

Cheery Christmas Gift Bags

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SKILL LEVEL

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FINISHED SIZES

Snowman: 7 inches tall

Penguin: 7 inches tall

Peppermint Bag: 6 inches tall

MATERIALS

- Red Heart Super Saver medium (worsted) weight yarn (7 oz/ 364 yds/198g per ball):
 - 1 skein each #311 white and #390 hot red
 - 3 oz #312 black
 - 10 yds #406 medium thyme
 - 1 yd each #512 turqua and #256 carrot
- Size G/6/4mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle
- Sewing needle
- Black sewing thread
- Stitch marker
- 6mm black buttons: 3
- 18mm carrot button
- Wrapped candy to fill bags



GAUGE

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

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Do not join rounds unless otherwise stated. Work in spiral using stitch marker to mark rounds.

All Gift Bags use the same Base Pattern.

BASE PATTERN

Rnd 1: Ch 2, 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook. (6 sc)

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each sc around. (12 sc)

Rnd 3: [Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] around. (18 sc)

Rnd 4: [Sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc] around. (24 sc)

Rnd 5: [Sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc] around. (30 sc)

Rnd 6: [Sc in each of next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc] around, sl st in first sc of rnd. (36 sc)

Rnd 7: Ch 1, working in **back lp** (see *Stitch Guide*), sc in each st around. (36 sc)

Rnd 8: Sk ch-1 of previous rnd, sc in each sc around. (36 sc)

Rnds 9–19: Sc in each sc around.

SNOWMAN

Rnds 1–19: Rep rnds 1–19 of Base Pattern with white.

Rnd 20: [Sc in each of next 4 sc, **sc dec** (see *Stitch Guide*) in next 2 sc] 6 times. (30 sc)

Rnd 21: [Sc in each of next 3 sc, sc dec in next 2 sc] 6 times. (24 sc)

Rnd 22: Sc in each sc around.

HEAD

Rnd 23: [Sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc] around. (30 sc)

Rnd 24: [Sc in each of next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc] around. (36 sc)

Rnds 25–29: Rep rnd 22.

Rnd 30: [Sc in each of next 4 sc, sc dec in next 2 sc] 6 times. (30 sc)

Rnd 31: [Sc in each of next 3 sc, sc dec in next 2 sc] 6 times, sl st in next sc, fasten off. (24 sc)

HAT

Rnd 1: With hot red, leaving a 45-inch length at beg, join with sl st in same sc as finishing sl st on Head, sc in next sc, place st marker, sc in each rem sc around. (24 sc)

Rnd 2: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 3: **Fpdc** (see *Stitch Guide*) around each sc 2 rnds below.

Rnd 4: Working through both thicknesses, back lps of rnd 3 and back lps of rnd 2, sc in each st around. (24 sc)

Rnds 5–9: Rep rnd 2.

Rnd 10: Ch 1, [sk next sc, sc in next sc, ch 1] around, **do not join**.

Rnd 11: Work 2 sc in each ch-1 sp around. (24 sc)

Rnds 12–14: Rep rnd 2. At the end of rnd 14, sl st in next st, fasten off.

HAT TRIM

Rnd 15: Working with rem beg 45-inch length, working between rnds 31 of Head and rnd 1 of Hat, sl st in each st around, covering the transition from Head to Hat, fasten off.

Three times the fun to bag your holiday treats.



DRAWSTRING

With hot red, ch 41, sl st in 2nd ch from hook, sl st in each rem ch across, fasten off.

Weave Drawstring through ch-1 sps of rnd 10 of Drawstring Opening.

Cut 12 lengths of hot red each 6 inches long.

Fold 6 strands in half. Insert hook in end of Drawstring, draw strands through at fold to form a lp on hook, draw cut ends through lp on hook, pull gently to secure, rep Fringe on opposite end of Drawstring.

SCARF

Row 1: With medium thyme, ch

41, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, fasten off.

Cut 6 strands of medium thyme each 6 inches long. Fold 1 strand in half, insert hook in end of Scarf, draw strand through at fold to form a lp on hook, draw cut ends through lp on hook, pull gently to secure, rep 2 more fringe on same end of Scarf. Work 3 more fringe on opposite end of Scarf. Tie Scarf around neck.

