

# Max & Mía

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## Material:

- Wool (sport weight), e. g. Schachenmayr Catania (No. 263) or Scheepjes Catona (No. 255), colors of choice (clothes), Schachenmayr Bravo (Acrylic DK weight) - color of choice (girls hair), Schachenmayr Brazilia (fluffy yarn) - color of choice (boys hair)
- Crochet hook in suitable size, for me: 2.0 mm, 3.0 mm
- Eyes (for me: 7mm)
- Stuffing

## Abbreviations (US Terms):

MR = magic ring	inc = increase
sc = single crochet	dec = decrease
dc = double crochet	st = stitch
ch = chain	BLO = back loop only
slst = slip stitch	FLO = front loop only
bs = bobble stitch (see description below)	
(-) x = repeat inside of () for x nr of times	

*Crochet in continuous rounds (spirals), unless otherwise stated.*

*The specifications of the wool and needle sizes are only examples/references. Please keep in mind that different yarn may result in a bigger or smaller piece. Make sure to adapt your hook size according to your yarn and personal tension. When crocheting Amigurumis you should use a much smaller needle size than indicated on the label or you would use it for other crochet projects so that no holes are made when the piece is stuffed.*

### **Regular bobble stitches:**

Wrap the yarn around the hook, insert hook in the next stitch, yarn over and pull through, yarn over and pull through 2 loops on hook - this unfinished double crochet is ready for now and there should remain 2 loops on your hook now. Start the next unfinished double crochet: wrap the yarn around the hook, insert hook in the **same** stitch as before, yarn over and pull through, yarn over and pull through 2 loops on hook, there should remain 3 loops on hook now. Repeat this until you have made the required number of unfinished double crochet stitches (usually 5 - so you have 6 loops on hook), finally yarn over and pull the yarn through all loops in one go, tighten and sc 1 in next stitch. Usually the bobble is on the wrong side, the back side now. No problem, just push it to the front. You can also push the bobble to the front while crocheting the single crochet.



Video to Bobble stitch (german only but maybe helpful too) - just click the link: [Toe-Video](#).

### **Head (for both the same):**

*Skin color*

1. sc 6 in MR (6)
2. inc x6 (12)
3. (sc 1, inc) x6 (18)
4. (sc 2, inc) x6 (24)
5. (sc 3, inc) x6 (30)
6. (sc 4, inc) x6 (36)
7. (sc 5, inc) x6 (42)
8. (sc 6, inc) x6 (48)
9. (sc 7, inc) x6 (54)
- 10.-21. (12 Rounds) sc in each st around (54)
22. (sc 7, dec) x6 (48)
23. (sc 6, dec) x6 (42)
24. (sc 5, dec) x6 (36)
25. (sc 4, dec) x6 (30)
26. (sc 3, dec) x6 (24)
27. (sc 2, dec) x6 (18)
28. (sc 1, dec) x6 (12)

*Stuff and shape the head.*

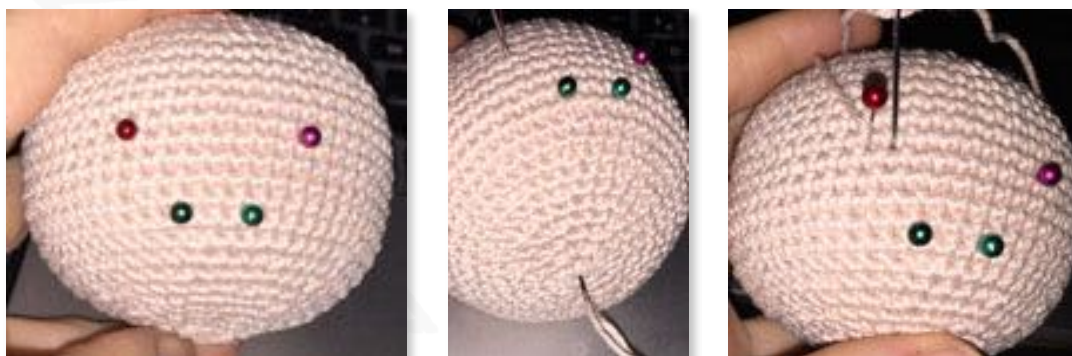
29. dec x6 (6)

*Fasten off invisibly.*

*The eyes are attached between round 15 and 16 Die Augen habe ich zwischen Reihe 15 und 16 with a distance of about 7 stitches, the mouth is between round 19 and 20 about 3 stitches wide.*

*Sculpturing of the face is easier as it seems. Mark the spots for eyes and mouth with pins first.*

