CROCHET POPCORN GARLAND: POPCORN AND BERRY GARLAND

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Printable pattern, adapted in my own words from the free Crafting Happiness design listed in sources.txt. US crochet terms.

SKILL LEVEL

Easy

MATERIALS

- DK yarn (light worsted, number 3) in white and red: Marriner Yarns DK. The source gives no total yarn amount, so no yardage is stated here.
- Crochet hook: 4 mm
- Sewing needle
- Scissors
- Strong floss for stringing, such as embroidery thread, dental floss, or fishing line

FINISHED SIZE

One meter of garland as written: 30 popcorn pieces and 29 berries, 59 pieces in all, alternating one popcorn and one berry, starting and ending with a popcorn. Each popcorn measures 3 cm across. Each berry is small, about one chain across. The pattern can be made to any length: make as many pieces as you want.

ABBREVIATIONS

ch: chain

bo: bobble stitch

sl st: slip stitch

dc: double crochet

st: stitch

SPECIAL STITCH: BOBBLE STITCH (bo)

Work 4 incomplete double crochet stitches into the same chain: yarn over, insert the hook, yarn over, pull up a loop, yarn over, pull through 2 loops, and repeat 3 more times in the same chain. You will have 5 loops on the hook. Yarn over and pull through all 5 loops.

For the berry, work the bobble from 6 incomplete double crochet stitches instead: repeat 5 more times in the same chain, so you have 7 loops on the hook, then yarn over and pull through all 7

loops.

POPCORN (make 30 for one meter)

Step 1: With white yarn and a 4 mm hook, chain 6. Slip stitch in the 2nd chain from the hook.

Step 2: Work one bobble stitch and one slip stitch into each of the next 5 chains, working along one side of the chain. (5 bobble stitches)

Step 3: Turn the work around and work on the opposite side of the chain. Starting in the same chain where you made the last bobble stitch, work one bobble stitch and one slip stitch into each of the 5 chains. (5 bobble stitches; 10 bobble stitches in total per popcorn)

Step 4: Fasten off and leave a small tail, about 5 cm long. Use the tail and thread it in and out of the 5 chains, through the middle, in the space between 2 opposite bobbles, all the way to the other end.

Step 5: Pull the tail. This will curl your work and form the popcorn. Use both tails to make a double knot, then use the hook to pull the tails inside and hide them. Cut any excess yarn that shows.

Your popcorn is complete.

BERRY (make 29 for one meter)

Step 1: With red yarn and a 4 mm hook, make a slip knot and chain 1.

Step 2: In that chain, work 1 bobble stitch from 6 incomplete double crochet stitches, then slip stitch in the same chain.

Step 3: Fasten off and leave a small tail, about 3 cm long. Use the 2 tail ends to make a double knot, then use the hook to hide the ends inside the berry. Cut any excess yarn that shows.

Your berry is complete.

STRINGING THE GARLAND

- Thread the sewing needle with strong floss.
- Thread the popcorns and berries onto the floss, alternating them: popcorn, berry, popcorn, berry, and so on, starting and ending with a popcorn.
- For one meter, thread 30 popcorn pieces and 29 berries, 59 pieces in all.
- Knot the floss firmly at each end so the pieces stay put, and leave a tail of floss at each end for hanging.

FINISHING

- Fluff each popcorn with your fingers so it pops out into a round shape.
- Check the stitch counts as you work: each popcorn holds 10 bobble stitches, 5 on each side of the chain, and each bobble is made from 4 incomplete double crochet stitches. Each berry holds 1 bobble stitch made from 6 incomplete double crochet stitches.
- Check the piece counts for one meter: 30 popcorn pieces plus 29 berries equals 59 pieces, and the alternating order starting and ending with a popcorn gives one more popcorn than berries.

Source credit: adapted from Crafting Happiness, Crochet Christmas Popcorn Garland Free Pattern. See sources.txt for the full link.

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