



### Christmas crackers / Party crackers

A year has almost passed. And it is precisely this cozy time between the years that I love very much. Don't have to do anything, because everything seems to be running slower these days. And lots of craft time. For this year's New Year's Eve, I made a small gift idea. If you want to give your loved ones and friends another surprise on New Year's Eve: crocheted Christmas Crackers in which you can hide a lucky charm (for example the crocheted Ladybug) <https://www.zuckersuesseaepfel.de/2018/04/Anleitung-gehaekeltes-Armband-Blueten-Marienkaefer.html> and a few nice words for the new year.





**Materials:**

Schachenmayr Catania 00398 Azalea, 00245 Anise and 00226 Lilac

Schachenmayr Catania Glamour 00101 White, 00135 Rose and 00155 Sea Blue

Hook size 2,0

3 buttons about 8mm diameter

St - stitch

Sc – single crochet

Sl st – slip stitch

Ch – chain

Inc – increase

Dec – decrease

R – row

Rd – round

The Christmas cracker is made from two halves, which are sewn together.

First half (with Azaleas, White, Rose/Anise and Sea Blue/Lilac):

1. Rd: with Azalea/Rose/Sea Blue 6 sc in Magic Ring (=6 sc) 2. Rd: inc (=12 sc)

3. Rd: (sc, inc) repeat) (=18 sc)

4. Rd: 1 sc, inc, 1 sc (=24 sc)

5. Rd: back loops only: 24 sc (=24 sc)

6.-14. 24 sc (=24 sc)

Change color to White/Anise/Lilac.

15. Rd: 24 sc (=24 sc)

16. Rd: Sl st 10, ch 6, skip 3 sc (buttonhole), Sl st 11 (=24 st)

Fasten off.

Continue crocheting in the (start) magic ring. (you crochet on top of the piece you have now)

1.Rd: 6sc in Magic Ring with White/Anise/Lilac



- 2. Rd: inc (=12 sc)
- 3. Rd: (sc, inc) repeat (=18 sc)
- 4. Rd: 18 sc (=18 sc) 5. Rd: (2sc, inc) repeat (=24 sc)
- 6.-8. Rd: 24 sc (24 sc)

Fasten off.

Make the second half the same way; but fasten off after Rd. 15.

Sew both Halves together (sc 12 from rd 15 (second Half) and rd 15 from the first Half.). A larger opening remains. Sew a button on the opposite side of the buttonhole.



Fill the Christmas cracker with homemade confetti, lucky charms and lovely words for the next year



Have a lot of crochet fun and lots of good luck for 2020!

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