Apple, pear and banana set

US terms



Finished size
The apple about 3 1/8 in (7.9 cm) across, the pear about 4 in (10 cm) tall with its stem and the banana about 7 in (18 cm) long, measured along it before it is curved

Skill
Easy
Seven pieces worked in rounds and sewn together.

Yarn
Medium (4), 5 colors

Hook
3.5 mm (US E-4)

Gauge
20 stitches and 22 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet, in a spiral.

You will need

Yarn A: apple red, apple and the details	**about 55 yd (50 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: pear green, pear and the details	**about 50 yd (46 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: banana yellow, banana and the details	**about 30 yd (27 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: dark brown, banana and stem	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: leaf green, leaf	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**

Hook: 3.5 mm (US E-4), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: toy stuffing, a yarn needle, a stitch marker, pins and scissors.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. The estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
sc2tog	single crochet 2 stitches together, through the front loops only: how is under “Before you start” (UK dc2tog, double cro
MR	magic ring
RS	right side
Rnd	round
st	stitch

Gauge

20 stitches and 22 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet, in a spiral.

To check it, work a flat circle: 6 sc in a magic ring, then 6 more sc in each round (12, 18, 24, 30, 36). After round 6 it should measure about 2¼ in (5.5 cm) across. The stitches should be tight enough that the stuffing does not show.

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Use any hook that gives you this. If you count more stitches than this in 4 in (10 cm), change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, to a smaller one.

Before you start

- Every piece is worked in a continuous spiral with the right side facing you: do not join and do not turn. Put the marker in the first stitch of each round and move it up.
- Square brackets hold a repeat; work it as many times as the line says. The number in parentheses is the count at the end of the round.
- Magic ring: wrap the yarn round two fingers, work round 1 into the loop and pull the tail to close it. Or chain 2 and work round 1 into the first chain.
- Color change: where a line begins "With C," (or another letter), work the last pull-through of the round before it in C. Cut the old yarn and knot the ends on the wrong side.
- Right and left are as you look at the front of the fruit. Rounds are counted from the start of each piece.
- Running stitches go in and out along a line.
- In every step of putting it together: where a piece meets or overlaps another, sew through both. Where no tail is left or a tail is too short, sew with a new length of the yarn of the piece you are putting on.
- To work sc2tog, put the hook under the front loop only of each of the next 2 stitches, yarn over, pull through both loops, yarn over, pull through 2 loops.
- No plastic eyes are used: every detail is worked in yarn.
- The rounds and stitches are the same for every size; the yarn and the hook make the difference. Lengths in the words (tails, ovals, details) are for Standard, the size written here: for another size multiply them by the number in its line.
- Small: fine (2, sport) yarn, 2.25 mm (B-1) hook, 27 sc and 30 rounds to 4 in (10 cm): the apple about 2¼ in (5.7 cm) across, the pear about 3 in (7.6 cm) tall with its stem and the banana about 5¼ in (13.5 cm) long, measured along it before it is curved; multiply lengths by 0.74; about 0.74 times the yarn.
- Large: bulky (5, chunky) yarn, 5 mm (H-8) hook, 14 sc and 15.4 rounds to 4 in (10 cm): the apple about 4½ in (11.5 cm) across, the pear about 5¾ in (14.5 cm) tall with its stem and the banana about 10 in (25.5 cm) long, measured along it before it is curved; multiply lengths by 1.4; about 1.4 times the yarn.
- Jumbo: super bulky (6, plush or velvet) yarn, 6.5 mm (K-10½) hook, 11 sc and 12.1 rounds to 4 in (10 cm): the apple about 5½ in (14 cm) across, the pear about 7¼ in (18.5 cm) tall with its stem and the banana about 12¾ in (32.5 cm) long, measured along it before it is curved; multiply lengths by 1.8; about 1.8 times the yarn.

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Instructions

Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a round is done. In UK terms sc is double crochet.

Apple

Yarn A, apple red.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	Sc in each st around	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 9 to 10**	Sc in each st around	**(42 sc)**

A box for each round, 9 to 10: tick them off as you go.

☐ 9 ☐ 10

☐ **Rnd 11**	**[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 12 to 15**	Sc in each st around	**(48 sc)**

A box for each round, 12 to 15: tick them off as you go.

☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14 ☐ 15

☐ **Rnd 16**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 17**	Sc in each st around	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 18**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 19**	**[**sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 20**	**[**sc in next st, sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**

Stuff firmly now, and keep adding stuffing until the last round.

☐ **Rnd 21**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 22**	**[**sc in next st, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 23**	**[**sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(6 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an 8 in (20 cm) tail. Thread the tail through the front loop of each of the last 6 stitches, pull it tight to close the hole and bury the end inside. Round 1 is the middle of the bottom.	

Pear

Yarn B, pear green.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**

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☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 8 to 12**	Sc in each st around	**(42 sc)**

A box for each round, 8 to 12: tick them off as you go.

☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12

☐ **Rnd 13**	**[**sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 14**	Sc in each st around	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 15**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 16**	Sc in each st around	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 17**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 18 to 21**	Sc in each st around	**(24 sc)**

A box for each round, 18 to 21: tick them off as you go.

