

HEART BALLOON

MATERIALS

Ricorumi dk

A: Shade 028 (red) 25 g

B: Shade 002 (cream) 25 g

Creative Lamé

C: Shade 002 (gold) 25 g

Rico synthetic wadding

Rico stitch marker

Rico crochet hook 2.5 mm (UK12 – USA C/2)

ABBREVIATIONS

beg	beginning
BLO	back loop only
FLO	front loop only
ch	chain
cm	centimetre(s)
col	colour
cont	continue
dc	double crochet (UK)
dc2tog	work 2 double crochet sts together to decrease
dec	decrease(ing)
fol	following
g	grammes
in	inch(es)
mm	millimetre(s)
rep	repeat
rnd	round
rs	right side
sl st	slip stitch
st (s)	stitch(es)
t-chain	turning chain
ws	wrong side

Notes

The yarn amounts stated are based on average requirements and are therefore approximate.

IMPORTANT – To ensure accuracy only Rico yarns should be used. No responsibility will be taken for the result of using any other yarns.

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Upper Part (make 2)

Using 2.5 mm hook and col A work 6 dc into a double yarn loop (magic ring) and join with sl st in first dc to form a ring. Place a marker to indicate the end of the rnd. Work in a spiral in continuous rnds.

Rnd 1. 2 dc in each dc to end. 12 sts.

Rnd 2. 1 dc in each dc to end.

Rnd 3. *1 dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc; rep from * to end. 18 sts.

Fasten off first Upper Part, leave a tail of about 15 cm (6 in) of yarn for sewing.

Rep for second Upper Part, but do not fasten off.

Lower Part

Rnd 1. With rs facing rejoin yarn with a sl st to 1st dc of last rnd of first Upper Part, 1 dc in same st as sl st, 1 dc in each dc to end, work across second Upper Part, 1 dc in each dc to end. Continue working in a spiral. Place marker for end of rnd. 36 sts.

Rnds 2 – 4. 1 dc in each dc to end.

Rnd 5. *Dc2tog over next 2 dc, 1 dc in each of next 7 dc; rep from * to end. 32 sts.

Rnd 6. 1 dc in each dc to end.

Rnd 7. *Dc2tog over next 2 dc, 1 dc in each of next 6 dc; rep from * to end. 28 sts.

Rnd 8. *Dc2tog over next 2 dc, 1 dc in each of next 5 dc; rep from * to end. 24 sts.

Rnd 9. (Dc2tog over next 2 dc, 1 dc in each of next 4 dc; rep from * to last dc. 20 sts.

With a needle and matching thread close small hole where the two Upper Parts join together and start filling Heart with wadding.

Rnd 10. 1 dc in each dc to last dc. Replace marker 1 stitch forward and begin next rnd.

Rnd 11. *Dc2tog over next 2 dc, 1 dc in each of next 3 dc; rep from * to end. 16 sts.

Rnd 12. *Dc2tog over next 2 dc, 1 dc in each of next 2 dc; rep from * to end. 12 sts.

Add more wadding

Work the next rnd in BLO.

Rnd 13. *Dc2tog over next 2 dc, 1 dc next dc; rep from * to end. 8 sts.

The next rnd is worked in both loops again.

Rnd 14. *Dc2tog over next 2 dc, rep from * to end. 4 sts.

Fasten off.

BALLOON NECK

With rs facing attach col A to 1st unworked front loop of rnd 12.

Row 1. (worked in FLO) 3 ch, 1 dc in dc at base of 3-ch, 2 dc in each dc to end. 24 sts.

Fasten off.

BALLOON STRING

Foundation Chain. With col B make 45 ch + 1 t-ch.

Foundation Row. 1 dc in 2nd ch from hook, 1 dc in each dc to end.

Fasten off.

TO MAKE UP

Make a tassel in col C, about 3.5 cm (1 ¼ in) long. Attach Balloon String to Balloon Neck, attach the tassel to the balloon as illustrated.

Weave in all ends.