Water lily on a lily pad

US terms



Finished size
About 5½ in (14 cm) across

Skill
Intermediate
Worked in rounds, with 2 pieces and color changes.

Yarn
Medium (4), 4 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: gold, rounds 1 and 2 of the lily	**about 3 yd (3 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: shell pink, round 3 of the lily	**about 7 yd (6 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: white, round 4 of the lily	**about 8 yd (7 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: leaf green, the pad	**about 30 yd (27 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8). 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
RS	right side

Gauge

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

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

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 that counts as a stitch is marked so in its line and is included in the count.
- A chain 1 at the start of a round 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 line 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.
- In a round of petals or points the last slip stitch falls in the stitch the first petal or point began in.
- A petal or point is worked back along its own chain: begin in the chain named and work one stitch or group in each chain until none is left.
- At the start of a round, same st is the stitch the round before was joined in.
- A round worked in each st around begins in the st the round before was joined in.
- 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 first sc of Rnd 2 is the one B was joined in; the 2nd is the next one, so that the petals of C lie between those of B.
- 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 straight across: fine yarn (2) and a 3.25 mm hook, about 3½ in (9 cm); light yarn (3) and a 4 mm hook, about 4¼ in (11 cm); bulky yarn (5) and a 6.5 mm hook, about 6¾ in (17 cm).

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Instructions

Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. 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.

Lily

Yarns in order of use: A, gold; B, shell pink; C, white.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 8 sc in ring, sl st in first sc to join	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(16 sc)**
	Fasten off A.	
☐ **Rnd 3**	Working in front loops only, join B with sl st in first sc, **[**ch 6, sc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in next ch, dc in next 2 chs, hdc in next ch, sk next st, sl st in next st**] 8 times**	**(8 sc, 16 hdc, 16 dc)**
	Fasten off B.	
☐ **Rnd 4**	Working in back loops only, join C with sl st in 2nd sc of Rnd 2, **[**ch 7, sc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in next ch, dc in next 3 chs, hdc in next ch, sk next sc of Rnd 2, sl st in next sc of Rnd 2**] 8 times**	**(8 sc, 16 hdc, 24 dc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 10 in (25 cm) tail for sewing.	

Pad

Yarn D, leaf green.

☐ **Foundation**	With D, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 6 sc in ring, sl st in first sc to join	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 2 (does not count as a st), 3 hdc in each st around, sl st in first hdc to join	**(18 hdc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same st, 2 dc in each of next 17 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join	**(36 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next st, 2 dc in next st, **[**dc in next 2 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 11 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join	**(48 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 2 sts, 2 dc in next st, **[**dc in next 3 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 11 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join	**(60 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(60 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.	

Finishing

- Block: pin the pieces to shape on a flat surface, spray them with water and let them dry.
- Lay the lily on the pad, right sides up, its middle 3/8 in (1 cm) from the middle of the pad. With the tail of the lily, sew only its center (Rnds 1 and 2) to the pad, so that the petals stay free.
- Weave in all the ends that are left with the yarn needle.

In all: 2 pieces; 340 stitches (112 in the lily, 228 in the pad); 8 ends to weave in.

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