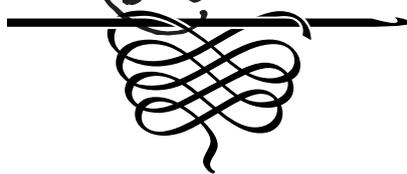




Crochet Curiosities
Pattern no.3
Bronze Age & Iron Age
Spearheads



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❖About me❖

I am an archaeological Illustrator & Photographer living near Oxford in the UK. I have worked in commercial and research archaeology across England and Wales: drawing, photographing and X-raying (and occasionally digging) my way through practically every period of history. When I finally took up the crochet hook I began making replicas of some of the objects I was handling, and formed the notion of a crochet cabinet of curiosities.

❖Notes❖

This pattern is worked in the amigurumi style: working in a continuous spiral with a stitch marker to denote the end of a round.

I use UK terminology here so for everyone else, substitute dc for sc.

The final size of the piece will depend on the yarn size, hook size and crocheting tightness. I used 4ply yarn with a 3.5mm hook and the final size of my originals were 22cm and 17cm long. My crochet tension is quite tight, so you may feel the need to substitute a smaller hook or slightly finer yarn.

❖Sharing❖

If you have any questions, comments or suggestions please contact me on the email address below. I particularly love to receive photographs of finished objects and - best of all - burgeoning crochet curiosity cabinets. If you are unhappy with me sharing any images with our little crochet curiosity community please let me know.



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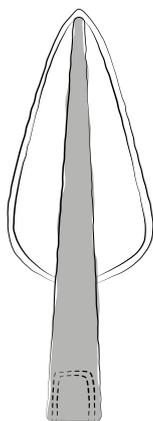
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❖Glossary❖

ch (chain): hook in stitch, yarn over, pull through two loops.
 dc (double crochet): hook in stitch, yarn over, pull through, yarn over, pull through two loops.
 inc (increase): two dc in same stitch.
 dec (decrease): dc two stitches together.
 Magic ring: This is also known as a magic circle and can be explained best on youtube videos. It is the technique I use for starting round projects but the same can be achieved in other ways, for example by creating a 2 chain and crocheting the first row of stitches into the first chain.

❖Iron Age Spearhead❖

❖Spine❖



Stuff as you go

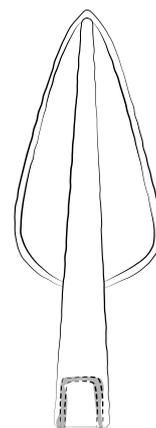
1. 4dc into magic ring (4)
- 2-4. dc around
5. inc, dc around (5)
- 6-8. dc around
9. inc, dc around (6)
- 10-12. dc around
13. inc, dc around (7)
- 14-16. dc around
17. inc, dc around (8)
- 18-20. dc around
21. inc, dc around (9)
- 22-24. dc around
25. inc, dc around (10)
- 26-28. dc around
29. inc, dc around (11)
- 30-32. dc around
33. inc, dc around (12)
- 34-36. dc around
37. inc, dc around (13)
- 38-40. dc around
41. inc, dc around (14)
- 42-44. dc around
45. inc, dc around (15)
- 46-48. dc around
49. inc, dc around (16)
- 50-52. dc around
53. inc, dc around (17)
- 54-56. dc around
57. inc, dc around (18)
58. ch1, turn, so working in the other direction, dc around

Tie off

❖Plug❖

1. 4dc in magic ring (4)
2. inc around (8)
3. inc around (16)
4. dc around into back stitch only
- 5-6. dc around
7. inc, dc around (17)
- 8-9. dc around

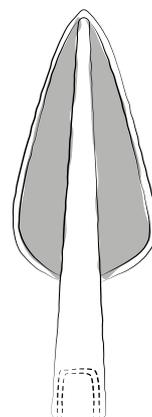
Tie off. Sew inside open end of spine.



❖Blade (x4)❖

1. ch2
2. dc in second ch from hook (1)
3. ch1, turn, dc (1)
4. ch1, turn, inc (2)
- 5-7. ch1, turn, dc across
8. ch1, turn, dc, inc (3)
- 9-13. ch1, turn, dc across
14. ch1, turn, 2dc, inc (4)
- 15-19. ch1, turn, dc across
20. ch1, turn, 3dc, inc (5)
- 21-25. ch1, turn, dc across
26. ch1, turn, 4dc, inc (6)
- 27-31. ch1, turn, dc across
32. ch1, turn, 4 dc, dec (5)
33. ch1, turn, dec, 3dc (4)
34. ch1, turn, 2dc, dec (3)
35. ch1, turn, dec, 1dc (2)
36. ch1, turn, dec (1)

