Little house applique

US terms



Finished size
About 4½ in (11 cm) wide and about 4¾ in (12 cm) tall

Skill
Beginner
Worked in rows, with 5 pieces, color changes and 1 special stitch.

Yarn
Medium (4), 4 colors

Hook
5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge
14 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: brick pink, the wall	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: slate blue, the roof and the window bars	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: cream, the windows and the doorknob	**about 4 yd (4 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: teal, the door	**about 3 yd (3 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8). Also: a yarn needle, scissors, pins for blocking and a spray bottle.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. The estimate is from the stitches and chains 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.

ch	chain stitch
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
st	stitch

Special stitches

sc2tog: [insert the hook in the next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop] twice (3 loops on the hook), yarn over and pull through all 3 loops. It leaves 1 st for the next row.

Gauge

14 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

Work a piece a little more than 4 in (10 cm) square, lay it flat and count. If you count more stitches than this, use a larger hook; if fewer, a smaller one.

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Before you start

- Where a line says turn, turn the piece over and work back along the stitches just made.
- A chain 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line count its stitches; slip stitches are not counted.
- The finished size is the house as it is sewn together: the roof lies over the top row of the wall.
- All the pieces are worked in rows and look much alike on both sides: take either side as the right side, with Row 1 at the bottom.
- French knot (sewn): bring the yarn needle up from the back, wrap the yarn twice round the needle close to the surface, hold the wraps and put the needle down beside the place where it came up. For a large knot use the yarn double and wrap it three times.
- Straight stitch (sewn): bring the yarn needle up from the back at one end of the stitch and put it down at the other end.
- The same words in another yarn make another size, measured the longest way: fine yarn (2) and a 3.25 mm hook, about 3¼ in (8 cm); light yarn (3) and a 4 mm hook, about 3¾ in (10 cm); bulky yarn (5) and a 6.5 mm hook, about 6¼ in (16 cm).

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 row is done. In UK terms sc is double crochet.

Wall

Yarn A, brick pink.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 13.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 11 chs	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 10**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(12 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 10: tick them off as you go.

☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10

☐ **End** Fasten off, leaving a 25 in (64 cm) tail, for sewing this piece down at the end.

Roof

Yarn B, slate blue.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, ch 17.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 15 chs	**(16 sc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog in next 2 sts, sc in next 12 sts, sc2tog in next 2 sts	**(2 sc2tog, 12 sc)**
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog in next 2 sts, sc in next 10 sts, sc2tog in next 2 sts	**(2 sc2tog, 10 sc)**
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog in next 2 sts, sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog in next 2 sts	**(2 sc2tog, 8 sc)**
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog in next 2 sts, sc in next 6 sts, sc2tog in next 2 sts	**(2 sc2tog, 6 sc)**
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog in next 2 sts, sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog in next 2 sts	**(2 sc2tog, 4 sc)**
☐ **Row 7**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog in next 2 sts, sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog in next 2 sts	**(2 sc2tog, 2 sc)**

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☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn, **[**sc2tog in next 2 sts**] 2 times**	**(2 sc2tog)**
☐ **Row 9**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog in next 2 sts	**(1 sc2tog)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 10 in (25 cm) tail for sewing.	

Door

Yarn D, teal.

☐ **Foundation**	With D, ch 5.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 3 chs	**(4 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 6**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(4 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 6: tick them off as you go.

☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 10 in (25 cm) tail for sewing.	

Window: make 2

Yarn C, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	With C, ch 4.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 2 chs	**(3 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 3**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(3 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 3: tick them off as you go.

☐ 2 ☐ 3

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 10 in (25 cm) tail for sewing.	

Finishing

- Block: pin the pieces to shape on a flat surface, spray them with water and let them dry.
- Lay the long foundation edge of the roof over the top row of the wall, with 2 stitches of the roof standing out past the wall at each side, and sew it down; the wall is behind the roof.
- Sew the door to the middle of the wall, with 4 stitches of the wall free at each side and its lower edge level with the lower edge of the wall.
- Sew a window to each side of the door, halfway between the door and the side of the wall, its lower edge 4 rows above the lower edge of the wall.
- With B, work two long straight stitches over each window, one from the middle of the top to the middle of the bottom and one from side to side, for the window bars.
- With C, work a French knot for the doorknob 1 stitch in from the right-hand edge of the door and 3 rows above its lower edge.
- To sew the house to your project, pin it where it is to go and sew round its edge with the long tail, under the outermost strands of the stitches; where a part is of another color, use a length of that color.
- Weave in all the ends that are left with the yarn needle.

In all: 5 pieces; 18 ends to weave in.

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