

Crochet Animal Tassel Keychains Tutorial

These adorable crochet animal keychains are made using small amigurumi-style faces attached to decorative spiral medallions and tassels. The collection includes a lion, panda, frog, elephant, puppy, wolf, pig, giraffe, owl, cow, and fox. Each keychain uses the same basic construction method, making it easy to create an entire animal collection.

Finished Size:

- Animal face: 2½–3 inches (6–8 cm)
- Tassel: 2 inches (5 cm)
- Total keychain length: 5–6 inches (13–15 cm)

Skill Level: Beginner to Intermediate

Materials Needed

Cotton Yarn

- Cream
- White
- Black
- Brown
- Gray
- Pink
- Green
- Yellow
- Orange
- Lavender

Hook

- 2.5 mm crochet hook

CROCHET ANIMAL KEYCHAIN COLLECTION

12 ADORABLE FRIENDS – COMPLETE STEP-BY-STEP TUTORIAL



FINISHED SIZE

Approx. 12–13 cm
(4.7–5.1 in) long
(with clasp)



MATERIALS

- Worsted weight (4) yarn (100% cotton recommended)
- 2.5 mm (US C/2) crochet hook
- Yarn needle
- Fiberfill stuffing
- Scissors
- Stitch marker
- Keychain clasp (with ring)
- Hot glue (optional)

YARN COLORS (EXAMPLES)

- Beige / Brown (Lion)
- Black / White (Panda)
- Green (Frog)
- Gray / Pink (Elephant)
- Brown / White (Dog)
- Gray / White (Husky)
- Pink (Pig)
- Yellow / Brown (Giraffe)
- Purple (Owl)
- White / Black (Cow)
- Orange / White (Fox)

GAUGE (TENSION)

20 sc x 20 rows = 10 cm x 10 cm
(4 in x 4 in)

Gauge is not critical, but consistent tension will ensure proper size and shape.



ABBREVIATIONS (US TERMS)

ch = chain
sl st = slip stitch
sc = single crochet
hdc = half double crochet
dc = double crochet
inc = increase (2 sc in next st)
dec = decrease (invisible sc dec)
tr = treble crochet
[...] = repeat the instructions
FO = fasten off

MAIN STITCHES USED

- Magic Ring
- Chain (ch)
- Single Crochet (sc)
- Increase (inc)
- Invisible Decrease (dec)
- Slip Stitch (sl st)
- Half Double Crochet (hdc)
- Treble Crochet (tr) (for owl eyes)

TOOLS

- 2.5 mm (C/2) crochet hook
- Yarn needle
- Scissors
- Stitch marker
- Keychain clasp
- Hot glue (optional)

WHAT IS THIS?

These cute animal keychains are made with basic crochet stitches and simple shapes. Each has a spiral connector and a tassel for a fun and stylish finish!



PARTS YOU WILL MAKE (FOR EACH ANIMAL)

HEAD (make 1)



EARS / HORNS (make 2)



FACE DETAILS (embroidered or sewn)



CONNECTOR SPIRAL (make 1)



TASSEL (make 1)



KEYCHAIN CLASP (make 1)



BASIC ASSEMBLY OVERVIEW

1. Make the head.
2. Add ears / horns.
3. Embroider or sew the face.
4. Make the connector spiral.
5. Attach the head to the spiral.
6. Make the tassel and attach it to the bottom of the spiral.
7. Attach the keychain clasp to the top.



STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE (GENERAL PATTERN)

1. HEAD (Make 1)

Start with magic ring.
Rnd 1: 6 sc in ring (6)
Rnd 2: inc around (12)
Rnd 3: (1 sc, inc) x 6 (18)
Rnd 4: (2 sc, inc) x 6 (24)
Rnd 5: (3 sc, inc) x 6 (30)
Rnd 6: (4 sc, inc) x 6 (36)
Rnd 7-10: sc around (36)
Add safety eyes between Rnd 7 and 8 (6–7 sts apart).
Embroider nose and mouth.
Stuff firmly.
Rnd 11: (4 sc, dec) x 6 (30)
Rnd 12: (3 sc, dec) x 6 (24)
Rnd 13: (2 sc, dec) x 6 (18)
Rnd 14: (1 sc, dec) x 6 (12)
Rnd 15: dec around (6)
FO, weave in ends.



