Chrysanthemum

US terms



Finished size

The flower is about 6¼ in (16 cm) across from tip to tip and about 8¾ in (22 cm) tall with its stem; each leaf is about 2¼ in (6 cm) long

Skill

Intermediate

Worked in rows and rounds, with 5 pieces, color changes and 1 special stitch.

Yarn

Light (3), 5 colors

Hook

4 mm (US G-6)

Gauge

18 stitches and 19 rows to 4 in (10 cm)

In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: pale gold, rounds 1 and 2 of the flower	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: marigold, rounds 3 and 4 of the flower	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: amber, rounds 5 and 6 of the flower and the heart	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: copper, rounds 7 and 8 of the flower	**about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: olive green, the leaves and the stem	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 30 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 250 yd (229 m).

Hook: 4 mm (US G-6), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a yarn needle, scissors, pins for blocking 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.

Gauge

18 stitches and 19 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.

Notes

- Rounds are worked with the right side facing; do not turn.
- Magic ring: wrap the yarn round two fingers, work the first round or row into the loop, then pull the tail until the ring is closed. Four chains joined into a ring with a slip stitch may be used instead.
- A chain 1 at the start of a round or a row does not count as a stitch.

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- 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.
- Front loop: the strand of the top of a stitch nearest you; back loop: the strand farther from you. Working into one leaves the other free for a later round.
- Where a line names an earlier round, fold what has been worked since toward you and work into the stitches of that round behind it.
- In a round of petals or points the last slip stitch falls in the stitch the first petal or point began in.
- Working along the other side of the chain: turn the piece round, not over, and work into the unused loops of the foundation chain, beginning in the chain next to the one just used.
- A petal or point is worked back along its own chain: begin in the chain named and work one stitch or group in each chain until none is left.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line count its stitches and the chain spaces between them; slip stitches, and chains that are not named there, are not counted.
- Each layer of petals is worked in the front loops of a round of sc, and the next round of sc in the back loops of the same sts, behind the petals: fold the petals toward you while you work it. The sl st that joins a new color goes in the same loop that the line names. The last layer has no round behind it and is worked through both loops.
- A petal is a chain with stitches back along it, one in each chain: a sl st at the tip, then sc. The sl st after it goes in the next st of the round of sc and holds the petal down. Begin each layer in the st where the round before was joined; the last sl st of the layer falls in that same st.
- The petals of a layer stand closer together at their feet than they can lie: let every second one lie on its two neighbors. They may bend a little to the left or the right.
- Heart: the ch 2 at the start is not worked into again: leave it behind the first bobble. Push every mini bobble out to the right side as you finish it.
- Stem: the side that faces you in row 1 is the right side. The slip knot of the foundation chain, with the tail, is at its upper end.
- Leaf: the plain end is where the round begins and ends, with the tail for sewing; the tip is the other end, with the (hdc, dc, hdc), where the slip knot of the foundation chain is. Each (hdc, 2 dc, hdc) is a lobe and the sl st after it a dip. Wait to close the round until you have worked down both sides: the last sc goes in the chain that holds the first sc.
- 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 from the top of the flower to the end of its stem: fine yarn (2) and a 3.25 mm hook, about 7½ in (19 cm); medium yarn (4) and a 5 mm hook, about 11½ in (29 cm); bulky yarn (5) and a 6.5 mm hook, about 14½ in (37 cm).

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Instructions

US terms.

ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **hdc** half double crochet (UK half treble), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **st** stitch, **rnd** round, **sp** space.
RS right side, the one that shows.
2 sc in next sc: both in one stitch. **sc in next 3 sc**: one in each.
[ ] 10 times: work what is inside 10 times in all. **( )**: all of it goes into the one place.
(10 sc): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

mini bobble: [yarn over, insert the hook in the place named, yarn over and pull up a loop, yarn over and pull through 2 loops] 3 times, all in the same place (4 loops on the hook), yarn over and pull through all 4 loops; push it to the right side.

