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Christmas Crochet Along



"MERRY KITTEN"

designed by





SIZE 12 cm

TOOLS AND MATERIALS

Rico Ricorumi dk Shade 002 (cream) 25g Shade 003 (light grey) 25g Shade 048 (olive) 25g Ricorumi Lamé dk Shade 002 (gold) 10g Rico Design Embroidery Strand Shade 296 (black) 8 m Ricorumi hook 3 mm 2 Rico eye buttons 5 mm diameter Rico synthetic stuffing Rico stitch markers Rico embroidery needle

TENSION

25 dc and 26 rows = 10 x 10 cm

HEAD

Rnd 1: In light grey, working into magic ring, 6 dc. Rnd 2: 2 dc into next st, 6 times. 12 sts. Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 18 sts. Rnd 4: [2 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 24 sts. Rnd 5: [3 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 30 sts. Rnd 6: [4 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 36 sts. Rnd 7 – 12: 36 dc. Rnd 13: [4 dc, dec2tog] 6 times. 30 sts. Rnd 14: [3 dc, dec2tog] 6 times. 24 sts.

Insert eye buttons between rnds 10 - 11. For this, stab the button between two st, 6 stts apart, and sew it on firmly at the wrong side. Use black embroidery strand to embroider nose between rounds 10 and 11, 2 sts wide. Sew an inverted "v" for the mouth over rnd 11. The base of the mouth should be 2 sts wide.

Rnd 15: [2 dc, dec2tog] 6 times. 18 sts. Rnd 16: [dc, dec2tog] 6 times. 12 sts. Fill firmly with stuffing. Rnd 17: [dec2tog] 6 times. 6 sts. Fasten off and break yarn. Weave thread through remaining sts, pull tight and weave in ends.

BODY

Rnd 1: In light grey, working into magic ring, 6 dc. Rnd 2: 2 dc into next st, 6 times. 12 sts. Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 18 sts. Rnd 4: [2 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 24 sts. Rnd 5: [3 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 30 sts. Rnd 6 – 10: 30 dc.

Rnd 11: [8 dc, dec2tog] 3 times. 27 sts.

Rnd 12: [7 dc, dec2tog] 3 times. 24 sts.

Rnd 13: [2 dc, dec2tog] 6 times. 18 sts.

Rnd 14: [4 dc, dec2tog] 3 times. 15 sts.

Rnd 15: [3 dc, dec2tog] 3 times. 12 sts.

SI st in next st. Fasten off and break yarn. Do not close at the top.

Fill firmly with stuffing. Pin head onto body and sew firmly in place over rounds 16-17 of the head.

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ARM (MAKE 2)

Rnd 1: In cream, working into magic ring, 7 dc. Rnd 2 – 3: 7 dc. Change yarn. Rnd 4: In light grey, 7 dc. Rnd 5 – 6: 7 dc.

Do not fill arm with stuffing. Hold 2 sides together and work 3 dc through both sides to close the opening. Fasten off and break yarn. Pin both arms onto body and sew in place between rounds 14-15, 5 stitches apart in the front.

FOOT (MAKE 2)

In cream, ch 4. Rnd 1: Working on one side of the foundation ch, starting in the second chain from hook, 2 dc, 3 dc into next ch, 1 dc, 2 dc into next ch. 8 sts. Rnd 2: 8 dc. Change yarn. Rnd 3: In light grey, [2 dc into next st, 3 dc] 2 times. 10 sts. Rnd 4: 9 dc. Leave the remaining st unworked. 9 sts.

The 9th st of rnd 4 is the new end of the rnd.

Rnd 5: [dec2tog, 3 dc] 2 times. 8 sts. Rnd 6: [dec2tog, 2 dc] 2 times. 6 sts.

Fasten off and break yarn. Weave thread through remaining sts, pull tight. The decreases made in rounds 5 and 6 are the sides of the foot. Bring the yarn tail out between rnds 5 and 6 along one side of the foot to sew it to the body. Pin both feet flat onto the body and sew each foot over rnds 5 - 9 of the body. The inner top corners of the feet should be 4 sts apart, the inner bottom corners should be 5 sts apart. Only sew on the inner side of each foot that is against the body to prevent sts from being seen on the outer side.

EAR (MAKE 2)

Rnd 1: In light grey, working into magic ring, 6 dc. Rnd 2: [1 dc, 2 dc into next st] 3 times. 9 dc. Rnd 3: [2 dc, 2 dc into next st] 3 times. 12 dc. Rnd 4: [3 dc, 2 dc into next st] 3 times. 15 dc. Rnd 5: 15 dc.

Hold 2 sides together and work 7 dc through both sides to close the opening.

Fasten off and break yarn. Pin both onto head and sew in place with each ear over rounds 5-9 of the head. The inner corners of the ears should be 6 sts apart, the outer corners should be 16 stitches apart.

TAIL

Rnd 1: In light grey, working into magic ring, 6 dc. Rnd 2 – 14: 6 dc.

Hold 2 sides together and work 3 dc through both sides to close the opening.

Fasten off and break yarn. Pin the tail onto back of body and sew in place between rnds 4 and 5, centralised between the legs and arms. Sew extra sts along the tail to hold the lower third of the tail against the body.

