



CY1857
COTTONDROPS
PUMPKINS

Measurements

Small Pumpkin - approx 12cm x 6cm, Large Pumpkin - approx 17cm x 10cm

Materials

Cygnets Cotton Drops 200g – (A) Smoked Copper 5111 x 1 ball, (B) Blue Skies 6333 x 1 ball

7mm crochet hook

Tapestry needle

Toy stuffing

Sticks

Abbreviations

ch	Chain	htr	Half-treble stitch	htr-blo	Half-treble back loop only
st	Stitch	ss	Slip stitch		

Notes

Tension isn't too important for this project, but if you find that the stitches are quite loose and creating gaps then reduce the crochet hook size. You need to create a nice firm fabric which will hold its shape.

Pattern

Small Pumpkin

Row 1: Using yarn A, ch 16, htr into 2nd ch from hook, htr to end, turn.

Row 2: ch 1, htr-blo to end, turn.

Row 3 to 25: repeat Row 2.

See 'Creating your pumpkin' section.

Large Pumpkin

Row 1: Using yarn B, ch 25, htr into 2nd ch from hook, htr to end, turn.

Row 2: ch 1, htr-blo to end, turn.

Row 3 & 4: Repeat Row 2, then change to Yarn A.

Row 5 to 8: Repeat Row 2, then change to Yarn B.

Repeat this sequence, changing colour every 4 rows, until you have 8 stripes (32 rows).

See 'Creating your pumpkin' section.

Creating Your Pumpkin

Step 1: When you reach the end of the last row, fasten off but leave a long tail for sewing the pumpkin together (approx 80cm).

Step 2: Using a tapestry needle, hold the top and bottom rows together and sew along the edge to create a cylinder.

Step 3: Next, using a running stitch, sew in and out of the opening, until you reach the point where you started. Pull the yarn tail to close, fasten but don't cut the tail. This has now created the bottom of your pumpkin.

Step 4: Cut another length of yarn and run a stitch around the top edge of the pumpkin - do not pull to close just yet.

Step 5: Fill the pumpkin with toy stuffing, until you are happy with its shape.

Step 6: Pull the tail from step 4 to close the top of your pumpkin, fasten off.

Step 7: To create the pumpkin shape, take the tail left from step 3, bring it up the outside of the pumpkin and back in through the top. Use the needle to pass it through the inside of the pumpkin 4 times, moving around each time. Ensure you pull tightly to create ridges down the sides, fasten off when you are happy with the shape.

Step 8: Add a small piece of stick/twig to the top of the pumpkin to finish off.

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