

Christmas Bubble Potholders

Felted wool circles with rows of raised bubbles

FINISHED	BEFORE FELTING	HOOK	YARN EACH
8-8.5 in	About 10.5 in	8 mm	About 80 g

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Before you begin

Use US crochet terms. Chain 3 counts as the first double crochet; chain 1 does not count as a single crochet. Work nine joined rounds, alternating double crochet with bubble rounds.

A bubble uses five unfinished double crochets in the same stitch. Six loops remain on the hook before the final yarn over and pull-through. Bubbles appear on the back: push each through to the front as you work. The complete illustrated guide follows the written pattern.

Use feltable wool and follow the original 40°C regular-cycle washing method. Finished size varies with tension and felting: approximately 10.5 inches before felting and 8-8.5 inches after. An 18 cm leather hanging cord is optional. The cropped round-7 photo caption is completed from the full written round in this same source.

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Materials

– Crochet hook size L/11 (8mm)

Bulky feltable wool yarn,100% wool,50g /50m

– 18 cm leather cord (optional)

Supplies: Approx. 80 g for each.

Measurements: Approx. 8-8.5 inch - Read the section “Before and after felting”.



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Stitches & written pattern

Abbreviations

Mr: Magic ring

Ch: Chain stitch

St: Stitch

Sc: Single crochet

Sl st: Slip stitch

Dc: Double crochet

Bst: Bubble stitch

Pattern - Guide can be found below the pattern

All the bubbles will appear on the back of your work. Push the bubbles through to the front as you go along, so that all the bubbles are on the front when the work is done.

Note: Ch 1 does not count as a sc.

1. Make 1 magic ring. Ch 3 (counts as 1 dc), make 11 dc into the ring and finish with 1 sl st. (12)

2. Ch 1. Sc 2 in first st, 1 bubble in the next st. Crochet “2 sc in next st, 1 bubble in next st”. Repeat from “ to “ all round and finish with 1 sl st. (18) This round has 6 bubbles.

3. Ch 3 (counts as 1 dc). 1 dc in the same st. 2 dc in every st all round. Finish with 1 sl st. (36)

4. Ch 1. Sc 1 in the first 2 st, bubble in next st. Crochet “1 sc in the next 2 st, 1 bubble in next st”. Repeat from “ to “ all round and finish with 1 sl st. (36) This round has 12 bubbles.

5. Ch 3 (counts as 1 dc). Make 1 dc in same st and 1 dc in next st. Crochet “2 dc in next st, 1 dc in the following st”. Repeat from “ to “ all round and finish with 1 sl st. (54)

6. Ch 1. Sc 1 in the first 2 st, bubble in next st. Crochet “1 sc in the next 2 st, 1 bubble in next st”. Repeat from “ to “ all round and finish with 1 sl st. (54) This round has 18 bubbles.

7. Ch 3 (counts as 1 dc). Make 1 dc in same st and 1 dc in next 2 st. Crochet “2 dc in next st, 1 dc in the following 2 st”. Repeat from “ to “ all round and finish with 1 sl st. (72)

8. Ch 1. Sc 1 in the first 2 st, bubble in next st. Crochet “1 sc in the next 2 st, 1 bubble in next st”. Repeat from “ to “ all round and finish with 1 sl st. (72) This round has 24 bubbles.

9. Ch 3 (counts as 1 dc). Make 1 dc in same st and 1 dc in next 3 st. Crochet “2 dc in next st, 1 dc in the following 3 st”. Repeat from “ to “ all round and finish with 1 sl st. (90)

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Bubble stitch method

Bubble Stitch: - See round 2 for the guide.

How to make the bubbles:

Yarn over, insert your hook into the stitch, yarn over and pull through so you end up with 3 loops on your hook. Yarn over and pull through 2 of the loops. You'll have 2 loops on your hook. Yarn over in insert your hook into the same stitch again, yarn over and pull through so you now have 4 loops on your hook. Yarn over and pull through 2 loops. You'll now have 3 loops on your hook. Repeat a total of 5 times until you have 6 loops on your hook. Yarn over and pull through all 6 loops. Tighten it a little. Your bubble has appeared on the back of your work and you can now push it through to the front.

