



# ★ CROCHET ★ Moonlight Dream

## STEP-BY-STEP TUTORIAL

A magical crochet panel featuring a dreamy girl reaching for the moon under a starry night sky. Perfect as wall art, a cushion panel, or a gift! ♥

FINISHED SIZE	TOOLS	YOU WILL MAKE
<p>Approx. 30 cm (11.8 in) square (with border)</p> <p>The inner panel is 27 cm (10.6 in) square.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cotton yarn (DK weight)                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sky Blue</li> <li>- Royal Blue</li> <li>- Navy Blue</li> <li>- Cream</li> <li>- Yellow / Mustard</li> <li>- Brown</li> <li>- Beige (skin tone)</li> <li>- Gold (stars)</li> <li>- Green (leaves)</li> <li>- Pink, Purple, White (flowers)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• 2.5 mm crochet hook</li> <li>• Yarn needle</li> <li>• Scissors</li> <li>• Blocking mat (optional)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✂ Scissors</li> <li>🪡 Yarn needle</li> <li>📌 Stitch markers</li> <li>📌 Pins</li> <li>🧺 Blocking mat</li> <li>📏 Measuring tape</li> </ul>

### BASIC STITCH GUIDE (US TERMS)

- = chain (ch)
- = slip stitch (sl st)
- X = single crochet (sc)
- ⏏ = half double crochet (hdc)
- ⏏ = double crochet (dc)
- ⏏ = treble crochet (tr)
- ( ) = work in same stitch
- \*\* = repeat instructions between \*\*

### COLOR GUIDE



### ABBREVIATIONS

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- inc = increase (2 sts in same st)
- dec = decrease (2 sts together)
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### STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS

1. BACKGROUND	2. SPIRAL SKY	3. MOON	4. STARS	5. GIRL - BODY & FACE	6. HAIR	7. FLOWERS
Start with a magic ring. Work in continuous rounds using dc to create the swirling night sky.	Change colors to create the spiral effect. Work in rounds, increasing as needed.	Crochet the crescent moon separately. Use open lace stitches for a delicate look. Sew in place.	Make small stars and embellish with gold yarn. Add tiny white stars with French knots or sl sts.	Crochet the body and face with beige yarn. Embroider the eyes, nose and lips.	Create long curls and waves with brown yarn. Attach strands to the head.	Crochet small flowers and leaves. Attach to the hair.
8. DRESS	9. ARM & HAND	10. ASSEMBLE	11. BORDER - ROUND 1	12. BORDER - ROUND 2	13. BORDER - ROUND 3	14. BLOCKING
Crochet the lacy dress with yellow yarn. Add ruffled sleeves.	Crochet the arm and hand in skin tone. Pose it reaching toward the moon.	Sew all parts carefully onto the background. Secure well.	Join cream yarn. Work sc evenly around the panel.	Work a lacy pattern (dc, ch, dc) in each corner and along the sides.	Add a final lace round for a delicate frame. Fasten off and weave in ends.	Block lightly to even out stitches. Let dry completely before using.

### TIPS FOR SUCCESS

- ♥ Use stitch markers to keep your spirals even.
- ♥ Block your panel for a neat and professional finish.
- ♥ Sew pieces securely with a yarn needle.

### IDEAS & VARIATIONS

- ♥ Use metallic thread for stars for extra sparkle.
- ♥ Make a larger panel for a blanket or wall hanging.
- ♥ Change dress color for a different look.

### CARE INSTRUCTIONS

- 🧺 Hand wash gently in cold water.
- 🪄 Lay flat to dry.
- 🚫 Do not bleach.
- 🚫 Do not iron.
- 🚫 Do not wring.

### PERFECT FOR

- ♥ Wall art
- ♥ Cushion covers
- ♥ Tote bags
- ♥ Gift for loved ones

### YOU DID IT!

Enjoy your beautiful Moonlight Dream crochet panel!