*Insert a long needle using thread of strong yarn in the bottom of the head and go to the first eye mark, insert needle again with a distance of 1 stitch and go back to the starting point, tighten the thread to form the eyehole and knot well. Repeat this step for the other eye too. Hide the threads inside the head.*



*For the mouth insert the needle in the top of the head and go to one of the mouth marks. Insert the needle at the second mark and go back to the starting point, tighten the thread to form the little mouth and knot well.*



*The face should look like shown in the right picture above. Attach the eyes now and color the mouth with pink yarn if you want.*

*How to make the hair for the girl and get it so curly, I will explain at the end.*

### **Ear for the boy (make 2):**

*Skin color*

1. sc 6 in MR (6)
2. inc x6 (12)
3. sc in each st around (12)
4. (sc 2, dec) x3 (9)

*Fasten off, leave a long tail for sewing, don't stuff.*

*Flatten the ears and sew it left and right to the head.*



## Hair (Boy):

*e. g. Schachenmayr Brazilia, hook size 3.5 mm*

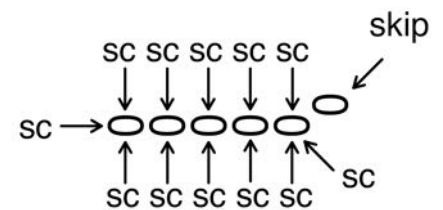
1. sc 6 in MR (6)
2. inc x6 (12)
3. (sc 1, inc) x6 (18)
4. (sc 2, inc) x6 (24)
5. (sc 3, inc) x6 (30)
6. (sc 4, inc) x6 (36)
7. (sc 5, inc) x6 (42)

*Fasten off.*

*Place the hair at the top of the head and sew it on (Sewing with a plain thread instead of the ending thread of this fluffy yarn is easier).*



## Crochet an oval



O = chain  
sc = single crochet

## Foot / Leg - make 2 (for both the same):

*Black*

*You will start with an oval (see the diagram)*

1. ch 6, starting in 2<sup>nd</sup> chain from hook: sc 4, sc 3 in the last ch, rotate 180 degrees and crochet along the opposite side of the foundation chain: sc 3, sc 2 in the last ch (12)
2. inc, sc 3, inc x3, sc 3, inc x2 (18)
3. (sc 2, inc) x6 (24)
- 4.-6. (3 Rounds) sc in each st around (24)
7. sc 4, dec x6, sc 8 (18)
8. sc 4, dec, sc 1, dec, sc 1, dec, sc 6 (15)

*Stuff foot.*

- 9.-10. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (15)

*Mark the back loop of the next stitch.*

11. a) *FLO*: slst, ch 1, hdc in same stitch, hdc in each st around, join round with a slst in the first hdc (15)

*Fasten off invisibly.*

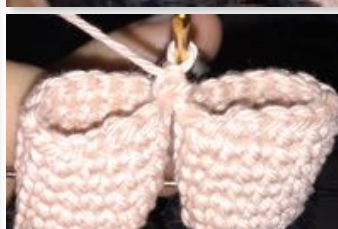
*Leg starts here, use skin color for the girl or color of choice for the trouser of the boy.*

- 11.b) *BLO* - *start with the marked stitch*: sc in each st (15)

- 12.-18. (7 Rounds) sc in each st around (15)

*Fasten off invisibly*

*Connect the legs with a slip stitch.*



*From here starts the*

### **Body (Girl):**

*Start with the stitch right next to the connecting stitch, in the next round the connecting stitch will not be crocheted, place your round marker.*

19. sc 14 along the leg, sc 14 along the other leg (28)

20. (sc 13, inc) x2 (30)

21.-25. (5 Rounds) sc in each st around (30)

*Stuff the legs.*

*Change to the color of the dress.*

26. **BLO**: sc in each st around (30)

27. (sc 8, dec) x3 (27)

28. sc in each st around (27)

29. (sc 7, dec) x3 (24)

30. sc in each st around (24)

31. (sc 6, dec) x3 (21)

32. (sc 5, dec) x3 (18)

33. (sc 4, dec) x3 (15)

*Change to skin color.*

34.-35. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (15)

*Fasten off, leave a long tail for sewing.*

*Stuff and shape the body.*

*Now is crocheted the skirt in the free loops of round 26, join in one of this free loop with a slst.*

26.b) **FLO**: (sc 4, inc) x6 (36)

27.b)-30b) (4 Rounds) hdc in each st around (36)

28.b) (hdc 5, inc) x6 (42)

29.b) hdc 3 in each st around (126)