Flower

Yarns in order of use: A, pale gold; B, marigold; C, amber; D, copper.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 10 sc in ring, pull the tail to close the ring, sl st in first sc to join	(10 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Working in front loops only, **[**ch 5, sl st in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 3 chs, sl st in next st**] 10 times**	(30 sc)
	Fasten off A.	
☐ **Rnd 3**	Join B with sl st in first sc of Rnd 1, working in back loops only, ch 1, 2 sc in same st, **[**2 sc in next sc of Rnd 1**] 9 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(20 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Working in front loops only, **[**ch 7, sl st in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 5 chs, sl st in next st**] 20 times**	(100 sc)
	Fasten off B.	
☐ **Rnd 5**	Join C with sl st in first sc of Rnd 3, working in back loops only, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next 3 sc of Rnd 3, 2 sc in next sc of Rnd 3, **[**sc in next 4 sc of Rnd 3, 2 sc in next sc of Rnd 3**] 3 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	Working in front loops only, **[**ch 9, sl st in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 7 chs, sl st in next st, ch 8, sl st in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 6 chs, sl st in next st**] 12 times**	(156 sc)
	Fasten off C.	
☐ **Rnd 7**	Join D with sl st in first sc of Rnd 5, working in back loops only, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next 2 sc of Rnd 5, 2 sc in next sc of Rnd 5, **[**sc in next 3 sc of Rnd 5, 2 sc in next sc of Rnd 5**] 5 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(30 sc)
☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**Ch 11, sl st in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 9 chs, sl st in next st, ch 10, sl st in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 8 chs, sl st in next st**] 15 times**	(255 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 16 in (41 cm) tail for sewing.	

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Heart

Yarn C, amber.

☐ **Foundation**	With C, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 2 (does not count as a st), **[**mini bobble in ring, ch 1**] 6 times**, pull the tail to close the ring, sl st in first mini bobble to join	(6 mini bobble, 6 ch-1 sps)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 12 in (30 cm) tail for sewing.	

Leaf: make 2

Yarn E, olive green.

☐ **Foundation**	With E, ch 10.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, **[**(hdc, 2 dc, hdc) in next ch, sl st in next ch**] 3 times**, sc in next ch, (hdc, dc, hdc) in last ch, working along the other side of the chain, sc in next ch, **[**sl st in next ch, (hdc, 2 dc, hdc) in next ch**] 3 times**, sc in next ch, sl st in first sc to join	(4 sc, 14 hdc, 13 dc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 14 in (36 cm) tail for sewing.	

Stem

Yarn E, olive green.

☐ **Foundation**	With E, ch 24.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 22 chs	(23 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 14 in (36 cm) tail for sewing.	

Finishing

- Block: lay the flower right side up and pin the petals of each layer out and evenly round, the copper ones first; pin the leaves with their lobes spread. Spray the pieces with water and let them dry.
- Heart: lay it on the flower, right side up, the two magic rings together, and sew it with its tail all round to the sc of Rnd 1, so that the ten pale gold petals stand out round it. Use the tail of the flower to catch the copper petals to one another at the back, 3/8 in (1 cm) out from their feet, all the way round.
- Stem: lay the flower right side up. Every place is measured from the magic ring of the flower. Lay the end of the stem that has the tail behind the flower, 5/8 in (1.6 cm) straight below the ring, right side up, and bring the stem down in a soft curve: its middle line passes 1/8 in (0.3 cm) to the right and 2 5/8 in (6.7 cm) below the ring and 1/8 in (0.3 cm) to the right and 4¼ in (11 cm) below the ring, and its other end lies 1/8 in (0.3 cm) to the left and 5 5/8 in (14.5 cm) below the ring. With its tail sew the stem to the backs of the petals and of the rounds of sc that lie on it.
- Leaves: lay the two leaves under the stem, right side up, so that the plain end of each is hidden under the middle of the stem. The left leaf has its plain end 4¾ in (12 cm) straight below the ring and its tip 1 7/8 in (4.8 cm) to the left and 3 5/8 in (9.2 cm) below the ring; the right leaf has its plain end 1/8 in (0.3 cm) to the right and 4¼ in (11 cm) below the ring and its tip 2 in (5.1 cm) to the right and 3 1/8 in (7.9 cm) below the ring. Sew each leaf to the back of the stem with its tail.
- Weave in all the ends that are left with the yarn needle.

In all: 5 pieces.

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