2. EARS / HORNS (Make 2)

Make 2 pieces.
Rnd 1: 6 sc in ring (6)
Rnd 2: (1 sc, inc) x 3 (9)
Rnd 3-4: sc around (9)
Rnd 5: (1 sc, dec) x 3 (6)
FO, leave long tail for sewing.
Fold slightly and sew to the top sides of the head.



3. CONNECTOR SPIRAL (Make 1)

Start with magic ring.
Rnd 1: 6 sc in ring (6)
Rnd 2: inc around (12)
Rnd 3: (1 sc, inc) x 6 (18)
Rnd 4: (2 sc, inc) x 6 (24)
Rnd 5: (3 sc, inc) x 6 (30)
Rnd 6: sc around (30)
FO, leave long tail.
Sew the spiral flat under the head.



4. TASSEL (Make 1)

Wrap yarn around 3 fingers 30–35 times.
Slide off and tie tightly at the top with a separate piece.
Wrap yarn around just below the knot and tie tightly.
Trim bottom evenly.



5. ASSEMBLE

Sew head to the top of the spiral.
Attach tassel to the bottom of the spiral (use the yarn tail to secure well).
Attach keychain clasp to the top of the head.



ANIMAL VARIATIONS GUIDE

1. LION



Yarn: Beige, Brown
Make mane by adding brown loops around the head (see tip).
Ears: Beige with brown outline.

2. PANDA



Yarn: Black, White
Black ears and eye patches.
Embroider small smile.

3. FROG



Yarn: Green
Add round eye circles (white) and black pupils.
Embroider smile and pink cheeks.

4. ELEPHANT



Yarn: Gray, Pink
Large ears with pink inner part.
Embroider trunk lines.

5. DOG



Yarn: Brown, White
Long floppy ears.
Add white muzzle and stripe.

6. HUSKY



Yarn: Gray, White
Pointed ears.
White face mask shape.

7. PIG



Yarn: Pink
Add small snout (circle + nostrils) and pink ears.

8. GIRAFFE



Yarn: Yellow, Brown
Add small horns with brown tips.
Embroider spots (if desired).

9. OWL



Yarn: Purple, White, Yellow, Orange
Large round eyes (white + yellow + black).
Orange beak.

10. COW



Yarn: White, Black, Pink
Add black spots and pink muzzle.
Small horns.

11. FOX



Yarn: Orange, White, Black
Pointed ears with black tips.
White face shape.

12. (Optional) BUNNY



Yarn: White, Pink
Long ears with pink inner part.
Embroider nose and mouth.

MANE (LION) TUTORIAL

1. Cut many strands of brown yarn about 12–15 cm (5–6 in) long.
2. Fold a strand in half.
3. Pull the loop through a stitch around the head.
4. Pull the ends through the loop and tighten.
5. Repeat all around the head.



TASSEL TIPS

- More wraps = fuller tassel
- Keep wraps even for neat tassel
- Trim ends straight with sharp scissors
- You can use a tassel maker if you have one



CARE INSTRUCTIONS



Hand wash gently in cold water



Lay flat to dry



Do not bleach



Do not iron



Keep away from small children (contains small parts)



BASIC STITCH GUIDE (US TERMS)



1. Magic Ring
Make a loop, insert hook, yarn over, pull through, then work stitches into the ring.



Chain (ch)
Yarn over, pull through loop.



2. Single Crochet (sc)
Insert hook, yarn over, pull through, yarn over, pull through 2 loops.



Increase (inc)
2 sc in the same stitch.



11. Invisible Decrease (dec)
Insert hook in front loops of next 2 sts, yarn over, pull through both, yarn over, pull through 2 loops.



Slip Stitch (sl st)
Insert hook, yarn over, pull through both loops.



11. Half Double Crochet (hdc)
Yarn over, insert hook, yarn over, pull through, yarn over, pull through all 3 loops.



11. Treble Crochet (tr)
Yarn over twice, insert hook, yarn over, pull through, yarn over, pull through 2 loops (3 times).

TIPS FOR SUCCESS

- Keep stitches tight and even.
- Use stitch markers to mark first stitch.
- Stuff firmly but not too much.
- Take your time and enjoy!



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Supplies

- 8 mm safety eyes
- Polyester stuffing (optional)
- Keychain clips
- Jump rings
- Yarn needle
- Scissors
- Stitch markers

Common Abbreviations

- MR = Magic Ring
- sc = single crochet
- inc = increase
- dec = decrease
- sl st = slip stitch
- ch = chain
- hdc = half double crochet

Step 1: Crochet the Base Face Circle

All animals begin with the same round base.

