Flower picture frame

US terms



Finished size
About 7½ in (19 cm) square from flower to flower; frame alone about 7 in (18 cm) square; opening about 3½ in (9 cm) square
To fit a picture 4 in (10 cm) square

Skill
Easy
Rounds with square corners, small flowers, and pieces to sew

Yarn
Medium (4), 7 colors

Hook
4 mm (US G-6)

Gauge
16 stitches and 18 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: fern, main	**about 70 yd (64 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: cream, stripe	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: dusty rose, rose flower, round 2	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: honey, honey flower, round 2	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: lavender, lavender flower, round 2	**about 7 yd (6 m), an estimate**
Yarn F: coral, coral flower, round 2	**about 7 yd (6 m), an estimate**
Yarn G: powder blue, blue flower, round 2	**about 7 yd (6 m), an estimate**

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 4 mm (US G-6), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a picture 4 in (10 cm) square, a piece of stiff card 4½ in (11.5 cm) square and double-sided tape and a yarn needle, scissors, a tape measure and 12 pins.

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 15 percent added.

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Abbreviations

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

ch	chain stitch
sl st	slip stitch: insert hook in the place named, yo, pull through it and the loop on hook (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
tr	treble crochet (UK dtr, double treble)
Rnd	round
RS	right side
st	stitch
yo	yarn over (UK yrh, yarn round hook)
sp	space

Gauge

16 stitches and 18 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

Begin with the back and check it there, laid flat, when 9 rows are done: the 19 stitches of a row are about 4¾ in (12 cm) wide and the 9 rows are about 2 in (5 cm) tall. If they measure more, start again with a smaller hook; if they measure less, with a larger one. A flower is about 1¾ in (4.5 cm) across.

Before you start

- The ch 1 at the start of a row or a round does not count as a stitch.
- The right side of the frame is the side that faces you as you work its rounds.
- Corners: each corner is 3 sc in one place. The second of these 3 sc is the corner stitch, and the next round works its 3 sc into it.
- To change yarn between rounds, make the joining sl st with the new yarn: put the hook in the first stitch, take the new yarn over the hook and pull it through. Cut the old yarn, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15 cm), and leave a tail of the same length on the new yarn.
- Leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) when you begin, when you join a yarn and when you fasten off, unless another length is given. The ends that are not sewn with are woven in.
- Whip stitch: with the yarn on a yarn needle, pass the needle under both loops of a stitch on one edge and under both loops of the stitch that lies against it on the other edge, and pull the yarn through. Do the same in the next stitch of each edge. On a foundation chain edge, pass the needle under the lower strands of each chain that holds a stitch of row 1. On a side edge there are no loops: pass the needle through the end stitch of the row on one side and the end stitch of the row that lies against it on the other. Fasten a length where the sewing begins and where it ends: sew 2 or 3 times into the same place.
- Magic ring: wind the yarn once round two fingers, put the hook through the ring and pull up a loop of the working yarn. Round 1 begins with this loop on the hook. Work round 1 into the ring, over both strands, then pull the tail to close it.
- In joined rounds, the first stitch of a round goes into the same stitch as the joining sl st (in round 1, the same chain). The joining sl st itself is not a stitch and is not worked into.
- Stitches in parentheses are all worked into the one place named after them.
- To join a yarn with a sl st, make a slip knot of it on the hook, put the hook in the place named, yo, and pull through the place and the loop on the hook.

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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, tr is double treble and yo is yarn round hook.

Frame

Yarns in order of use: B, cream; A, fern.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, ch 56, join with sl st in first ch to make a loop, without twisting the chain.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 13 chs, 3 sc in next ch**] 4 times**; join with sl st in first sc	**(64 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	With A, ch 1, sc in next 14 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 15 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 15 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 15 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next st; join with sl st in first sc	**(72 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, sc in next 15 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 17 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 17 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 17 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts; join with sl st in first sc	**(80 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1, sc in next 16 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 19 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 19 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 19 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts; join with sl st in first sc	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 1, sc in next 17 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 21 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 21 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 21 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts; join with sl st in first sc	**(96 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	Ch 1, sc in next 18 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 23 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 23 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 23 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts; join with sl st in first sc	**(104 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	Ch 1, sc in next 19 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 25 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 25 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 25 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts; join with sl st in first sc	**(112 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	Ch 1, sc in next 20 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 27 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 27 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 27 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts; join with sl st in first sc	**(120 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Rose flower: make 3

Yarns in order of use: B, cream; C, dusty rose.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1, 6 sc in ring; join with sl st in first sc	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	With C, **[**(sl st, ch 3, 2 tr, ch 3, sl st) in next st**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sl st	**(12 tr, 12 ch-3 sps, 12 sl sts)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of about 14 in (36 cm) to sew with.	

