

Mrs. Santa Towel Ring



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Materials:

- Worsted weight cotton yarn color: about 1 oz. each of red and white
- Crochet hook size G
- Red kitchen towel
- Two 2" lucite rings
- One 2 1/8" velour powderpuff
- Two 4mm black beads for eyes
- Pink embroidery floss
- Powder blush
- Small artist's paintbrush
- 3" of 20 gauge gold wire
- Small Christmas decoration
- Hot glue
- 1" Lucite ring

To work loop st: Insert hook in indicated st, wrap yarn twice around index finger holding work, insert hook into two loops formed by finger, yo and pull up a loop, yo and pull through both remaining loops on hook.

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Head

Stack one lucite ring on top of the other. With white, work 15 sc around both rings, then 20 sc around the top ring only, join

with a sl st to the first sc; turn. (The unworked 1/2 ring is the back.)

Collar

Row 1: Sl st in each of the first 5 sc, ch 3 to count as the first dc, dc in each of the next 11 sc leaving the remainder of stitches unworked; ch 1, turn.

Row 2: Sc in the first dc, (ch 3, sc in the next dc) 11 times. Fasten off.

Hair

Row 1: From the back, join white with a sl st in the first unworked sc on head, ch 1, loop st in the same st, loop st in each of next 18 unworked sc, loop st in each of the next 4 sl st's; fasten off. (23 loop st's)

Row 2: From the back, join color B with a sl st in the first loop st on row 1, ch 1, loop st in the same st, loop st in each loop st across, fasten off. (23 loop st's)

Arms

With red, ch 37.

Row 1: Dc in the 4th ch from hook and in each of the next 13 ch's, sc in each of the next 5 ch's, dc in each of the last 15 ch's; ch 3, turn.

Rows 2-3: Skip first dc, dc in each of the next 14 dc, sc in each of the next 5 sc, dc in each of the last 15 dc; ch 1, turn.

Row 4: Fold arms lengthwise to form a tube, matching stitches of row 3 to foundation chain, sl st through both the first 15 dc of row 3 AND the foundation ch to join, ch 3, matching stitches of row 3 to foundation chain, sl st through both the last 15 dc of row 3 AND the foundation ch to join. Fasten off.

Skirt Ruffle (towel trim)

With white make a ch the same length as the width of your towel, then ch 2 more.

Row 1: Dc in the 4th ch from hook and in each ch across; ch 1, turn.

Row 2: Sc in the first dc, (ch 3, sc in the next dc) across. Fasten off. Sew to bottom hem of towel.

Hat

With red ch 4; join with a sl st in the first ch to form ring.

Round 1: Ch 3 to count as the first dc, work 11 more dc in the ring; join with a sl st to the top of the beginning ch 3. (12 dc)

Round 2: Ch 3 to count as the first dc, dc in the same st as joining, 2 dc in each remaining dc around; join with a sl st to

the top of the beginning ch 3. (24 dc)

Round 3: Ch 3 to count as the first dc, 2 dc in the next dc, (dc in the next dc, 2 dc in the next dc) 11 times; join with a sl st to the top of the beginning ch 3. (36 dc)

Round 4: Ch 3 to count as the first dc, dc in the next dc, 2 dc in the next dc, (dc in each of the next 2 dc, 2 dc in the next dc) 11 times; join with a sl st to the top of the beginning ch 3. (48 dc)

Round 5: Ch 3 to count as the first dc, dc in each of the next 2 dc, 2 dc in the next dc, (dc in each of the next 3 dc, 2 dc in the next dc) 11 times; join with a sl st to the front loop only of the top of the beginning ch 3. (60 dc)

Round 6: Ch 4 to count as the first dc and the first ch 1, (dc in the front loop only of the next dc, ch 1) 59 times; join with a sl st to the 3rd ch of the beginning ch 4.

Round 7: (Sc in the next ch-1 sp, ch 3) 60 times; join with a sl st to the first sc. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Gathering hat: Thread a yarn needle with about 36" of yarn. Sew (with a double strand of yarn) through the unworked loops of round 5, sewing up through on st then down through the next, all the way around. Pull both ends of the yarn to gather the opening of the hat to about 2 1/2". Tie yarn ends to secure.

Face

Sew black beads to powder puff for eyes. Embroider mouth with embroidery floss. Using artist's brush, apply a little powdered blush to cheeks; blend well. Bend wire into "glasses" and tack to face.

Assembly

Weave in all ends. Push loop st hair away from ring. Hot glue powder puff face to the top ring. Arrange hair around face. Sew hat to back of hair, leaving the bottom of the hat loose. Sew one each end of the arms underneath each side of the collar. Sew decoration to "hands". Sew 1" ring to back of hat for hanging.

