

Lincraft



#P038

STARBURST
YARN

Ostereierbaum
Amigurumi Decorations
INTERMEDIATE CROCHET

Inspired by the German Easter tradition of decorating a tree with eggs and ornaments, we've crafted amigurumi eggs from our lustrous Starburst cotton yarn. This pattern features four different decoration styles to choose from as well as a strap for hanging.

MEASUREMENTS

Width (approx)	cm	6
Height (approx)	cm	8
Yarn Required:		
Ficio Starburst (M)	100g balls	1
Lincraft Cotton 8ply (C1)	50g balls	1

Please use only the yarn specified. Another yarn is likely to yield different results. Quantities are approximate as knitting styles may vary between knitters. Check the ball bands to ensure all yarn is from the same dye lot.

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CROCHET HOOK AND EQUIPMENT:

A 2.50mm crochet hook
OR 3.00mm crochet hook, see note.
 Embroidery Thread.
 Sewing Thread.
 Wool needle for sewing in ends.
 Stitch Markers.

OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT:

Cotton 8ply for embroidery.
 Embroidery Floss.
 Embroidery Needles.

TENSION:

Tension is not important for this project but your eggs should sit approximately 8cm high after stuffing.

CROCHET ABBREVIATIONS:

ch: chain
ss: slip stitch
dc: double crochet
mr: magic ring, alternatively ch 4 and sl st to close.

EGG ORNAMENT

Base:

NOTE: We recommend using metal hooks with amigurumi as they are less likely to bend or break. Use between a 2.50mm and 3.50mm hook as long as the stitches are tight enough to stop the stuffing showing. Take breaks often to avoid extra strain on the wrists.

Using 3.00mm hook and colour M.

Round 1: 8dc into a mr

Round 2: ch1, 2dc into ea ch around the circle, sl st to close ... 16 sts

Round 3: ch1, dc into each st in the round, sl st to close

Round 4: ch1, *dc into next st, 2dc into the next, repeat from * around circle, sl st to close ... 24 sts

Round 5: ch1, *dc into next 2sts, 2dc into the next, repeat from * around circle, sl st to close ... 32 sts

Round 6 & 7: ch1, dc into each st in the round, sl st to close

Round 8: ch1, *1dc into the next 3 sts, 2dc into the next st, repeat from * around circle, sl st to close ... 40 sts

Round 9-15: ch1, dc into each st in the round, sl st to close

Round 16: ch1, *1dc into the next 3 sts, dc2tog, repeat from * around circle, sl st to close ... 32 sts

Round 17 & 18: ch1, dc into each st in the round, sl st to close

Round 19: ch1, *1dc into the next 2 sts, dc2tog, repeat from * around circle, sl st to close ... 24 sts

Round 20 & 21: ch1, dc into each st in the round, sl st to close

Round 22: ch1, *1dc into the next 2 sts, dc2tog, repeat from * around circle, sl st to close ... 18 sts

Round 23: ch1, *1dc into the next st, dc2tog, repeat from * around circle, sl st to close ... 12 sts

Round 24: ch1, *1dc into the next st, dc2tog, repeat from * around circle, sl st to close ... 8 sts

Fasten off, leaving a long tail.

FINISHING**Stuffing:**

Stuff the egg firmly, there should be no stuffing visible through the stitches though. Using a wool needle, thread through the front post of each stitch only. Draw tightly closed and fasten off.

Strap:

Insert hook into the top of the egg, using C1, create a sl st and pull through, ch 21,

Row 1: Insert the hook into the 2nd ch from the hook in the front post only and dc. Dc into the front post of each stitch, at the end of the row, sl st back into the top of the egg and turn.

Row 2: Ch1, ins the hook into the back post of the ch and dc. Dc into each st until the end of the row and fasten off, leaving a long tail.

Using a wool needle, stitch the other end of the strap into the top of the egg.

ITEM A: Eggs

HOW TO: DECORATION IDEAS

SPECKLED EGG: Work the egg entirely in C1 and the strap in M, use brown cotton 8ply to embroider speckles on it.



FLORAL EGG: Again, work the egg in C1 and the strap in M. Using a tapestry needle and embroider floss, create flowers on one side of the egg.



STRIPED EGG: To work a striped egg, complete rounds 1- 5 of pattern in M, *change to C1 work 2 rounds in C1, work a further 5 rounds in M, repeat from * until there are 4 rounds left to work. Work these in M, fasten off and create the strap in the same method as described above.

