Marigold

US terms



Finished size
About 3½ in (9 cm) across

Skill
Intermediate
Worked in rounds, with color changes.

Yarn
Medium (4), 3 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: burnt orange, rounds 1 and 2	**about 3 yd (3 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: marigold orange, rounds 3 and 4	**about 8 yd (7 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: golden yellow, rounds 5 and 6	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8). Also: a yarn needle, scissors and pins for blocking.

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)
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
st	stitch
rnd	round
RS	right side

Gauge

14 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 2 the marigold measures about 1¼ in (3 cm) across. If yours is larger, use a smaller hook; if it is smaller, use a larger hook.

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Before you start

- Rounds are worked with the right side facing; do not turn.
- Magic ring: wrap the yarn round two fingers, work round 1 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 or 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 round is worked in that same place.
- Front loop: the strand of the top of a stitch nearest you; back loop: the strand farther from you. Working into one leaves the other free for a later round.
- Where a line names an earlier round, fold what has been worked since toward you and work into the stitches of that round behind it.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line count its stitches and the chain spaces between them; slip stitches, and the chains at the sides of a petal, are not counted.
- The same words in another yarn make another size, measured the longest way: fine yarn (2) and a 3.25 mm hook, about 2¼ in (6 cm); light yarn (3) and a 4 mm hook, about 2¾ in (7 cm); bulky yarn (5) and a 6.5 mm hook, about 4¼ in (11 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 and dc is treble.

Yarns in order of use: A, burnt orange; B, marigold orange; C, golden yellow.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	With A, ch 1, 8 sc in ring, sl st in first sc to join	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Working in front loops only, **[**(sl st, ch 3, sl st) in next st**] 8 times**	**(8 ch-3 loop)**
	Fasten off A.	
☐ **Rnd 3**	Join B with sl st in any sc of Rnd 1, working in back loops only, ch 1, 2 sc in same st, **[**2 sc in next sc of Rnd 1**] 7 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(16 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Working in front loops only, **[**(sl st, ch 3, dc, ch 3, sl st) in next st**] 16 times**	**(16 dc)**
	Fasten off B.	
☐ **Rnd 5**	Join C with sl st in any sc of Rnd 3, working in back loops only, ch 1, sc in same st, 2 sc in next sc of Rnd 3, **[**sc in next sc of Rnd 3, 2 sc in next sc of Rnd 3**] 7 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**(sl st, ch 3, 2 dc, ch 3, sl st) in next st**] 24 times**	**(48 dc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.	

Finishing

- Weave in the ends with the yarn needle.
- Block: pin the flower to shape on a flat surface, spray it with water and let it dry.

In all: 6 rounds; 120 stitches; 6 ends to weave in.

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