# Crochet Moonlight Dream Panel

Create a magical crochet artwork featuring a dreamy girl reaching toward the moon beneath a swirling night sky. This project combines tapestry crochet, appliqué elements, embroidery, and decorative lace edging to create a stunning wall hanging, pillow panel, or framed crochet art piece.

## Finished Size

- Finished panel: 12 x 12 inches (30 x 30 cm)
- Inner artwork area: 10.6 x 10.6 inches (27 x 27 cm)

## Skill Level

- Intermediate to Advanced

## Materials

### Yarn Colors

- Sky Blue – Background
- Royal Blue – Spiral sky
- Navy Blue – Night sky
- Cream – Moon and border
- Beige – Skin
- Brown – Hair
- Mustard Yellow – Dress
- Gold – Stars
- Green – Leaves
- Pink, Purple, White – Flowers

### Tools

- 2.5 mm crochet hook
- Yarn needle
- Stitch markers
- Blocking mat
- Pins
- Scissors
- Measuring tape



**LEGEND (KEY)**

○ chain (ch)	∇ 3 double crochet cluster (3 dc cluster)
● slip stitch (sl st)	∇ shell (5 double crochet) (5 dc shell)
× single crochet (sc)	○ picot (ch 3, sl st in 3 <sup>rd</sup> ch)
⊥ half double crochet (hdc)	
⊥ double crochet (dc)	
⊥ treble crochet (tr)	

**COLOR GUIDE**

● beige (border, moon, skin, small stars)
● dark blue (night sky - outer)
● blue (night sky - middle)
● light blue (night sky - inner)
● brown (hair)
● yellow (dress, large stars)
● purple (flowers)
● pink (flowers)
● green (leaves)

**NOTES**

- Work from the center outward in the indicated rounds.
- Change colors as shown in the diagram.
- The border is worked last around the entire square.

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## H2 – Step 1: Create the Background Panel

The entire design is built upon a square base.

### Foundation

Ch 45.

Row 1:

Work 1 sc in the second chain from hook and across.

Turn.

Continue working sc rows until the panel measures:

- 10.6 inches (27 cm) square

### Sky Coloring

Work color changes using tapestry crochet.

Start with:

- Sky Blue
- Royal Blue
- Navy Blue

Blend shades gradually to create depth.

The darkest sections should appear near the outer edges.

## H2 – Step 2: Crochet the Spiral Night Sky

The swirling sky is the focal background element.

Using Royal Blue and Navy Blue:

Create a flat spiral.

## **Spiral Center**

Magic Ring

Round 1:

6 sc into ring.

Round 2:

2 sc in each stitch.

Round 3:

Alternate colors every few rounds.

Continue increasing evenly.

Shape the spiral naturally while maintaining a flat circle.

Finished spiral diameter:

- Approximately 8 inches (20 cm)

Position it in the upper center of the panel.

Sew securely.

## **H2 – Step 3: Make the Crescent Moon**

Using Cream yarn.

### **Foundation**

Ch 18.

Round 1:

Work around both sides of chain creating an oval.

Rounds 2–5:

Increase along curves.

Shape into a crescent by:

- Increasing heavily on outer curve
- Working fewer stitches on inner curve

Finished moon size:

- 5 inches (13 cm) tall

Block carefully.

Attach over the spiral sky.

## **H2 – Step 4: Create the Stars**

Using Gold yarn.

Make:

- 12 to 18 small stars

### **Small Star Pattern**

Magic Ring.

Round 1:

5 sc.

Round 2:

For each point:

(ch 3, sl st in second ch, sc in next ch, sl st into ring)

Repeat five times.

Fasten off.

Scatter stars throughout the sky.

Attach securely.

## **H2 – Step 5: Crochet the Girl's Face and Neck**

Using Beige yarn.

