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Easy Candy Cane (Crochet)

with YouTube Help Video

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Here's a quick and very easy candy cane to crochet. With just 2 rows of single crochet stitches, this crochet pattern is perfect for a beginner. A glue and water mixture then help the candy canes keep their shape. Check out the how-to video on the Naztazia YouTube channel here: https://youtube.com/naztazia And feel free to Pin photos or check out other info at: https://naztazia.com

Terminology:

CH = Chain	SC = Single Crochet
RPT = Repeat	ST = Stitch

Materials:

10 yards of 100% cotton worsted weight yarn. Sample used Sugar 'n Cream in the colors White, Red, and Mod Green. Size G - 4 or 4.25 mm crochet hook. Scissors. School glue (needs to dry clear in the end). Water. Craft bowl and spoon to mix glue and water. Plastic wrap to protect surface from glue mixture.

Size/Gauge:

Finished candy cane is 8" H x 3" W. Gauge is not important.

Instructions:

Watch the YouTube tutorial video here: https://youtube.com/naztazia Look for "Crochet Easy Candy Cane."

CANDY CANE RIBBONS

Make 2 ribbons, preferably in contrasting colors. Leave a 6" tail end. CH 47.

ROW 1: Skip first CH, make 1 SC in each ST across. Total = 46 SC. CH 1, turn. Measure width. Work should slightly stretch to almost 14".

ROW 2: SC in each ST across. Fasten off, leaving a 6" tail end. Do not weave in ends.

Prepare and stir a mixture of 75% glue and 25% water in a bowl (3/4 cup glue and 1/4 cup water work nicely). Add slightly more water if needed. Then prepare a flat surface with plastic wrap or a plastic bag on top of it.

Holding the tail ends of both ribbons, practice twisting them together while dry. Once you are satisfied with the look, you have the choice of dipping the entire twisted ribbon into the glue/water mixture or dip each strand separately and twist them together afterwards.

It is important to fully saturate both strips thoroughly. The key to the candy canes keeping their shape is the glue mixture.

Shape the work into a candy cane and lay it on the plastic-wrap surface. Spoon additional glue mixture carefully along the shape to ensure saturation.

Let dry for a day or so. The length of drying time is dependent upon the temperature and humidity level. Higher temperatures generally dry the glue faster. Lower humidity levels also help with the drying process. If the candy canes feel cool or slightly tacky to the touch, they are not fully dry. If the candy canes are fully dry but are not keeping their shape, repeat spooning the glue/water mixture over them and let them dry.

Once dried, cut off tail ends (the glue mixture should secure them) and enjoy!

