Skill Level: Intermediate

## Materials

10 yds light worsted-weight yarn F-5 ( 3.75 mm ) crochet hook Tapestry needle

## Gauge

$16 \mathrm{dc}=4^{\prime \prime}$
9 rows $=4$ "

Finished size: 4 1/2" wide by 5" tall


## Abbreviations

| beg | beginning |
| :--- | :--- |
| ch | chain stitch |
| ch-sp | chain space |
| dc | double crochet |
| FO | fasten off |
| hdc | half double crochet |
| rnd(s) | round(s) |
| RS | right side |
| sc | single crochet |
| sk | skip |
| slst | slip stitch |
| sp(s) | space(s) |
| st(s) | stitches |

Ch 4, join with slst to form a ring. (A)
Row 1 (RS): Ch 3, 6 dc into the ring, turn. (1a)
Row 2: Ch 5, sk next dc, (dc in next dc, ch 2, sk next dc) twice, dc in top of ch-3, turn. (2a-2c)

Row 3: Ch 3, ( 3 dc in next ch-2 $\mathrm{sp}, 2 \mathrm{dc}$ in next dc) twice, 3 dc in next ch-2 sp, dc in 3rd ch of ch-5, turn. (3a)

Row 4: Ch 5, sk next 2 dc, (dc in next dc, ch 2, sk next dc) 4 times, dc in next dc, ch 2 , sk next 2 dc , dc in top of ch-3, turn. (4a-4c)

Row 5: Ch 3, (2 dc in next ch-2 sp, dc in next dc) 5 times, 8 dc in next ch-2 sp. Ch 10, sc in foundation ring (beg of pattern), ch $10,5 \mathrm{dc}$ into ch-2 sp at the end of Row 4. Slst into the top of the ch-3 at beg of Row 5 . FO, and weave in ends. (5a-5c)

Row 6: With RS facing, turn the skull upside down so widest part is at the bottom. Attach yarn in the 24th dc of Row 5 (before 1st ch-10), ch 1, 13 dc into ch-10 sp , (dc, ch 3, dc) between the posts of the sc, 13 dc into ch-10 sp. Ch 1, slst in 25th dc of Row 5 (after 2nd ch-10). FO, and weave in ends. (6a-6e)

Row 7: With RS facing, turn the skull upside down again. Attach yarn in the 10th dc of Row 6, ch 1 . Sc in this and ea of the next $4 \mathrm{dc}, 3 \mathrm{sc}$ in $\mathrm{ch}-3 \mathrm{sp}$, sc in ea of the next 5 dc , turn. (7a-7d)

Row 8: Ch 5, sk 2 sc, dc in next sc, ch 2, sk 2 sc, hdc in next sc, (ch 2, sk 2 sc, dc in next sc) twice, turn. (8a-8c)

Row 9: Ch 5, sk ch-sp, dc in next dc, ch 2, sk ch-sp, dc in hdc, ch 2, sk ch-sp, dc in next dc, ch 5, join with slst in 3rd ch of ch-5. Do not turn, do not FO. (9a-9b)

Finishing Rnd: 2 sc into sp at the beg of Row 8. Sc in ea st around. When you get to the end of Row 8 (the teeth): 2 sc into the sp at the end of Row 8 , ( $2 \mathrm{sc}, \mathrm{ch} 2$, 2 sc ) in ch-5 sp at beg of Row 9, sc in next dc, ( 2 sc in next ch-sp, sc in next dc) 2 times, ( $2 \mathrm{sc}, \mathrm{ch} 2,2 \mathrm{sc}$ ) in ch-5 sp at end of Row 9, join with slst to beg of rnd. FO, and weave in ends. (FRa-FRe)

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