

**You
NEED**
Twinkle
yarn kit

No Christmas choir is complete without our **singing frog**

Resplendent in his red and white hat, Gerald the frog loves to belt out all the festive classics. And his favourite Christmas meal? Mince flies of course! Make [Irene Strange's](#) frog with an open mouth by following our instructions, or for a closed mouth, make two top body pieces and omit the mouth, then sew the two halves together.



crochet clever

An instruction such as (3dc, 2dc in next st), as in Round 4 of the mouth, means you need to work one double crochet in each of the next three stitches, then two double crochets in the next stitch

stitches used

Chain (ch)

Double crochet (dc)

Double crochet two together (dc2tog)

SIZE

Height excl. hat: 6.5cm

singing frog

mouth

* Using 3.5mm hook and Festive Red 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 *, join with a sl st to first st. 30 sts

Fasten off

top body half

Using Holly Green work as for Mouth from * to *. 30 sts

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

Rnd 6: (5dc, 2dc in next st). 42 sts

Rnds 7–8: 1dc in each st to end

Place Mouth and Top Body Half tog so sts line up

Rnd 9: working through both pieces 18dc along edge, working through Top Body Half only 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off

bottom body half

Using Pistachio Green work as for Mouth from * to *. 30 sts

Rnd 5: rep Rnd 5 of Top Body Half. 36 sts
Place Mouth and Bottom Body Half tog so sts line up

Rnd 6: working through both pieces 12dc along edge, working through Bottom Body Half only 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off

eye

Make two

Using 3.5mm hook and Holly Green make a magic ring, work 5dc into ring. Five sts

Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. Ten sts

Rnds 2–3: 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off

leg

Make two

Using 3.5mm hook and Holly Green make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

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

Rnds 2–3: 1dc in each st to end

Rnd 4: (dc2tog) to end. Six sts

Rnds 5–6: rep Rnds 2–3
Rnd 7: working in front loops only 2ch, (1htr, 2tr) in next st, 3tr in next st, (2tr, 1htr, 2ch, one sl st) in next st, 3dc. 12 sts

Rnd 8: starting in first htr from prev rnd 1dc, (1dc, 3ch, 1dc) in next st, 2dc, (1dc, 3ch, 1dc) in next st, 2dc, (1dc, 3ch, 1dc) in next st, 1dc, one sl st in next st
Fasten off

hat

Using 3.5mm hook and Festive Red make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

Rnd 1: (2dc in next st, 2dc) to end. Eight sts

Rnd 2: (2dc in next st, 3dc) to end. Ten sts

Rnd 3: (2dc in next st, 4dc) to end. 12 sts

Rnd 4: (2dc in next st, 5dc) to end. 14 sts

Rnd 5: (2dc in next st, 6dc) to end. 16 sts

Rnd 6: 1dc in each st to end

Change to Shimmer White
Rnd 7: rep Rnd 6
Fasten off

to make up

Sew Top and Bottom Body Halves tog, stuffing as you sew. Using Holly Green embroider around upper edge of Mouth to create top lip, building up two thicker layers towards middle. Embroider

around bottom lip with Pistachio Green yarn, building up a thicker layer of yarn towards middle. Place a safety eye into each Eye piece and sew to top of body. Using Pistachio Green embroider three toes onto each Foot as shown. Sew Hat to top of Head. Make a small pom-pom from Shimmer White and sew to tip of Hat



Meet Our Designer

“Frogs can be all the colours of the

rainbow – mix and match the top and bottom halves to make a colourful froggy family”

Irene Strange is a graphic designer and crochet expert. Her favourite technique is amigurumi, which she happened upon accidentally. Visit her website at irenestrange.co.uk

Shopping Basket

Black 6mm Toy Safety Eyes, 99p for ten, purplelindacrafts.co.uk

