

Felted Crochet Watermelon Bowl



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Tools

- Amour Crochet Hook 7.0 mm (Art No. 1054)
- Patchwork Scissors (Small) (Art No. 493/S)
- Quick Locking Stitch Markers Set (Art No. 3033)
- Mini Knitting Counter (Art No. 3118)
- Pen Style Needle Felting Tool (Art No. 8901)
- Needle Felting Mat (Large) (Art No. 8911)

Yarn:

- 1x 50g ball green felting wool
 - 1x 50g ball off white felting wool
 - 1x 50g ball pink felting wool
- TIP: I am using Drops Eskimo yarn

Everything Else:

- Natural wool roving: black

Crochet Abbreviations:

Ch- chain

ss- slip stitch

sc- single crochet (UK double crochet)

Please read all instructions through and assemble the equipment before beginning.

This make is to be machine felted at 50°Celsius and there may be some variation in the felted size – this method of felting is easy but the trade-off is that you do lose some control over the size.

What you put in with it and how long the cycle goes for also affect the outcome.

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Here's How:

Green yarn: Begin with a ch 4 IMAGE 1.

Slip Stitch to form a ring IMAGE 2 and then ch 1 and sc 9 stitches into the ring (10 stitches).



IMAGE 1



IMAGE 2

Row 2: ch1 and then sc 2 stitches into each stitch, ss to finish (20 stitches)

Row 3: ch 1 and then sc into each stitch, ss to finish (20 stitches)

Row 4: ch 1 and then sc 1 into the first stitch and 2 into the second. Repeat to the end of the round and ss to end (30 stitches)

Row 5: ch 1 and then sc into each stitch, ss to finish (30 stitches)

Row 6: ch 1 and then sc into first 2 stitches, 2sc into the third stitch. Repeat to end of row and ss to fasten (40 stitches)

Row 7: Ch 1 and sc into each stitch, ss to fasten (40 stitches).

Row 8: ch 1 and sc into first three stitches, 2sc into the fourth stitch. Repeat to end of row and ss to fasten off (50 stitches).

Row 9: ch 1 and sc into each stitch. Ss into last stitch to fasten (50 stitches)

Row 10 – 13: sc into each stitch.

TIP: This is where you begin to build the sides.

Because there are no more increases, the sides will naturally curve IMAGE 3. Change colour at row 13 to off white IMAGE 4.



IMAGE 3



IMAGE 4

White yarn: 2 rows (rows 14-15)

TIP: When you slip stitch closed at the end of each row, you will be less likely to have a step colour change when the bowl is felted.

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Change to pink yarn and complete the sides of the bowl (rows 16- 25).

The bowl is now finished and ready to felt IMAGE 5.



IMAGE 5

TIP: notice how it is a bit wonky? It has a tendency to slightly collapse under its own weight.

This is normal and when it is felted, it will all stand nicely.

See image 6.



IMAGE 6

I put mine into the washing machine with something like bath towels or jeans to help the felting process along.

Wash at about 50°Celsius. Add soap as if washing normally.

When the bowl is finished, pull in into shape and leave somewhere to dry completely IMAGE 6.

You don't have to be gentle at all and you can mould it rather like clay.

Finally, add some watermelon seeds!

Use the wool top and needle felting tools to place random teardrop shapes of black wool onto the pink portion of the bowl IMAGE 7.



IMAGE 7

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TIP: needle felting is a breeze – simply decide where you want to have a seed and tear off a small section of wool.

Roll the wool into a little pellet between your fingers and create a point at one end IMAGE 8 and then use the felting needle to secure it in place IMAGE 9.



IMAGE 8



IMAGE 9

TIP: I am using one needle in my pen felting tool. This helps with precision.

Designer' s Favorite

Quick Locking Stitch Marker Set (Art No. 3033)



I love this set!
It has a nice selection of sizes and colours and you can keep track of what you are doing.
I use one colour and size to show where I started and another to keep track of the rows. They are strong and flexible and really great with all sorts of yarn.

<https://www.clover-mfg.com/product/4/184>



Mini Knitting Counter (Art No. 3118)



Although it is designed for knitters, we crocheters can steal it!
It is fun to use and so satisfying.
Keeping track of rows is as important as keeping track of stitches and this handy tool gets the job done. It makes precision easy.

<https://www.clover-mfg.com/product/4/218>

