



Ann's Orchard Needlework

Crochet Christmas Pudding Bauble

Finished size approximately 6cm diameter

Crochet time approximately 2 hours

This year I thought a little crochet pudding would be the perfect way to celebrate Christmas and to thank you for all your support.

Individual puddings make perfect baubles
or they could be strung together as a garland.

You are very welcome to share this pattern with family & friends.

Emma Pavier x



Ingredients

The listed materials are simply a guide to crochet the pudding shown in the picture and do not need to be followed exactly.....raid your stash! Try some chunky yarn to make a bigger pudding or add some beads to give the impression of dried fruit. If you are thinking of making a garland add some crochet ivy, holly or mistletoe leaves – sorry I haven't written a pattern for these! Have fun, take a few risks and I would love to see your creations...

For the Pudding & Brandy Sauce

- DMC Natura Just Cotton Siena 41 (100% cotton 155m per 50g ball)
- DMC Natura Just Cotton Ivory 02 (100% cotton 155m per 50g ball)
- 3mm crochet hook



For the Holly & Berries

- Small quantity Cascade 220 Fingering yarn avocado 9624 (100% wool 250m per 50g hank)
- 2mm crochet hook
- 4mm dark red wooden beads Efco 14 002 28



Extras

- Approximately 20cm of narrow satin ribbon
- Small quantity of toy stuffing
- Small quantity of white and red sewing thread
- Tapestry / embroidery needle



Abbreviations & Symbols – UK terms

▲	Start		
○	Chain stitch (ch)	∇	Two half treble crochet (2htr) (Increase) Half treble crochet twice into the same stitch
X	Double crochet (dc)		
⋈	Half treble crochet (htr)		Half treble two together (htr2tog) (Decrease)
⋈	Treble crochet (tr)	∧	(yrh, insert hook into next stitch, yrh, pull it through the stitch, yrh, insert hook into next stitch, yrh, pull it through the stitch, yrh, pull it through 5 loops)
⊙	Magic loop (ml)		
•	Slip stitch (ss)		
	Skip stitch (sk)	⋈	Double treble crochet (dtr) (yrh twice, insert hook in next stitch, yrh, pull it through the stitch (4 loops), yrh, pull it through 2 loops – three times)
	Yarn round hook (yrh)		

Making your Christmas Pudding

UK crochet terms



Tension

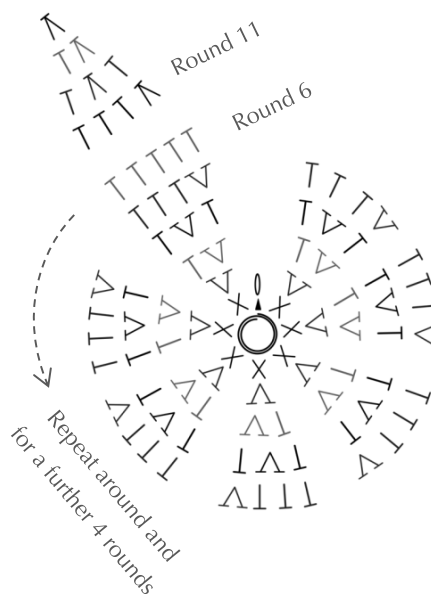
The tension is not too critical but make sure you use the same weight of yarn for both the pudding and brandy sauce so that they fit together evenly when finished. Use a finer weight of yarn for the holly leaves.

Notes

The main body of the pudding and the top of the sauce are worked in a continuous spiral without closing each round with a slip stitch. It can be helpful, but not essential, to use a stitch marker to identify the start of each new round, moving it up as you work.

