

SWEET DREAMS

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Kittens in Sweet Dreams DK

MEASUREMENTS

Smitten Kitten Approx 36cm, 14½in, tall (excluding ears)

YOU WILL NEED

Kittens

Version 1

MC Sweet Dreams DK 100g Balls Blossom 7023	1
CC Special DK 100g Balls White 1001	20g
CC Special DK 100g Balls Fondant 1241	20g

Version 2

MC Sweet Dreams DK Mint Candy 7025	1
CC Special DK 100g Balls White 1001	20g
CC Special DK 100g Balls Spearmint 1842	20g

Alternative Yarns Special DK or any other Stylecraft DK yarn. Amounts may vary.

A 2.5mm, US C/2 – D/3, crochet hook-for Kittens
 Stitch marker
 Toy stuffing
 2 x 10mm toy safety eyes
 1cm wide ribbon-approx 44cm in matching colour for neck tie
 Tapestry needle for sewing ends

ABBREVIATIONS

approx approximately	dc double crochet	rem remain(ing)	st(s) stitch(es)
beg beginning	g grammes	rep repeat	tog together
CC contrast colour	htr half treble	rnd(s) round(s)	tr treble
ch chain	in inch(es)	rs right side	ws wrong side
cm centimetre(s)	MC main colour	sl st slip stitch	inc 2dc in stitch
cont continue	mm millimetre(s)	sp space	

SPECIAL ABBREVIATIONS

Dc2tog insert hook into next st, yrh and pull a loop through, insert hook into next st, yrh and pull a loop through, yrh and pull through all 3 loops on hook. (1dc decreased)

The yarn amounts stated are based on average requirements and are therefore approximate.

GUIDE TENSION 22dc and 25 rows to 10 cm, 4 in, over rnds of dc on 2.5mm hook. The crochet fabric should be tight so, if needed, change down to a smaller hook to achieve this.

SAFETY NOTES Stuffing: always use new toy stuffing, the type made specially to be suitable for babies and children. **Safety Eyes:** these can be a choking hazard so they are not recommended for very small children. Always follow the manufacturer's instructions and secure firmly. If in doubt, embroider the eyes instead.

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SMITTEN KITTENS

Note: work pieces in rnds, do not join at the end of each rnd but continue onto next rnd, working in a spiral. It is recommended that a stitch marker is used & placed in the first stitch of each round, moving it as you go, so that the first stitch is always marked.

BODY

Using 2.5mm hook and MC, make 2ch, leaving a long end for sewing in.
Rnd 1: 6dc into first ch. 6dc
Rnd 2: 2dc into each of next 6dc. 12dc
Rnd 3: (dc into next dc, 2dc into next dc) 6 times. 18dc
Rnd 4: (dc into next 2dc, 2dc into next dc) 6 times. 24dc
Rnd 5: (dc into next 3dc, 2dc into next dc) 6 times. 30dc
Rnd 6: (dc into next 4dc, 2dc into next dc) 6 times. 36dc
Rnd 7: (dc into next 5dc, 2dc into next dc) 6 times. 42dc
Rnd 8: (dc into next 6dc, 2dc into next dc) 6 times. 48dc
Rnd 9: (dc into next 7dc, 2dc into next dc) 6 times. 54dc
Rnd 10: (dc into next 8dc, 2dc into next dc) 6 times. 60dc
Rnds 11 to 25: dc into each dc. 60dc
Rnd 26: (dc into next 8dc, dc2tog) 6 times. 54dc
Rnds 27 to 29: dc into each dc. 54dc
Rnd 30: (dc into next 7dc, dc2tog) 6 times. 48dc
Rnds 31 to 33: dc into each dc. 48dc. Start stuffing body & add more as you go from this point.
Rnd 34: (dc into next 6dc, dc2tog) 6 times. 42dc
Rnds 35 to 36: dc into each dc. 42dc.
Rnd 37: (dc into next 5dc, dc2tog) 6 times. 36dc
Rnds 38 and 39: dc into each dc. 36dc.
Rnd 40: (dc into next 4dc, dc2tog) 6 times. 30dc
Rnds 41 and 42: dc into each dc. 30dc.
Rnd 43: (dc into next 3dc, dc2tog) 6 times. 24dc
Rnds 44 to 46: dc into each dc. 24dc.
Rnd 47: (dc into next 2dc, dc2tog) 6 times. 18dc
Rnds 48-50: dc into each dc. 18dc. Cut yarn leaving a long end for sewing up. Pull through last loop and tighten.