*Fasten off invisibly*

*Sew the head to the body (for best results use the mattress stitch).*



### **Body (Boy):**

*Start with the stitch right next to the connecting stitch, in the next round the connecting stitch will not be crocheted, place your round marker.*

19. sc 14 along the leg, sc 14 along the other leg (28)

20. (sc 13, inc) x2 (30)

*Change to the color of the trousers.*

21. **BLO**: sc in each st around (30)

22.-26. (5 Rounds) sc in each st around (30)

*Stuff the legs.*

27. (sc 8, dec) x3 (27)

28. sc in each st around (27)

29. (sc 7, dec) x3 (24)

30. sc in each st around (24)

31. (sc 6, dec) x3 (21)

32. (sc 5, dec) x3 (18)

33. (sc 4, dec) x3 (15)

*Change to skin color.*

34.-35. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (15)

*Fasten off, leave a long tail for sewing.*

*Stuff and shape the body.*

*Now is crocheted the seam of the shirt in the free loops of round 21, join in one of this free loop with a slst.*

**21.b) FLO:** ch 3, dc 1 in each st around, join round with a slst in the first dc (30)

*Fasten off invisibly.*

*Sew the head to the body (for best results use the mattress stitch).*

### **Hand/Arm - make 2 (for both the same):**

*Skin color*

1. sc 6 in MR (6)
2. inc x6 (12)
3. (sc 1, inc) x6 (18)
- 4.-5. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (18)
6. bs 1 (using 5 dc), ch 1, sc 17 (18)
7. sc in each st around (18) - *skip the chain*
8. (sc 1, dec) x6 (12)

*Loosely stuff the hand.*

9. sc in each st around (12)

*Change to color of the clothes.*

10. sc in each st around (12)
11. **BLO:** sc in each st around (12)
- 12.-20. (9 Rounds) sc in each st around (12)

*Add some stuffing to the bottom of the arm, stuff more loosely (or not at all) to the top because otherwise it sticks out too much.*

*Flatten at the top, mark the stitch in the fold and sc to the marker. Flatten again and close the opening by crocheting sc through both edges.*

*Fasten off, leave a long tail for sewing.*

*Join with a slst in one of the free loops of round 11.*

**11.b) FLO:** ch 2, hdc in each st around, join round with a slip stitch in the first hdc (12)

*Sew arms left and right to the top of the body.*



### **Curls (for the girl):**

*To make the wool curly for the hair, I have wrapped acrylic wool closely on metal double pointed knitting needles (see photo). Now you have several ways to get them to stay in shape permanently. The best results have obtained with steam, i.e. the steam iron can be used here. But ATTENTION: you are not allowed to touch the wool directly with the iron, because it will probably melt away.*

*You can either put a tea towel on top and iron it - but don't press so hard so that the curls are not flattened, only the steam should work (I've tested it, it works). Afterwards it is best to leave the cloth on it for a while, then the remaining steam can still have some effect.*





*Alternatively, you can place a piece of wood or similar next to it on the left and right (wooden spoon, for example), which is slightly higher so that the iron cannot touch the wool either. I have not tested this now, because it worked well with the kitchen towel). As an alternative to the iron, you can use a garment steamer if you have it, so you don't have to be so careful that the machine doesn't touch the wool, but otherwise both work equally well.*

*What is possible too, but must be used very carefully, is a hot air gun. It works (I have also tested this) but the wool can also melt a little here, if you are not careful.*

*There is still a possibility in the oven, but this is not tested by me, no liability, no warranty: Place wooden roasting sticks in water overnight, then wrap the wool around them and "bake" at 160 degrees Celsius for 20 minutes. I could imagine that the same effect (with the same durability) is created by the wet wooden sticks as by steam from outside. On occasion I will test and report this.*

***It is important with every method: allow to cool off completely before unwinding!***

*At the end, cut the hair to the desired length. You can knot hair directly in the head or you can also crochet a little cap in the color of the hair (just start exactly as with the head until the desired length is reached - the photos above do not show this cap - it only shows how the hair is attached). To knot in the thread, fold the hair once in the middle, insert the crochet hook around one stitch of the head (or cap), pull the loop through and draw the ends of the hair through the loop and then tighten the loop.*

*The outer two rounds I have completely knotted around, one curls per stitch. Then I always skipped a round and a stitch, I always offset the strands in the following rounds. I have attached a strand of hair in each of the 6 stitches in the middle (of the magic ring). By using a "cap" you don't have to knot so closely. If you want to knot directly into the head, you may have to use more strands of hair.*





