## **Baby Rattle**

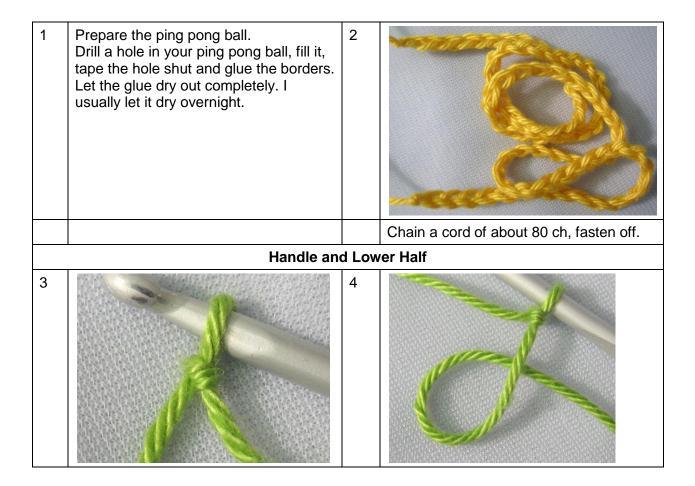
Supplies:

cotton yarn crochet needle sewing needle synthetic filling 1-2 popsicle sticks or something similar ping pong ball something to fill the ping pong ball with like rice glue and tape

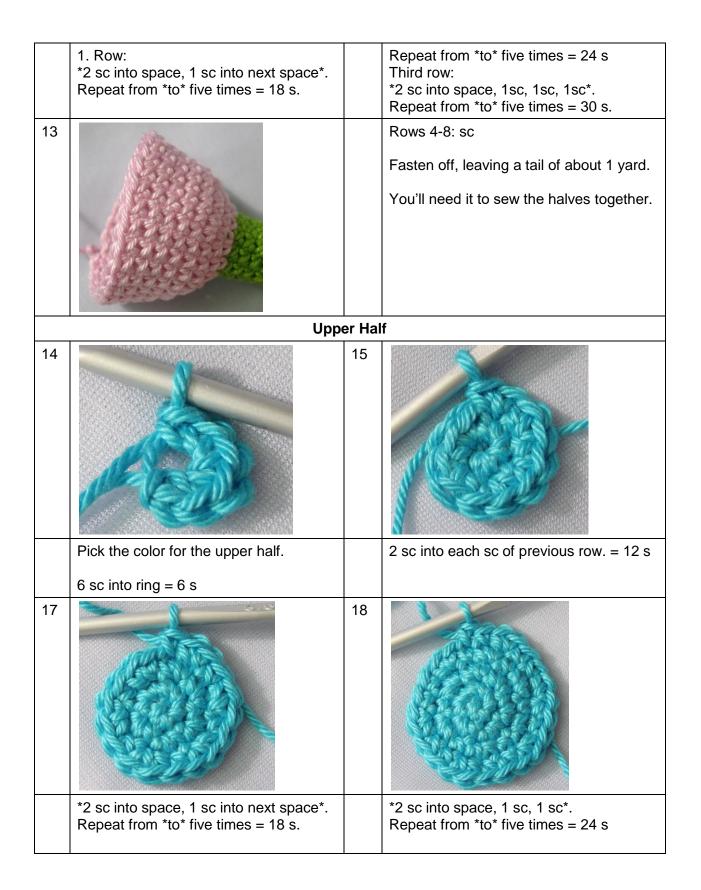


My baby rattles are soft, washable and safe for toddlers. I use Catania Schachenmayr yarn. But any other yarn will do.

Before you start with the crochet part, you have to prepare the ping pong ball.



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	6 sc into ring = 6 s		2 sc into each sc of previous row. = 12 s
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	Turn to wrong side and weave in end. I usually just make two double knots.		Pull ends of crochet chain through.
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	Tie a knot with both ends and then secure with two more.		Sc until handle is about 3 inches long. Fasten off.
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	Pick the color for the lower half. Start the first row anywhere:		Second row: *2 sc into space, 1 sc, 1 sc*.



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	*2 sc into space, 1sc, 1sc, 1sc*. Repeat from *to* five times = 30 s.		Rows 6-8: sc Fasten off and weave in ends.
		pons	
21	Start with steps 14 and 15 (upper half) = 12 s	22	
			Add two more rows of 12 sc each. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 12 inches.
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	With a blunt sewing needle thread the yarn through the inner half of the sc.		Fill with filling material and pull tight.

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	Weave through first five sc again to get a tighter pull.		Insert needle from the opposite side – from the outside in - , pull through and
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	leave a little loop.		Pick up loop with crochet needle, pull yarn through and pull tight.
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	Chain five, fasten off. Leave tail!		Crochet 5 more.
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	Insert needle from the right side and		and weave in ends on wrong side.

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	Tie two ends together, so the pompons don't come off.		
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	I use popsicle sticks to make the handle a bit stiffer. Insert into handle, push down a little and cut off excess.		Start filling on one side of the sticks. Only use a little material and alternate sides.
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