A Bauble a Day



Welcome back to Day 2!

Let's make a more delicate pattern today. This pattern uses V-Stitches to create a lacy pattern. Fill your ball with glitter or fake snow for a peek-a-boo bit of sparkle.

Pattern Notes:

- this pattern uses V-stitches of two different varieties to slowly increase and decrease around the bauble. To avoid confusion, the word "V-Stitch" isn't referenced, instead the instructions are written out in detail using standard abbreviations.
- all stitches are worked into chain spaces, do not work into any DC stitches.
- a CH3 at the beginning of a round counts as a DC and a CH1
- a CH4 at the beginning of a round counts as a DC and a CH2

Pattern Instructions:

Round 1 - Start with a MR. CH3 (counts as a DC + CH1 here and throughout), [DC, CH1] four more times into the ring. SLST to 2nd CH of beginning CH3 to join. (5DC, 5 CH1 spaces)

Round 2 - SLST into the CH1 space (this is the 3rd CH of beginning CH3), and CH3. [DC, CH1, DC] into the same chain space. *Skip next DC, [DC, CH1, DC, CH1, DC] into next CH1 space. Repeat from * around. SLST to 2nd CH of beginning CH3 to join. (15DC, 10 CH1 spaces)

Round 3 - SLST into the CH1 space. CH4 (counts as a DC + CH2 here and throughout) DC in same CH1 space. [DC, CH2, DC] into the next Ch1 space. *Skip the next 2 DC, [DC, CH2, DC] into the next 2 Ch1 spaces. Repeat from * around. SLST to 2nd CH of beginning CH4 to join. (20DC, 10 CH2 spaces)

Round 4 - SLST into the CH2 space. CH4 and DC in same CH2 space. *Skip the next 2 DC, [DC, CH2, DC] into the next Ch2 space. Repeat from * around. SLST to 2nd CH of beginning CH4 to join. (20DC, 10 CH2 spaces)

Rounds 5 & 6 - Repeat round 4.

Round 7 - SLST into the CH2 space. CH3 and DC into the same chain space. *Skip the next 2 DC, [DC, CH1, DC] into the next Ch2 space. Repeat from * around. SLST to 2nd CH of beginning CH3 to join. (20DC, 10 CH1 spaces)

At this point, take the time to tighten the magic ring and fasten off that tail.

** 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 8 - SLST into the CH1 space, CH2 (acts like a DC - optional: place a Stitch Marker in this so you can find it more easily later). *Skip the next 2 DC, DC in the next CH1 space. Repeat from * around. (10 DC). At the end of the round, cut a long tail, pull it out through your stitch. Thread it onto your yarn needle and join with an invisible stitch to the first CH2. Then weave your needle through each DC around, pull tight to close the top of your pattern, and weave in the end to secure. FO

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