

Stocking Filler Pouches

This pattern is written in UK terms.

Hook size: 3mm hook throughout.

Yarn: Double knitting in your preferred brand.

Colour A - Red

Colour B - Black

Colour C - Gold

Colour D - Blue

Colour E - White

Abbreviations:

st(s) - stitch(es)

rnd(s) - round(s)

ch - chain

mr - magic ring

slst - slip stitch

dc - double crochet

htr - half treble crochet

twist-dc - twisted double crochet *

dc2tog - double crochet two together +

You will need:

- Sewing needle to make up
- Sewing scissors
- Tiny amount of stuffing for the tassels
- Stitch marker

Special Stitches:

*twist-dc - insert hook in st, yarn over hook and pull through a loop, twist hook around 360 degrees anti-clockwise while holding work steady, yarn over and pull through two loops on hook.

+dc2tog - insert hook in front loop only of next stitch, insert hook in front loop only of next st again, yarn over and pull through 2 front loops (2 loops should now be on the hook), yarn round hook and pull through all 3 loops ~ you have completed an invisible double crochet decrease.



Basic Pouch

Work in continuous rounds throughout without turning your work, placing a stitch marker on the first stitch of each rnd.

Using given colour, ch20.

Rnd1: htr in third ch from hook, htr in next 16sts, 3htr in next st, (working back down opposite side of chain) htr in next 16sts, 2htr in base of first st (38sts).

Rnd 2: ch2 (does not count as st throughout), htr in each st around, join with slst to top of first st in rnd (38sts).

Rnd 3-14: Repeat rnd 2.

Rnd 15: ch2, htr in next two sts, [ch1, skip next st, htr in next three sts] three times, ch1, skip next st, htr in next four sts, [ch1, skip next st, htr in next three sts] four times, ch1, skip next st, htr in next two sts, join with slst to top of first st in rnd (38sts).

Rnd 16: ch2, htr in every st and ch space around, join with slst to top of first st in rnd (38sts).

Rnd 17: ch1, twist-dc in every st around, join with slst to top of first st in rnd (38sts).

Fasten off, and weave in ends.

Tie:

Using given colour, ch65.

Rnd 1: Work slst in second st from hook and each st across, fasten off.

Bobbles (make two):

Using given colour, make a mr.

Rnd 1: Into mr, work ch1 (does not count as st), 6dc (6sts). Pull mr tightly closed at this point.

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

Rnd 3-4: dc in each st around (12sts).



Rnd 5: dc2tog six times (6sts).

Fasten off, leaving tail to sew, and stuff lightly.

To make up:

Before sewing bobbles to the tie, pass the tie through the pouch as shown in photo, weaving in and out of the chain spaces. In the photo to the right, arrows indicate how the tie should be passed through the pouch, solid arrows show when the tie is on the outside of the pouch and dotted arrows when the tie is inside the pouch.



Now to attach the bobbles to the tie, using sewing needle, pass tail yarn of one bobble through front loop of each st from rnd 5 of the bobble. Take the tie you've already made and weaved into the pouch, and push the end into the opening of the bobble, about three sts deep. While doing this, hide the yarn tails from the tie inside the bobble. Pull tight the bobble tail yarn so it holds the tie. Stitch through the centre of the tie with the bobble yarn a few times to secure the bobble. Fasten off. Repeat on other side of the tie with the other bobble.

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Santa

Make basic pouch using the following colours:

Rnd 1-5: Red

Rnd 6: Join black alongside red, work the row using both colours.

Make beginning ch2 using black for first ch and red for second ch.

Make the htr using the following method; red yarn round hook, insert hook in next st and pull through loop, black yarn round hook and pull through all three loops on hook. This will be fiddly but persevering makes a really smooth colour change!



Rnd 7: Work in the same method as rnd 6 with opposite colours, using black where rnd 6 uses red, and red where rnd 6 uses black.

Rnd 8-17: Red

Buckle:

Using gold, work in surface crochet ch sts in the shape of a buckle over the black row. Starting in bottom left corner of the buckle, work four sts horizontally, then three up vertically, then four back horizontally, and finally three down vertically to the start position. Fasten off and weave in ends.

For the tassel, make tie using white, and bobbles using red.

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Snowflake

Make basic pouch, using blue.

Make tie using white, and bobbles using blue.

Snowflake:

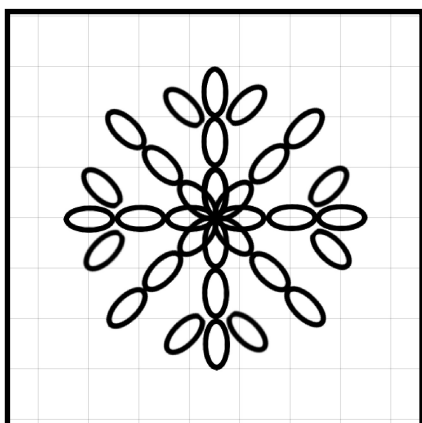
Using white, work in surface crochet ch sts. Work four lines of surface ch sts crossing over each other as seen in photo. Add two extra ch sts fanning out at the end of the horizontal vertical cross (or you can work these extra ch sts as embroidery sts if you prefer, it looks the same!). You will find a schematic pattern for the snowflake shape below as a guide.



Using a sewing needle and one strand of white yarn, work five small crosses surrounding the large centre snowflake to resemble small snowflakes.

Snowflake Chart

- Grey squares represent one htr on the main pouch.
- Ovals represent chains.
- Work this pattern in the centre of the pouch.



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Snowman

Make basic pouch using white.

Make tie and bobbles using red.

To make buttons (make three):

Using black, make mr.

Rnd 1: Into mr, work ch1, 6dc. Join to first st with a slst to close circle.

Fasten off, leaving tail to sew, and pull mr tightly closed.

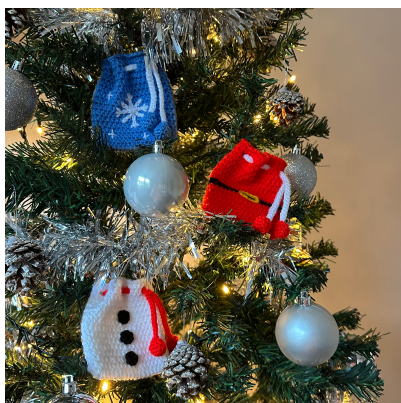


To make up:

Sew three buttons onto pouch as shown in picture. When sewing, catch only the front loops of the sts of the pouch to prevent seeing the sts from the inside of the pouch.

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You now have your own little stocking fillers! These pouches will hold whatever you see fit, I personally like filling them with chocolates. They also look great sitting on your tree!

You could use the basic pouch pattern to make a plain pouch in any colour you fancy, or use the method to work Santa's belt throughout to make the pouch in stripes. This would make them super versatile and great for holding mini gifts all year round!

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