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## YARN

### Handknit Cotton

A Celery	309	1	x 50gm
B Raspberry	356	1	x 50gm
C Sea Foam	352	1	x 50gm
D Ochre	349	1	x 50gm
E Florence	350	1	x 50gm

## CROCHET HOOK

4.00mm (no 8) (US G6) crochet hook

**EXTRAS** – Ribbon (to attach birds to bunting, and to bind frame for mobile), 2 metal coathangers and wash able toy filling for mobile

## TENSION

Large disk measures 8.5 cm in diameter, small disk measures 6 cm in diameter, both using 4.00mm (US G6) hook.

## FINISHED SIZE

Each completed bird is approx 18 cm from tip of beak to tip of tail and approx 12 cm tall.

## CROCHET ABBREVIATIONS

**ch** = chain; **dc** = double crochet; **dtr** = double treble; **ss** = slip stitch; **tr** = treble.

## BASIC LARGE DISK

Using 4.00mm (US G6) hook make 4 ch and join with a ss to form a ring.

**Round 1 (RS):** 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 10 dc into ring, ss to first dc. 10 sts.

**Round 2:** 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc into first dc, \*2 dc into next dc\*\*, 1 dc into next dc, rep from \* to end, ending last rep at \*\*, ss to first dc. 15 sts.

**Round 3:** 3 ch (counts as first tr), 1 tr into st at base of 3 ch, 2 tr into each dc to end, ss to top of 3 ch at beg of round. 30 sts.

**Round 4:** 3 ch (counts as first tr), 1 tr into st at base of 3 ch, \*1 tr

into each of next 2 tr\*\*, 2 tr into next tr, rep from \* to end, ending last rep at \*\*, ss to top of 3 ch at beg of round. 40 sts.

Make 6 ch (for base ch of tail).

Break yarn but do NOT fasten off – leave working loop on a holder.

## BASIC SMALL DISK

Work as given for basic large disk to end of round 3. 30 sts.

Break yarn but do NOT fasten off – leave working loop on a holder.

**BIRDS** (make 24 – 12 for bunting and 12 for mobile)

Using colours at random by using one colour for head, another colour for body and a 3rd colour for edging, make each bird as follows:

### Head

Using main head colour, make a basic small disk and slip working loop back onto hook.

Join in edging colour.

**Next round:** 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc into each of first 13 sts, (1 dc, 1 tr, 1 dtr, 1 tr and 1 dc) into next tr (to form beak), 1 dc into each of last 16 tr, placing markers on last 3 dc.

Fasten off.

### Body

Using main body colour, make a large basic disk and slip working loop back onto hook.

Join in edging colour.

**Next round:** 3 ch, 3 tr into 4th ch from hook (this is last ch worked in main body colour), 1 ch, 1 dc into each of next 5 ch, miss st at base of 6 ch at end of last round of basic large disk – first side of tail now completed, 1 dc into each of next 6 tr, make 15 ch (to form hanging loop – **for bunting** if desired vary the length of this ch so that the birds will hang from the ribbon at different levels, and **for mobile** omit this length of ch and the foll ss for 6 of the birds), 1 ss into last dc, 1 dc into each of next 6 tr, now join head to body by working 1 dc into each of next 3 body dc working these 3 sts through the 3 marked dc of head at same time, 1 dc into each of next 24 dc of body, then working into other side of tail base ch work 1 dc into each of first 5 tail ch, 1 ch, ss to top of 3 ch at beg of round.

Fasten off.

## MAKING UP

Press as described on the information page in the FAQ area.

### **Bunting**

To attach birds to ribbon, thread ribbon through the hanging loop and sew top of head to edge of ribbon to secure bird in position required. Continue until all birds are attached to ribbon, then trim ends of ribbon, allowing sufficient to attach ribbon as required.

### **Mobile**

Using ribbon and photograph as a guide, bind the coat hangers to form a cross shape - this forms the frame of the mobile. For each bird, lay 2 birds WS together, using one bird with and one bird without a hanging loop for each pair. Neatly slip stitch birds together around outer edge, inserting toy filling before completing seam. To hang birds from mobile frame, make lengths of ch - attach one end of one length of ch to head of bird and one end of other length to hanging loop. Using photograph as a guide, adjust lengths of ch so that bird will hang correctly and then attach other end of each ch to frame of mobile. One bird should be attached to each "strut" of the crossed frame and a fifth bird attached below centre cross of frame. Below centre bird, make ch lengths as required and attach rem 6th bird so that it hangs below previous bird.

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