



Free Crochet Pattern

Gingerbread House Ornament



Pattern #-

M23245 TCDK

Yarn-

Lion Brand® 24/7 Cotton® Dk

SKILL LEVEL – EASY

SIZES

About 3 1/2 in. (9 cm) tall

MATERIALS

- LION BRAND® 24/7 COTTON® DK (Art. #769)
 - #127 Cacao 1 ball (A)
 - #305 Star 1 ball (B)
- LION BRAND® large-eyed blunt needle



ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

Crochet hook size D-3 (3.25 mm)

Fiberfill stuffing

Cardboard, at least 5 x 5 in. (12.5 x 12.5 cm)

GAUGE

6 sc + 7 rnds/rows = about 1 in. (2.5 cm).

BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

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.

TECHNIQUE EXPLANATIONS

Magic Ring Wrap yarn around index finger. Insert hook into ring on finger, yarn over and draw up a loop. Carefully slip ring from finger and work the sts of Rnd 1 into the ring.

Surface Crochet Insert hook in desired st (where your surface crochet will begin), place loop of yarn onto hook; pull loop of yarn up through to the top side of the piece; * insert hook in next desired st; yarn over and pull up a loop, pulling it through the piece and the loop on hook; rep from * until your surface crochet is complete.

NOTES

1. Gingerbread House is worked in steps. First, the Lower Structure is worked in joined rnds. Triangular Upper Front and Upper Back sections are worked, back and forth in rows, directly onto top edge of Lower Structure. Roof is then worked, back and forth in rows, directly onto a top edge of Lower Structure between Upper Front and Back. Edges of Roof are sewn to Upper Front and Back and opposite edge of Lower Structure.
2. Hanging Loop is made from a length of crochet chain sewn to top of House.
3. One ball of yarn A is sufficient to make about 7 Houses.

SAFETY NOTE

This piece is not a toy! Never leave a baby or child unattended with this project!

GINGERBREAD HOUSE

Lower Structure

With A, make a magic ring.

Base

Rnd 1: Work (2 sc in ring, ch 2) 4 times; join with sl st in first sc — you will have 8 sc and 4 ch-2 sps in this rnd.

Note: Work first st of every rnd in same st as joining sl st.

Rnd 2: Ch 1, * sc in next 2 sts, (sc, ch 2, sc) in next ch-2 sp; rep from * around; join with sl st in first sc – 16 sc and 4 ch-2 sps.

Rnd 3: Ch 1, sc in next 3 sts, (sc, ch 2, sc) in next ch-2 sp, * sc in next 4 sts, (sc, ch 2, sc) in next ch-2 sp; rep from * 2 more times, sc in last st; join with sl st in first sc – 24 sc and 4 ch-2 sps.

Rnds 4-6: Ch 1, * sc in each st to next ch-2 sp, (sc, ch 2, sc) in ch-2 sp; rep from * 3 more times, sc in each st to end of rnd; join with sl st in first sc – 48 sc and 4 ch-2 sps in Rnd 6.

Rnd 7: Working in back loops only, sc in each st around, skipping all ch-2 sps; join with sl st in first sc – 48 sc.

Sides

Rnds 8-15: Working in both loops, sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc.

Fasten off.

Upper Front

Row 1 (RS): From RS, draw up a loop of A in 8th st of last rnd, ch 1, sc in same st and in next 11 sts; leave rem sts unworked – 12 sc.

Row 2: Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog – 10 sc.

Rows 3-5: Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in each st to last 2 sts, sc2tog – 4 sc in Row 5.

Row 6: Ch 1, turn, (sc2tog) twice – 2 sc.

Row 7: Ch 1, turn, sc2tog – 1 sc.

Fasten off.

Upper Back

Row 1 (RS): From RS, skip next 12 unworked sts following Row 1 of Upper Front, draw up a loop of A in next unworked st, ch 1, sc same st and in next 11 sts; leave rem sts unworked – 12 sc.

Rows 2-7: Work same as Rows 2-7 of Upper Front.

Fasten off.

Upper Border

From RS, draw up a loop of B in first st of Row 1 of Upper Front, work 7 sc evenly spaced up edge of Upper Front to tip, work 3 sc in tip, work 7 sc evenly spaced down next edge of Upper Front working last st in last st of Row 1 Upper Front.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Rep upper border along top of Upper Back.

With crochet hook and B, using photograph as a guide, outline the door and windows with surface crochet.

With blunt needle and B, using photograph as a guide, embroider 3 lazy daisy flowers above the door and 2 below the windows. Embroider a French knot, with a single wrap, at the center of each flower.

Roof

Row 1 (RS): From RS, draw up a loop of B in first unworked st following Row 1 of Upper Front, ch 1, sc in same st and in next 11 sts – 12 sts.

Rows 2-7: Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across.

Fasten off.

HANGING LOOP

With B, leaving a long beginning tail, ch 33 very tightly.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing Loop to Roof.

FINISHING

Using photograph as a guide and yarn tails still attached to pieces whenever possible, assemble Gingerbread House as follows:

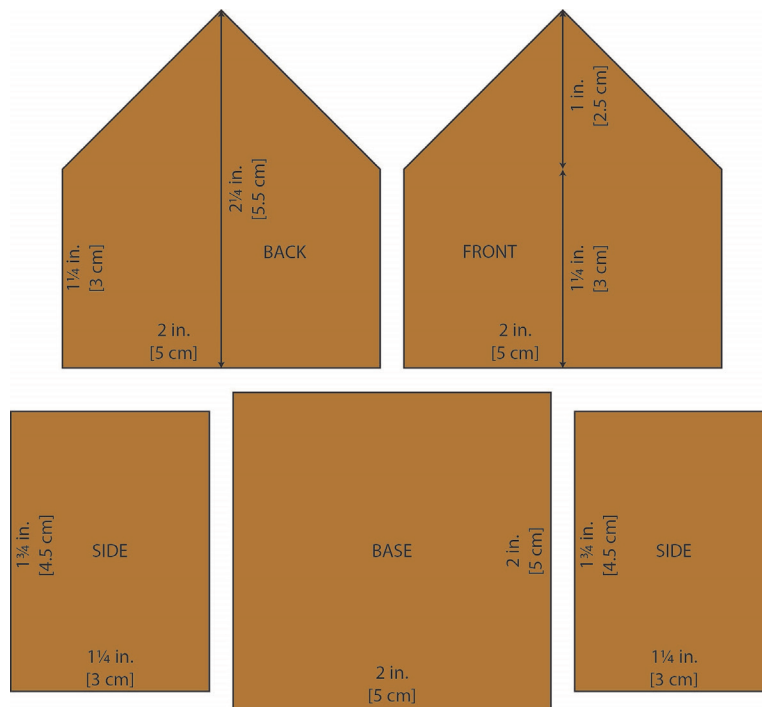
Cut pieces of cardboard following diagram and insert cardboard pieces into House to make a sturdy structure. Stuff piece and continue stuffing until piece is complete.

With B, sew sides of Roof to Upper Side Borders.

Sew last row of Roof to remaining unworked sts of top edge of Lower Structure.

With yarn tail, sew Hanging Loop to top of Roof.

Weave in ends.



ABBREVIATIONS

ch = chain

ch-sp(s) = chain space(s) previously made

rem = remain(ing)

rep = repeat

rnd(s) = round(s)

RS = right side

sc = single crochet

sl st = slip stitch

st(s) = stitch(es)



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