Free Crochet Pattern
Lion Brand® Hometown USA®
Candy Cane Crochet Tree Skirt
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SKILL LEVEL: Easy (Level 2)

SIZE: One Size

About 41 in. (104 cm) in diameter

CORRECTIONS: None as of Oct 31, 2014. To check for later updates, click here.
MATERIALS
- 135-172 Lion Brand Hometown USA Yarn: Oklahoma City Green
    6 Balls (A)
- 135-170 Lion Brand Hometown USA Yarn: Las Vegas Gold
    1 Ball (B)
- 135-098 Lion Brand Hometown USA Yarn: Houston Cream
    2 Balls (C)
- 135-114 Lion Brand Hometown USA Yarn: Tampa Spice
    1 Ball (D)
- Lion Brand Crochet Hook - Size J-10 (6 mm)
- Lion Brand Large-Eye Blunt Needles (Set of 6)
- Additional Materials
  Crochet hook size L-11 (8 mm)
  5 x 7 in. (12.5 x 18 cm) piece of cardboard

Hometown USA (Article #135).
Solids, Multis, Neons and Team: *100% Acrylic*
Tweeds: *94% Acrylic, 6% Rayon; package size:* **Solids:** *5 oz. (142 g), 81 yd. (74 m)*
Multis, Tweeds, Neons, and Team: *4 oz. (113 g), 64 yd. (59 m)*

GAUGE:

8 sc = 4 in. (10 cm) with larger hook.

When you match the gauge in a pattern, your project will be the size specified in the pattern and the materials specified in the pattern will be sufficient. The needle or hook size called for in the pattern is based on what the designer used, but it is not unusual for gauge to vary from person to person. If it takes you fewer stitches and rows to make your swatch, try using a smaller size hook or needles; if more stitches and rows, try a larger size hook or needles.

Making a Gauge Swatch

STITCH EXPLANATION:

sc2tog (sc 2 sts together) (Insert hook in next st and draw up a loop) twice, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook – 1 st decreased.

rev sc (reverse single crochet) Single crochet worked from left to right (right to left, if left-handed). Insert hook into next stitch to the right (left), under loop on hook, and draw up a loop. Yarn over, draw through all loops on hook.

NOTES:

1. Five Panels are worked, then sewn together to make Skirt.
2. Trees, Candy Canes, Tassels and other embellishments are worked separately then sewn to the completed Skirt.
3. When you see "– 12 sts" in the instructions, this lets you know how many sts you will have at the end of that specific row.

TREE SKIRT PANELS (make 5)

With larger hook and A, ch 37.

Row 1 (RS): Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across – 36 sc.

Row 2: Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Row 3 (Decrease): Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in each sc to last 2 sc, sc2tog – you will have 34 sts at the end of this row.

Row 4: Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Rows 5-18: Rep Rows 3 and 4 – 20 sts at the end of Row 18.

Rows 19-21: Rep Row 4.

Note: An sc border is worked on each color section of Panel.

For this border, the designer worked one sc per each row – but your tension may vary! Work as many sc's as you like to create a tidy edge – then just make a note of the number of sc's you worked and be sure to work the same number on the other Panels.

Border Row (RS): Turn to work along side edge of Panel. Work 21 sc evenly spaced along side edge down to foundation ch; turn to work along opposite side of foundation ch and work 36 sc evenly spaced across lower edge; turn to work along side edge and work 21 sc evenly spaced along side edge.
Fasten off.

From WS, join B with sl st in last st of Row 21.

Row 22 (WS): Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Row 23: Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in each sc to last 2 sc, sc2tog – 18 sc.

Rows 24-31: Rep Rows 22 and 23 – 10 sts at the end of Row 31.

Border Row (RS): Turn to work along side edge of Panel and work 10 sc evenly spaced along ends of Rows 31-22.
Fasten off.

From RS, join B with sl st in end of Row 22. Work 10 sc evenly spaced along ends of Rows 22-31.
Fasten off.

From WS, join C with sl st in last st of Row 31.

Row 32 (WS): Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Row 33: Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in each sc to last 2 sc, sc2tog – 8 sc.

