# Christmas Bride from HereandAbove.com by Deborah K. Lauro



### Materials needed

5 1/2 oz. of Worsted Weight White yarn 1 oz. of White Baby Pompadour yarn 1 11 1/2" Porcelain-Look Doll by Fibre-Craft 1/4 sheet 7-mesh plastic canvas 3 size 4/0 snaps Small amount of sewing thread 25" of 1" white lace 25" of 2mm string craft beads 5" of 4mm string craft beads 2 bunches of 12 medium red Ribbon Roses 1 bunch of 12 medium white Ribbon Roses 25" square piece of netting 2 craft pearl-headed corsage pins 30" of red 3/16" craft ribbon 30" of white 3/16" craft ribbon 2 - 30" lengths of green 3/16" craft ribbon 22" length of green 3/16" craft ribbon 12" of red 1/8" craft ribbon 12" of white 1/8" craft ribbon 2 - 12" lengths of green craft ribbon

### Abbreviations Used

ch	chain
dc	double crochet
sc	single crochet
sl st	<pre>slip stitchst(s)</pre>
st(s)	stitch(es)
tr	triple crochet

#### Gauge

With F hook and worsted weight yarn - 7 dc = 2"; 4 sc rows = 1". With D hook and pompadour yarn - 6 sc = 1".

### **Doll Preparation**

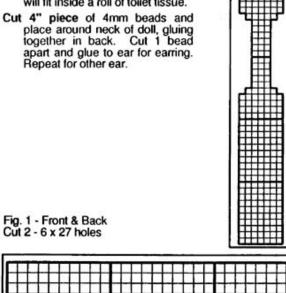
For bathroom tissue option, remove legs from doll. Cut out 1 piece of 7-mesh plastic canvas for sides according to Fig. 2, and 2 pieces following Fig. 1, 1 for front and 1 for back.

Whipstitch one long edge of a front piece to long edge of one end of side. Whipstitch the back to the other long edge of the same end of side. Insert the other end of side (part not connected to front and back) through leg holes. Whipstitch to unused edges of front and back. Piece should be a long, almost square tube that will fit inside a roll of toilet tissue.

Cut 4" piece of 4mm beads and place around neck of doll, gluing together in back. Cut 1 bead apart and glue to ear for earring. Repeat for other ear.

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## **Special Stitches**

**Sc next 2 stitches together:** Insert hook in first stitch, yarn over hook, draw through stitch, (2 loops on hook), insert hook into next stitch, yarn over hook, draw through stitch, yarn over hook, draw through all 3 loops on hook.

#### Working in Back, Front or Both loops:

Usually a stitch is worked over the two top strands of the stitch below it. When the pattern says to work in Front Loops Only, insert your hook into the top loop closest to you, starting the same way you would normally insert the hook, and ending by coming up between the two top strands. When the pattern wants you to work in the Back Loops Only, insert your hook inbetween the two top strands and out the back of your work.

**V-Stitch:** (tr, ch 2, tr) all in same space or stitch.

### Bodice

Fig. 2 Side piece

61x7 holes

Cut 1

**Row 1:** With worsted-weight yarn and F hook, ch 23. Sc in second ch from the hook and each ch across. (22 sc)

**Row 2:** Ch 1, turn. Working in Back Loops Only, sc in first 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts. This row is the right side of work. (24 sts)

**Row 3:** Ch 1, turn. Working in Both Loops, sc in each st across.

Row 4 and 5: Ch 1, turn. Sc in each st across.

#### **First Back**

**Row 6:** Ch 1, turn. Sc in first 5 sts, leave the rest unworked. (5 sts)

Rows 7 - 9: Ch 1, turn. Sc across.

**Row 10:** Sl st in first 4 sts, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in last st. (2 sts)

Row 11: Ch 1, turn. Sc across. Finish off.

#### Front

**Row 6:** Working into sts of Row 5, skip 2 sts from the end of Row 6 of first back, attach worsted yarn with sc in next st, sc in next 3 sc, sc next 2 sts together, sc in next 4 sts, leave rest unworked. (9 sts) Row 7: Ch 1, turn. Sc in each st across.

#### **First front**

Row 8: Ch 1, turn. sc in first 4 sts.

