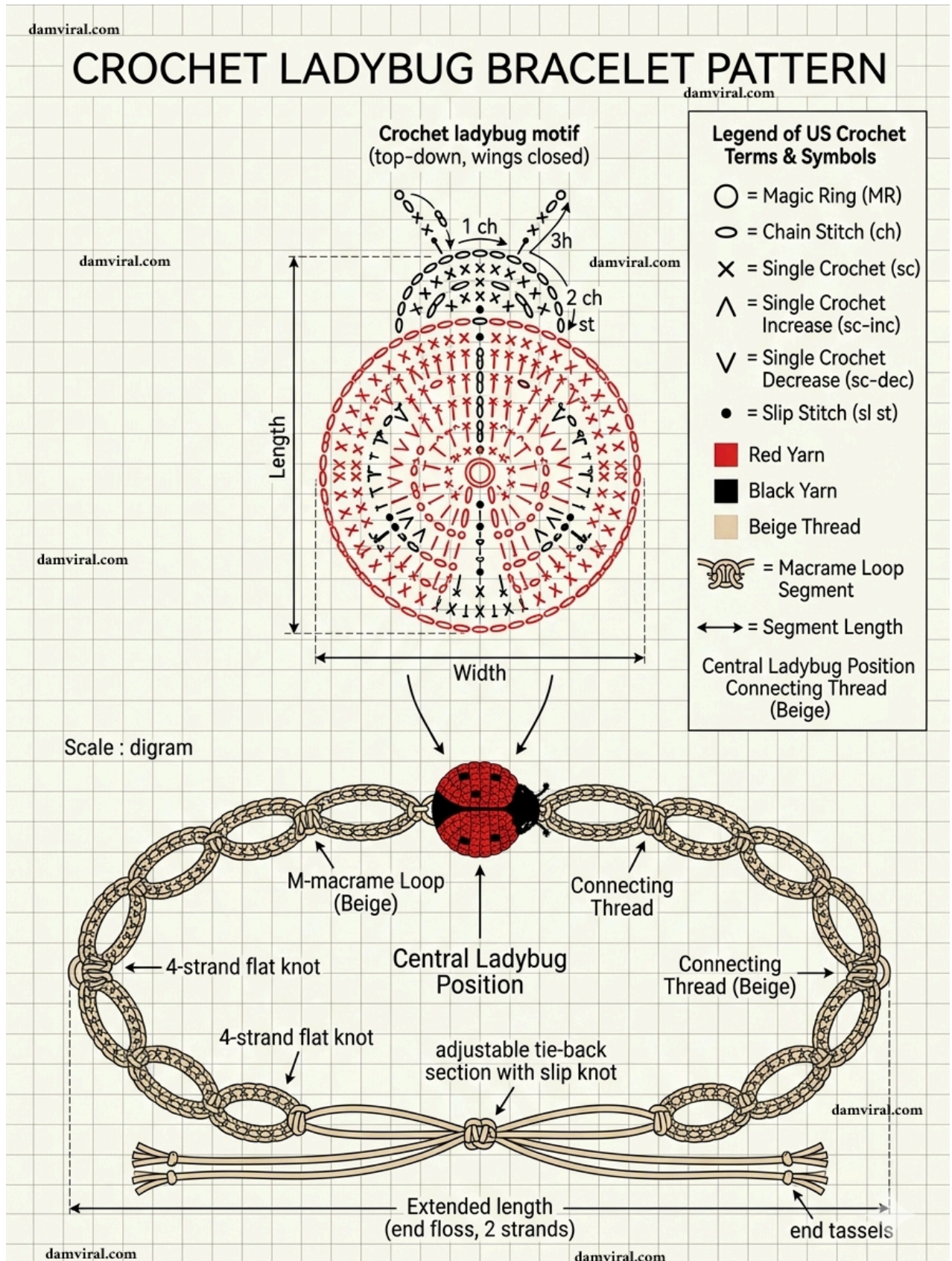


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Crochet Ladybug Bracelet – Full Step-by-Step Tutorial (US Terms)

This detailed tutorial walks you through making a crochet ladybug bracelet using US crochet terminology. It follows the diagram closely, including the ladybug motif, macramé loop band, and adjustable closure.



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Materials & Tools

- Red yarn (ladybug body)
- Black yarn (head and spots)
- Beige cord or thread (bracelet band & macramé loops)
- Crochet hook (2.5 mm–3.5 mm recommended)
- Scissors
- Yarn needle
- Optional: stitch markers



Abbreviations (US Terms)

- MR = Magic Ring
- ch = chain
- sc = single crochet
- sc-inc = single crochet increase (2 sc in same stitch)
- sc-dec = single crochet decrease (2 stitches together)
- sl st = slip stitch



Step 1: Start the Ladybug (Center Circle)

Using red yarn:

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



Step 2: Increase Rounds (Body Shape)

Round 2:

- ch 1, **sc-inc in each stitch around** (12 sts total), sl st to join.

Round 3:

- ch 1, (1 sc, 1 sc-inc) repeat around (18 sts), sl st.

Round 4:

- ch 1, (2 sc, 1 sc-inc) repeat around (24 sts), sl st.

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Round 5:

- ch 1, (3 sc, 1 sc-inc) repeat around (30 sts), sl st.

This forms the round red body.

Step 3: Add Black Details (Spots & Division)

Switch to **black yarn**:

1. Create the **center line**:
 - Insert hook at top center and work a vertical line using **sl st or surface crochet** down the middle.
2. Add **spots**:
 - Stitch small clusters of **sc or sl st** symmetrically on each side.
 - Typically 2–3 spots per side.

Fasten off black yarn neatly.

Step 4: Crochet the Head

Attach **black yarn** at the top of the circle:

1. Join yarn and **ch 1**.
2. Work **sc across top arc only** (about 10–12 stitches).
3. Turn.

Next row:

- **sc-dec, sc across, sc-dec** to slightly round the head.

Optional:

- Add **2 small chain antennae**:
 - ch 3, sl st back into same stitch.

Fasten off.

Step 5: Final Ladybug Shaping

- Ensure symmetry.
- Lightly flatten piece.
- Weave in all ends securely.

Step 6: Create Macramé Loop Segments

Using **beige cord**:

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1. Cut multiple strands (about 10–12 inches each).
 2. Fold strands in half.
 3. Attach loops around the ladybug edges using **lark's head knots** or by threading through stitches.

Each loop should resemble an oval chain link.

Step 7: Form Bracelet Chain

1. Connect loops together:
 - Use **4-strand flat knots** between loops.
2. Continue adding loops symmetrically on both sides of the ladybug.
3. Keep spacing even for a balanced bracelet.

Step 8: Attach Ladybug to Band

- Use beige thread to **secure the ladybug center** to the connecting loops.
- Stitch through the center stitches to anchor it firmly.

Step 9: Adjustable Closure (Tie-Back)

1. Gather all end cords.
2. Create an **adjustable sliding knot**:
 - Use a separate strand to wrap around both ends.
 - Tie a **slip knot system** so bracelet can expand/contract.


Step 10: Finish Ends

- Trim cords evenly.
- Add **small knots at ends** for tassels.
- Optionally fray ends slightly for decoration.

Final Notes

- Bracelet length is adjustable via the sliding knot.
- The ladybug sits centered as the focal point.
- Keep tension consistent throughout for best results.

You're Done!

You now have a handmade crochet ladybug bracelet 
Perfect as a gift or a cute accessory!