Main body of the pudding

- Starting at the top of the pudding, use a 3mm hook and the brown coloured yarn to make a magic loop
 - **Round 1** – Make a single turning ch (does not count as a stitch), 7dc into loop, pull tight (7sts)
 - **Round 2** – (2htr into next st) 7 times (14sts)
 - **Round 3** – (2htr into next st, htr) 7 times (21sts)
 - **Round 4** – (htr, 2htr into next st, htr) 7 times (28sts)
 - **Round 5** – (2htr into next st, 3htr) 7 times (35sts)
 - **Rounds 6 – 10** - htr into each stitch around (35sts)
 - **Round 11** – (htr2tog, 3htr) 7 times (28sts)
 - **Round 12** – (htr, htr2tog, htr) 7 times (21sts)
 - **Round 13** – (htr2tog, htr) 7 times (14 sts)
 - **Round 14** – (htr2tog) 7 times (7sts)
 - **Round 15** – (htr2tog) 3 times, ss and fasten off
- Start stuffing the pudding on round 14



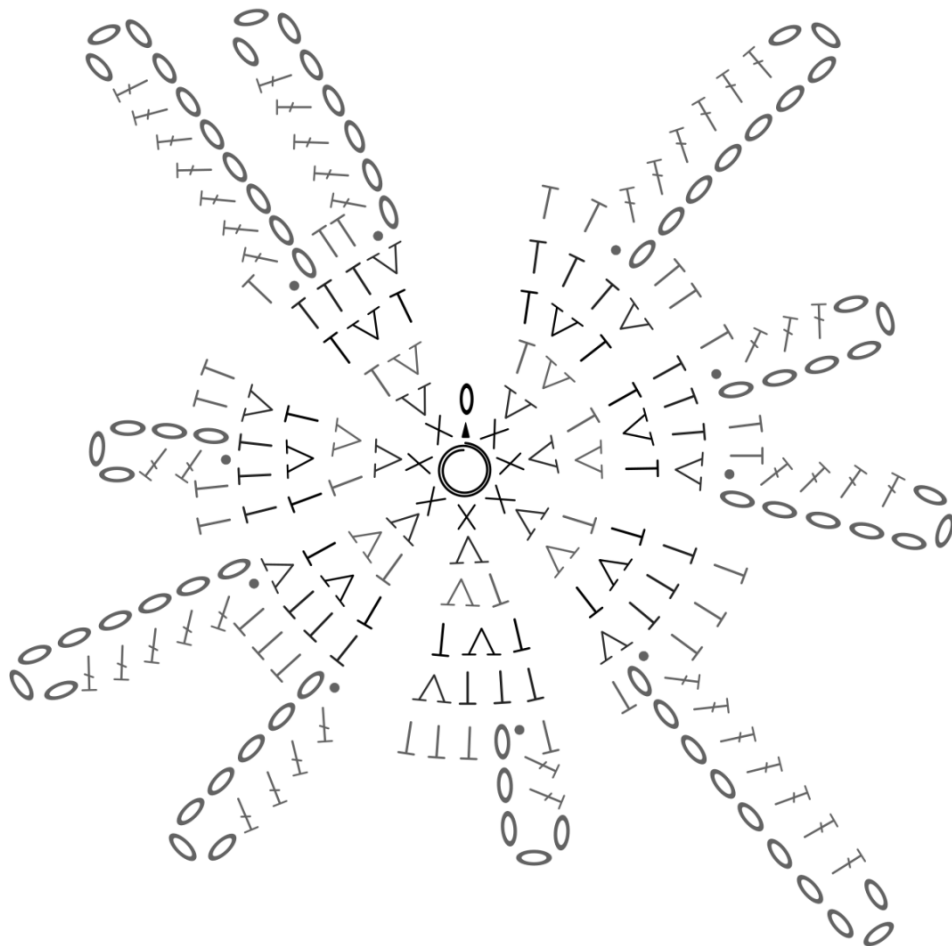
Brandy Sauce

- Starting in the middle of the sauce, use a 3mm hook and the ivory coloured yarn to make a magic loop
- **Round 1** – Make a single turning ch (does not count as a stitch), 7dc into loop (7sts)
- **Round 2** – (2htr into next st) 7 times (14sts)
- **Round 3** – (2htr into next st, htr) 7 times (21sts)
- **Round 4** – (htr, 2htr into next st, htr) 7 times (28sts)
- **Round 5** – (2htr into next st, 3htr) 7 times (35sts)

