Flower tea light covers

US terms



Finished size
About 1½ in (4 cm) across
About 3 in (7.5 cm) to 3½ in (9 cm) across the open petals, with a cup 1½ in (4 cm) across and ¾ in (2 cm) tall. To fit a battery tea light about 1½ in (4 cm) across

Skill
Intermediate
Its petals are worked into free loops, with stitches of four heights.

Yarn
Fine (2), 5 colors

Hook
3.25 mm (US D-3)

Gauge
24 stitches and 27 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: pale pink, the lotus	**about 30 yd (27 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: pink, the inner petals of the lotus	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: golden yellow, the daisy cup	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: white, the daisy petals	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: coral red, the rose	**about 40 yd (37 m), an estimate**

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 3.25 mm (US D-3), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: three battery tea lights about 1½ in (4 cm) across, a stitch marker, a yarn needle and scissors.

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 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)
BLO	back loop only
MR	magic ring
st	stitch

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sp	space
sk	skip (UK miss)
rnd	round
RS	right side

Gauge

24 stitches and 27 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

The rounds worked through the back loop only are counted at the same height as the others.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. The gauge is checked on the piece itself: after round 5 the base should measure about 1½ in (4 cm) across, laid flat and not stretched. If the piece measures more than that, begin again with a smaller hook; if it measures less, with a larger hook.

Before you start

- Begin with a magic ring: wind the yarn once round two fingers, put the hook through the ring, draw up a loop and chain 1 to hold it, which does not count as a stitch. Work round 1 into the ring, then pull the tail to draw the ring closed.
- The rounds of the cups are not joined: work them in a spiral, and move a marker up to the first stitch of each round. Each round of petals is joined with a slip stitch.
- Where the pattern says BLO, put the hook under the back loop only; the front loop stays on the outside as a ridge.
- A layer of petals is worked from right to left round the cup (from left to right if you are left handed). Each free front loop counts as one stitch, and is the only loop the hook goes under.
- For use with battery lights only. Never put a candle or any flame in a cover.
- The chain of 1 at the start of a round of petals does not count as a stitch.

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, tr is double treble and sk is miss.

Lotus cup

Yarn A, pale pink.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sc in next 2 sts	**(30 sc)**

> **Stop and measure now, after round 5.** The base should measure about 1½ in (4 cm) across.

Wall

☐ **Rnd 6**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(30 sc)**

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☐ **Rnd 7**	Sc in each st around	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 9 to 10**	Sc in each st around	**(30 sc)**

A box for each round, 9 to 10: tick them off as you go.

9 10

☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch to level the edge. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Lotus, lower petals

Yarn A, pale pink.

The first single crochet of round 1 goes into the stitch the yarn is joined in. In round 2, pass over each single crochet of round 1 and work all the stitches of a petal into the chain space. In round 3 the first single crochet goes into the stitch that round 2 was joined in, and the ch-2 space is the point of a petal.

☐ **Foundation**	The front loops left free on round 5, the outside of the cup facing you and its base down; 30 stitches; join A with a slip stitch in any of them.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, ch 4, sk next 4 sts**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(6 sc, 6 ch-4 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, **[**(sc, hdc, dc, tr, ch 2, tr, dc, hdc, sc) in next ch-4 sp**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(12 sc, 12 hdc, 12 dc, 12 tr, 6 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, hdc in next st, dc in next st, tr in next st, (tr, ch 2, tr) in next ch-2 sp, tr in next st, dc in next st, hdc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(12 sc, 12 hdc, 12 dc, 24 tr, 6 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Lotus, middle petals

Yarn A, pale pink.

The first single crochet of round 1 goes into the stitch the yarn is joined in. In round 2, pass over each single crochet of round 1 and work all the stitches of a petal into the chain space. In round 3 the first single crochet goes into the stitch that round 2 was joined in, and the ch-2 space is the point of a petal.

☐ **Foundation**	The front loops left free on round 7, the outside of the cup facing you and its base down; 30 stitches; join A with a slip stitch in the one straight above the middle of a petal of the lower layer.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, ch 4, sk next 4 sts**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(6 sc, 6 ch-4 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, **[**(sc, hdc, dc, tr, ch 2, tr, dc, hdc, sc) in next ch-4 sp**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(12 sc, 12 hdc, 12 dc, 12 tr, 6 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, hdc in next st, dc in next st, tr in next st, (tr, ch 2, tr) in next ch-2 sp, tr in next st, dc in next st, hdc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(12 sc, 12 hdc, 12 dc, 24 tr, 6 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

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Lotus, upper petals

Yarn B, pink.

The first single crochet of round 1 goes into the stitch the yarn is joined in. In round 2, pass over each single crochet of round 1 and work all the stitches of a petal into the chain space. Where the slip stitch that levels the edge of the cup is, work into the stitch that it is in.

