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Pattern of the Month

First place

Snowman

By Cathleen Hawks

DIRECTIONS

Easy

SIZE

7 inches tall x 4¾ inches in diameter

MATERIALS

- 4-ply yarn:
 - 4 oz Aran
 - 1 oz black
 - Scraps of hunter green and burgundy
- Crochet hook size E/4
- 6-oz cleaned tuna can
- 2 black 12mm buttons
- 2 red 8mm beads
- 2 thin 2-inch branches
- ¾-inch thin branch
- Fiberfill
- Hot-glue gun
- Yarn needle

GAUGE

4 sc = 1 inch; 4 sc rnds = 1 inch

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Sl st to join each rnd in beg sc; do not turn unless otherwise indicated.

BASE

Inside liner

Rnd 1: With Aran yarn, ch 2, 8 sc in 2nd ch from hook, join. (8)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in each sc around, join. (16)

Rnd 3: Ch 1, sc in sc, 2 sc in next sc, [sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] rep around, join. (24)

Rnd 4: Ch 1, [sc in each next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc] rep around, join. (32)

Rnd 5: Ch 1, [sc in next 3 sc, 22 sc in next sc] rep around, join. (40)



This smiling snowman has a secret! When you lift up his top half, you'll find a hiding place for sweets or small gifts.

Rnd 6: Ch 1, [sc in next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc] rep around, join. (48)

Rnds 7-10: Ch 1, sc in each sc around, join.

At the end of Rnd 10, fasten off.
Place liner inside tuna can.

Outer bottom

Rnds 1-6: Rep Rnds 1-6 of inside liner. (48)

Rnds 7-15: Ch 1, sc in each sc around, join.

At the end of Rnd 15, leaving a length of yarn, fasten off.

Place tuna can inside outer bottom, stuff with fiberfill between can and sides of outer bottom.

With yarn needle, matching sts, sew Rnd 15 of outer bottom to Rnd 10 of inside liner.

SNOWMAN

Body

Rnds 1-6: Rep Rnds 1-6 of inside liner. (48)

Rnds 7-11: Ch 1, sc in each sc around, join.

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in next sc, sc in next sc] 5 times, turn.

Row 16: Holding left and right fronts tog, right sides facing and matching sts, sl st across 11 sts, fasten off.

Back

Row 13 (Right side): Sk next 5 sc of Row 12, attach yarn in next sc, ch 1, sc in same sc as beg ch-1, sc in next 10 sc, turn. (11)

Rows 14–18: Ch 1, sc in next 11 sc, turn.

JOINING

Row 19: Holding left and right backs tog, right sides facing and matching sts, sl st across 11 sts, fasten off.

NECKLINE TRIM

Rnd 1 (Right side): Attach yarn in any sc of neckline, ch 1, sc evenly sp around neckline, skipping joining sl sts, sl st to join in beg sc, do not turn.

Rnd 2: Ch 1, reverse sc in each sc around, sl st to join in beg sc, fasten off.

SLEEVE RIBBINGS

Rnd 1 (Right side): Attach yarn in opposite side of foundation ch of sleeve, working around posts of sts of Rnd 1 of sleeve, ch 2, [fpdc around next sc, bpdc around next sc] rep around, sl st to join in top of beg ch-2, fasten off.

BOTTOM RIBBING

Rnd 1 (Right side): Attach yarn in any st of bottom of sweater, ch 3 (first dc), dc evenly sp around bottom edge including sl st rows, sl st to join in top of beg ch-3, do not turn.

Rnd 2: Ch 2, [fpdc around next dc, bpdc around next dc] rep around, sl st to join in top of beg ch-2, fasten off.

Place sweater on bear.

BOW

Ch 60, fasten off. Place tie around

head below ears and tie ends in a bow at front left edge. >€

Second Prize



"My grandmother taught me to crochet when I was young, but I retaught myself when I was in college," said Debbie Nicholas from Ogden, Utah. "I stay at home with my four kids and am active in

my church. In my spare time I love to crochet. I wanted to make something with the chenille yarn because it is so beautiful. But it's too expensive for me to make anything big, so a teddy bear sweater was just right!" Debbie told us that *Crochet World* is her favorite crochet magazine. We appreciate that a lot, Debbie!

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Rnd 12: Ch 1, [sc in next 4 sc, dec 1 sc over next 2 sc] rep around, join. (40)

Rnd 13: Ch 1, [sc in next 3 sc, dec 1 sc over next 2 sc] rep around, join. (32)

Rnd 14: Ch 1, [sc in next 2 sc, dec 1 sc over next 2 sc] rep around, join. (24)

Stuff body with fiberfill.

Head

Rnd 15: Ch 1, [sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc] rep around, join. (32)

Rnd 16: Ch 1, [sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc] rep around, join. (40)

Rnds 17–19: Ch 1, sc in each sc around, join.

Rnd 20: Ch 1, [sc in next 3 sc, dec 1 sc over next 2 sc] rep around, join. (32)

Rnd 21: Ch 1, [sc in next 2 sc, dec 1 sc over next 2 sc] rep around, join. (24)
Stuff head with fiberfill.

Rnd 22: Ch 1, [dec 1 sc over next 2 sc] rep around until opening is closed, fasten off.

HAT

Top

Rnd 1: With black yarn, ch 2, 8 sc in 2nd ch from hook, join. (8)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in each sc around, join. (16)

Rnd 3: Ch 1, sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] rep around, join. (24)

Rnd 4: Working in back lps for this rnd only, ch 3 (first dc), dc in each st around, sl st to join in top of beg ch-3.

Rnds 5 & 6: Ch 3 (first dc), dc in each dc around, sl st to join in top of beg ch-3.

Brim

Rnd 7: Working in front lps for this rnd only, ch 1, 2 sc in each st around, join. (48)

Rnd 8: Ch 1, [sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] rep around, join, fasten off. (72)

Stuff hat with fiberfill and glue to top of head.

SCARF

Holding 1 yard each burgundy yarn, hunter green yarn and Aran yarn tog, tie a knot 1 inch from end. Braid the 3 strands of yarn tog and knot 1 inch from end. Tie scarf around snowman neckline.

FINISHING

Glue buttons to center front of body Rnds 9 and 12.

For mouth, cut a 1-inch length

of black yarn; glue to head, curving ends for smile between Rnds 17 and 18.

For eyes, glue red beads between Rnds 20 and 21 (centered) above smiling mouth.

For arms, glue a 2-inch length of branch to each side of body.

For nose, glue rem branch between Rnds 18 and 19 centered above smiling mouth. >€

First Prize



"When I was 10, my grandmother taught me the basics of crocheting—single and double crochet," Cathleen Hawks of Edgewood, Md., told us. "After I was married, I taught

myself how to read patterns. From there I began to make my own designs." She's happily married and has a 9-year-old daughter, who was 3½ months premature, weighing only 2 pounds! Debbie is going to school for computer programming. She loves animals, crafts, computer games and reading.