HAT

Start with a long yarn tail. Rnd 1: In olive, working into magic ring, 4 dc. Rnd 2: [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] 2 times. 6 sts. Rnd 3: 6 dc. Rnd 4: [1 htr, 2 htr in next st] 3 times. 9 sts. Rnd 5: 9 htr.

Bring start yarn tail out between rnds 1 and 2 of the hat.

Rnd 6: [2 htr, 2 htr in next st] 3 times. 12 sts. Rnd 7: 12 htr.

Rnd 8: [3 htr, 2 htr in next st] 3 times. 15 sts. Rnd 9: 15 htr.

Rnd 10: [4 htr, 2 htr in next st] 3 times. 18 sts. Rnd 11: 18 htr.

Rnd 12: [5 htr, 2 htr in next st] 3 times. 21 sts. Rnd 13: 21 htr.

Rnd 14: [6 htr, 2 htr in next st] 3 times. 24 sts. Rnd 15: 24 htr.

Rnd 16: [7 htr, 2 htr in next st] 3 times. 27 sts. Rnd 17: 27 htr.

Rnd 18: [8 htr, 2 htr in next st] 3 times. 30 sts. Rnd 19: 2 htr in next st, 4 htr, 2 htr in next st, ch 8 and skip next 8 st, 3 htr, ch 8 and skip next 8 st, 2 htr in next st, 4 htr. 33 sts.

Rnd 20: 7 htr, 2 htr in next st, 8 dc, 1 htr, 2 htr in next st, 1 htr, 8 dc, 2 htr in next st, 5 htr. 36 sts. Rnd 21: [8 dc, 2 dc in next st] 4 times. 40 sts.

After rnd 21, extra 2 dc. The second dc is the new end of the rnd. Change varn.

Rnd 22: In cream, working FLO, [9 dc, 2 dc in next

st] 4 times. 44 sts.

Rnd 23: [10 dc, 2 dc in next st] 4 times. 48 sts. Rnd 24 – 25: 48 dc.

SI st in next st. Fasten off and break yarn. Weave all yarn ends in, except for the start yarn tail.

Make a 25 mm pom pon with cream and gold yarn and sew to the tip of the hat.

Use the start yarn tail brought out between rounds 1 and 2 to sew the tip of the hat to just above the right earhole so that the hat is folded over. Pull the hat over the head with the ears through the earholes.

BOW

In gold, ch 32.

Rnd 1: SI st in first ch to create a circle, ch 2, starting in the same ch as the sI st, 32 htr. 32 sts. Rnd 2 - 4: 32 htr.

After rnd 4, 2 extra htr.

SI st in next st. Fasten off, leave a long tail and break yarn.

Wind yarn tails around middle of bow to squeeze the middle. Tie off at the back and weave the ends in.

CENTRE OF BOW

In gold, ch 11.



Row 1: Starting in the second chain from hook, 10 dc, ch 1, turn. 10 sts. Row 2: Starting in the second chain from hook, 10 dc. 10 sts.

Fasten off, leave a long tail and break yarn. Wrap the centre of bow around the middle of the bow. Sew the short edges together, leaving long yarn tails. Sew finished bow in place to the top middle of the body, below the head.





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SIZE 12.5 cm x 7 cm

TOOLS AND MATERIALS

Ricorumi dk Shade 002 (cream) 25 g Shade 029 (wine red) 25 g 3.5 mm Rico hook Rico stitch markers Rico tapestry needle

TENSION

22 dc and 24 rows = 10 x 10 cm

STOCKING

The stocking is worked beginning with the toe, then the heel, and then up to the top.

Rnd 1: In wine red, 6 dc in a magic ring.
Rnd 2: 2 dc in each st. 12 sts.
Rnd 3: [Dc, 2 dc] 6x around. 18 sts.
Rnd 4: [Dc in next 2 sts, 2 dc] 6x. 24 sts.
Rnd 5: [Dc in next 3 sts, 2 dc] 6x. 30 sts.
Rnds 6–17: Dc in each st around.
Do not fasten off, but leave red yarn attached.
You will pick it back up in round 18.

You will now work the heel of the stocking in

turned rows.

Rows 1–6: In cream, dc in next 15 sts, ch 1, turn. 15 sts.

Fasten off, and leaving a long tail, break the yarn. Fold the cream portion of the stocking so that the first and last stitch of row 6 match up. Use yarn tail to sew fold together, forming the heel of the stocking. Weave in end.

Rnd 18: Picking up wine red, dc evenly into the ends of the cream rows, with 2 dc in the first row of cream sts, 1 dc in each additional row and in the corner where the rows meet, and 2 dc in the last row of cream sts. Continue to dc in the unworked wine red stitches from round 17. 30 sts. Rnds 19–27: 30 dc.

Rnd 28: In cream, in FLO, dc in each st around. Rnds 29–30: 30 dc.

Ss in the first st of rnd 30. Ch 26, then ss in same first st of the round again. This creates a loop for hanging the stocking. Fasten off, break yarn, and weave in all ends.

ABBREVIATIONS (BRITISH TERMINOLOGY)

 $\label{eq:charge} \begin{array}{l} ch-chain \\ dc-double crochet \\ FLO-front loop only \\ rnd-round \\ sl st-slip stitch \\ st(s)-stitch(es) \end{array}$