



PATTERN 9

COLOURS: 2



Sea Urchins

Echinoidea

Sea urchins graze on algae and help keep reefs healthy. They live across rocky and coral surfaces.

Fun fact: Sea urchins can move each spine independently.

Sea urchin 1 (US)

Main body:

Ch4, join with sl.st. to make a ring (or use MR).

Rnd 1.	10sc into ring (DO NOT JOIN RING).
Rnd 2.	BLO 2sc in every st around, place marker.
Rnd 3.	BLO *2hdc in next st, 1hdc in next st.**; repeat from * to ** around, place marker on last stitch.
Rnd 4.	BLO *2dc in next st, 1dc in each of next 2 sts.**; repeat from * to ** around, place marker on last stitch.
Rnd 5.	BLO *2dc in next st., 1dc in each of next 4 sts.**; repeat from * to ** around, place marker on last stitch.
Rnd 6.	BLO 1dc in every st around, place marker on last stitch.
Rnd 7.	repeat round 6, place marker on last stitch.
Rnd 8.	BLO, 1hdc in each of next 2 sts., 1sc in each of the remaining sts around, place marker on last stitch.
Rnd 9.	(not in back loop from now on) *1sc.dec, 1sc in each of next 5 sts.**; repeat from *to** around, place marker on last stitch.
Rnd 10.	*1sc.dec, 1sc in each of next 3 sts.**; repeat from *to** around.
Rnd 11.	repeat round 10.

Now is a good time to stuff the ball.

Rnd 12. (a non-stop spiral to close) *1sc.dec, 1sc in each of next 3 sts**, repeat *to** until there are only 6 or 7 stitches left.

Leave a 6" tail, cut yarn, thread onto darning needle and weave in and out of the last stitches, pull tight to close hole.

The frill:

Change yarn and hook size if necessary.

Working from the top centre and into every exposed Front Loop on the urchin, make 3 or 4sc into every loop.

The number of st needed will vary depending on the thickness of the yarn/thread or how much of the urchin body that you want to show through.

Make 3sc in each st of the 1st 2 rounds and then st 4sc in each t on the other rounds to the end.

