

Flower Power

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You will need:

3.5mm crochet hook with DK cotton
OR
2.5 mm crochet hook with 4 ply cotton
OR
1.5mm crochet hook with no 5 cotton
darning needle

Abbreviations:

ch = Chain
dc = Double crochet
d2tog = Double crochet 2 together
htr = Half treble crochet
tr = Treble crochet
ss = Slip stitch
st = Stitch

Special stitches

Magic Circle : This a great alternative to making a chain ring as a starting point when working in rounds as it gives a solid centre.

Hold the yarn between the thumb and index finger and wrap the yarn round your index finger in a clockwise direction to make a complete circle with overlapping ends - insert the hook into the circle - yarn over hook - pull through - ch1 (or 3 for a treble) - work the required number of dc into the circle always working over 2 strands of yarn - pull the yarn tail to tighten the circle.

I have listed 3 sizes of hook and yarn so that you can make to whichever size suits you best.

Viola

You will need 3 colours for this;

Colour A - the centre (usually yellow)

Colour B - the darker shade

Colour C - the paler shade

Centre: Using colour A make a magic circle and work 5dc into it - ss closed.

Round 1: ch 1 - 2dc into each st - ss closed. (10 dc)

Petals:

Round 2: change to colour B - [ch 2 - 4tr into same st as ch - 4tr into next st - ch 2 - ss into next st] repeat twice more - change to colour C - [ch 2 - 5tr into same st as ch - 5tr into next st - ch2 - ss into next st] repeat

once more.

Round 3: ch 1 - [1dc into each of next 2 ch - 2dc into top of next tr - 1dc into each of next 2 tr's - 2dc into next tr - 1dc into each of next 2 ch - ss into junction] repeat twice more - [1dc into each of next 2 ch - 2tr into top of next tr - 1tr into each of next 3 tr's - 2tr into next tr - 1dc into each of next 2 ch - ss into junction] repeat once more - fasten off.

Run in any ends.

Poppy

You will need 2 colours for this:

Colour A - the centre (usually black)

Colour B - the petals

Centre: Using colour A make a magic circle and work 6dc into it - ss closed.

Round 1: ch 1 - 2dc into each st - ss closed - fasten off. (12 dc)

Petals: The 4 petals are each worked separately over 3 st's of the poppy centre.

Row 1: using colour B, join the yarn to one of the st's from the last round of the centre - ch 3 (counts as first tr) - 1tr into same st - 2tr into each of next 2 st's - turn.

Row 2: ch 3 (counts as first tr) - 1tr into same st - 2tr into each of next 5 st's - fasten off.

[Rejoin the yarn to the next st of the centre and repeat the last 2 rows] for each of the remaining 3 petals.

Petal edging: rejoin the yarn to the flower centre, in the same st as one of the ch 3.

[Ch 1 - 2dc into the edge of each of the 2 rows - 3tr into top of next st - 1tr into each of next 10 st's - 3tr into next st - 2dc into the edge of each of the 2 rows - ss to the centre.] repeat this for the 3 remaining petals and fasten off.

Run in any ends.

Tip: I find that it helps the poppy keep it's shape if I catch the petal edges in place. Usually poppy petals are in pairs with the opposite pairs being either in front or behind.

Rose

The petals are each worked over 2 st's on the foundation, with the first petal following straight on from the foundation, and then rejoining the yarn to the next stitch along for the following petals.

Foundation: make a run of 32 chain. 1dc into the 3rd ch from hook - 1dc into each of remaining 28 chain - turn. (30 dc)

First 3 Petals (Small)

Row 1: ch 1 - 2dc into each of next 2 st's - turn. (4 dc)

Row 2: ch 1 - 2dc next st - 1dc into each of next 2 st's - 2dc into next st - turn. (6 dc)

Rows 3 - 8: ch 1 - 1dc into each st - turn. (6 dc)

Row 9: ch1 - d2tog - 1dc into each of next 2 st's - d2tog - fasten off. (4 dc)

Next 5 Petals (Medium)

Row 1: ch 1 - 2dc into each of next 2 st's - turn. (4 dc)

Row 2: ch 1 - 2dc next st - 1dc into each of next 2 st's - 2dc into next st - turn. (6 dc)

Row 3: ch 1 - 2dc next st - 1dc into each of next 4 st's - 2dc into next st - turn (8 dc)

Rows 4 - 8: ch 1 - 1dc into each st - turn. (8 dc)

Row 9: ch 1 - d2tog - 1dc into each of next 4 st's - d2tog - turn. (6 dc)

Row 10: ch1 - d2tog - 1dc into each of next 2 st's - d2tog - fasten off. (4 dc)

Next 7 Petals (Large)

Row 1: ch 1 - 2dc into each of next 2 st's - turn. (4 dc)

Row 2: ch 1 - 2dc next st - 1dc into each of next 2 st's - 2dc into next st - turn. (6 dc)

Row 3: ch 1 - 2dc next st - 1dc into each of next 4 st's - 2dc into next st - turn. (8 dc)

Row 4: ch 1 - 2dc next st - 1dc into each of next 6 st's - 2dc into next st - turn (10 dc)

Rows 5 - 8: ch 1 - 1dc into each st - turn. (10 dc)

Row 9: ch 1 - d2tog - 1dc into each of next 6 st's - d2tog - turn. (8 dc)

Row 10: ch 1 - d2tog - 1dc into each of next 4 st's - d2tog - turn. (6 dc)

Row 11: ch1 - d2tog - 1dc into each of next 2 st's - d2tog - fasten off. (4 dc)

Rose Cover (In green)

Make a magic circle with 4dc into it - pull tight - ss closed.