Drips

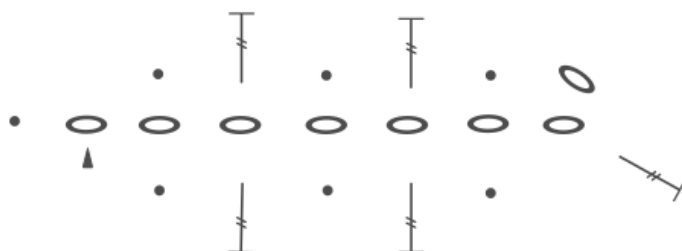
- **Round 6** (35sts)
- **Stitch 1** – 8ch, tr into 4th chain from hook, tr into next 4ch, ss to join back into round
- **Stitches 2 to 3** – 1htr into each stitch

- **Stitch 4** – 10ch, tr into 4th chain from hook, tr into next 6ch, ss to join back into round
 - **Stitches 5 to 7** – 1hr into each stitch
 - **Stitch 8** – 5ch, tr into 4th chain from hook, tr into next ch, ss to join back into round
 - **Stitches 9 to 10** – 1hr into each stitch
 - **Stitch 11** – 8ch, tr into 4th chain from hook, tr into next 4ch, ss to join back into round
 - **Stitches 12 to 14** – 1hr into each stitch
 - **Stitch 15** – 7ch, tr into 4th chain from hook, tr into next 3ch, ss to join back into round
 - **Stitches 16 to 18** – 1hr into each stitch
 - **Stitch 19** – 5ch, tr into 4th chain from hook, tr into next chain, ss to join back into round
 - **Stitches 20 to 21** – 1hr into each stitch
 - **Stitch 22** – 10ch, tr into 4th chain from hook, tr into next 6ch, ss to join back into round
 - **Stitches 23 to 25** – 1hr into each stitch
 - **Stitch 26** – 7ch, tr into 4th chain from hook, tr into next 3ch, ss to join back into round
 - **Stitches 27 to 28** – 1hr into each stitch
 - **Stitch 29** – 6ch, tr into 4th chain from hook, tr into next 2ch, ss to join back into round
 - **Stitches 30 to 32** – 1hr into each stitch
 - **Stitch 33** – 9ch, tr into 4th chain from hook, tr into next 5ch, ss to join back into round
 - **Stitches 34 to 35** – 1 hr into each stitch
- Fasten off and then stitch the brandy sauce to the body of the Christmas pudding using white sewing thread



Holly Leaves

- Starting at the base of a leaf, use a 2mm hook and the green yarn to chain 8, leaving a tail for sewing
- Working back along the chain, sk one chain, ss, dtr, ss, dtr, ss, ss into final chain at base of leaf
- Turn and work back up the foundation chain to the tip of the leaf, ss, dtr, ss, dtr, ss, dtr into turning chain
- Fasten off the yarn and using a tapestry needle run the yarn tail back along the centre of the leaf so both strands of yarn are at the base of the leaf
- Make a further two holly leaves



- Using the tapestry needle sew the three leaves to the top of the brandy sauce. Feed each tail of yarn either side of a crochet stitch. Tie them tightly together then make a large stitch through the body of the pudding before snipping off the ends which should pop back inside the pudding and be hidden within the stuffing.

Holly Berries

- Using the embroidery needle and a length of red sewing thread sew the red beads around the holly leaves. A loop stitch is a useful technique to attach the first bead – Fold the thread in half and thread both cut ends through the eye of the needle. Pass the needle through under a crochet stitch, the bead and finally back through the loop created by the folded thread. Pull tight to attach the bead and make several more stitches to ensure it is secure before moving on to the next bead. When finished, weave the thread through the crochet to fasten it before snipping off the waste.

Hanging Ribbon

- Cut a length of ribbon and using the tapestry needle feed the two cut ends either side of the magic circle at the top of the pudding. Pull both ends out through a single hole, close to the top of the pudding. Tie them together firmly before pushing the ends back inside.