Heart earrings

US terms



Finished size
About 1 in (2.5 cm) across each, without the ear wire

Skill
Easy
Worked in rounds, with 2 pieces.

Yarn
Lace (0)

Hook
1.75 mm

Gauge
34 stitches and 36 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn: red, lace (0) **about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**

Fiber: cotton crochet thread, size 10

Hook: 1.75 mm. Also: a yarn needle, scissors, pins for blocking, fabric stiffener, 2 ear wires with loops, 2 small jump rings and small pliers.

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)
hdc	half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
tr	treble crochet (UK dtr, double treble)
sp	space
st	stitch
rnd	round
RS	right side

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Gauge

34 stitches and 36 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

- 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 does not count as a stitch.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line count its stitches and the chain spaces between them; slip stitches are not counted.
- Round 1 of the heart begins and ends with a ch 3, one at each side of the dip at the top. These two ch-3 spaces are not in its count; round 2 works into each of them.
- The same words in another yarn make another size, measured straight across: fine yarn (2) and a 3.25 mm hook, about 1¾ in (4.5 cm); light yarn (3) and a 4 mm hook, about 2 in (5 cm); medium yarn (4) and a 5 mm hook, about 2½ in (6 cm).

Instructions

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 and tr is double treble.

Heart: make 2

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 3, 3 tr in ring, 3 dc in ring, ch 1, tr in ring, ch 1, 3 dc in ring, 3 tr in ring, ch 3, sl st in ring **(7 tr, 6 dc, 2 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 3 sc in next ch-3 sp, 2 sc in each of next 3 sts, sc in next 3 sts, sc in next ch-1 sp, (hdc, dc, hdc) in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in each of next 3 sts, 3 sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 4, sl st in first sc to join **(26 sc, 2 hdc, 1 dc, 1 ch-4 sp)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.

Finishing

- Weave in all the ends with the yarn needle; nothing is sewn. Pin the hearts flat on a covered board, brush them with fabric stiffener as its label says and let them dry.
- With the pliers, twist open a jump ring. Put it through the ch-4 loop over the dip at the top of one heart, hang the loop of an ear wire on it and close it. Do the same for the other earring.

In all: 2 pieces; 84 stitches; 4 ends to weave in.

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