Round 1: ch 1 - 2dc into each st - ss closed. (8 dc)

Change to working in rows, the first leaf is made over the first 4 st's and then you rejoin the yarn and work the second leaf over the remaining 4 st's.

Row 1: ch 1 - 2dc into the next st - 1dc into each of the next 2 st's - 2dc into next st - turn. (6 dc)

Row 2: ch 1 - 2dc into the next st - 1dc into each of the next 4 st's - 2dc into next st - turn. (8 dc)

Row 3: ch 1 - 1dc into each st - turn. (8 dc)

Row 4: ch 1 - d2tog - 1dc into each of next 4 st's - d2tog - turn. (6 dc)

Row 5: ch 1 - d2tog - 1dc into each of next 2 st's - d2tog - turn. (4 dc)

Row 6: ch 1 - d2tog twice - turn. (2 dc)

Row 7: ch 1 - d2tog - fasten off. (1 dc)

Making Up

Start with the first petal you made and roll this into a sausage to form the centre of the rose, sew it into shape along the edge of rows 1 - 4.

Lay the rose out on a table or tray and overlap the petals by 2 - 4 st's, making sure to always overlap in the same direction. On row 4 sew the edge stitch of the top petal onto the petal below. This will make the rose petals form a spiral.

Run in any ends.

Starting with the rose centre, roll the foundation into a tight coil, I find it is easiest if I sew as I go, this helps me give the rose a better shape. When you have made the coil sew the edge of the last petal into place on the petal beneath.

Take the rose cover and sew it into place over the coil of the foundation.

Rose Bud

This is made in the same way as the rose. The only difference is that the foundation is shorter and there are less petals.

Foundation: make a run of 12 chain. 1dc into the 3rd ch from hook - 1dc into each of remaining 9 chain - turn. (10 dc)

First 3 Petals (Small)

Row 1: ch 1 - 2dc into each of next 2 st's - turn. (4 dc)

Row 2: ch 1 - 2dc next st - 1dc into each of next 2 st's - 2dc into next st - turn. (6 dc)

Row 3: ch 1 - 2dc into next st - 1dc into each of next 4 st's - 2dc into next st - turn. (8 dc)

Row 4: ch1 - d2tog - 1dc into each of next 4 st's - d2tog - turn. (4 dc)

Row 5: ch1 - d2tog - 1dc into each of next 2 st's - d2tog - fasten off. (4 dc)

Last 2 Petals (Medium)

Row 1: ch 1 - 2dc into each of next 2 st's - turn. (4 dc)

Row 2: ch 1 - 2dc next st - 1dc into each of next 2 st's - 2dc into next st - turn. (6 dc)

Row 3: ch 1 - 2dc next st - 1dc into each of next 4 st's - 2dc into next st - turn (8 dc)

Row 4 : ch 1 - 1dc into each st - turn. (8 dc)

Row 5: ch 1 - d2tog - 1dc into each of next 4 st's - d2tog - turn. (6 dc)

Row 6: ch1 - d2tog - 1dc into each of next 2 st's - d2tog - fasten off. (4 dc)

Make a bud cover in green as for the rose cover.

Making Up

Follow the instruction given for the rose.

Daffodil

Petals

The petals are each worked over 2 st's on the foundation, with the first petal following straight on from the foundation, and then rejoining the yarn to the next stitch along for the following petals.

Foundation: make a magic circle with 12 dc into it - pull tight - ss closed.

Petals: Work the following 7 rows for each of the 6 petals.

Row 1: ch 1 - 2dc into each of next 2 st's - turn. (4 dc)

Rows 2 - 5: ch 1 - 1dc into each st - turn. (4 dc)

Row 6: ch 1 - d2 tog twice - turn. (2 dc)

Row 7: ch 1 - d2tog - fasten off. (1 dc)

Trumpet

This is worked in a continuous spiral.

Make a magic circle with 8 dc into it.

Rounds 1 - 2: 1dc each st. (8 dc)

Round 3: [2dc next st - 1dc next 3 st's] twice. (10 dc)

Round 4: 1dc each st. (10 dc)

round 5: [2dc next st - 1dc next 4 st's] twice. (12 dc)

Round 6: 1dc each st. (12 dc)

Round 7: [2dc next st - 1dc next st] six times - ss to next st - fasten off. (18 dc)

Back Cover (In green or fawn)

This is worked in a continuous spiral.

Make a magic circle with 4 dc into it - pull closed but not too tight.

Rounds 1 - 4: 1dc each st. (4 dc)

ss to the next st and fasten off.

Making up

Sew the base of the trumpet to the middle of the petals.

Sew one end of the back cover to the middle of the petals on the opposite side to the trumpet.

Run in any ends.