## Beginner's Crochet Hanging Tag design by Tamara Kelly, copyright 2016 - www.mooglyblog.com



Learning how to crochet can be a lot of fun - and a bit of a challenge! The key is to pick a smooth, light colored yarn, and a pattern that teaches you the basics. That's why I designed the Beginner's Crochet Hanging Tag! When you make this pattern, you can practice:

- 1. Reading patterns
- 2. Slip knots
- 3. Chaining (ch)
- 4. Single Crochet Stitches (sc)
- 5. Working into the edge
- 6. And weaving in ends

With the mastery of these basic skills, you'll be ready to learn new stitches and tackle all sorts of new projects - and join the crochet community!

## Materials (What You Need):

- ✓ Yarn Lion Brand 24/7 Cotton shown (worsted weight "4")
- ✓ Hook Size US-G, 4.0mm hook (or a close size)
- ✓ Yarn Needle and Scissors

## How to Make the Beginner's Crochet Hanging Tag:

**Step 1:** Make a slip knot on your hook. This bit of instruction is not usually included in a pattern, but is implied whenever alternative instructions are not given.

Step 2: Follow the crochet pattern:

Row 1: Ch 13, skip the ch closest to the hook, sc in the next 12 chs; turn. (12 sts)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in each st across; turn. (12 sts)

Row 3 - 13: Repeat Row 2. You can add more rows for a longer tag if you prefer!

Loop and Edging: Ch 15, or as long as you'd like the loop to be, then sc all around the tag, crocheting into the side of each row and across the bottom, as well as across the top of Row 13.

Cut or break the yarn, weave in ends of yarn using needle, and trim the excess ends with the scissors

And now you have a Beginner's Crochet Hanging Tag! These are fun to add to luggage, purses, water bottles, or decorate and hang for holidays.

The one shown on the previous page has a heart made of iron on vinyl. You could also embroider on initials with contrasting yarn, sew on pretty buttons, or sew two squares together to make a pocket. Use your creativity!

## Here are some links and how to video tutorials you will find helpful:

Make a slip knot: http://www.mooglyblog.com/how-to-make-a-slip-knot/ Chain (**ch**): http://www.mooglyblog.com/video-tutorial-chain-stitch-crochet-intro/ Single crochet (**sc**): http://www.mooglyblog.com/single-crochet-sc/ Work into an edge: http://www.mooglyblog.com/working-into-the-edge/ Weave in ends: http://www.mooglyblog.com/weaving-in-ends-crochet-video-tutorial/ More Crochet Abbreviations: http://www.mooglyblog.com/crochet-abbreviations/ More Crochet Stitch Tutorials: http://www.mooglyblog.com/category/video-tutorials/

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