CROCHET LAMP POST COUPLE

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A charming handmade pair

Make two vintage street-lamp figures with a warm cream lantern, flared base and elegant details. Work each lantern and post separately, then stitch or glue components around a concealed support.

Suggested finished height: 8.5-10 in (22-25 cm). Base diameter: 2.7-3.1 in (7-8 cm). Finished sizes depend on yarn, hook and tension.

Skill level: confident beginner to intermediate. Allow 6-10 hours for the pair, plus assembly and drying time.

Materials checklist



DK / light-worsted cotton or acrylic:
dark charcoal 120-160 g; cream 25-35 g;
dusty rose 15 g; burgundy 5 g.
2.5-3.0 mm hook; yarn needle; scissors;
stitch markers; polyfill; optional craft glue.
Two safe support rods or stiff wire armatures.

Safety and construction notes

Use battery LED lighting ONLY if adding illumination; never place a flame inside yarn.
For a stable display, hide a blunt-ended 3-4 mm craft dowel or covered wire inside each post.
Avoid small loose decorations for young children; this is a decorative item, not a toy.

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STITCH GUIDE & BASE

Create two identical stable foundations

Abbreviations (US terms)

ch = chain | sl st = slip stitch | sc = single crochet | hdc = half double crochet

dc = double crochet | inc = 2 sc in one stitch | dec = sc2tog | BLO = back loop only

MR = magic ring | [ ] = stitches at end of round | R = round | FO = fasten off

Flared round base - make 2



R1-R2: center



R3-R5: widen



R6-R8: flare

R1: 6 sc in MR [6].

R2: inc around [12].

R3: (sc, inc) x 6 [18].

R4: (2 sc, inc) x 6 [24].

R5: (3 sc, inc) x 6 [30].

R6: (4 sc, inc) x 6 [36].

R7: sc around in BLO [36].

R8: sc around [36]. FO, leave a 10 in / 25 cm tail.

Shape the disc into a shallow bell; fill lightly, then insert a cardboard disc cut 1/4 in (6 mm) smaller than the crocheted circle (optional). Secure the upright later through the center.

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Lower body tube - make 2



R1: 6 sc in MR [6].

R2: inc around [12].

R3-R13: sc around [12] (11 rounds).

R14: (2 sc, dec) x 3 [9].

R15-R19: sc around [9] (5 rounds).

FO, leaving a long sewing tail.

Upper neck and decorative collar





UPPER NECK (make 2):

R1: 6 sc in MR [6].

R2: inc around [12].

R3-R8: sc around [12]. FO.

COLLAR RINGS (make 4):

Ch 20, sl st to join.

R1-R2: 20 sc around. FO.

Curved decorative arms - make 4

Ch 26. R1: sc in second ch and every following ch [25]. R2: ch 1, turn, 25 sc.

FO with a long tail. Fold or wrap each strip around a covered wire if needed; bend into a gentle arc. Sew two arm ends to each post, keeping the curves symmetric.

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LANTERNS & FRAME

Create two cream shades with dark framing

Lantern body - make 2 in cream yarn



Crocheted lantern shell



Border and vertical rails

R1: 6 sc in MR [6].

R2: inc around [12].

R3: (sc, inc) x 6 [18].

R4: (2 sc, inc) x 6 [24].

R5: (3 sc, inc) x 6 [30].

R6-R9: 30 sc around [30] (4 rounds).

R10: (3 sc, dec) x 6 [24].

R11: (2 sc, dec) x 6 [18]. FO; do not overstuff.

Dark frame and pale diffuser

For the lower rim, ch 25 in charcoal and join to a ring; work 2 rounds of 24 sc. For the upper rim, repeat with 30 stitches (ch 31). Adjust circumference to fit your actual lantern. Stitch rims around the openings.

Make 4 narrow rails per lantern: ch 13, sl st back down each chain or work 12 sc, then sew evenly around the cream fabric from upper rim to lower rim. Insert translucent white felt or fabric for a gentle light-colored interior if desired.

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Tall gentleman hat - make 1

R1: 6 sc in MR [6]. R2: inc around [12]. R3: (sc, inc) x 6 [18].

R4-R5: 18 sc. R6: (2 sc, inc) x 6 [24]. R7: 24 sc.

R8: (3 sc, inc) x 6 [30]. R9: sc around [30]. FO.

For the finial: R1 6 sc in MR; R2 inc [12]; R3-R4 12 sc;

R5 dec around [6]. Stuff, close and stitch to crown.

Wide lady hat - make 1

R1: 6 sc in MR [6]. R2: inc around [12]. R3: (sc, inc) x 6 [18].

R4: (2 sc, inc) x 6 [24]. R5: (3 sc, inc) x 6 [30].

R6: (4 sc, inc) x 6 [36]. R7: 36 sc in BLO.

R8: (5 sc, inc) x 6 [42]. R9: (6 sc, inc) x 6 [48]. FO.

Small bow tie, flower and skirt ruffle



BURGUNDY BOW



PINK FLOWER



PINK RUFFLE

Bow: ch 14; 4 rows of 13 sc. Gather at center; wrap yarn 6-8 times and secure.

Flower: MR; (ch 3, 2 dc, ch 3, sl st into ring) x 5. Tighten MR; fasten off.

Ruffle: ch 41; R1 sc in second ch and across [40]; R2 (sc, 3 dc in next st)

repeat x 20 [80]. FO. Sew around the lady post at waist level.

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ASSEMBLE THE COUPLE

Follow the order below for a strong and balanced result

Assembly - both lamp posts

1. Insert a smooth, blunt support vertically into each base. Test each base on a level table.
2. Slide each lower tube over the support and sew its base opening securely to the flare.
3. Add the collar rings at the desired joint; attach the upper neck and curve it slightly.
4. Close and shape the cream lanterns; sew the lower ring onto the top of the neck.
5. Evenly space the dark vertical rails; attach the upper rim and the matching hat.
6. For the gentleman, place two curved arms at hip level and sew on the burgundy bow.
7. For the lady, bend the neck gently toward the other lamp; sew arms and pink ruffle.
8. Stitch the flower to her hat, then add the narrow pink accent band to her lower post.
9. Lean both heads inward, rebalance the bases, hide tails and allow any glue to dry.

Final shape reference



Finished pair:

The tall gentleman stands upright with a small bow and high hat. The lady has a tilted broad-brim hat, a five-petal flower and a gathered pink skirt. Their lamps face toward each other.

If the neck leans too far, shorten the internal support or add extra stitches at the rear seam. If the base wobbles, add a wider interior disc or a small concealed weight.

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FINISHING & TROUBLESHOOTING

Useful checks before gifting or displaying

Finishing checklist

[ ] Both bases sit flat and each armature end is safely covered.

[ ] No loose yarn tails or sharp points remain visible.

[ ] The cream lantern fabric is evenly shaped and firmly attached.

[ ] The hat brims do not sag and the flower / bow cannot fall off.

[ ] The two lanterns touch or gently lean toward one another without toppling.

Adjustments

Make the figures taller by adding rounds to the lower post before the shaping decrease. Widen the feet with one more increase round (6 extra sc), followed by an even round. For thicker yarn, increase the hook proportionally and make a larger support disk.

Care

Spot clean with a slightly damp cloth; air dry completely. Keep away from direct heat, open flames, and strong sunlight. Battery LEDs may be placed near a separate translucent interior only if they do not heat up and are removable.

Important note about the diagram

The original reference chart is reproduced in full on the following page as a standalone print sheet. It is a visual guide and may use stylized symbol counts. Follow the written round counts here for the reconstructed pattern, and check fit as you work.

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