

# Large Christmas Bell

THIS FAST AND EASY-TO-CROCHET BELL WILL BE DECORATIVE WHETHER HANGING ON THE CHRISTMAS TREE OR IN A WINDOW. THE BELL HOLDS ITS SHAPE WELL BUT YOU CAN ALSO STARCH IT WITH A SUGAR SOLUTION.

**Yarn:** Fiol from Solberg Spinderi (CYCA #2 [sport/baby], 100% mercerized cotton, 185 yd/169 m / 50 g), small amount of White

**Crochet Hook:** U.S. size C-2 / 2.5 mm

**Notions:** A bead

**Measurements:** approx. 2¾ in / 7 cm high

Ch 6 and join into a ring with 1 sl st into 1<sup>st</sup> ch. Leave a long tail to make a hanging loop later.

**Rnd 1:** Ch 3 (= 1<sup>st</sup> dc), work 11 dc around ring = 12 dc; end with 1 sl st into top of ch 3 at beg of rnd.

**Rnd 2:** Ch 3 (= 1<sup>st</sup> dc), 1 dc in dc and then 2 dc in each dc around = 24 dc; end with 1 sl st into top of ch 3 at beg of rnd.

**Rnds 3–7:** Ch 3 (= 1<sup>st</sup> dc), 1 dc in next dc, (ch 1, 2 dc) around, ending with ch 1, 1 sl st into top of ch 3 at beg of rnd = 12 dc groups with ch 1 in between each.

**Rnd 8:** Ch 3 (= 1<sup>st</sup> dc), 2 dc in next dc, ch 1, (1 dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc, ch 1) 12 times and end with 1 sl st into top of ch 3 at beg of rnd.

**Rnd 9:** (1 sc, 1 dc, 2 tr, 1 dc, 1 sc in same ch loop) 12 times; end with 1 sl st into top of ch 3 at beg of rnd.

Cut yarn and weave in ends on WS. If desired, attach a bead inside the bell.



To stiffen the bell, make a sugar solution (see page 164 in the Crochet School section). Soak bell well in solution.