HEAD

Using 2.5mm hook and cream yarn(CC), make 2ch, leaving a long end for sewing in.
Rnd 1: 6dc into first ch. 6dc
Rnd 2: 2dc into each of next 6dc. 12dc

Rnd 3: (dc into next dc, 2dc into next dc) 6 times. 18dc

Rnd 4: (dc into next 2dc, 2dc into next dc) 6 times. 24dc

Rnd 5: (dc into next 3dc, 2dc into next dc) 6 times. 30dc

Rnd 6: (dc into next 4dc, 2dc into next dc) 6 times. 36dc

Rnd 7: (dc into next 5dc, 2dc into next dc) 6 times. 42dc

Rnd 8: (dc into next 6dc, 2dc into next dc) 6 times. 48dc

Rnd 9: dc into each dc. 48dc

Rnd 10: Dc into next 20dc, 2dc into next dc, dc into next 27dc. 49dc

Rnd 11: Change to MC. Dc into each dc. 49dc

Rnd 12: Dc into next 7dc, inc, dc into next 10dc, inc, dc into next 2dc, inc, dc into next 10dc, inc, dc into next 13dc. 54dc

Rnd 13: Dc into next 7dc, inc, dc into next 11dc, inc, dc into next 3dc, inc, dc into next 3dc, inc, dc into next 11dc, inc, dc into next 14dc. 59dc

Rnd 14 : Dc into next 7dc, inc, dc into next 12dc, inc, dc into next 4dc, inc, dc into next 4dc, inc, dc into next 12dc, inc, dc into next 15dc. 64dc

Rnd 15 : Dc into next 25dc, inc, dc into next 12dc, inc, dc into next 25dc. 66dc

Rnds 16 to 23 : Dc into each dc. 66dc
(NOTE: if using safety eyes, place them between rnds 12 and 13, depending on the facial expression you'd like, eyes can be placed either 2dc, 4dc or 6dc apart. Make sure they are firmly secured. Start stuffing head at this point adding more as you go along)

Rnd 24: (dc into next 9dc, dc2tog) 6 times. 60dc

Rnd 25: (dc into next 8dc, dc2tog) 6 times. 54dc

Rnd 26: (dc into next 7dc, dc2tog) 6 times. 48dc

Rnd 27: (dc into next 6dc, dc2tog) 6 times. 42dc

Rnd 28: (dc into next 5dc, dc2tog) 6 times. 36dc

Rnd 29: (dc into next 4dc, dc2tog) 6 times. 30dc

Rnd 30: (dc into next 3dc, dc2tog) 6 times. 24dc

Rnd 31: (dc into next 2dc, dc2tog) 6 times. 18dc

Rnd 32: (dc into next dc, dc2tog) 6 times. 12dc

Rnd 33: (dc2tog) repeat to end of round.

Cut yarn leaving a long end for sewing up. Pull through last loop and tighten.

EARS (make 2)

Using 2.5mm hook and using MC, make 2ch, leaving a long end for sewing in.