## Head

Magic Ring

Rnd 1: 6 sc

Rnd 2: 12 sc

Rnd 3: 18 sc

Rnd 4: 24 sc

Rnd 5: 30 sc

Rnd 6: 36 sc

Rnd 7: 42 sc

Work even for 2 rounds.

Fasten off.

Flatten slightly into an oval shape.

## Facial Embroidery

Use dark brown embroidery thread:

- Closed eye
- Eyelashes
- Nose
- Mouth

Add delicate blush with pink embroidery or textile pencil.

## H2 – Step 6: Create the Flowing Hair

The dramatic hair gives movement to the design.

Using Brown yarn:

Cut 60–80 strands.

Each strand:

- 10–14 inches (25–35 cm)

Attach to the head using latch-hook method.

Arrange strands into flowing curls.

Twist sections loosely.

Secure with small hidden stitches.

Hair should extend dramatically across the left side of the panel.

## **H2 – Step 7: Crochet the Dress**

Using Mustard Yellow yarn.

### **Bodice**

Ch 12.

Work dc rows.

Shape slightly inward for waist.

### **Skirt**

Increase rapidly.

Work shell stitches:

(5 dc in one stitch)

Skip 2 stitches.

Repeat.

Continue increasing rows until the skirt spreads widely.

Finished skirt width:

- Approximately 7 inches (18 cm)

Add decorative lace edging.

## **Sleeves**

Work small shell motifs.

Attach to shoulders.

## **H2 – Step 8: Create the Arm and Hand**

Using Beige yarn.

### **Arm**

Ch 18.

Work sc along chain.

Fasten off.

Shape gently.

### **Hand**

Create a small oval.

Attach to end of arm.

Position the arm reaching toward the moon.

Sew securely.

## **H2 – Step 9: Crochet Tiny Flowers**

Using Pink, Purple, and White yarn.

### **Flower Pattern**

Magic Ring.

6 sc into ring.

In each stitch:

(sl st, ch 2, dc, ch 2, sl st)

Repeat around.

Create:

- 10–15 flowers

## Leaves

Using Green yarn:

Ch 8.

Work around chain:

sc, hdc, dc, hdc, sc

Fasten off.

Make 10–15 leaves.

Attach flowers and leaves throughout the hair.

## H2 – Step 10: Assemble the Artwork

Place pieces in this order:

1. Background square
2. Spiral sky
3. Crescent moon
4. Stars
5. Head
6. Hair
7. Dress
8. Arm
9. Flowers and leaves

Pin everything first.

Check balance and placement.

Hand sew carefully.

Hide all yarn tails.

## H2 – Step 11: Crochet the Decorative Border

Using Cream yarn.

Join yarn at any corner.

### **Border Round 1**

Work sc evenly around panel.

Corners:

(sc, ch 2, sc)

### **Border Round 2**

Work lace mesh:

(ch 3, skip 1, sc)

Repeat around.

### **Border Round 3**

Create decorative arches:

(ch 5, sc in next space)

Repeat around.

### **Border Round 4**

Work shells inside arches:

7 dc in each arch.

The frame should resemble elegant vintage lace.

## H2 – Step 12: Blocking

Pin panel to measurements:

- 12 x 12 inches (30 x 30 cm)

Shape moon carefully.

Shape lace border evenly.

Allow to dry completely.

Blocking dramatically improves the final appearance.

## Optional Embellishments

✨ Metallic thread stars

✨ Tiny pearl beads

✨ Crystal accents

✨ Embroidered constellations

✨ Glitter yarn highlights

✨ Additional flowers

✨ Decorative frame

## Care Instructions

- Hand wash only
- Cold water
- Lay flat to dry
- Do not bleach
- Do not wring
- Store flat

## Finished Project 🌙⭐

Your **Moonlight Dream Crochet Panel** is now complete! The swirling night sky, crescent moon, flowing hair, delicate flowers, and elegant lace border create a breathtaking piece of crochet art that looks beautiful as wall décor, a cushion cover centerpiece, or a handmade gift.