☐ 18 ☐ 19 ☐ 20 ☐ 21

Stuff firmly now, and keep adding stuffing until the last round.

☐ **Rnd 22**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 23**	**[**sc in next st, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 24**	**[**sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(6 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an 8 in (20 cm) tail. Thread the tail through the front loop of each of the last 6 stitches, pull it tight to close the hole and bury the end inside. Round 1 is the middle of the bottom; the neck begins at about round 17.	

Banana

Yarns in order of use: D, dark brown; C, banana yellow.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	4 sc in MR	**(4 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Sc in each st around	**(4 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	With C, sc in each st around	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts	**(9 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	Sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 2 times**	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	Sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 10**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 2 times**	**(14 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 11**	Sc in each st around	**(14 sc)**

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☐ **Rnd 12**	Sc in next 13 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(15 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 13 to 23**	Sc in each st around	**(15 sc)**

A box for each round, 13 to 23: tick them off as you go.

☐ 13 ☐ 14 ☐ 15 ☐ 16 ☐ 17 ☐ 18 ☐ 19 ☐ 20 ☐ 21 ☐ 22 ☐ 23

Stuff firmly now. Keep adding stuffing every few rounds; the stem (rounds 33 to 39) takes very little.

☐ **Rnd 24**	Sc in next 6 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 7 sts	**(14 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 25**	Sc in each st around	**(14 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 26**	Sc2tog, sc in next 12 sts	**(13 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 27**	Sc in next 11 sts, sc2tog	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 28**	Sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 29**	Sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 5 sts	**(11 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 30**	Sc2tog, sc in next 9 sts	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 31**	Sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog	**(9 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 32**	Sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 33**	Sc2tog, sc in next 6 sts	**(7 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 34 to 37**	Sc in each st around	**(7 sc)**

A box for each round, 34 to 37: tick them off as you go.

☐ 34 ☐ 35 ☐ 36 ☐ 37

☐ **Rnds 38 to 39**	With D, sc in each st around	**(7 sc)**

A box for each round, 38 to 39: tick them off as you go.

☐ 38 ☐ 39

☐ **Rnd 40**	Sc2tog, sc2tog, sc in next st, sc2tog	**(4 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an 8 in (20 cm) tail. Thread the tail through the front loop of each of the last 4 stitches, pull it tight to close the hole and bury the end inside.	

Stem: make 2

Yarn D, dark brown.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	4 sc in MR	**(4 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 2 to 7**	Sc in each st around	**(4 sc)**

A box for each round, 2 to 7: tick them off as you go.

☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 10 in (25 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff. Round 1 is the upper end.	

Leaf: make 2

Yarn E, leaf green.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	4 sc in MR	**(4 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(8 sc)**

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☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 2 times**	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Sc in each st around	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog**] 2 times**	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	**[**sc in next st, sc2tog, sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(6 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 10 in (25 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff. Press it flat, so that the last round makes a straight double edge of 3 stitches.	

Assembly

1. Apple dimples: thread the needle with a new length of A about 30 in (76 cm) long and fasten it with two small stitches at the top of the apple, one stitch away from the closed hole. Put the needle in at the closed hole, straight down through the stuffing, and out at the middle of round 1. Put it in again one stitch away from there, straight up, and out beside the place where the yarn is fastened. Pull until the top sinks about 3/8 in (10 mm) and the bottom about 3/16 in (5 mm). Go down and up once more in the same places, fasten off at the top with two small stitches and bury the end inside.

2. Sew one stem over the closed hole at the top of the apple, its open edge (4 sts) down in the dimple, so that it stands up and leans a little to the right. Use its tail.

3. Sew one leaf beside the stem of the apple, on its right, through both layers of its 3-stitch edge with its tail. It points to the right, its upper side up and turned a little to the front. Catch the underside of the leaf to the apple with one stitch where it crosses the rim of the dimple.

4. Sew one stem over the closed hole at the top of the pear, its open edge (4 sts) all the way round the hole, so that it stands up and leans a little to the left. Use its tail.

5. Sew one leaf beside the stem of the pear, on its left, through both layers of its 3-stitch edge with its tail. It points to the left, its upper side up and turned a little to the front.

6. Banana: fasten a new length of C about 30 in (76 cm) long with two small stitches at round 5. Work running stitches along one side of the banana in a straight line from round 5 to round 32. Draw them up until the banana curves toward that side and its two ends are about 5¾ in (14.5 cm) apart in a straight line, fasten off at round 32 with two small stitches and bury the end inside.

Finishing

- Embroider with one strand of yarn and the yarn needle when the pieces round the place are sewn on, unless a line gives another time; begin and end each strand inside the toy. Backstitch is a line of short stitches end to end: bring the needle up one stitch ahead, put it down at the end of the stitch before, and repeat.
- Veins: work one on each leaf before the leaf is sewn on: with B (pear green), in backstitch, one line along the middle of one side of the leaf, half way between its two folds, from round 2 to round 6. This side is the upper side.
- Weave every tail through the fruit and trim it. For fruit that will be played with, go round each seam a second time with a new length of yarn. Check the seams and small parts from time to time.

In all: 7 pieces; 1,999 stitches (738 in the apple, 666 in the pear, 435 in the banana, 28 in each stem, 52 in each leaf).

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