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Christmas Stocking (Crochet)

with YouTube Help Video

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The Crochet Christmas Stocking is a lovely handmade item and a holiday tradition. Plus, it is easy to make! Check out the how-to video on the Naztazia Facebook page here: https://facebook.com/naztazia or 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	HDC = Half Double Crochet	SLST = Slip Stitch
SP = Space	ST = Stitch	RPT = Repeat

Size/Gauge:

Finished size: 16" H x 11" W (6.5" boot's width, flat). Gauge is 14 STs & 9 ROWs = 4" SQ in HDC.

Materials:

230 yds worsted weight yarn in red (210 yds) and white (about 20 yds). Sample stocking used 100% acrylic yarn in red and a small amount in white. Size H 5 mm crochet hook. Scissors, yarn needle.

Instructions:

With white yarn, make a slipknot. CH 4. SLST to form a ring.

FOOT SECTION:

RND 1: CH 1 (does NOT count as a ST). 12 HDC in ring. SLST to first ST.

RND 2: CH 1. 2 HDC around. SLST to first ST. Total = 24 STs.

RND 3: CH 1. RPT [2 HDC, 1 HDC in next ST] around. SLST to first ST. Total = 36 STs.

RNDs 4-5: CH 1. 1 HDC around. SLST to first ST. Switch to red yarn.

RNDs 6-17: CH 1. 1 HDC around. SLST to first ST. Fasten off after RND 17, leaving a small tail end.

Fold FOOT SECTION in half with tail end at bottom. Place a slipknot with white yarn on hook. Count over (to the right if right-handed, vice versa for left) 10 STs from red tail end. SLST white yarn to FOOT SECTION.

HEEL SECTION:

This section is worked in ROWs, to form a U-shape in the work.

ROW 1: CH 1. HDC in same SP and next 20 STs. Total = 21 HDC.

ROWs 2-8: CH 1, turn. HDC in each ST across. After ROW 8, fasten off and leave a 15-inch tail end for sewing. Fold the FOOT SECTION in half again, with the red tail end at the bottom, and sew the back of the HEEL SECTION together with tail end.

BOOT SECTION:

This section is worked in RNDS again. Place a slipknot on hook with red yarn. SLST into top of seamed (sewn) section.

RND 1: CH 1. HDC in same SP. Over the next 8 end-of-rows, RPT [2 HDC, 1 HDC] on the white yarn HEEL SECTION. Over the red section (top of FOOT SECTION) make 1 HDC in each ST. Over the next 8 end-of-rows white yarn HEEL SECTION, RPT [1 HDC, 2 HDC]. SLST to first ST.

RNDs 2-17: CH 1. HDC in each ST around. SLST to first ST.

Change over to white yarn to form the folded-over cuff section.

RNDs 18-28: CH 1. HDC in each ST around. SLST to first ST.

Fasten off and weave in all ends.

LOOP SECTION:

Leave a 6-inch beginning tail end. CH 30. Fasten off, leaving a 6-inch tail end. Use the two tail ends to tie and knot the loop inside of the top part of the stocking.