FINISHING

Sew carrot nose to center front over rnd 26 of Head. With black, embroider straight stitch for each eye evenly sp above nose between rnds 28 and 29. With

black, work a ch stitch smiling mouth between rnds 23–25 of Head centered below nose.

Sew buttons at center front of body over rnds 9, 12 and 15.

PENGUIN

Rnds 1–19: Rep rnds 1–19 of Base Pattern with black.

Rnds 20–25: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 26: [Sc in each of next 4 sc, sc dec in next 2 sc] 6 times. (30 sc)

Rnd 27: [Sc in each of next 3 sc, sc dec in next 2 sc] 6 times, sl st in next sc, fasten off. (24 sc)

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HAT

Rnds 1–13: Rep rnds 1–13 of Snowman Hat. (24 sc)

HAT TRIM

Rnd 14: Working with rem beg 45-inch length, working between rnds 31 of Head and rnd 1 of Hat, sl st in each st around covering the transition from Head to Hat, fasten off.

DRAWSTRING

With hot red, ch 41, sl st in 2nd ch from hook, sl st in each rem ch across, fasten off.

Weave Drawstring through ch-1 sps of rnd 10 of Drawstring Opening.

Cut 12 lengths of hot red each 6 inches long.

Fold 6 strands in half. Insert hook in end of Drawstring, draw strands through at fold to form a lp on hook, draw cut ends through lp on hook, pull gently to secure, rep Fringe on opposite end of Drawstring.

BELLY

Row 1: With white, ch 12, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (11 sc)

Rows 2–8: Ch 1, sk first sc, sc in each sc across, sc in ch-1, turn. (11 sc)

Row 9: Ch 1, sk first sc, sc in each of next 9 sc, leaving rem st unworked, turn. (9 sc)

Row 10: Ch 1, sk first sc, sc in each of next 3 sc, sc dec in next 2 sc, sc in each of next 3 sc, turn. (7 sc)

Row 11: Ch 1, sk first sc, sc in each of next 6 sc, turn. (6 sc)

Row 12: Ch 1, sk first sc, sc dec in next 2 sc, sc in next sc, sc

dec in next 2 sc, leaving 24-inch length, fasten off.

Position Belly at center front and sew between rnds 9–21 of Base Pattern.

FINISHING

With carrot, embroider beak with straight stitches centered above Belly over rnd 23. With length of turqua, embroider eyes with 2 straight stitches over rnd 26 with $\frac{5}{8}$ -inch sp between eyes.

PEPPERMINT

Note: Hold non-working yarn to back encasing it with working yarn in sc sts.

Rnds 1–6: Rep rnds 1–6 of Base Pattern with hot red. (36 sc)

Rnd 7: Working in back lps, with white, [sc in each of next 4 sc, **change color** (see *Stitch Guide*) to hot red, sc in each of next 5 sc, change color to white] 4 times. (36 sc)

Rnds 8–23: Beg with white, [sc in each of next 4 sc, change color to hot red, sc in each of next 5 sc, change color to white] 4 times. (36 sc)

Rnd 24: Drop white, with hot red, ch 1, [sk next sc, sc in next sc, ch 1] around, **do not join**.

Rnd 25: Beg with white, 2 sc in each of next 2 ch-1 sps, [with hot red, 2 sc in each of next 2 ch-1 sps, 1 sc in next ch-1 sp, with white, sc in same sp as last sc, 2 sc in each of next 2 ch-1 sps] around.

Rnds 26 & 27: Rep rnd 8.

DRAWSTRING

With hot red, ch 41, fasten off, join white with sl st in first ch, sl st in each rem ch across, fasten off.

Weave Drawstring through ch-1 sps of rnd 24.

Cut 6 lengths each of hot red

and white each 6 inches long.

Fold 3 strands each hot red and white in half. Insert hook in end of Drawstring, draw strands through at fold to form a lp on hook, draw cut ends through lp on hook, pull gently to secure, rep Fringe on opposite end of Drawstring.