Crown applique

US terms



Finished size
About 6 in (15 cm) wide and about 3 in (8 cm) tall

Skill
Beginner
Worked in rows, with color changes and 1 special stitch.

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: gold, the crown	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: ruby, three of the jewels	**about 2 yd (2 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: turquoise, two of the jewels	**about 2 yd (2 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8). 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. Yarn A: the estimate is from the stitches and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added. Yarns B and C: the estimate is from the stitches 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)
hdc	half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
tr	treble crochet (UK dtr, double treble)
sk	skip
st	stitch

Special stitches

picot (Picot): Ch 3, sl st in the top of the stitch just made. It leaves 1 picot for the next row.

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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

- Where a line says turn, turn the piece over and work back along the stitches just made.
- A chain 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line count its stitches and its picots; slip stitches are not counted.
- The pieces worked in rows look much alike on both sides: take either side as the right side.
- 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.
- French knot (sewn): bring the yarn needle up from the back, wrap the yarn twice round the needle close to the surface, hold the wraps and put the needle down beside the place where it came up. For a large knot use the yarn double and wrap it three times.
- The same words in another yarn make another size, measured the longest way: fine yarn (2) and a 3.25 mm hook, about 4 in (10 cm); light yarn (3) and a 4 mm hook, about 4¾ in (12 cm); bulky yarn (5) and a 6.5 mm hook, about 7¾ in (20 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 row is done. In UK terms sl st is slip stitch, hdc is half treble, dc is treble and tr is double treble.

Yarn A, gold.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 22.	
☐ **Row 1**	Hdc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in next 20 chs	**(21 hdc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 3**	Ch 1, turn, hdc in each st across	**(21 hdc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 3: tick them off as you go.

2 3

☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn, sl st in next st, **[**sk next st, (hdc, dc, tr, picot, dc, hdc) in next st, sk next st, sl st in next st**] 5 times** **(10 hdc, 10 dc, 5 tr, 5 picots)**	
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 50 in (127 cm) tail, for sewing the whole applique to your project.	

Finishing

- Block: pin the crown out on a flat surface, its lower edge curved like a smile, the two ends ½ in (1.3 cm) higher than the middle. Spray it with water and let it dry.
- With B and C, work five large French knots for the jewels, on the 3rd, 7th, 11th, 15th and 19th stitch of Row 2, B and C in turn.
- To sew the applique to your project, pin it where it is to go and sew round its edge with the long tail, under the outermost strands of the stitches.
- Weave in all the ends that are left with the yarn needle.

In all: 4 rows; 88 stitches; 6 ends to weave in.

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