CROCHET DECORATIONS

Make a mini Christmas jumper and crochet wreath.

Materials:

For the Christmas jumper you need at least two colours, I prefer to use white and a contrasting colour. They also look great in more than two colours!

For the wreath I used green and red. You will also need a needle for weaving in the tails and scissors. I used acrylic and hook size 3 or 4. You can use any material and matching hook size.

Some twine (28 cm), double knot the ends together and attach to wreath / jumper.



use as decorations for your tree or make a bunting!

Christmas wreath.

Make a chain of 15 chain stitches and join into the first stitch with a slipstitch to make a ring.

Round 1: make one chainstitch, and 26 single crochet stitches into the ring. Join to the first sc with a slipstitch to join.

Round 2: make 2 chainstitches, *make 2 double crochet in the next single crochet, make 1 double crochet in the next. Repeat from * all the way round. Then make an extra double crochet in the slipstitch used to join the last round. Join with a slipstitch to the second chain of the 2 chain stitches at the beginning of this round.



Round 3: make a chainstitch, make a single crochet in the same stitch as you made the joining slipstitch from round 2. *Make 3 chainstitches, skip a stitch and make a single crochet. Repeat from * all the way round. Join with a slipstitch to the first single crochet.

Make a chain of 70 or 75 chainstitches in red. Weave it through the double crochet stitches, by going over 2 double crochet, under 2 double crochet all the way round. Make a bow with both ends.

You can use a bit of twine to attache if you want to hang it.

Christmas jumper

With the white colour make 10 chainstitches and make a ring by making a slipstitch in the first chainstitch.

Round 1: make 2 chainstitches and 12 double crochet in the ring. Close with a slipstitch to the first double crochet. Move the double crochet stitches so they are nicely spread out around the ring.

Round 2: make 1 chainstitch and a sc in the same stitch as where you made the joining slipstitch. Make a single crochet in every double crochet. When you make your joining slipstitch to the first single crochet, change to the contrasting colour by doing your last yarn over from the slip stitch with the new colour.

Round 3: make 3 chainstitches, make a double crochet in the same stitch as where you made the joining slipstitch. (beginning v-stich made). *In the next single crochet make (1double

crochet, 1chainstitch, 1 double crochet, this is called a vstitch) repeat from * all the way round. Join with a slipstitch to the second chainstitch from the 3 at the beginning of this round. (12 v-stitches)

Round 4: slipstitch into the gap of the first v-stitch and change colour by doing the last yarn over with the white colour.

Make 3 chainstitches, make a double crochet in the same gap as where you made the slipstitch. (beginning v-stitch) *In the gap of the next v-stitch make (1 double crochet, 1chainstitch, 1 double crochet, (v-stitch)) repeat from * two more times. (you have made 4 v-stitches).



Looking at the 5th v-stitch: make a double crochet on the first double crochet, make 2 double crochets in the gap of the v-stitch, make a double crochet on the second double crochet of that v-stitch.

Do the same on the 6th v-stitch.

(these are the 8 double crochet stitches you will make the sleeve on).

Make 4 more v-stitches.

Looking at the 11th v-stitch: make a double crochet on the first double crochet, make 2 double crochets in the gap of the v-stitch, make a double crochet on the second double crochet of that v-stitch.

Do the same on the 12th v-stitch.

(these are the 8 double crochet stitches you will make the second sleeve

Join with a slipstitch to the second chainstitch from the 3ch at the beginning of this round.



Round 5: Slipstitch into the gap of the v-stitch and do your yarn over with the contrasting colour.

Make a beginning v-stitch and three more v-stitches.

Fold the jumper flat (see picture) and make a double crochet with the hook going in the second leg of the 4th v-stitch of row 4 and also through the first leg of the 5th v-stitch of row 4.



make 4 more v-stitches.



Make a double crochet with the hook going in the second leg of the 8th v-stitch of row 4 and also through the first leg of the 1st v-stitch of row 4. Join with a slipstitch to the second chainstitch from the 3ch at the beginning of this round.



Round 6: Slipstitch into the gap of the v-stitch and do your yarn over with the white colour.

Make a beginning v-stitch and 7 more v-stitches. Join with a slipstitch to the second chainstitch from the 3ch at the beginning of this round.



Round 7: Slipstitch into the gap of the v-stitch and do your yarn over with the contrasting colour.

Make a beginning v-stitch and 7 more v-stitches. When you join with a slipstitch to the second chainstitch from the 3ch at the beginning of this round, do your yarn over hook with the white colour.

Round 8: chain 1, and make a single crochet (sc) in the same stitch as where you made your joining slip stitch. Make a sc on every double crochet and in every gap of the v-stitch, all the way round and join with a slipstitch to the first sc.

Cut off all the tails and weave them in.

Making the sleeves.

With the contrasting colour make three rounds of double crochet stitches on the 8 white double crochet stitches on both sides of the jumper. Finish with a round of white sc stitches. Weave in all the tails. Attach the twine.



Hope you enjoy making them as much as I do!