

Quick 'n Easy Christmas Stocking



QUICK 'N EASY CHRISTMAS STOCKING

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This basic stocking takes just a little over an hour to crochet and assemble. Options for decorating the stocking are given following the pattern.



Materials:

You can get different looks for the basic stocking using different yarns.

My favorite for a “crushed velvet” look: 1 1/2 skeins of Lion Brand Chenille “Thick & Quick”

For a homespun look: 1 1/2 skeins Lion Brand Wool-Ease “Thick & Quick”

For a feminine, “boucle” look: 1 1/2 skeins Lion Brand Terry Spun

Alternate yarn: 2 or 3 strands of worsted weight yarn held together

Boye crochet hook size N (9.00 mm), or size needed to achieve gauge

Gauge: 6 stitches = 3 1/2”; 4 rows = 2” (using Chenille Quick & Thick) (Gauge note: Be sure to check gauge. It’s OK for your work to be a little bigger than gauge, but if your work is measuring smaller than gauge the stocking will be too narrow.)

Finished size: About 19” from toe to top; about 8” across the top using Chenille Quick & Thick. Size may vary with different yarns.

To work sc dec (single crochet decrease): Insert hook into the indicated stitch, yo, pull loop through. Keeping these 2 loops on the hook, insert the hook in the next stitch, yo, pull loop through; YO and draw through the 3 loops on the hook leaving 1 loop on the hook.

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Basic Stocking Pattern

Stocking is worked vertically, beginning at the heel and ending at the toe.

Make 2.

Ch 6.

Row 1: 2 sc in the 2nd ch from hook, sc in each of the next 4 chs; ch 20, turn

Row 2: Sc in the 2nd ch from hook and in each of the next 18 chs, sc in the next 5 sc, 2 sc in the last sc, ch 1, turn. (26 sc)

Row 3: 2 sc in the first sc, sc in the next 25 sc; ch 1, turn. (27 sc)

Row 4: Sc in 26 sc, 2 sc in the last sc; ch 1, turn. (28 sc)

Row 5: 2 sc in the first sc, sc in the next 27 sc; ch 1, turn. (29 sc)

Row 6: Sc in 28 sc, 2 sc in the last sc; ch 1, turn. (30 sc)

Row 7: 2 sc in the first sc, sc in the next 29 sc; ch 1, turn. (31 sc)

Row 8: Sc in 30 sc, 2 sc in the last sc; ch 1, turn. (32 sc)

Row 9: 2 sc in the first sc, sc in the next 31 sc; ch 1, turn. (33 sc)

Row 10: Sc in 32 sc, 2 sc in the last sc; ch 1, turn. (34 sc)

Row 11: 2 sc in the first sc, sc in the next 33 sc; ch 1, turn. (35 sc)

Row 12: Sc in 34 sc, 2 sc in the last sc; ch 1, turn. (36 sc)

Row 13: 2 sc in the first sc, sc in the next 35 sc; ch 1, turn. (37 sc)

Row 14: Sc in 36 sc, 2 sc in the last sc; ch 1, turn. (38 sc)

Row 15: Sc in 14 sc, sc dec over the next 2 sc; ch 1, turn. (15 sc)

Row 16: Sc dec over the first 2 sts, sc in the next 13 sc; ch 1, turn. (14 sc)

Row 17: Sc dec over the first 2 sts, sc in the next 10 sc, sc dec over the last 2 sts; ch 1, turn. (12 sc)

Row 18: Sc dec over the first 2 sts, sc in the next 8 sc, sc dec over the last 2 sts; ch 1, turn. (10 sc)

Row 19: Sc dec over the first 2 sts, sc in the next 6 sc, sc dec over the last 2 sts; ch 1, turn. (8 sc)

Row 20: Sc dec over the first 2 sts, sc in the next 4 sc, sc dec over the last 2 sts; ch 1, turn. (6 sc)

Row 21: Sc dec over the first 2 sts, sc in the next 2 sc, sc dec over the last 2 sts; ch 1, turn. (4 sc) Fasten off. Weave in ends

Assembly

Place one piece over the other piece, and line-up stitches evenly. With the toe pointing in the direction you prefer, sc through both pieces around the stocking, starting at the top of the toe side, and finishing at the top of the heel side, then ch 10, join with a sl st to the first ch, sl st in the next 9 chs; join with a sl st to the last sc; continue working 28 sc evenly around the top opening of the stocking; join with a sl st to the first sc. Fasten off. Weave in ends. You can use your stocking as is, or you can decorate it with ribbon, ribbon

