Lavender sprig applique

US terms



Finished size
About 3¼ in (8 cm) wide and about 6 in (15 cm) tall

Skill
Easy
Worked in rounds, with 3 pieces and color changes.

Yarn
Light (3), 2 colors

Hook
4 mm (US G-6)

Gauge
18 stitches and 19 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: lavender, the flower head	**about 6 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: gray green, the stem and the leaves	**about 6 yd (5 m), an estimate**

Hook: 4 mm (US G-6). 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)
hdc	half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
sk	skip
st	stitch
rnd	round

Gauge

18 stitches and 19 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.

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Before you start

- Rounds are worked with the right side facing; do not turn.
- Working along the other side of the chain: turn the piece round, not over, and work into the unused loops of the foundation chain, beginning in the chain next to the one just used.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line count its stitches; slip stitches, and chains that are not named there, are not counted.
- The tip of the flower head is its petal of 3 dc; its foot is the end where it begins and ends. A leaf has a rounded end (3 sc) and a pointed end, where it begins and ends.
- 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.
- The same words in another yarn make another size, measured the longest way: fine yarn (2) and a 3.25 mm hook, about 5¼ in (13 cm); medium yarn (4) and a 5 mm hook, about 7¾ in (20 cm); bulky yarn (5) and a 6.5 mm hook, about 9¾ in (25 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 round is done. In UK terms sl st is slip stitch, sc is double crochet, hdc is half treble and dc is treble.

Flower head

Yarn A, lavender.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 13.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	(Sl st, ch 2, 2 dc, ch 2, sl st) in 2nd ch from hook, **[**sk next ch, (sl st, ch 2, 2 dc, ch 2, sl st) in next ch**] 5 times**, (sl st, ch 2, 3 dc, ch 2, sl st) in next ch, working along the other side of the chain, **[**(sl st, ch 2, 2 dc, ch 2, sl st) in next ch, sk next ch**] 5 times**, (sl st, ch 2, 2 dc, ch 2, sl st) in next ch	**(27 dc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 10 in (25 cm) tail for sewing.	

Leaf: make 2

Yarn B, gray green.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, ch 9.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Sl st in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 2 chs, hdc in next 4 chs, 3 sc in next ch, working along the other side of the chain, hdc in next 4 chs, sc in next 2 chs, sl st in next ch	**(7 sc, 8 hdc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 10 in (25 cm) tail for sewing.	

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Finishing

- Block: pin the pieces to shape on a flat surface, spray them with water and let them dry.
- For the stem, with B, ch 16 and fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail at each end. Sew its upper end behind the foot of the flower head, ½ in (1.3 cm) of it hidden.
- Sew the pointed end of one leaf to the left of the stem, 2 in (5.1 cm) below the foot of the flower head, and the pointed end of the other to the right of the stem, 2½ in (6.4 cm) below it. Both leaves slant up and outward, half way between upright and level.
- To sew the sprig to your project, pin it where it is to go and sew round its edges with lengths of A and B, under the outermost strands of the stitches.
- Weave in all the ends that are left with the yarn needle.

In all: 3 pieces; 57 stitches (27 in the flower head, 15 in each leaf); 12 ends to weave in.

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