



## Crochet Kitties for Hitty

### Materials:

- Fingering weight yarn. The standing kitty is Knit Picks Oregon coast heather, and the sitting kitty is Knit Picks golden heather/creme.
- Size 4 steel crochet hook
- 3/4 inch flat button to stabilize the bottom of the standing cat.
- Black embroidery floss or perle cotton for features

**Gauge:** Not important. Work tightly so the stuffing won't show. Standing kitty is 2 ¼ inches tall from base to ear tip. Sitting kitty is 1 5/8 inches long (not counting the tail) and 1 5/8 inches tall.

These kitties are inspired by Rabbit Hole Knits tiny knit window and parlor cat; you can see one peaking from behind the two crochet kitties in the third image above.

Work in the round and use a stitch marker to keep your place. The placement of decreases and increases is important to the shaping of the cat.

**Standing Cat:** worked from the base to the head.

- 1: Leave a long tail, ch2, 8sc in the second ch fro the hook. 8Sc
- 2: Two sc in each sc around. 16Sc
- 3: (Sc in the first three sc, two sc in the next) around. 20Sc
- 4: Sc in each sc around
- 5: BLO, sc in each sc around
- 6-10: Sc in each sc around. At the end of this round, insert the button ifirmly nto the bottom of the cat and stitch it in place with the long tail you left at the beginning.
- 11: Sc first two sts tog, sc in the next 16sc, sc the last two sts tog. 18 sc
- 12: Sc in each sc around. 18 sc
- 13: Sc in the first sc. Move the stitch marker to this stitch. Sc next two sc tog, sc in the next 14 sc, sc the last two sc tog. 16 sc
- 14: Sc in each sc around. 16 sc
- 15: Sc in the first sc. Move the stitch marker to this stitch. (Sc next two sc tog) twice, sc in the next

eight sc, (sc next two sc tog) twice. 12 sc

16-17: Sc in each sc around. 12 sc

18: Sc in the first sc, two sc in the next sc, sc in the next four sc, two sc in the next sc, sc in the last five sc. 14 sc.

19-21: Sc in each sc around. 14sc. Stuff the body lightly at this point.

22: Hdc in the first three sts, sc in the next four sts, hdc in the next three sts, sc in the last four sts. Sl st loosely in the next two sts. Stuff the head lightly

23: Ch1, flatten the top of the head and loosely sl st through both layers to close the top of the head. Leave a long tail at the end to shape the ears, if necessary.

Tail:

1: Ch 13, sc in the second ch from the hook and the next ch, sl st in the remaining ch and finish off leaving a long tail to sew to the cat body. Sew the thicker end of the tail to the back of the body, wrapping the tail around the front of the body and tack in place.

**Sitting Cat: worked from the back to the head**

1: Leave a long tail, ch2, 8sc in the second ch from the hook. 8Sc

2: Two sc in each sc around. 16Sc

3: (Sc in the first three sc, two sc in the next) around. 20Sc

4-10: Sc in each sc around. Pick up breast color in the last stitch of round 10. The next few rounds will be worked as short rows to make the breast; they will be worked back and forth and not in the round.

11: Sc in the next eight sts, sl st in the next st, ch1, turn.

12: Skip the sl st, sc in the next eight sts, sl st in the next st, ch1, turn.

13: Skip the sl st, sc in the next eight sts, sk the next sl st and sl st in the next sc, ch1, turn.

14-18: Repeat row 13. You should have 8 white stitches and four orange stitches.

19: Pick up orange and sc in each sc around (skip the sl stitches on either side of the breast color. Place a stitch marker in the last stitch of this round. 12Sc

20-21: Sc in each sc around. 12sc.

22: Sc in the first two sts, two sc in the next st, sc in the next four sts, two sc in the next st, sc in the last four sts. 14sc.

23-25: Sc in each sc around. Remove the stitch marker

26: Sc in the first two sts, hdc in the next two sts, sc in the next four sts, hdc in the next three sts, sc in the next four sts, hdc in the next st, join to the first hdc, ch1. Stuff the head lightly.

27: Flatten the last row and sl st through both thicknesses to close the head opening. Leave a long tail to shape the ears if necessary.

Tail: Join body yarn with a sl st across the small opening formed by the beginning round. Using the tail left from the beginning, plus the tail of the yarn just joined, chain 10 holding these three strands together, finish off.

Legs and paws: Ch29, sc in the second ch from the hook and each ch across, ch1, turn, sl st loosely in the back stitch of each sc across to the last sc, ch1, sl st in the last sc, finish off leaving long tails at the beginning and the end.

Run the tails through the first four sc at each end of the chain. Fold the chain in half to find the midpoint and pin this to the back bottom of the cat body. Use the yarn tails to tack the legs to the body.



Embroider features on the cat with size 8 perle cotton, or two strands of embroidery floss.