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HOW TO CROCHET A CHRISTMAS BOOT



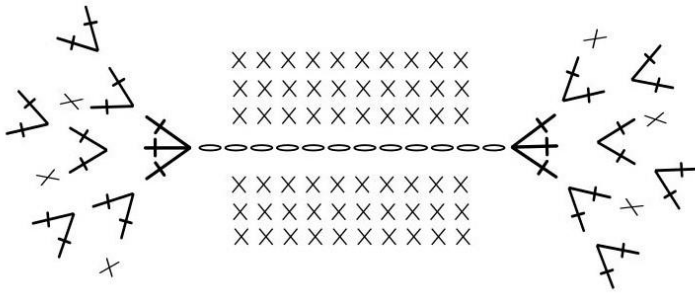
Materials needed:

- 2 500 gram rolls of Aster & Vine T-Shirt Yarn (Brick Red and Moss used in photos)
- 10mm crochet hook
- Tapestry needle
- 3 Stitch Markers

Stitches used: Chain, single crochet (SC), knit stitch, decrease, slip stitch, the twisty stitch

STEP 1: Making the sole

- Using colour A, chain 12.
- Turn your chain over, single crochet 1 stitch in each loop (10 stitches).
- In the last loop, single crochet 3 stitches.
- Single crochet down the other side of the chain, 1 stitch per loop (10 stitches).
- Finish with 3 single crochet stitches in the final loop.
- Complete 2 more rounds according to the chart. Finish with a slip stitch, cut yarn, and weave in ends.



Round 2 & 3: 6 increases each round, 3 increases each side



Step 2: Making the boot

- The boot will be made using colour B. Turn your sole over so the wrong side is facing up, join your yarn in the centre of the back of the sole (there will be a visible seam going up from where you choose to join your yarn).
- For the first round, you will be single crocheting into the back bar of the outer row of the boot sole.



- When you finish your first round, chain 1 (place stitch marker if using) and continue to round 2.
- The rest of the boot will be made using the knit stitch (*for tutorial: <https://asterandvine.com/crochet-stitch-the-knit-stitch/>*)
- Rounds 2 & 3: Crochet two complete rounds, at the end of each round chain 1
- Round 4: On this round we will begin decreases to shape the boot. Count off the centre 12 stitches of the front of the sole and place a stitch marker on each side.



- Crochet until you come to your first marker. For the next 12 stitches you will work 6 decreases. Work your decrease as follows:
 - Insert your hook into next stitch (into the “V” for your knit stitch), yarn over and pull through, then insert your hook into the “V” of the stitch following, yarn over and pull through. You will now have 3 loops on your hook. Yarn over and pull through all 3 loops. You have now worked 1 decrease. Repeat this for 5 more decreases
- Continue crocheting until you have finished this round. Chain 1, place marker and continue.
- Round 5: Stitch until you reach where your decreases begin. You will have 6 stitches in the previous round that have been “joined” together. For this round we will join those 6 stitches together into 3 stitches, working 3 decreases. Complete round, chain 1.
- Round 6: This round has 2 decreases. Work until you reach 1 stitch before your previously joined stitches, decrease 1, work 1 knit stitch, decrease 1. Complete round, chain 1.
- Round 7: Final decrease round (see photos below). Crochet until you reach the point where you have decreased stitches. Insert your hook under the top loop (as you would for a regular single crochet), yarn over, and pull

through. Then, skipping the next **two** stitches, insert your hook into the third stitch (through the top loop as you would for single crochet), yarn over and pull through. You will now have 3 loops on your hook, yarn over one last time and pull through all 3 loops. You will continue the round working in knit stitch, the next stitch will be completed through the “V” of the stitch immediately beside your hook. Complete round, chain 1.



Round 7: Step 1- Join these two stitches



Step 2 - Insert under double loop, yo, pull through



Step 3 - Insert under the double loops shown, yo, pull through



Step 4 – You will have three loops on your hook, yo, and pull through all loops



Finished decreases

- Rounds 8 – 13: Crochet 6 complete rounds. At the end of each round, chain 1. When you have completed the 13th round, secure with a slip stitch, cut yarn, and weave in ends.

Step 3: The trim/Finishing

- Switching back to colour A join yarn and crochet **two rounds** of “the twisty stitch” (tutorial can be found at <https://asterandvine.com/crochet-stitch-the-twisty-stitch/>).
- Final round: Complete 1 round of slip stitches, cut yarn, and weave in ends.
- To make bow, chain approximately 6” with colour A. Tie into a bow and secure to the front of the boot using thread or extra yarn.
- Using leftover t-shirt yarn, braid together approximately 6” of colour A and colour B. Tie a knot slightly off centre and secure to the trim on the side of the boot.
- To shape your boot, find an object to place in the leg of the boot (I used a mason jar), leave it in there for an hour or two and then remove.

This tutorial was created by Erica Tjeerdsma of Aster & Vine. It may be used for personal use as well as instructional material for workshops. Please share and tag your work @asterandvine on social media so I can see your creations!