☐ **Foundation**	The last round of the cup, through both loops, the outside of the cup facing you and its base down; 30 stitches; join B with a slip stitch in the one straight above the middle of a petal of the middle layer.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, ch 4, sk next 4 sts**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(6 sc, 6 ch-4 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, **[**(sc, hdc, dc, tr, ch 2, tr, dc, hdc, sc) in next ch-4 sp**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(12 sc, 12 hdc, 12 dc, 12 tr, 6 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Daisy cup

Yarn C, golden yellow.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sc in next 2 sts	**(30 sc)**

Wall

☐ **Rnd 6**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	Sc in each st around	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 9 to 10**	Sc in each st around	**(30 sc)**

A box for each round, 9 to 10: tick them off as you go.

9 10

☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch to level the edge. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Daisy, lower petals

Yarn D, white.

The first single crochet of round 1 goes into the stitch the yarn is joined in. In round 2, pass over each single crochet of round 1 and work all the stitches of a petal into the chain space. In round 3 the first single crochet goes into the stitch that round 2 was joined in.

☐ **Foundation**	The front loops left free on round 5, the outside of the cup facing you and its base down; 30 stitches; join D with a slip stitch in any of them.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, ch 2, sk next 2 sts**] 10 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(10 sc, 10 ch-2 sps)**

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☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, **[**(sc, 3 tr, sc) in next ch-2 sp**] 10 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(20 sc, 30 tr)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, dc in next st, 2 tr in next st, dc in next st, sc in next st**] 10 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(20 sc, 20 dc, 20 tr)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Daisy, upper petals

Yarn D, white.

The first single crochet of round 1 goes into the stitch the yarn is joined in. In round 2, pass over each single crochet of round 1 and work all the stitches of a petal into the chain space. In round 3 the first single crochet goes into the stitch that round 2 was joined in.

☐ **Foundation**	The front loops left free on round 7, the outside of the cup facing you and its base down; 30 stitches; join D with a slip stitch in the one straight above the middle of a petal of the lower layer.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, ch 2, sk next 2 sts**] 10 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(10 sc, 10 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, **[**(sc, 3 tr, sc) in next ch-2 sp**] 10 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(20 sc, 30 tr)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, dc in next st, 2 tr in next st, dc in next st, sc in next st**] 10 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(20 sc, 20 dc, 20 tr)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Rose cup

Yarn E, coral red.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sc in next 2 sts	**(30 sc)**

Wall

☐ **Rnd 6**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	Sc in each st around	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 9 to 10**	Sc in each st around	**(30 sc)**

A box for each round, 9 to 10: tick them off as you go.

☐ 9 ☐ 10

☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch to level the edge. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

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Rose, lower petals

Yarn E, coral red.

The first single crochet of round 1 goes into the stitch the yarn is joined in. In round 2, pass over each single crochet of round 1 and work all the stitches of a petal into the chain space. In round 3 the first single crochet goes into the stitch that round 2 was joined in.

☐ **Foundation**	The front loops left free on round 5, the outside of the cup facing you and its base down; 30 stitches; join E with a slip stitch in any of them.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, ch 4, sk next 4 sts**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(6 sc, 6 ch-4 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, **[**(sc, hdc, 5 dc, hdc, sc) in next ch-4 sp**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(12 sc, 12 hdc, 30 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, hdc in next st, 2 dc in each of next 5 sts, hdc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(12 sc, 12 hdc, 60 dc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Rose, middle petals

Yarn E, coral red.

The first single crochet of round 1 goes into the stitch the yarn is joined in. In round 2, pass over each single crochet of round 1 and work all the stitches of a petal into the chain space. In round 3 the first single crochet goes into the stitch that round 2 was joined in.

☐ **Foundation**	The front loops left free on round 7, the outside of the cup facing you and its base down; 30 stitches; join E with a slip stitch in the one straight above the middle of a petal of the lower layer.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, ch 4, sk next 4 sts**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(6 sc, 6 ch-4 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, **[**(sc, hdc, 5 dc, hdc, sc) in next ch-4 sp**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(12 sc, 12 hdc, 30 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, hdc in next st, 2 dc in each of next 5 sts, hdc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(12 sc, 12 hdc, 60 dc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Rose, upper petals

Yarn E, coral red.

The first single crochet of round 1 goes into the stitch the yarn is joined in. In round 2, pass over each single crochet of round 1 and work all the stitches of a petal into the chain space. Where the slip stitch that levels the edge of the cup is, work into the stitch that it is in.

☐ **Foundation**	The last round of the cup, through both loops, the outside of the cup facing you and its base down; 30 stitches; join E with a slip stitch in the one straight above the middle of a petal of the middle layer.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, ch 5, sk next 5 sts**] 5 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(5 sc, 5 ch-5 sps)**

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☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, **[**(sc, hdc, 6 dc, hdc, sc) in next ch-5 sp**] 5 times**, sl st in first sc to join **(10 sc, 10 hdc, 30 dc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).

Assembly

1. Weave in the tails of each cup on its inside and the tails of the petals behind their own layer.

2. Wet the covers and press the water out in a towel. Lay the lower petals of each out flat and bring the others up in between, so that each layer stands a little more upright than the one below: the upper petals of the lotus and the rose stand round the light. Leave them to dry.

3. Set a battery tea light in each cup, its switch down. Lift it out to turn it on or off.

Finishing

- Draw each petal out to its full length with your fingers.

In all: 3 pieces; 1,585 stitches.

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