Button flower

US terms



Finished size
About 3½ in (9 cm) across

Skill
Easy
Worked in rounds, with color changes.

Yarn
Medium (4), 3 colors

Hook
5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge
14 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: navy, round 1	**about 4 yd (4 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: denim blue, round 2	**about 8 yd (7 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: cream, round 3	**about 7 yd (6 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a yarn needle, scissors, pins for blocking, one 1 in (2.5 cm) flat button with 4 holes, each at least 1/8 in (3 mm) across so that the threaded yarn needle goes through it and and a spray bottle.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. The estimate is from the stitches and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

ch	chain stitch
sl st	slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
hdc	half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
tr	treble crochet (UK dtr, double treble)
st	stitch
rnd	round
RS	right side

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Gauge

14 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

Work a piece a little more than 4 in (10 cm) square, lay it flat and count. If you count more stitches than this, use a larger hook; if fewer, a smaller one.

Before you start

- Rounds are worked with the right side facing; do not turn.
- A chain 1 at the start of a round does not count as a stitch.
- Fasten off the old color, then join the new one with a slip stitch in the place named; the first stitch or chain of the line is worked in that same place.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line count its stitches; slip stitches are not counted.
- The ch 2 at the start of Rnd 1 is not worked into again: leave it behind the first dc.
- Rnd 2 has 6 petals with a sl st after each, 6 sl sts in all. B is joined in any dc of Rnd 1; the last sl st goes in the dc just before that one, the only dc left. The round is not joined.
- Rnd 3 goes round the edge of each petal, with a sl st in each of the 6 sl sts of Rnd 2, the dips between the petals.
- In another yarn use a button that is wider than the chain ring and narrower than Rnd 1, with holes that the threaded yarn needle goes through.
- The distances under FINISHING are for the yarn and gauge above; in another yarn make them larger or smaller in the same proportion as the size.
- The same words in another yarn make another size, measured straight across: fine yarn (2) and a 3.25 mm hook, about 2¼ in (6 cm); light yarn (3) and a 4 mm hook, about 2¾ in (7 cm); bulky yarn (5) and a 6.5 mm hook, about 4½ in (11 cm).

Instructions

Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. Round brackets ( ) inside a line hold stitches that all go into one place. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a round is done. In UK terms sl st is slip stitch, sc is double crochet, hdc is half treble, dc is treble and tr is double treble.

Yarns in order of use: A, navy; B, denim blue; C, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 5, sl st in first ch to form a ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 2 (does not count as a st), 18 dc in ring, sl st in first dc to join Fasten off A.	**(18 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Join B with sl st in any st, ch 1, (hdc, dc, 2 tr) in same st, (2 tr, dc, hdc) in next st, sl st in next st, **[**(hdc, dc, 2 tr) in next st, (2 tr, dc, hdc) in next st, sl st in next st**] 5 times**	**(12 hdc, 12 dc, 24 tr)**

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Fasten off B.

☐ **Rnd 3**	Join C with sl st in first hdc, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in each of next 2 sts, sc in next 3 sts, sl st in next sl st, **[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in each of next 2 sts, sc in next 3 sts, sl st in next sl st**] 5 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(60 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.	

Finishing

- Block: pin the flower to shape on a flat surface, spray it with water and let it dry.
- Lay the button on the middle of the flower, right side up, so that it covers the chain ring and the same width of Rnd 1 shows all round it. Turn it so that its holes stand in a square, two above and two below. Thread an 18 in (45 cm) length of C on the yarn needle. From the back, bring the needle up through the stitches of Rnd 1, close to the chain ring and under the upper left hole, and through that hole; leave an end of 6 in (15 cm) on the back. Put the needle down through the lower right hole and through the stitches of Rnd 1 under it. Bring it up through the stitches of Rnd 1 under the upper right hole and through that hole, and put it down through the lower left hole and through the stitches of Rnd 1 under it. The yarn now crosses once on the button and has gone once through each hole. Pull both ends snug on the back, tie them together with a double knot, and weave them into the back of Rnd 1.
- Weave in all the ends that are left with the yarn needle.

In all: 3 rounds; 126 stitches.

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