# Sweet cupcake

US terms



Finished size
**About 4¼ in (11 cm) tall**

Skill
**Easy**
Four pieces worked in rounds and sewn together.

Yarn
**Medium (4), 7 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

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| Yarn A: rose pink, frosting and swirl | **about 75 yd (69 m), an estimate** |
| Yarn B: cocoa, cake | **about 45 yd (41 m), an estimate** |
| Yarn C: cherry, cherry | **about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate** |
| Yarn D: black, the details | **about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate** |
| Yarn E: mint, the details | **about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate** |
| Yarn F: butter, the details | **about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate** |
| Yarn G: lilac, the details | **about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate** |

Hook: 3.5 mm (US E-4). Also: toy stuffing, a yarn needle, a stitch marker, pins, scissors and two black plastic eyes with washers, 10 mm.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. 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.

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| **sc** | single crochet (UK dc, double crochet) |
| **sc2tog** | single crochet 2 stitches together |
| **MR** | magic ring |
| **RS** | right side |


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## Gauge

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

20 sc and 22 rounds = 4 in (10 cm), worked 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.

## 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.
- Center line: places on a piece are given by round and by stitches from a center line. It is half way round from where the rounds begin. Mark it with a pin or a scrap of yarn as listed here, run it straight from round 1 to the last round by eye, and count out from it along the round, in stitches and half stitches.
- Cake: the center line runs between stitches 24 and 25 of round 15 (48 sts). It faces the front.
- Frosting: the center line runs between stitches 27 and 28 of round 9 (54 sts). It faces the front, round 1 at the top.
- Right and left are as you look at the front of the toy. Rounds are counted from the start of each piece.
- 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.
- For a child under three, or a pet, embroider the eyes instead: satin stitch dots of the same size in D (black).
- 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: 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): about 3 1/8 in (7.9 cm) tall; eyes 7 mm; 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): about 6 in (15 cm) tall; eyes 14 mm; 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): about 7¾ in (19.5 cm) tall; eyes 18 mm; 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.

## Cake

**Yarn B, cocoa.**

Round 1 is the middle of the base.

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| ☐ **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 BLO of each st around | **(36 sc)** |
| ☐ **Rnds 8 to 10** | Sc in each st around | **(36 sc)** |

A box for each round, 8 to 10: tick them off as you go.

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| ☐ **Rnd 11** | **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times** | **(42 sc)** |
| ☐ **Rnds 12 to 14** | Sc in each st around | **(42 sc)** |

A box for each round, 12 to 14: tick them off as you go.

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| ☐ **Rnd 15** | **[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times** | **(48 sc)** |
| ☐ **Rnds 16 to 18** | Sc in each st around | **(48 sc)** |

A box for each round, 16 to 18: tick them off as you go.

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| ☐ **End** | Fasten off, leaving a 36 in (91 cm) tail for sewing. Fix the eyes now (see Face and details). Do this before you stuff the piece or sew it on. Stuff firmly up to the open edge. |

## Frosting

**Yarn A, rose pink.**

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| ☐ **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)** |


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| ☐ **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)** |
| ☐ **Rnd 8** | **[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times** | **(48 sc)** |
| ☐ **Rnd 9** | **[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts**] 6 times** | **(54 sc)** |
| ☐ **Rnds 10 to 13** | Sc in each st around | **(54 sc)** |

A box for each round, 10 to 13: tick them off as you go.

10 11 12 13

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| ☐ **End** | Fasten off, leaving an 8 in (20 cm) tail. Bury it inside when the edge is sewn on. Stuff firmly up to the open edge. | |

## Swirl

**Yarn A, rose pink.**

Stuff lightly every few rounds as you go, so that the tube still bends.

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| ☐ **Foundation** | Make a magic ring. | |
| ☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)** | 6 sc in MR | **(6 sc)** |
| ☐ **Rnd 2** | **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times** | **(8 sc)** |
| ☐ **Rnds 3 to 68** | Sc in each st around | **(8 sc)** |

A box for each round, 3 to 68: tick them off as you go.

3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31
32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60
61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68

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| ☐ **End** | Fasten off, leaving a 32 in (81 cm) tail for sewing. | |

## Cherry

**Yarn C, cherry.**

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| ☐ **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)** |
| ☐ **Rnds 4 to 6** | Sc in each st around | **(18 sc)** |

A box for each round, 4 to 6: tick them off as you go.

4 5 6

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

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| ☐ **Rnd 7** | **[**sc2tog, sc in next st**] 6 times** | **(12 sc)** |
| ☐ **Rnd 8** | **[**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. | |


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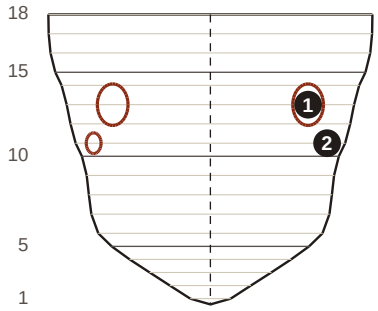
### Assembly




Cake: 1 eyes, 2 cheeks

Each line is a round, counted as the rounds are worked. The upright broken line is the center line. A place with a broken edge is on the far side.

**1.** Set the open edge of the frosting (54 sts) on the open edge of the cake (48 sts), center lines in line, easing the larger edge in. With the tail of the cake, sew the two edges together all the way round, topping up the stuffing before the last stitches.

**2.** Lay the swirl round the frosting over round 12, easing it to fit, meet its two ends at the back and sew them together. Sew it down along its whole inner edge.

**3.** Set the cherry on the very top of the frosting, its closed hole down, and sew it all the way round where the two touch (about 12 stitches).

## Finishing

- Put in the plastic eyes when the words of a piece say so, or embroider eyes in the same places with the other details. Embroider with one strand of yarn and the yarn needle when the pieces round the place are sewn on; begin and end each strand inside the toy. Satin stitch is straight stitches side by side until the shape is filled. 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.
- Eyes: two 10 mm black plastic eyes, on the cake on round 13, one to each side, 5 stitches from the center line (10 stitches apart).
- Cheeks: with A (rose pink), in satin stitch, an oval about ¼ in (6 mm) wide and 3/16 in (5 mm) tall, its middle on the cake on round 11, one to each side, 7 stitches from the center line (14 stitches apart).
- Mouth: with D (black), in backstitch, a smile, one curve about 3/8 in (10 mm) wide that dips 3/16 in (5 mm) below its ends. Its two ends are on the cake between rounds 11 and 12, one to each side of the center line.
- Sprinkles: with E (mint), scatter about 6 short blocks of two or three satin stitches, each about 3/16 in (5 mm) long and at different slants, over the frosting.
- Sprinkles: with F (butter), scatter about 4 short blocks of two or three satin stitches, each about 3/16 in (5 mm) long and at different slants, over the frosting.
- Sprinkles: with G (lilac), scatter about 6 short blocks of two or three satin stitches, each about 3/16 in (5 mm) long and at different slants, over the frosting.
- Weave every tail through the toy and trim it. For a toy 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: 4 pieces; 1,766 stitches (630 in the cake, 486 in the frosting, 542 in the swirl, 108 in the cherry); 8 ends to weave in.

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