



Welcome back to Day 10!

Special Stitches:

Stacked Single Crochet (STSC) - We are using this in place of a turning chain so we have a visible stitch to SLST into at the end of the round. Without making a turning chain, insert your hook into the indicated stitch, YO and pull up a loop, YO and pull through both loops on your hook. Then insert your hook into the leg of the stitch furthest from your hook (far left leg if you are a right handed crocheter, far right leg if you are a left handed crocheter), YO and pull up a loop, YO and pull through both loops on your hook.

Bead Stitch (BST) - This stitch is worked around a previously made DC. To work this stitch, [YO and insert your hook behind the previous DC from front to back, YO and pull up a loop], repeat the steps in [] twice more, you should have 7 loops on your hook. YO and pull through the first 6 loops, YO and pull through the remaining loops.

Single Crochet 2 Together (SC2TOG) - Insert your hook into the indicated stitch, YO and pull up a loop, insert your hook into the next stitch, YO and pull up a loop. YO and pull through all 3 loops.

Pattern Instructions:

Round 1 - Make a MR and CH1. Place 8 SC into your ring. SLST to first SC to close the round, CH1 (8 SC)

Round 2 - Place 2 SC into each SC of round 1. SLST to first SC to close the round, CH1 (16 SC)

Round 3 - *Place 1 SC in the first stitch and 2 SC in the next stitch. Repeat from * around. SLST to first SC to close the round, DO NOT CHAIN (24 SC)

Round 4 - STSC in the first stitch (same stitch as joining) place a stitch marker in the top of this before proceeding - you'll need to find this stitch at the end of the round. BST around this STSC (this will be tricky, hold the base of the STSC for support). *Skip the next stitch, DC in the next stitch and BST around the post of the stitch just made. Repeat from * around. SLST to the top of your first BST (where your stitch marker is) to join the round. CH1 (12 BST)

Rounds 5 - SC in the first stitch and each stitch around. Join with a SLST to the first SC. DO NOT CHAIN (24 SC)

Rounds 6 - 9 - repeat rounds 4 & 5 twice more. Before moving on, tighten the magic ring and fasten off that tail.

Round 10 - Repeat round 4 one more time.

**** INSERT YOUR BAUBLE **** - we will be working around the bauble from now on as we close. Remove the metal top to make it easier to work around the ball.

Round 11 - Starting in the same stitch as joining, SC2TOG around. (12) At the end of the round, cut a long tail, pull it out through your stitch. Thread it onto your yarn needle and weave it through the tops of each stitch. Pull tight and FO.

Finishing - Replace the metal top of your bauble and decorate as you desire with ribbon, moss or greenery.