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Honey flower: make 3

Yarns in order of use: B, cream; D, honey.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1, 6 sc in ring; join with sl st in first sc	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	With D, **[**(sl st, ch 3, 2 tr, ch 3, sl st) in next st**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sl st	**(12 tr, 12 ch-3 sps, 12 sl sts)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of about 14 in (36 cm) to sew with.	

Lavender flower: make 2

Yarns in order of use: B, cream; E, lavender.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1, 6 sc in ring; join with sl st in first sc	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	With E, **[**(sl st, ch 3, 2 tr, ch 3, sl st) in next st**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sl st	**(12 tr, 12 ch-3 sps, 12 sl sts)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of about 14 in (36 cm) to sew with.	

Coral flower: make 2

Yarns in order of use: B, cream; F, coral.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1, 6 sc in ring; join with sl st in first sc	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	With F, **[**(sl st, ch 3, 2 tr, ch 3, sl st) in next st**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sl st	**(12 tr, 12 ch-3 sps, 12 sl sts)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of about 14 in (36 cm) to sew with.	

Blue flower: make 2

Yarns in order of use: B, cream; G, powder blue.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1, 6 sc in ring; join with sl st in first sc	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	With G, **[**(sl st, ch 3, 2 tr, ch 3, sl st) in next st**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sl st	**(12 tr, 12 ch-3 sps, 12 sl sts)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of about 14 in (36 cm) to sew with.	

Back

Yarn A, fern.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 20.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(19 sc)**

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☐ **Rows 2 to 21** Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across **(19 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 21: tick them off as you go.

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21

☐ **End** Fasten off.

Assembly

1. Weave in all the ends but the tails of the flowers. Lay the frame flat under a damp cloth until it is dry, with its corners square.

2. Places of the flowers: they stand on round 5 of the frame, where there are 23 stitches between two corner stitches. Lay the frame with its right side up, any corner at the top left. One flower goes on each corner stitch of round 5, and two go on each side, at the 8th stitch after the corner stitch and at the 16th. The middle of the ring of each flower lies at the top of its stitch, on the line between rounds 5 and 6. That is 12 places.

3. Begin at the top left corner and go along the top, down the right side, along the bottom and up the left side, with the flowers in this order: rose, honey, lavender, coral, blue, rose, honey, lavender, coral, blue, rose, honey. Pin them all, right side up, so that one petal of each side flower points straight to the outer edge of the frame and one petal of each corner flower points to the corner of the frame. A little of the green shows between one flower and the next. The outer petals of the side flowers reach about ¼ in (6 mm) past the edge of the frame, and those of the corner flowers end at its corners.

4. With the tail of each flower, sew it down through the frame with 6 stitches, each through the back of one sc of round 1 of the flower, and 6 more, each through the backs of the two tr of one petal, where they are nearest the ring.

5. Turn the frame over, so that its wrong side is up and the side that begins with the first rose flower and ends with the coral flower is still at the top. Lay the back on it with its right side up and pin its four corners to the four corner stitches of round 3 of the frame, the last row at the top. Cut a length of A about 46 in (117 cm). Begin at one end of the last row and whip stitch one side edge of the back to the backs of the stitches of round 3. Round 3 has 21 stitches along this side, 19 and the two corner stitches, and the back has 21 rows: sew one row end to each stitch, 21 stitches. Go on with the foundation chain, one chain to each of the 19 stitches between the two corner stitches, and then with the second side edge, 21 stitches, like the first. Sew through one strand at the back of the frame only, so that nothing shows on the right side. The last row stays open: it is the mouth of the pocket.

6. Hanging loop: on the wrong side, join A with a sl st in the back of the middle stitch of round 8 at the top (the 15th of the 29 stitches between the two corner stitches), ch 14 and work a sl st in the same place. Fasten off and weave in the ends.

7. Fasten the picture to the middle of the card with double-sided tape, and slide the card into the pocket with the picture to the front.

Finishing

- Weave in what is left of the sewing lengths with the yarn needle.

In all: 14 pieces; 1,495 stitches (736 in the frame, 30 in each rose flower, 30 in each honey flower, 30 in each lavender flower, 30 in each coral flower, 30 in each blue flower, 399 in the back).

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