Rows 34-37: Rep Rows 32 and 33 – 4 sts at the end of Row 37.

Border Row (RS): Turn to work along side edge, work 6 sc evenly spaced across ends of Rows 37-32.
Fasten off.

From RS, join C with sl st in end of Row 32.

Work 6 sc evenly spaced across ends of Rows 32-37.
Fasten off.

FINISHING

Sew 5 Panels tog along sides, matching color sections and leaving one seam unsewn.

Candy Canes (make 3)
With smaller hook and C, ch 40.
Row 1: Work 4 sc in 2nd ch from hook, 2 sc in next ch and in each ch to last ch, sl st in last ch.
Fasten off.
Rep to make a second piece with D.
Twist C and D pieces around each other to make Candy Cane.
Sew a few sts through pieces to hold the twist.
Sew a Candy Cane to center of first, third and fifth Panels.

Trees (make 2)
With smaller hook and C, ch 28.
Row 1: Dc in 4th ch from hook and in next 3 ch, hdc in next 4 ch, sc in next 4 ch, 3 sc in next ch, sc in next 4 ch, hdc in next 4 ch, dc in next 4 ch.
Rows 2 and 3: Ch 4, turn, tr in next 3 sts, dc in next 3 sts, hdc in next 3 sts, sc in next 3 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts, hdc in next 3 sts, dc in next 3 sts, tr in next 3 sts, tr in top of beg ch.
Fasten off, leaving a long yarn tail.
Fold Tree in half along foundation ch and with long yarn tail, sew together to make Tree.

Trunk (make 2)
With smaller hook and D, ch 8.
Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across — 7 sc.
Row 2: Ch 1, turn, working in back loops only, sc in each sc across.
Row 3: Ch 1, turn, working through both loops, sc in each sc across.
Rows 4 and 5: Rep Rows 1 and 2.
Fasten off, leaving a long yarn tail.

Stars (make 2)
With smaller hook and B, ch 2.
Rnd 1: Work 5 sc in 2nd ch from hook; join with sl st in first sc.
Rnd 2: Ch 2, sc in 2nd ch from hook (picot made), sl st in same sc as joining, *sl st in next sc, ch 2, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sl st in same sc; rep from * 3 more times; join with sl st in first sc.
Fasten off, leaving a long yarn tail.

Sew a Tree to centers of second and fourth Panels. Sew a Trunk at the lower edge of each Tree and a Star to the top of each Tree.

Top Edging
From RS with larger hook, join C with a sl st at top corner of Tree Skirt. Work rev sc evenly spaced around top edge.
Fasten off.
Lower Edging
From RS with larger hook, join A with a sl st at at lower corner of Tree Skirt. Work rev sc evenly spaced around lower edge.
Fasten off.

Ties (make 6: 4 with C and 2 with B)
With larger hook, ch 18, sl st in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across.
Fasten off, leaving a long yarn tail.
With yarn tails sew Ties to open edges of Skirt – sewing C Ties to top and lower edge of C section of Skirt and B Ties to lower edge of B section.

Tassels (make 4: 2 each with C and D)
Wrap yarn 40 times around the 5 in. (12.5 cm) side of cardboard. Cut a 12 in. (30.5 cm) length of yarn and thread into blunt needle. Insert needle under all strands at upper edge of cardboard. Pull tightly and knot securely near strands. Cut yarn loops at lower edge of cardboard.

Tassel Wrap
With larger hook, ch 12, sl st in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across.
Fasten off.
Wrap around Tassel 1 in. (2.5 cm) below top edge and knot.
Trim Tassel ends evenly.
Alternating colors of Tassels, sew a Tassel to each Panel seam along lower edge of Skirt.
Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS / REFERENCES	
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beg = begin(s)(ning)	ch(s) = chain(s)
dc = double crochet	dec = decreas(e)(s)(ing)
hdc = half double crochet	rem = remain(s)(ing)
rep = repeat(s)(ing)	RS = right side
sc = single crochet	sl st = slip stitch
st(s) = stitch(es)	tog = together
tr = treble (triple) crochet	WS = wrong side

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