Padded Nordic Tree Ornament



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Prototype-ready, untested guide. Sample before display or gifting.

Status and US stitch key

Version1.0 | November5,2026 | Prototype-ready, untested making guide. Curated from the supplied Christmas collection; no independent crochet, wash, heat, load or durability test. One design may have colour or embroidery options; they are not extra tested patterns. The original magazine uses UK terms. ALL written instructions in this guide use US terms: UK dc=sc, UK htr=hdc, UK tr=dc. Charts retain their original symbols; interpret their key using this conversion.

US ch=chain;sl st=slip stitch;sc=single crochet;hdc=half double crochet;dc=double crochet;inc=2 stitches in one anchor;sc2tog=draw up a loop in each of2anchors,yarn over through3loops. Dc: yarn over,insert,draw up a loop,yarn over through2loops twice. Hdc: yarn over,insert,draw up loop,yarn over through3. Unless stated otherwise,work under both top loops. Turning chains count only when explicitly stated;joins do not count.

These are indoor decorations,not pet toys,restraint equipment or certified child toys. Hang/store them out of pets’ reach,especially loops,loose yarn,buttons and filling. Do not imply that soft crochet is safe to chew. Keep table textiles away from candle flames and hot cookware;coasters/runners are not tested trivets. Source photos may contain props not required by the pattern. Check actual yarn/component labels and clean a separate sample first. No universal machine-washability or shrinkage result is verified.

Materials, one-size reference and row clarification

Reference yarn: King Cole Baby Alpaca DK, 50 g/100 m, main and contrast chosen from cranberry, fawn and grey; 3.5 mm hook, plain fibre filling, needle and optional ribbon. No exact per-tree consumption or gauge is given. Reference size10 x7 cm is unverified. Make2 panels with matching yarn, tension and counts; measure width/height before joining.

The source repeat across rows7-19 would give11 stitches while claiming10. This guide proposes alternating increase/even rows7-18, then another EVEN row19. It retains10 before the later12/14/17 counts. This is an untested, count-consistent adaptation, not verified errata. Colour and embroidery options remain one design. No essential oils or buttons are added to the main route.

Both panels: complete 23-row schedule

Main colour, ch8. Row1: sc in eighth chain from hook, turn =1 sc; unused chains form the hanging loop. Ch1 before rows2-23, not counted; turn after each row except the last. R2: inc =2. R3: sc in first, inc in next =3. R4:3 sc. R5: increase at centre and sc elsewhere =4. R6:4 sc.

R7 increase near centre =5; R8 5 sc. R9 increase near centre =6; R10 6 sc. R11 increase near centre =7; R12 7 sc. R13 increase near centre =8; R14 8 sc. R15 increase near centre =9; R16 9 sc. R17 increase near centre =10; R18 10 sc. R19 ADAPTED:10 sc again.

R20: sc first, inc next, sc in all remaining tops =11. R21: repeat that single increase after first sc =12. R22: sc first, inc next, sc in next8, inc next, sc last =14. R23: sc first, inc next, sc in next4, inc next, sc in next5, inc next, sc last =17. Fasten and bury ends. Make2 identical panels; do not insert another even row after R23.

Embroidery, filling and seam

Embroider each panel with contrast before joining. Proposed repeatable layout: a central sewn stem from near the top to just above the base, with short paired diagonal branch stitches at intervals. The photo guides appearance, not exact coordinates. Keep embroidery flat and bury ends without long inside floats.

Put wrong sides inside, align the17-stitch bases and row ends, then whipstitch the perimeter in contrast. Add a small amount of plain filling before closing the final section. Close the whole seam, bury ends and keep the chain loops aligned if hanging. Thread ribbon through the loop only if desired. A soft ornament is not established as safe for pets; keep it out of reach and inspect the seam and loop.

Sample, care and display record

Before display,inspect all stitches,seams,ends and attachments. Remove every temporary pin,needle and marker. Keep hanging loops inaccessible to pets and check them for wear. Do not fill ornaments with loose edible treats,essential oils,beans or unlisted hard components. Original photographs are appearance references,not certification or process tests.

Follow the actual yarn and component care instructions together. Test cleaning/blocking on a swatch first,then dry fully. No heat resistance,nonslip property,washing performance or hanging-load rating is established. Adjust edging only after assessing flatness;record actual placements rather than forcing the fabric into shape.

Record yarn/lot____ hook____ stitch/row gauge____ finished dimensions____ edging/seams____ colour or embroidery choices____ actual yarn use____ cleaning/blocking result____ display/hanging check____ changes____. At unchanged counts,a yarn/hook change roughly scales dimensions inversely with your measured stitch/row gauge;resample rather than assuming a tested size. No graded size range is supplied.

General pet-home context checked November5,2026: Cats Protection,Cats at Christmas, https://www.cats.org.uk/help-and-advice/caring-for-your-cat/home-and-environment/seasonal-advice/cats-at-christmas . It does not assess or certify these patterns.

Supplied finished references

P16 | Shared Nordic display with tree, bird and round star ornaments