**Row 9:** Sl st in first 2 sts, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next 2 sts. (3 sts)

Row 10: Ch 1, turn. Sc in next 2 sts. (2 sts)

**Row 11:** Sl st to last row of first back. Finish off.

#### **Second Front**

**Row 8:** Skip 1 st on Row 7 of front. Attach worsted weight yarn with sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts. (4 sts)

**Row 9:** Ch 1, sc in first 3 sts, leave last unworked. (3 sts)

**Row 10:** Sl st into first 2 sts, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next st. (2 sts) Finish off.

#### Second Back

**Row 6:** Working into sts of Row 5, skip next 2 sts from the end of Row 6 of front, Attach worsted weight yarn with sc in next st,sc in last 4 sts. (5 sts)

Rows 7 - 9: Ch 1, turn. Sc in each st across.

**Row 10:** Ch 1, turn. Sc in first 2 sts, leave rest unworked. (2sts)

Row 11: Ch 1, turn. Sc in each st across.

**Row 12:** SI st to last row of Second Front. Finish off.

#### Sleeve

**Rnd 1:** Using Pompadour yarn and D hook, join with sc in first sc under arm (on row 5 of bodice), ch 2, sc in next sc, (ch 3, sc) in end of next 4 rows, (ch 4, sc) in end of next 4 rows, (ch 3, sc) in end of next 4 rows, ch 1, dc in first sc made. (14 loops)

**Rnd 2:** (Ch 2, sc in next loop) around, ending ch 2, sl st in ending dc of previous round.

**Rnd 3:** Sl st into next loop, ch 1, sc in same loop, \*(ch 1, sc) in next loop,\* repeat between \* around, ending ch 1, sl st into first sc.

**Rnd 4:** Sl st into next ch loop, ch 1, sc in same loop, sc in each loop around, join with sc in first loop. (14 sc)

**Rnd 5:** Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next 2 sts, hdc in next 2 sts, dc in next 5 sts, hdc in next 2 sts, sc in last 2 sts, sl st into beginning sc.

**Rnd 6:** Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc.

**Rnd 7:** Ch 1, sc in same st, (ch 1, skip next st, sc in next st) around, ending ch 1, sl st in first sc.

**Rnd 8:** Sl st in next ch-1 sp, (ch 1, sc) into same ch-1 space, (ch 1, sc) in next ch-1 sp, around. Sl st into first sc.

Rnds 9 - 14: Repeat round 8.

**Rnd 15:** Ch 1, sc in same st, \*ch 3, sc in next ch-1 space, ch 3, sc in next sc,\* repeat between \* around, ending ch 3, sc in next space, ch 3, join with sl st in first sc. Finish off.

Repeat for other sleeve.

#### Neck edge

With right side of work facing you, With D hook attach Pompadour yarn with sc in first st of left back. (ch 3, sc) in next 3 sts, (ch 3, sc) in side of next 4 rows, (ch 3, sc, ch 3, sc) in top of next 5 sc, (ch 3, sc) in side of next 4 rows, (ch 3, sc) in next 4 sc. Finish off.

### Skirt

**Row 1:** With F hook and worsted-weight yarn, working in opposite side of starting ch, with right side of bodice facing you, join with sc in first st, \* 2 sc in next st, sc in next st,\* across ending 2 sc in last st. (33 sts)

Row 2: Ch 1, turn. Sc in each st across.

**Row 3:** Ch 3, (counts as first dc) turn, dc in same st, \* dc in next st, 2 dc in next st,\* to end of row. Join with sl st to top of beginning ch 3. (50 dc)

**Rnd 4:** Ch 3, dc in next st and each st around, join with sl st in top of beginning ch 3.

Rnd 5: Repeat row 4.

**Rnd 6:** Ch 3, 2 dc in next st, \* dc in next st, 2 dc in next,\* repeat between \* around. Sl st in top of beginning ch 3. (75 dc)

**Rnd 7 - 13:** Repeat row 4.

#### Ruffle

**Rnd 14:** Ch 4, dc in same st, (ch 1, dc, ch 1, dc) in next st and each st around. Ch 1, sl st into 3rd ch of beginning ch 4. (150 spaces)

**Rnd 15:** Sl st into first ch-1 space, ch 4, dc in same sp, (ch 1, dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-1 space and each ch-1 space around, ch 1, sl st into 3rd ch of beginning ch 4. **Rnd 16:** Sl st into next ch-1 space, ch 3, dc in same space, (ch 1, 2 dc) in next ch-1 space and each space around, ch 1, sl st into top of beginning ch 3. Finish off.

