slip stitch
sew in color A and continue pattern **S** from row 14)

S4 – zigzag 3

1)-6) color A, when closing round 6 with slip stitch, pull through color B

7) (1 stitch color B, 2 stitches color A) x 10, slip stitch with color B
8) (2 stitches color B, 1 stitch color A) x 10, slip stitch with color B
9)-10) color B
11) (1 stitch color C, 2 stitches color B) x 9, slip stitch with color C
12) (2 stitches color C, 1 stitch color B) x 9, slip stitch with color C
continue with color C
13) sc 6, dec, sc 7, dec, sc 7, dec, sc 1, slip stitch
sew in color A and B and continue pattern **S** from row 14)

Medium
M1 – zigzag 1
1)-7) color A
8) [sc 1 color B, sc 2 color A] x 12
9) [sc 2 color B, sc 1 color A] x 12
10)-12) color B
13) [sc 1 color C, sc 2 color B] x 11
14) [sc 2 color C, sc 1 color B] x 11
15) color C: sc 9, dec, sc 7, dec, sc 10, dec, sc 1, slip stitch
Sew in colors A and B and continue with pattern **M**

M2 – zigzag 2
1)-6) color A
7) [sc 1 color B, sc 2 color A] x 12
8) [sc 2 color B, sc 1 color A] x 12
9)-10) color B
11)-12) color C
13) [sc 1 color D, sc 2 color C] x 11
14) [sc 2 color D, sc 1 color C] x 11
15) color D: sc 9, dec, sc 7, dec, sc 10, dec, sc 1, slip stitch
Sew in colors A, B and C and continue with pattern **M**

Large
L1 – stripes
1)-6) color A
7) color B
8) color A
9)-12) color B
13) color C
14) color B
15)-18) color C
19) color D
20) color C
21)-27) color D

L2 – zigzag 2
1)-8) color A
9) [sc 1 color B, sc 2 color A] x 14
10) [sc 2 color B, sc 1 color A] x 14
11)-14) color B
15) [sc 1 color C, sc 2 color B] x 13
16) [sc 2 color C, sc 1 color B] x 13
17) color C: sc 12, dec, sc 10, dec, sc 10, dec, sc 1, slip stitch
Sew in color A-E and continue with pattern **L**

L3 – zigzag 2
1)-6) color A
7)-8) color B
9) [sc 1 color C, sc 2 color B] x 14
10) [sc 2 color C, sc 1 color B] x 14
11)-12) color C
13)-14) color D
15) [sc 1 color E, sc 2 color D] x 13
16) [sc 2 color E, sc 1 color D] x 13
17) color E: sc 12, dec, sc 10, dec, sc 10, dec, sc 1, slip stitch
18)-19) color E
20) color F
Sew in color A-E and continue with pattern **L**