





# <u>Candy Heart – Crochet Pattern</u>

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## **Materials**

Yarn -25 g acrylic worsted weight yarn (size 4), small amount of contrasting colour Hook -4.25mm / (G / 6) / UK 7 Scissors, Yarn Needle, Stuffing, Stitch Marker (or safety pin)

# **Stitch Legend**

r - row
st(s) - stitch(es)
ch(s) - chain(s)
sl st - slip stitch
sc - single crochet
sc3tog - single crochet 3 stitches together



#### **Notes**

number of stitches you should have at the end of each row will appear in parentheses pattern is worked in the round, do not join row with a sl st unless directed

## **Pattern**

**R1**: Make a cinch circle, 6 sc into circle, cinch shut (6)

**R2**: 2 sc in each st around (12)

R3: \*2 sc into the next st, sc into the next st\*. Repeat around (18)

**R4 & R5**: sc in each st around (18). At the end of R5, sc into each of the next 3 sts (this will not change your stitch count).

**FOR SIDE 1**: sl st into the next st, fasten off.

**FOR SIDE 2**: make as for Side 1; at the end of R5 do not sl st, do not fasten off.

**R6**: holding both Sides together, sc into Side 1 (where you fastened off) and sc in each st around, continue sc into each st around Side 2 (36). Place a marker on first or last st of this row and leave it there for reference.

**R7**: sc3tog across the middle sts where the two sides meet (it helps to identify the 2 middle sts, and the one just to the right of it). Sc in each st around to middle 3 stitches on other side, sc3tog, sc back around to beginning. (32)

**R8** – **End**: repeat Row 7. Each Row will decrease by 4 sts. When you are down to roughly 18 sts, pause and stuff your Heart. Continue decreasing pattern until you have between 4 and 6 sts left or the opening becomes too small to work. Sl st around the post of the next st and fasten off. Leave a long tail.

With yarn needle, bring tail of yarn up through Heart and out middle top. Weave around middle area where a space may have occurred from joining both Sides. Once space is closed, weave in remainder of tail

With yarn needle and roughly 60 cm (or 24 inches) of contrasting colour, embroider a simple, sweet little message across the whichever side of the Heart you prefer. Some suggestions are:

"U R Cute"; "Be Mine", "I ♥ U", "Sweetheart", "Adorbs", "I'm Yours" ©