



Week 3 - Snowman

Knitcraft Everyday DK in:

White

Light Blue

Teal

Orange

Crochet hook, 3.5mm

Small amount of polyester toy stuffing

1 pair of 7.5mm toy safety eyes (optional)

3 small black buttons, sewing thread and needle

Stitch marker

Tapestry needle

Card (optional for base)

Toy beads or pellets (optional for weight)

Tension

Is not critical for this project

Size

Approximately 13cm in height.

Abbreviations (UK terms)

Ch Chain/chain stitches

BLO Back loop only

Dc Double crochet

Dc2tog Double crochet 2 sts together: (insert hook into next st, yarn over and pull a loop through) twice, yarn over and pull through all 3 loops on hook.

FLO Front loop only

Rnd Round

St(s) Stitch/stitches

(...) Indicates a repeat sequence to be repeated as many times as stated

(... sts) Shows stitch count at end of row/rnd

Notes

- Snowman is made by working in the round, in a continuous spiral *without* joining each round with a slip stitch.
- It may help to use a stitch marker to mark the first stitch of the round, and move it up as you work.
- Instead of starting with a magic ring, you could ch2 and work Rnd 1 into the second ch from hook.

Body & Head

Using 3.5mm hook and White, make a magic ring.

Rnd 1: Ch1 (does not count as a st), 6dc into ring. (6 sts)

Rnd 2: 2dc in each st. (12 sts)

Rnd 3: (2dc in next st, 1dc) 6 times. (18 sts)

Rnd 4: (2dc in next st, 2dc) 6 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 5: In BLO 1dc in each st. (24 sts)

Rnds 6-12: Dc in each st. (24 sts)

If you want your decoration to be standing rather than hanging, then at this point take a piece of cardboard and draw around the base of your snowman. Cut out the circle (slightly smaller than the line drawn), and insert the card into the base. You could also insert a small amount of weighted toy pellets sewn into a fabric pouch to help it stand.

Stuff as you go.

Rnd: 13: (Dc2tog, 10dc) 2 times. (22 sts)

Rnd: 14: (Dc2tog, 9dc) 2 times. (20 sts)

Rnd: 15: (Dc2tog, 8dc) 2 times. (18 sts)

Rnd: 16: (Dc2tog, 7dc) 2 times. (16 sts)

Rnd: 17: (Dc2tog, 6dc) 2 times. (14 sts)

Rnd: 18: (Dc2tog, 5dc) 2 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 19: 2dc in each st. (24 sts)

Rnds 20-26: Dc in each st. (24 sts)

Making sure the decreases are at the sides of the body, if using safety eyes insert between rnds 23-24 and about 5 sts apart.

Rnd 27: (Dc2tog, 2dc) 6 times. (18 sts)

Rnd 28: (Dc2tog, 1dc) 6 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 29: (Dc2tog) 6 times. (6 sts)

Fasten off. Using the tail end and a tapestry needle sew around the last round and pull tight to close the hole.

Use a length of Light Blue and a tapestry needle to make rows of small horizontal stitches all over the body by weaving in and out of the spaces between the stitches, starting at the base and finishing at the neck. Pull the stitches gently so as not to distort the shape of the body (see image for guidance).

Scarf

Using 3.5mm hook and Light Blue, ch3.

Row 1: Dc in 2nd ch from hook, 1dc, turn. (2 sts)

Row 2: Ch1, 2dc, turn. (2 sts)

Change to Teal.

Rows 3-40: Ch1, 2dc, turn. (2 sts)

Change to Light Blue.

Rows 41-43: Ch1, 2dc, turn. (2 sts)

Fasten off and weave in ends.

Hat

Using 3.5mm hook and Teal, make a magic ring.

Rnd 1: Ch1 (does not count as a st), 6dc into ring. (6 sts)

Rnd 2: 2dc in each st. (12 sts)

Rnd 3: (2dc in next st, 1dc) 6 times. (18 sts)

Rnd 4: (2dc in next st, 2dc) 6 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 5: In BLO 1dc in each st. (24 sts)

Rnds 6-8: Dc in each st. (24 sts)

Rnd 9: In FLO (2dc in next st, 3dc) 6 times. (30 sts)

Rnd 10: (2dc in next st, 4dc) 6 times. (36 sts)

Rnd 11: (2dc in next st, 5dc) 6 times. (42 sts)

Fasten off and leave a long tail for sewing on.

Use a length of Orange and a tapestry needle to make small horizontal stitches over the vertical part of the hat, in the same way as for the body.

To make up

Stuff the the hat slightly, then sew in place on top of the head.

Make a couple of stitches in Orange for the nose.

Embroider eyes using image as a guide for placement. (See our video on embroidered eyes on the Knitcraft Instagram page for guidance).

Sew on the 3 small buttons on the snowman's body.

Tie the scarf around the neck.

To create a hanging loop, ch40 in Teal and attach to the top of the hat.