

## **Baby Girl's First Christmas Stocking** by Priscilla Hewitt ©2000

*This stocking doesn't necessarily have to be used for baby's first Christmas...done in Victorian Christmas colors instead of pastels, it makes a nice stocking for anyone!*

### **Materials**

**About 4-5 ounces pink worsted weight acrylic yarn (or the color of your choice) for stocking**

**About 1 ounce of white worsted weight acrylic yarn (or the color of your choice) for stocking cuff**

**Crochet hook size J**

**About 2 yards of 5/8" satin ribbon (optional)**

**Finished size: About 17" long x 7 1/2" across top.**



**This stocking is worked vertically from heel to toe.**

**Make 2 of these pieces**

**Starting at the heel, ch 8**

**Row 1: Sc in the 2nd ch from hook (dc in the next ch, sc in the next ch) 3 times; ch 24, turn. (7 sts)**

**Row 2: Sc in the 2nd ch from hook (dc in the next ch, sc in the next ch) 11 times, (dc in the next sc, sc in the next dc) 3 times, (dc, sc) in the last sc; ch 1, turn. (31 sts)**

**Row 3: (Sc, dc) in the first sc, (sc in the next dc, dc in the next sc) across; ch 1, turn. (32 sts)**

**Row 4: Sc in the first dc, (dc in the next sc, sc in the next dc) across to within the last sc, (dc, sc) in the last sc. (33 sts)**

**Rows 5-16: (Repeat rows 3-4) 6 times. You should have 45 stitches at the end of row 16.**

**Row 17: Hdc in the first sc, (sc in the next dc, dc in the next sc) 8 times, sc dec over the next 2 sts; ch 1, turn. (18 sts counting the sc dec as one st)**

**Row 18: Sc dec over the first 2 sts, (dc in the next sc, sc in the next dc) 7 times, dc in the next sc, sc in the next hdc; ch 1, turn. (17 sts counting the sc dec as one st)**

**Row 19: Hdc in the first sc, (sc in the next dc, dc in the next sc) 7 times, sc dec over the next 2 sts; ch 1, turn. (16 sts counting the sc dec as one st)**

**Row 20: Sc dec over the first 2 sts, (dc in the next sc, sc in the next dc) 6**

times, dc in the next sc, sc in the next hdc; ch 1, turn. (15 sts counting the sc dec as one st)

**Row 21:** Sc dec over the first 2 sts, (dc in the next sc, sc in the next dc) 5 times, dc in the next sc, sc dec over the next 2 sts. (13 sts counting each sc dec as one st)

**Row 22:** Sc dec over the first 2 sts, (dc in the next sc, sc in the next dc) 4 times, dc in the next sc, sc dec over the next 2 sts. (11 sts counting each sc dec as one st)

**Row 23:** Sc dec over the first 2 sts, (dc in the next sc, sc in the next dc) 3 times, dc in the next sc, sc dec over the next 2 sts. (9 sts counting each sc dec as one st)

**Row 24:** Sc dec over the first 2 sts, (dc in the next sc, sc in the next dc) 2 times, dc in the next sc, sc dec over the next 2 sts. (7 sts counting each sc dec as one st)

**Row 25:** Sc dec over the first 2 sts, dc in the next sc, sc in the next dc, dc in the next sc, sc dec over the next 2 sts. (5 sts counting each sc dec as one st)

**Finishing:** Lay one piece of the stocking over the other. Starting on the toe side of the stocking (sl st, ch 1) together through both thicknesses, leaving the top of the stocking open and ending at the heel side of the stocking.

**Hanging loop and edging:** Ch 12; join with a sl st in the 12th ch from hook, work 36 sc around the top opening of the stocking, then sl st in each of the 12 ch's of the hanging loop; join with a sl st to the first sc. Fasten off.

**Round 1:** With outside of stocking facing you, attach white yarn with a sc in the first sc of the top edging, sc in each of the next 35 sc; join with a sl st to the front loop only of the first sc; ch 1, turn. (36 sc)

**Round 2:** Sc in the front loop only of each sc around; join with a sl st to the first sc; do not turn. (36 sc)

**Round 3:** Ch 4 to count as the first trc, trc in the next sc and in each remaining sc around; join with a sl st to the top of the beginning ch 4. (36 trc)

**Rounds 4-8:** Ch 1, sc in the same st as joining and in each remaining st around; join with a sl st to the first sc. (36 sc)

**Round 9:** Ch 1, sc in the same st as joining, skip next 2 sc, 5 dc shell in the next sc, skip next 2 sc, (sc in the next sc, skip next 2 sc, 5 dc shell in the next sc, skip next 2 sc) 5 times; join with a sl st in the first sc. (6 shells)

**Round 10:** \*(Sl st in the next dc, ch 2, sl st in the same dc) 5 times, sl st in the next sc\* repeat from \* to \* 4 times, (sl st in the next dc, ch 2, sl st in the same dc) 5 times; join with a sl st in the joining sl st. Fasten off.

**Cuff edging:** Attach white with a sl st in the first unworked front loop of round 2, ch 1, (sl st, ch 1) in each remaining unworked front loop around; join with a sl st to the first sl st. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

**Finishing:** If desired, weave ribbon through round 3 and tie a bow just below the hanging loop.