Round 1

MR, 6 sc.

Round 2

Increase in each stitch.

12 sc.



Round 3

1 sc, inc.

Repeat around.

18 sc.

Round 4

2 sc, inc.

Repeat around.

24 sc.

Round 5

3 sc, inc.

Repeat around.

30 sc.

Round 6

Sc around.

The circle should measure approximately:

2½ inches (6 cm).

Fasten off.

Step 2: Add Safety Eyes

Place eyes between Rounds 4 and 5.

Space them approximately:

¾ inch (2 cm) apart.

Secure firmly.

Step 3: Crochet the Spiral Medallion

This decorative spiral sits above the tassel.

Round 1

MR.

6 sc.

Round 2

Increase around.

12 sc.

Round 3

Increase around.

24 sc.

Round 4

Work 2 sc in every stitch.

The piece naturally curls into a spiral.

Finished size:

1 inch (2.5 cm).

Step 4: Make the Tassel

Wrap yarn around a piece of cardboard approximately:

4 inches (10 cm) tall.

Wrap 25–30 times.

Tie securely at the top.

Cut the bottom loops.

Trim evenly.

Finished tassel:

2 inches (5 cm) long.

Attach beneath the spiral medallion.

Step 5: Attach the Keychain Hardware

Insert a jump ring through the top center of the animal face.

Attach the lobster clasp or keychain ring.

Secure tightly.

Lion Keychain

Face

Use cream yarn.

Mane

Cut 40 strands of brown yarn approximately:

3 inches (7.5 cm) long.

Attach around the edge using a latch-hook method.

Trim evenly.

Nose

Embroider black triangle nose.

Mouth

Embroider small smile.

Tassel

Brown.

Panda Keychain

Face

White circle.

Eye Patches

Make 2 black ovals.

MR, 6 sc.

Round 2:

Increase around.

Attach around eyes.

Ears

Make 2 black circles.

MR, 6 sc.

Round 2:

12 sc.

Fold and sew.

Tassel

Black.

Frog Keychain

Face

Green circle.

Eyes

Make 2 eye bumps.

MR, 6 sc.

Round 2:

12 sc.

Attach at top of head.

Cheeks

Pink embroidered circles.

Mouth

Simple curved smile.

Tassel

Green.

Elephant Keychain

Face

Gray circle.

Ears

Make 2 large circles.

MR, 6 sc.

Round 2:

12 sc.

Round 3:

18 sc.

Add pink inner ears.

Trunk

Chain 10.

Sc back along chain.

Attach centrally.

Tassel

Gray.

Puppy Keychain

Face

Cream center.

Ears

Chain 10.

Work 2 rows sc.

Attach floppy.

Nose

Black oval embroidery.

Tassel

Brown.

Wolf Keychain

Face

Gray circle.

Muzzle

White oval.

Ears

Triangular gray ears.

Nose

Black triangle.

Tassel

Gray.

Pig Keychain

Face

Pink circle.

Snout

MR.

6 sc.

Round 2:

12 sc.

Attach center.

Nostrils

Embroider two vertical lines.

Ears

Small pink triangles.

Tassel

Pink.

Giraffe Keychain

Face

Yellow circle.

Horns

Chain 4.

Work sl st back.

Attach tiny brown tips.

Ears

Yellow triangles.

Spots

Embroider small brown dots.

Tassel

Yellow.

Owl Keychain

Face

Lavender circle.

Eyes

Make 2 large circles.

MR.

12 dc.

Attach.

Beak

Small orange triangle.

Ear Tufts

Create small points at top.

Tassel

Lavender.

Cow Keychain

Face

White circle.

Spots

Add black irregular patches.

Ears

White with black edges.

Horns

Tiny cream horns.

Snout

Pink oval.

Tassel

Cream.

Fox Keychain

Face

Orange circle.

Muzzle

White lower section.

Ears

Orange triangles with white centers.

Nose

Small black triangle.

Tassel

Orange.

Step 6: Final Assembly

Attach:

- Animal face
- Spiral medallion
- Tassel

in a vertical line.

Ensure everything hangs straight.

Secure all pieces with strong stitching.

Step 7: Finishing Touches

Trim tassels evenly.

Check eye security.

Hide all yarn ends.

Steam lightly if desired.

Attach key rings.

Your finished collection of **Crochet Animal Tassel Keychains** will measure approximately **5–6 inches long** and make wonderful gifts, craft fair items, backpack charms, purse accessories, baby shower favors, or handmade collectibles.