Rnd 1: 6dc into first ch. 6dc

Rnd 2: (dc into next dc, 2dc into next dc) 3 times. 9dc

Rnd 3: Dc into each dc. 9dc

Rnd 4: (dc into next 2dc, 2dc into next dc) 3 times. 12dc

Rnd 5: (dc into next 3dc, 2dc into next dc) 3 times. 15dc

Rnd 6: (dc into next 4dc, 2dc into next dc) 3 times. 18dc

Rnd 7: Dc into each dc. 18dc

Rnds 8: (dc into next 5dc, 2dc into next dc) 3 times. 21dc

Rnd 9: Dc into each dc. 21dc

Rnds 10: (dc into next 6dc, 2dc into next dc) 3 times. 24dc

Hold the ear closed and work 12dc across both edges to close the base.

Cut yarn, leaving a long end for sewing up. Pull through last loop and tighten. Secure yarn leaving long end for sewing ears to head.

NOSE

Using 2.5mm hook and your yarn colour choice, follow the instructions for the Ears Rounds 1-10, but add a very small amount of stuffing before closing with 12dc. Leave a long tail for sewing nose to the head.

ARMS-FRONT (make 2)

Using 2.5mm hook and cream yarn, make 2ch, leaving a long end for sewing up.

Rnd 1: 6dc into first ch. 6dc

Rnd 2: 2dc into each dc. 12dc

Rnd 3: (dc into next dc, 2dc into next dc) 6 times. 18dc

Rnds 4 to 6: Dc into each of dc. 18dc

Rnd 7: (dc into next dc, dc2tog) 6 times. 12dc

Rnd 8: Dc into each dc. 12dc.

Stuff the paw at this point.

Rnds 9 to 37: Change to MC. Dc into each dc. 12dc

Cut yarn, leaving long tail to sew arm to body & draw through loop to finish.

Stuffing the paw & lower part of the arm only will allow them to drape more.

LEGS-BACK (make 2)

Using 2.5mm hook and cream yarn, make 2ch, leaving a long end for sewing in.

Rnd 1: 6dc into first ch. 6dc

Rnd 2: 2dc into each dc. 12dc

Rnd 3: (dc into next dc, 2dc into next dc) 6 times. 18dc

Rnds 4: (dc into next 2dc, 2dc into next dc) 6 times. 24dc

Rnds 5 to 7: Dc into each dc. 24dc

Rnd 8: (dc into next 2dc, dc2tog) 6 times. 18dc

Rnd 9: (dc into next dc, dc2tog) 6 times. 12dc

Rnd 10: Dc into each dc. 12dc

Stuff the paw at this point & continue to add stuffing as you go.

Rnd 11 to 44: Change to MC. Dc into each dc. 12dc

Cut yarn, leaving a long end for sewing leg to body. Pull through last loop and tighten.

TAIL

Using 2.5mm hook, work tail as for the Arm but continue to Round 46 or until desired length.

TO MAKE UP

Head: Thread a blunt needle with long yarn end left at beginning of piece.

Weave in and out of first rnd and pull tight to close hole. Secure end and neaten by threading through stuffing. Sew head securely to body around neck using long yarn end left at end of piece.

Ears: Sew ears securely to head using long yarn ends left at end.

As with eyes, ear placement can change the character & expression of your kitten so ears can be sewn 4dc, 6dc or 7dc apart.

Nose: With long yarn end left at end, sew nose securely to centre of face beneath eyes & using long yarn end left at end, embroider mouth below nose-using pattern photo for guidance.

Whiskers: These can be added to the face either side of the nose by pulling through a small length of yarn & securing them with a small knot. The ends can then be frayed to create whiskers-see pattern photo for guidance.

Arms: Using long yarn end left, sew arms securely to each side of body approx. 1cm, ½ in, below neck angling them slightly towards back of body so that arms will hang forwards when toy is held up.

Legs: Using long length of yarn end left, sew legs securely to each side of the front of body where shaping starts to increase, approx. 2.5cm, 1in, apart.

Tail: Using long length of yarn end left, sew tail securely to centre at bottom of body back(forming a "triangle" shape with leg positions) See ball band for washing and further care instructions.

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