

## You NEED

### Twinkle yarn kit

stuffing, 9mm safety  
eyes, spare black yarn,  
pink pencil, one button

Have fun crocheting our cover star

# Holly bear



With Christmas on its way and a den full of cubs to feed, Holly the polar bear pops on her shawl and bonnet and ventures out into the cold to top up her mince pie supply. Recreate **Janine Holmes'** stunning design with your Twinkle kit then add a pretty button and dab of blusher to complete the look.





## Holly bear

### head and body

\* Using 3.5mm hook and Snow White make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

**Rnd 1:** 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts \*

**Rnd 2:** (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts \*\*

**Rnd 3:** (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts \*\*\*

**Rnd 4:** (3dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 30 sts

**Rnd 5:** (4dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 36 sts

**Rnd 6:** (5dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 42 sts \*\*\*\*

**Rnd 7-12:** 1dc in each st to end

Insert safety eyes between Rnds 9 and 10, spacing them ten sts apart

**Rnd 13:** (5dc, dc2tog) to end. 36 sts

**Rnd 14:** (4dc, dc2tog) to end. 30 sts

**Rnd 15:** (3dc, dc2tog) to end. 24 sts

**Rnd 16:** (2dc, dc2tog) to end. 18 sts

Stuff Head

**Rnd 17:** (1dc, dc2tog) to end. 12 sts

**Rnd 18:** 1dc in each st to end

Change to Holly Green

**Rnd 19:** rep Rnd 18

**Rnds 20-21:** rep Rnds 2-3. 24 sts

**Rnd 22-23:** rep Rnd 18 twice

**Rnd 24:** rep Rnd 4. 30 sts

**Rnds 25-26:** rep Rnd 18 twice

**Rnd 27:** rep Rnd 5. 36 sts

**Rnd 28:** working in back loops only 1dc in each st to end

**Rnd 29-31:** rep Rnd 18 three times

**Rnds 32-34:** rep Rnds 14-16. 18 sts

Stuff Body

**Rnd 35:** rep Rnd 17. 12 sts

**Rnd 36:** (dc2tog) to end. Six sts

Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

### muzzle

Work as for \* to \*\* of Head and Body. 18 sts

**Rnds 2-4:** 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off

### ear

**Make two**

Work as for \* to \* of Head and Body. 12 sts

**Rnds 2-3:** 1dc in each st to end

**Rnd 4:** 1ch, fold Ear in half, working through both layers 1dc in each st to end. Six sts

Fasten off

### arm

**Make two**

Work as for \* to \* of Head and Body. 12 sts

**Rnds 2-4:** 1dc in each st to end

**Rnd 5:** (2dc, dc2tog) to end. Nine sts

Stuff hands, cont to stuff Arms as you work

Change to Pistachio Green

**Rnds 6-7:** 1dc in each st to end

Change to Holly Green

**Rnd 8-16:** 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off

### leg

**Make two**

Using Regal Purple work as for Head and Body from \* to \*\*\*. 24 sts

**Rnd 4:** 1dc in each st to end

**Rnd 5:** 3dc, (dc2tog) to last three sts, 3dc. 15 sts

## stitches used

Chain (ch)

Slip stitch (sl st)

Double crochet (dc)

Double crochet two together (dc2tog)

Half treble (htr)

Treble (tr)

Double treble (dtr)

## SIZE

Height: 22cm

## crochet clever

When embroidering the nose, pull firmly on each running stitch as you go to create a neat, smooth finish. The stitches should fan out from the centre of the Muzzle and go into the stitch spaces in between Rounds 2 and 3 to form a triangular shape. Work a second set of stitches fanning out from the centre and going in between the tops of the first set of stitches. Fill in any spaces with further stitches in this way until you have a solid black nose, then add a few more running stitches across the top





**Rnd 6:** 3dc, (dc2tog) twice, 1dc, (dc2tog) twice, 3dc. 11 sts  
**Rnds 7–8:** rep Rnd 4 twice  
 Stuff feet, cont to stuff Legs as you work  
 Change to Pistachio Green  
**Rnds 9–20:** rep Rnd 4 12 times  
 Fasten off

### bonnet

Using Festive Red work as for Head and Body from \* to \*\*, 42 sts  
**Rnds 7–9:** 1dc in each st to end  
 Change to Shimmer White  
**Rnds 10–11:** 1dc in each st to end  
 Change to Festive Red  
**Rnd 12:** 1dc in each st to end  
**Rnd 13:** working in front loops only (1dc, 2dc in next st) to last six sts,

1dc in each st to end. 60 sts  
 Change to Shimmer White  
**Row 14:** 55dc, turn  
**Row 15:** starting second ch from hook (one sl st, 3ch, one sl st) to end. 27 picots made  
 Fasten off

### shawl

Using 3.5mm hook and Shimmer White make 37ch  
**Row 1:** starting second ch from hook 1dc in each ch to end. 36 sts  
 Fasten off Shimmer White, join Festive Red to fourth st of Row 1  
**Row 2:** 1ch, 1dc in same st as join, 29dc, turn. 30 sts  
**Rows 3–8:** 1ch, dc2tog, 1dc in each st to last two sts, dc2tog, turn. 18 sts  
**Row 9:** 1ch, dc2tog, 2dc,

2htr, 2tr, 2dtr, 2tr, 2htr, 2dc, dc2tog. 16 sts  
 Fasten off  
 Join Festive Red to st at end of Row 2  
**Next row:** 1ch, 1dc in same st as join, 1dc in each row end and st to opposite end of Row 2  
 Fasten off



## Meet Our Designer

*"This cute little polar bear is all dressed up and ready for the holiday season in her pretty festive outfit. Now, where's the party?"*

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end. 36 sts  
**Rnd 2:** 1dc in each st to end  
 Change to Festive Red  
**Rnd 3:** (5dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 42 sts  
**Rnds 4–13:** 1dc in each st to end  
 Change to Holly Green  
**Rnds 14–15:** 1dc in each st to end  
 Change to Shimmer White  
**Rnd 16:** rep Rnd 2  
**Rnd 17:** (one sl st, 3ch, one sl st) to end. 21 picots made  
 Fasten off

### to make up

Sew Muzzle in between eyes, stuffing as you work. Oversew top edge of Arm flat. Sew flat end of Arms horizontally to sides of bear, two rnds down from neck. Oversew top of Leg flat. **Note:** flat seam should run side to side with foot facing forwards. Sew Legs to underside of bear. Using spare black yarn use single, long running sts to embroider nose, working from centre to base of Rnd 3 of Muzzle. Sew a few running sts across top of nose to neaten (see Crochet Clever panel for more information). Sew a single running stitch vertically on underside

of Muzzle and two more at right angles to form mouth. Fit Bonnet over head. Sew in place around Rnd 12 of bonnet. Sew bottom corners of Ear tog. Sew Ears to sides of bonnet on top of Shimmer White stripe. Place Shawl around neck, cross over at front and secure with a few sts. Sew button to front. Using Pistachio Green sew a line of running sts in and out of Festive Red round at top of Skirt. Using Shimmer White sew a line of running sts in and out of Holly Green stripe at bottom of skirt. Colour in cheeks with side of a pink pencil



## Shopping Basket

If you don't want to embroider the facial features, try this black 18mm teddy safety nose, 12p, [purplelinda.crafts.co.uk](http://purplelinda.crafts.co.uk)