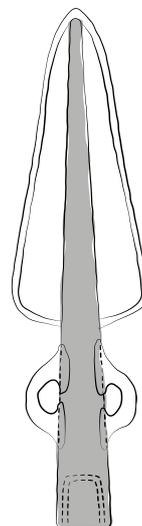
Tie off



❖Bronze Age Spearhead❖

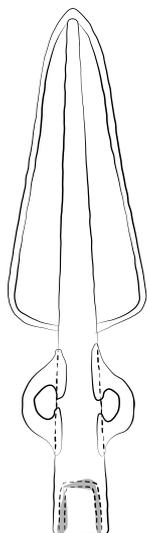
❖Spine❖

1. 4dc into magic ring (4)
- 2-5. dc around
6. inc, dc around (5)
- 7-10. dc around
11. inc, dc around (6)
- 12-15. dc around
16. inc, dc around (7)
- 17-20. dc around
21. inc, dc around (8)
- 22-25. dc around
26. inc, dc around (9)
- 27-30. dc around
31. inc, dc around (10)



- 32-35. dc around
 36. inc, dc around (11)
 37-40. dc around
 41. inc, dc around (12)
 42-45. dc around
 46. inc, dc around (13)
 47-50. dc around
 51. inc, dc around (14)
 52-55. dc around
 56. inc, dc around (15)
 57-60. dc around
 61. inc, dc around (16)
 62-65. dc around
 66. inc, dc around (17)
 67-70. dc around
 71. inc, dc around (18)
 72. ch1, turn, so working in the other direction, dc around

Tie off

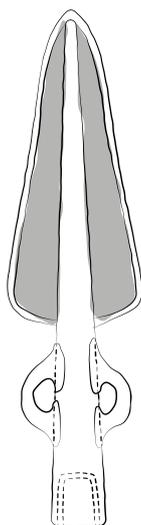


❖Plug❖

1. 4dc in magic ring (4)
 2. inc around (8)
 3. inc around (16)
 4. dc around into back stitch only
 5-6. dc around
 7. inc, dc around (17)
 8-9. dc around
 Tie off. Sew inside open end of spine.

❖Blade (x4)❖

1. ch2
 2. dc in second ch from hook (1)
 3-4. ch1, turn, dc
 5. ch1, turn, inc (2)
 6-14. ch1, turn, dc across
 15. ch1, turn, 1dc, inc (3)
 16-24. ch1, turn, dc across
 25. ch1, turn, 2dc, inc (4)
 26-34. ch1, turn, dc across
 35. ch1, turn, 3dc, inc (5)
 36-37. ch1, turn, dc across
 38. ch1, turn, dec, 3dc (4)
 39. ch1, turn, 2dc, dec (3)
 40. ch1, turn, dec, 1dc (2)
 Tie off



❖Handle (x2)❖

1. ch13, leaving long tail
 2. dc across, ss into first stitch to form a round (12)
 3. dec around (6)
 4-11. dc around
 12. inc around (12)
 Tie off, leaving long tail



❖Making Up❖

Remove the last two centimetres of stuffing from the open end of the spine. Into this gap, insert the plug so that it nests within the spine, creating a double-thickness bottom end. Sew in place.

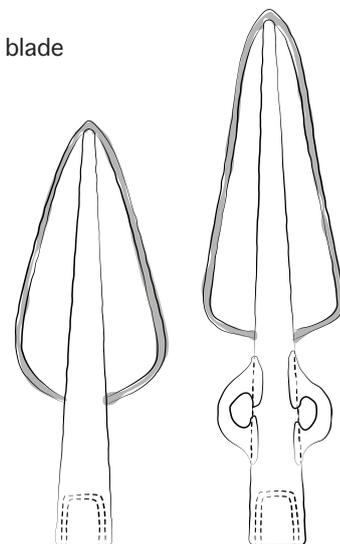
Each blade consists of two blade pieces, for stability. They should be sewn to the top end of the blade in the orientation shown (hold together the two pieces and sew them at the same time).

Having sewn both pairs of blades to either side of the spine, crochet a single line of dc along the edges, attaching the two pieces together. Start at the base of one blade pair and crochet upwards along the edge.

When you reach the very top, create a point as follows: 1hdc, 1dc, 1hdc in same stitch (the top of the spine), then dc down along the other blade edge.

Tie off and sew in at the bottom.

The handles in the Bronze Age spearhead should be positioned on the shaft as pictured, with the flared ends opened out and lying flat against the shaft. In this position they can then be sewn in place.



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