Easter egg applique

US terms



Finished size
About 4 in (10 cm) wide and about 5 in (13 cm) tall

Skill
Easy
Worked in rows, with color changes and 2 special stitches.

Yarn
Medium (4), 4 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: lilac, rows 1 to 4 and 12 to 14	**about 7 yd (6 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: lemon, rows 5, 6, 10 and 11	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: aqua, rows 7, 9 and 15 to 17	**about 6 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: coral pink, row 8 and the edging	**about 7 yd (6 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. 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)
st	stitch

Special stitches

bobble (Bobble): [yarn over, insert the hook in the place named, yarn over and pull up a loop, yarn over and pull through 2 loops] 5 times, all in the same place (6 loops on the hook), yarn over and pull through all 6 loops. It leaves 1 bobble for the next row.

sc2tog: [insert the hook in the next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop] twice (3 loops on the hook), yarn over and pull through all 3 loops. It leaves 1 st 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.
- 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 right side of the egg is the side that faces you in row 1. The bobbles of row 8 are worked from the wrong side: push each one through to the right side.
- The same words in another yarn make another size, measured the longest way: fine yarn (2) and a 3.25 mm hook, about 3¼ in (8 cm); light yarn (3) and a 4 mm hook, about 3¾ in (10 cm); bulky yarn (5) and a 6.5 mm hook, about 6¼ in (16 cm).

Instructions

Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. 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 and sc is double crochet.

Yarns in order of use: A, lilac; B, lemon; C, aqua; D, coral pink.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 8.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 6 chs	**(7 sc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(9 sc)**
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(11 sc)**
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(13 sc)**
	Fasten off A.	
☐ **Row 5**	Turn, join B with sl st in first st, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next 12 sts	**(13 sc)**
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(13 sc)**
	Fasten off B.	
☐ **Row 7**	Turn, join C with sl st in first st, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next 12 sts	**(13 sc)**
	Fasten off C.	
☐ **Row 8**	Turn, join D with sl st in first st, ch 1, sc in same st, **[**bobble in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(7 sc, 6 bobbles)**
	Fasten off D.	
☐ **Row 9**	Turn, join C with sl st in first st, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next 12 sts	**(13 sc)**

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Fasten off C.

☐ **Row 10**	Turn, join B with sl st in first st, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next 12 sts	**(13 sc)**
☐ **Row 11**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog in next 2 sts, sc in next 9 sts, sc2tog in next 2 sts	**(2 sc2tog, 9 sc)**

Fasten off B.

☐ **Row 12**	Turn, join A with sl st in first st, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next 10 sts	**(11 sc)**
☐ **Row 13**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(11 sc)**
☐ **Row 14**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog in next 2 sts, sc in next 7 sts, sc2tog in next 2 sts	**(2 sc2tog, 7 sc)**

Fasten off A.

☐ **Row 15**	Turn, join C with sl st in first st, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next 8 sts	**(9 sc)**
☐ **Row 16**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog in next 2 sts, sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog in next 2 sts	**(2 sc2tog, 5 sc)**
☐ **Row 17**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog in next 2 sts, sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog in next 2 sts	**(2 sc2tog, 3 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.	

Finishing

- Block: pin the egg to shape on a flat surface, spray it with water and let it dry.
- For the edging, with D, make a chain that reaches once round the edge of the egg without stretching, about 57 chains, join it with a slip stitch in the first chain to make a ring and fasten off, leaving a 30 in (76 cm) tail. Pin it, right side up, over the edge of the egg so that it covers the ends of the rows, the foundation chain and the tops of the last row. Sew it down with the tail.
- Weave in all the ends that are left with the yarn needle.
- To sew the egg to your project, cut 40 in (102 cm) of D, pin the egg where it is to go and sew round it with D, under the outer loops of the edging.

In all: 17 rows; 18 ends to weave in.

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