Sunflower scrunchie

Adult · US terms



Finished size
About 5 in (13 cm) across, over an elastic 1¾ in (4.5 cm) across

Skill
Intermediate
Popcorns, and two rounds of petals in the two loops of one round

Yarn
Light (3), 3 colors

Hook
3.5 mm (US E-4)

Gauge
20 stitches and 11 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In double crochet (UK treble).

What you need

Yarn A: chocolate, main color	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: sunflower yellow, the front petals	**about 7 yd (6 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: deep honey, the back petals	**about 8 yd (7 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 10 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 250 yd (229 m).

Hook: 3.5 mm (US E-4), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a hair elastic about 1/8 in (3 mm) thick: 1¾ in (4.5 cm) across for Adult or 1¼ in (3 cm) across for Child, a yarn needle, scissors and a tape measure.

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.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Child	4½ in (11 cm) across, 1¼ in (3 cm) across	about 27 yd (25 m)
Adult (this file)	**5 in (13 cm) across, 1¾ in (4.5 cm) across**	**about 30 yd (27 m)**

Gauge

20 stitches and 11 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in double crochet.

It need not be exact: the elastic sets the size of the ring. Check it when the Center is done: laid flat, its rounds stand about ¾ in (1.9 cm) out from the elastic. If they stand out more, start again with a smaller hook; if less, with a larger one.

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Notes

- To begin, make a slip knot, put the loop on the hook and hold the elastic in front of the yarn. Put the hook through the middle of the elastic from front to back, catch the yarn behind it and pull it back through the middle and through the loop on the hook: the yarn is joined.
- Round 1 is worked over the elastic: for each sc put the hook through the middle of it, so that the elastic lies inside the stitches. Push the stitches along it as you work, so that they all fit.
- The ch 1 or ch 2 at the start of a round does not count as a stitch. The joining sl st itself is not a stitch and is not worked into. The first stitch of a round goes into the same place as the joining sl st: the top of the first stitch of the round before.
- The right side is the side that faces you as you work the rounds. Do not turn between rounds.
- In round 2 of the Center, "sk next st" passes over one sc of round 1. Push each popcorn out toward you with a fingertip. In round 3 the first sc of each bracket, "sc in next st", goes into the top of a popcorn, which is its closing ch 1. The second, "sc in next ch-1 sp", goes into the space after that popcorn, around the ch 1 between two popcorns.
- The picot between the two halves of a petal is its point. "(dc, tr) in FLO of next st" puts both stitches into the front loop of one stitch.
- To join a yarn with a sl st, make a slip knot of it on the hook, put the hook in the place named, under the one loop that this round works in, yo, and pull through the place and the loop on the hook. The first sc goes into the same place.
- The rounds of petals are each one round. Join each with a sl st in its first sc and fasten off.
- Leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) when you begin and when you fasten off, unless another length is given. The ends that are not sewn with are woven in.
- Small parts come off in small hands and mouths: keep it from children under three.
- Buy whole balls from one dye lot.

Instructions

Adult. US terms.

ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **tr** treble crochet (UK double treble), **trtr** triple treble crochet, **Rnd** round, **sp** space, **st** stitch.

BLO: only the loop away from you. **FLO**: only the loop nearest you. **sk** skip, **yo** yarn over the hook.

ch-1 sp: the gap under the one chain; the hook goes in the gap.

[ ] 26 times: work what is inside 26 times in all. **( )**: all of it goes into the one place.

(52 sc): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

popcorn: 4 dc in the st named, take the loop off the hook, put the hook from front to back through the top of the first of the 4 dc, put the loop back on the hook, pull it through the top and ch 1. The 4 dc stand out toward you. That ch 1 is the top of the popcorn: later stitches go into it. In UK terms: 4 tr, drawn together at the top with a ss.

dtr (Double treble crochet): Yo 3 times, insert hook in the place named, yo, pull up a loop, [yo, pull through 2 loops] 4 times. In UK terms: triple treble (trtr).

picot: Ch 3, sl st in the 3rd ch from hook. In UK terms: ch 3, ss in the 3rd ch from hook.

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Center

Yarn A, chocolate.

The ring is a hair elastic 1¾ in (4.5 cm) across.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, join yarn to the ring with a sl st.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1, 52 sc in ring; join with sl st in first sc	(52 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 2, **[**popcorn in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 26 times**; join with sl st in first popcorn	(26 popcorns, 26 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 26 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(52 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Front petals

Yarn B, sunflower yellow.

The last row of the Center is its round 3. "First st" is the first of its 52 sc, the one that holds the joining sl st. Work in the front loops only and leave the back loops free. Each petal takes 4 stitches.

☐ **Foundation**	Work along the last row of the Center, right side facing: 52 sts.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Join B with sl st in first st, ch 1, **[**sc in FLO of next st, (dc, tr) in FLO of next st, picot, (tr, dc) in FLO of next st, sc in FLO of next st**] 13 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(26 sc, 26 dc, 26 tr, 13 picots)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Back petals

Yarn C, deep honey.

Fold the front petals toward you. Behind them stand the 52 free back loops of round 3. Count the back loop behind the first sc of the front petals as number 1: the "first st" of this round is number 3. So each back petal stands behind the gap between two front petals. The last sc of the round goes into number 2.

☐ **Foundation**	Work along the last row of the Center, right side facing: 52 sts.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Join C with sl st in first st, ch 1, **[**sc in BLO of next st, (tr, dtr) in BLO of next st, picot, (dtr, tr) in BLO of next st, sc in BLO of next st**] 13 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(26 sc, 26 tr, 26 dtr, 13 picots)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Finishing

- Weave in the ends at the back, each into its own color.
- Pull each petal out by its point. Roll the Center on the elastic until the popcorns stand up round the hole, toward you, and the petals lie flat.

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