**Rnd 17:** Using D hook, join pompadour yarn with sl st in next ch 1 space. Working from left to right (ch 4, sl st in next ch-1 sp) around, ch 4, sl st in beginning space. Finish off. Work in end.

#### Overskirt

**Row 1:** Holding dress upside down, using D hook and pompadour yarn, join with sc in first st of unworked loops of Row 1 of bodice. (ch 2, sc) in next st around. (22 sc, including beginning sc).

**Row 2:** Turn. Sl st into first ch-2 space, ch 4 (counts as first dc and ch 1), (dc, ch 1, dc) in same space, \* dc in next space, (dc, ch 1, dc, ch 1, dc) in next space,\* repeat between \* across. (43 dc)

**Row 3:** Turn. Ch 5, (tr, ch 2, tr) in next dc (V-stitch made), \* ch 1, skip next dc, V-st in next dc, \* repeat between \* across, ending ch 1, tr in last dc, ch 2, sl st in 4th ch of beg ch 5. (21 V-sts)

**Rnd 4:** Sl st over to center of first V-st, ch 6, tr in same sp, \* ch 1, V-st in center of next V-st,\* repeat from \* around, ending ch 1, V-st in next ch 2 space, ch 1, sl st in 4th ch of beginning ch 6. (22 V-sts)

**Rnd 5:** Sl st into next space, ch 6, tr in same space \* ch 1, V- st in center of next V-st,\* repeat between \* around, ending ch 1, sl st in 4th ch of beginning ch 6.

Rnd 6: Repeat Rnd 5.

**Rnd 7:** Sl st in next space, ch 6, tr in same space, \* ch 2, V-st in center of next V-st,\*

repeat between \* around, ending ch 2, sl st into 4th ch of beginning ch 6.

**Rnd 8:** Ch 1, 3 sc in next ch-2 space, \* sc in next tr, 2 sc in next ch-2 sp,\* repeat between \* around, ending sl st into back loop of first sc. (132 sc)

**Rnd 9:** Working this rnd in Back Loops Only, sc in each sc around, sl st into both loops of beginning sc. Finish off. Work in ends.

## **Dress Finishing**

Sew 3 snaps evenly spaced along back opening of bodice.

Glue or sew 25" of 1" wide ruffle lace to the last sc row of overskirt, placing top of lace behind sc row.

Glue or sew 25" of 2 mm beads to bottom front of overskirt between the 2 last sc rows.

Cut 12 Red Ribbon Rose stems to within 1/2" of rose. Bend stem in half. Starting at center front of dress, with glue insert rose into bottom of V-st, hiding stem behind beaded sc row. \*Skip next V-st, glue another rose in next V-st,\* continue around. There will be 11 roses along the bottom of the skirt. Glue the last rose to the center front neck edge of the dress, hiding the stem on the inside of dress.

After dress is on doll, tie a 22" length of green 3/16" ribbon around waist with bow on front left side. Let ends hang down, trim as desired.

## Veil

Cut a 25" square piece of netting. Round off corners with scissors. Fold diagonally and drape over head, hanging along sides and back. Bunch the netting slightly in back and place beaded corsage pin into doll's head to hold in place.

Separate 1 bunch of white and 1 bunch of red medium ribbon roses. Take 3 red and 2 white roses. Twist the stems together. Lay them flat, alternating the colors, and place on top of head.

Cut 30" lengths of red, green and white 3/16" ribbon. Set aside. Cut another 30" length of green ribbon. Make into a many looped bow by holding end and making a loop, holding and making a loop on the opposite side until almost all of ribbon is used. Wrap last end over center (part you held together in your fingers). Stick corsage pin through the center of bow to hold together, Stick other three 30" ribbons on pin through their center (with 15" on either side), Stick pin through center flower stem and into head directly behind flowers covering most of stems. Cut off stems close to ribbon, being careful to not cut all of stem that is twisted together.

## Bouquet

Gather remaining flowers into a bouquet and twist stems together. Take 1 red, 1 white, and 2 green 12" long 1/8" wide ribbons and tie around bouquet stem (no bow). Let ends hang down. Wrap bouquet stem into hand and down around to keep in hand.

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