Round 1:



1. Make one mr. Ch 3 (counts as 1 dc). Make 11 dc into the ring and finish with 1 sl st. (12)

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1. Ch 1. 2 sc in first st.



2. Now we will crochet 1 bst. Yarn over, insert your hook into the stitch, yarn over and pull through so you end up with 3 loops on your hook. Yarn over and pull through 2 of the loops. You'll have 2 loops on your hook.



3. Yarn over in insert your hook into the same stitch again, yarn over and pull through so you now have 4 loops on your hook. Yarn over and pull through 2 loops. You'll now have 3 loops on your hook.



4. Yarn over in insert your hook into the same stitch again, yarn over and pull through so you now have 5 loops on your hook. Yarn over and pull through 2 loops. You'll now have 4 loops on your hook.

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5. Yarn over in insert your hook into the same stitch again, yarn over and pull through so you now have 6 loops on your hook. Yarn over and pull through 2 loops. You'll now have 5 loops on your hook.



6. Yarn over in insert your hook into the same stitch again, yarn over and pull through so you now have 7 loops on your hook. Yarn over and pull through 2 loops. You'll now have 6 loops on your hook.



7. Yarn over and pull through all 6 loops. Tighten it a little. Your bubble has appeared on the back of your work.



8. 2 sc in next st.

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9. Push your bubble through to the front of your work.



10. Crochet 1 bst in next st.



11. Crochet “2 sc in next stitch, 1 bubble in next st”. Repeat from “ to “ all round and finish with a sl st. (18) This round has 6 bubbles.

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Rounds 3 & 4: photo guide

Round 3:



1. Ch 3 (counts as 1 dc). 1 dc in the same st. 2 dc in next st.



2. 2 dc in every st all round. Finish with 1 sl st. (36)

Round 4:



1. Ch 1. Sc 1 in the first 2 st.



2. Crochet 1 bst in next st.



3. Crochet “1 sc in the next 2 st, 1 bubble in next st”. Repeat from “ to “ all round and finish with 1 sl st. (36) This round has 12 bubbles.

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Rounds 5 & 6: photo guide

Round 5:



1. Ch 3 (counts as 1 dc). Make 1 dc in same st and 1 dc in next st.



2. Crochet “2 dc in next st, 1 dc in the following st”. Repeat from “ to “ all round and finish with 1 sl st. (54)

Round 6:



1. Ch 1. Sc 1 in the first 2 st.



2. Crochet 1 bst in next st.



3. Crochet “1 sc in the next 2 st, 1 bubble in next st”. Repeat from “ to “ all round and finish with 1 sl st. (54) This round has 18 bubbles.

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Rounds 7 & 8: photo guide

Round 7:



1. Ch 3 (counts as 1 dc). Make 1 dc in same st and 1 dc in next 2 st.



2. Crochet “2 dc in next st, 1 dc in the following 2 st”. Repeat from “ to “ all round and finish with 1 sl st. (72)

Round 8:



1. Ch 1. Sc 1 in the first 2 st.



2. Crochet 1 bst in next st.



3. Crochet “1 sc in the next 2 st, 1 bubble in next st”. Repeat from “ to “ all round and finish with 1 sl st. (72) This round has 24 bubbles.

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Round 9:



1. Ch 3 (counts as 1 dc). Make 1 dc in same st and 1 dc in next 3 st.



2. Crochet “2 dc in next st, 1 dc in the following 3 st”. Repeat from “ to “ all round and finish with 1 sl st (90)

Before and after felting:

On the left you see the potholder before felting. It has a diameter of approx. 10.5 inch. On the right is the felted and finished version. The finished size depends a lot on how much it’s felted by your washing machine and how your tension is when you crochet, so the finished result can vary between approx. 8-8.5 inch

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Weave in ends and wash pot holders in the machine at 40 degrees using a regular wash cycle. (Not quick program or short cycle). If they haven't felted enough, put them in again. I've washed them twice at 40 degrees (on a 60 min wash cycle). If needed, push the bubbles into shape a little before they dry.

Optionally attach a leather string for mounting

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