Peppermint pinwheel

US terms



Finished size

About 11½ in (29 cm) from the frill of one twist to the frill of the other and 6¾ in (17 cm) across the candy

Skill

Intermediate

Worked in rows and rounds, with 3 pieces, color changes and 1 special stitch.

Yarn

Medium (4), 2 colors

Hook

5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge

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

In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: ivory white, the candy and rows 1 to 5 of the twists	**about 30 yd (27 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: peppermint red, row 6 of the twists	**about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 30 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a yarn needle, scissors, pins for blocking, a stitch marker and a spray bottle.

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 and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Gauge

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

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.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 2 the candy measures about 1½ in (4 cm) across.

Notes

- Rounds are worked with the right side facing; do not turn.
- Where a line says turn, turn the piece over and work back along the stitches just made.
- Magic ring: wrap the yarn round two fingers, work the first round into the loop, then pull the tail until the ring is closed. Four chains joined into a ring with a slip stitch may be used instead.

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- A chain that counts as a stitch is marked so in its line and is included in the count.
- A chain 1 at the start of a round or a row does not count as a stitch.
- In Row 6 of a twist the new color is joined with a slip stitch in the place named; the first sc of the row is worked in that same place.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line count its stitches, its picots and the chain spaces between them; slip stitches are not counted.
- The candy is worked in a spiral: in Rnds 1 to 10 do not join. Put the stitch marker in the first st of every round and go straight on, so that the first st of a round is worked in the first st of the round before. Only Rnd 11 is joined.
- With A or With B inside a line changes the color. To change, draw the new color through in the last yarn over of the stitch before; at the end of Rnd 1, and of every later round up to Rnd 10, that is the last stitch of the round. Lay the color you are not using along the tops of the stitches and work over it. The slip stitch that joins Rnd 11 is worked with A. Fasten off both colors after it.
- In every round from 3 on, a run of B stands on a run of B and a run of A on a run of A. One of them grows by a stitch in each round, so in Rnd 10 every run has 5 stitches, and in Rnd 11 the runs of B have 6 and the runs of A have 5.
- The right side of a twist is the side that faces you in Rows 1, 3 and 5. In Rows 2 to 5 the ch 4 stands on the first st of the row, and the dc in the next st or in the next ch-1 sp comes after it. The last st of Rows 3, 4 and 5 is the 3rd ch of the ch 4 that began the row before.
- Fasten off A after Row 5 and do not turn: Row 6 has the right side facing too, and begins at the end where Row 5 began. Its first st is the 3rd ch of the ch 4 that began Row 5, its first ch-1 sp is the 1 ch left of that ch 4, and its last st is the last dc of Row 5; the dc between two spaces are passed over.
- Whip stitch: hold the two edges together, put the needle through both from back to front, bring the yarn over the edges and go in again from the back, one stitch along.

Instructions

US terms.

ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **sp** space, **st** stitch, **rnd** round.
RS right side, the one that shows.
2 sc in next st: both in one stitch. **sc in next 2 sts**: one in each. **ch-1 sp**: the gap under the one chain; the hook goes in the gap.
[ ] 6 times: work what is inside 6 times in all. **( )**: all of it goes into the one place.
(6 sc): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

picot: Ch 3, sl st in the top of the stitch just made.

Candy

Yarns in order of use: A, ivory white; B, peppermint red.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 6 sc in ring, do not join. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**With B, sc in next st, With A, sc in same st**] 6 times**, do not join	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**With B, 2 sc in next st, With A, sc in next st**] 6 times**, do not join	(18 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**With B, sc in next 2 sts, With A, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**, do not join	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**With B, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, With A, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**, do not join	(30 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**With B, sc in next 3 sts, With A, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**, do not join	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	**[**With B, sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, With A, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**, do not join	(42 sc)
☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**With B, sc in next 4 sts, With A, sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**, do not join	(48 sc)
☐ **Rnd 9**	**[**With B, sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, With A, sc in next 4 sts**] 6 times**, do not join	(54 sc)
☐ **Rnd 10**	**[**With B, sc in next 5 sts, With A, sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**, do not join	(60 sc)
☐ **Rnd 11**	**[**With B, sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st, With A, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(66 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.	

Twist: make 2

Yarns in order of use: A, ivory white; B, peppermint red.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 7.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 5 chs	(6 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Turn, ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1), **[**dc in next st, ch 1**] 4 times**, dc in next st	(6 dc, 5 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 3**	Turn, ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1), **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 5 times**, dc in last st	(7 dc, 6 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 4**	Turn, ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1), **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 6 times**, dc in last st	(8 dc, 7 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 5**	Turn, ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1), **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 7 times**, dc in last st Fasten off A.	(9 dc, 8 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 6**	Join B with sl st in first st, ch 1, sc in same st, **[**(sc, picot, sc) in next ch-1 sp**] 8 times**, sc in last st	(18 sc, 8 picots)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.	

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Finishing

- Block: pin the candy in a circle and each twist flat and right side up, its foundation chain about 1¾ in (4.5 cm) long and its other edge spread out like a fan. Spray the pieces with water and let them dry.
- Weave in the ends of the candy and of both twists with the yarn needle.
- Rope edge: hold the candy right side up. With A, draw up a loop in the first sc of Rnd 11, under both its top loops. Work 1 slip stitch, loosely, under both top loops of the 2nd sc and of each sc after it to the end of the round, and then 1 slip stitch in the first sc, where you began (66 slip stitches, one in each sc). Fasten off and weave the end in on the wrong side.
- Lay the candy down right side up. Slide the foundation chain of one twist behind its left edge and that of the other behind its right edge, right sides up, straight across from each other, so that the middle of the foundation chain lies ½ in (1.3 cm) inside the outer edge of the candy: Row 1 and the lower half of Row 2 are then hidden. Let the foundation chain follow the curve of the edge. Turn everything over together. With a 16 in (41 cm) length of A for each twist, whip stitch along the foundation chain, going each time down through a loop of the chain and up under the back of a stitch of the candy, so that nothing shows on the right side; then sew along the top of Row 1 in the same way, under the backs of the stitches of the candy that lie over it.
- Weave in all the ends that are left with the yarn needle.

In all: 3 pieces; 504 stitches (396 in the candy, 54 in each twist).

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