

# JELLYFISH – ALL IN ONE AMIGURUMI PATTERN

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I started crocheting small toys to leave around for people to find. It is heaps of fun but some patterns can take a while to do. Jellyfish seem to be everyone's favourites.

I know that there are heaps of beautiful Jellyfish patterns out there already. I specifically wanted a jellyfish pattern that didn't involve cutting and retying the yarn. With the below pattern, the only times you need to use a needle is to anchor the thread from the magic circle at the beginning and pull the bottom of the jellyfish closed at the end. (Facial features are optional). This pattern contains basic instructions meant for someone who is familiar crocheting amigurumi.

## Notes:

- You can use aran yarn with 4mm hook or 8ply with a 3.5mm (or your choice of yarn and hook).
- They measure around 15cm long.
- I use about 25 metres of yarn each jellyfish.
- FLO – front loops only
- BLO – back loops only

## INSTRUCTIONS:

Row 1	6 sc into magic ring
Row 2	2 sc in each sc around (12 sts)
Row 3	*sc 1, 2 sc in next sc*, repeat 6 times (18 sts)
Row 4	*sc 2, 2 sc in next sc*, repeat 6 times (24 sts)
Row 5-10	sc 24 (24 sts)
Row 11	FLO sc 24 With this row, the front loops from the row will be used to make the skirt or frill. The back loops will be used to make the bottom of the Jellyfish.
Row 12	(Don't pull tight in this row) Working through both loops of Row 11, *4 sc in next stitch, skip 1 stitch, slip stitch 1*, repeat 7 more times. Join this row with a slip stitch. Now working underneath the frill, slip stitch back down to the back loops inside the jellyfish to begin row 13. (Just pick up one or two of the stitches to slip stitch in. When the Jellyfish is completed this join is hidden under the frill).
Eyes	Add eyes now and any other embroidery you like – cheeks, eyelashes, mouth....etc.



Row 13

Working in the back loops from Row 10 - \*BLO sc 2, dec 1\*, one row (18 stitches) (Note: If you are having trouble working in the back loops, it does help to fold and roll the frill outwards and down).



Stuff

Stuff the jellyfish lightly.

Row 14

Now dec every second stitch \*dec, 1sc\* and continuously repeat the decrease around until you have 7-8 stitches left. Just a note, as people crochet at different tensions the pattern still works out well if you continue with the \*2sc, dec\* around. This may work better for people who crochet tightly.

Row 15

Complete the tentacles - Chain 50 (or 60 – see note below) and sc back into the next stitch from row 13. Repeat around. You will have “loops of chains” hanging down from the body of your Jellyfish. See photo. You can make as many or as few tentacles as you like! After the last sc, slip stitch back into the first sc.



Bind

Bind off and leave a long tail. Using your needle, thread around the bottom of original 8 row hole of the jellyfish and pull closed. This hole doesn't need to be super tight. I thread the yarn under the “V” stitches but you close it anyway you choose. Tie off and thread the long tail back up through the body out the top of the head. Pull the thread tight just slightly so the bottom of the jellyfish gets pulled up. If you choose you can tie it at the top of the head. This will create a flatter bottom on the jellyfish but you can easily skip this step.

Tentacles Options for finishing the tentacles. If you choose you can either leave the tentacles as loops or cut each tentacle in half and tie off. Below are photos of the loops, tentacles tied and sewn in and tentacles tied but not sewn in.



For the 50 chain - I end up with 2 x 20 chain length tentacles with 5 chain on each side being the chain that can be pulled out to allow the room to cut them and tie off. For the 60 chain you will have 2 x 20 chain tentacles with 10 chain on either side that will allow you to thread the end on a needle and sew it in. Of course you can alter the length of the tentacles as you please.

DONE ☺

