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Materials You'll Need

- Worsted weight yarn in:
 - Blue (wings)
 - Yellow (body)
 - Black (antennae/divider)
 - Beige (cord, optional)
- Crochet hook (recommended: 3.5 mm / E-4 or similar)
- Yarn needle
- Scissors
- Stitch markers (optional)



Stitch Abbreviations (US Terms)

- ch = Chain
- sc = Single Crochet
- sl st = Slip Stitch
- hdc = Half Double Crochet
- dc = Double Crochet
- tr = Treble Crochet
- MR = Magic Ring
- picot (P) = ch 3, sl st into same stitch

● Step 1: Start the Body with a Magic Ring

Using **yellow** yarn:

1. Make a **magic ring (MR)**.
2. Work **6 sc into the ring**.
3. Pull tight and **sl st to join**.

● Step 2: Build the Body Shape

1. **Ch 1**, turn if needed.
2. Work **sc evenly around**, increasing slightly to form an oval body:
 - Place **2 sc in some stitches** to widen.
3. Continue for **2–3 rows**, maintaining an oval shape.
4. Use **sl st** to define the center line (as shown by the “X” in the diagram).
5. Fasten off and weave in ends.

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● Step 3: Upper Wings (Make 2)

Attach **blue yarn** to one side of the body.

1. **Ch 3** (counts as first dc).
2. Work **dc and tr stitches** into the same base space to form a semicircle:
 - Example pattern:
 - 2 dc
 - 3 tr
 - 2 dc
3. Continue expanding outward in a fan shape.

● Step 4: Shape the Upper Wing Edge

1. Around the outer curve, alternate:
 - **dc**
 - **hdc**
 - **sc**
2. Add **picot stitches (P)** at intervals:
 - ch 3, sl st in same stitch
3. This creates the scalloped decorative edge.
4. Sl st back to the body and fasten off.

● Step 5: Lower Wings (Make 2)

Attach blue yarn slightly lower on the body.

1. Repeat a **smaller fan shape**:
 - ch 3
 - 2 dc
 - 2–3 tr
 - 2 dc
2. Keep the shape slightly rounder and smaller than the top wings.

● Step 6: Shape the Lower Wing Edge

1. Work around the edge using:
 - sc → hdc → dc
2. Add **picots** for decorative points.
3. Sl st back into the body and fasten off.

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Step 7: Antennae

Using **black yarn**:

1. Attach yarn at the top center of the body.
2. **Ch 8–10** for one antenna.
3. Sl st back down the chain OR leave as-is for a soft curl.
4. Repeat for second antenna.
5. Fasten off and weave ends.

Step 8: Final Assembly Touches

- Use yarn needle to secure all loose ends.
- Adjust wing shape by gently stretching.
- Optional: lightly block the butterfly for symmetry.

Step 9: Optional Macramé Cord (Bracelet Style)

Using **beige cord or yarn**:

1. Cut **two long strands** (about 20–24 inches each).
2. Attach them to each side of the butterfly.

Step 10: Diamond Knot Section

At the center (under the butterfly):

1. Create alternating:
 - Half knots
 - Flat knots
2. Form a **diamond shape** using knot tension.
3. This becomes the decorative center section.

Step 11: Adjustable Braided Ties

1. Braid both ends of the cord.
2. Add **sliding knots (cord stoppers)**:
 - Tie small adjustable knots so the bracelet can tighten/loosen.
3. Trim ends and secure.

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Color Guide

-  Blue = Wings
-  Yellow = Body
-  Black = Antennae
-  Beige = Cord

Tips for Success

- Keep tension consistent for even wings.
- Use stitch markers to track symmetry.
- If wings curl, lightly steam block.
- Beginners can replace tr stitches with dc for easier control.

You're Done!

You now have a complete crochet butterfly motif! Use it as:

- A bracelet centerpiece
- Appliqué for clothing
- Wall decor
- Gift embellishment 