

## The Stitch Guide and abbreviations (\* will be explained further)

Mc - magic circle

Ch - chain

St - stitch

Sts - stitches

Sk - skip

Ch-sp - chain space (numbers will be added next to ch for more detail i.e ch2-sp etc)

Sl st - slip stitch

Sc - single crochet

Esc - elongated single crochet

Hdc - half double crochet

Dc - double crochet

Tr - treble crochet

Dtr - double treble crochet

CL - cluster \*

Dc2tog - two double crochet together\*

Sc2tog - two single crochet together\*

Tr2tog - two treble crochet together\*

Fp - front post\*

Bp - back post\*

V - V stitch\*

Picot\*

Popcorn\*

Toffee Popcorn\*

FPdc2tog - front post two double crochet together\*

Tr3tog - three treble crochet together\*

Dc3tog - three double crochet together\*

BPdc2tog - two back post double crochet together\*

Dc4tog - four double crochet together\*

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## **CL - cluster**

A cluster will be made up of several double or treble crochets together all made in the same stitch. When written in the pattern you can see how many dc or tr you will make, for instance:

3dcCL = 3dc

2dcCL = 2dc

3trCL = 3tr

2trCL = 2tr

You make the stitch like this:

### **2dcCL - 2 double crochet cluster**

yarn over and insert your hook into stitch/space. Yarn over and pull up a loop. Yarn over and pull through 2 loops - there will be 2 loops on your hook. Yarn over and insert your hook into the same stitch/space. Yarn over and pull up a loop. Yarn over and pull through 2 loops. Yarn over and pull through all 3 loops on your hook.

### **2trCL - 2 treble crochet cluster**

Yarn over twice and insert your hook into stitch/space. Yarn over and pull up a loop. (Yarn over and pull through 2 loops) twice –there will be 2 loops on your hook. Yarn over twice and insert your hook into the same stitch/space. Yarn over and pull up a loop. (Yarn over and pull through 2 loops) twice – 3 loops on your hook. Yarn over and pull through all 3 loops on your hook.

### **Dc2tog - double crochet two together**

Two double crochets worked together over two stitches

### **Sc2tog - single crochet two together**

Two single crochets worked together over two stitches

### **Tr2tog - two treble crochet together**

Two treble crochets worked together over two stitches

### **Esc - elongated single crochet**

The same as a single crochet but as it's placed further down in the work you keep it loose and the finished stitch looks longer

### **Fp - front post**

Front post stitches are made around the indicated stitch from the front, when possible make this around the actual post of the stitch

### **Bp - back post**

Back post stitches are made like front post stitches but from the back, which type will be indicated like this: BPl-st, BPsc, BPdc and so on

### **V - V stitch**

1dc, ch2, 1dc all in the same stitch

### **Picot**

Picots can be made in different ways. In this pattern you will use two different types of picots and also a special one marked with a ☆. You will know which one to use by the number and letter next to the stitch:

Number = the number next to the picot will indicate how many chains you make

Letter = a or b will indicate which type of picot to use

a = a picot "a" means that you sl st through the first ch

b = a picot "b" means that you sl st through the top of the stitch underneath, in the two "legs" that you see

Picot marked with a ☆ is a picot2b but it is used to fasten the vines and tendrils (ends 40/41/42) and therefore you make it a little different. Like this: after making the ch2 you will do a sl st in the indicated st and then finish the picot as normal.

### **For example:**

Pattern writes: picot3a

You crochet: ch3 and sl st in the first of the 3 ch's

Pattern writes: picot2b

You crochet: ch2 and sl st through the top of the stitch underneath

### **Popcorn**

Make 5 dc in the same stitch, remove your hook and place it in the first dc, pick up your loop and pull through, close with ch1

### **Toffee Popcorn**

This is the same as a regular popcorn, however with the small difference that you will change colour for the middle/3<sup>rd</sup> dc. To do this as smoothly as possible, you change to your second colour before completing the 2<sup>nd</sup> dc, and change back to your first colour before completing the 3<sup>rd</sup> dc - then continue as normal. Cut the thread of your second colour and fasten off.

### **FPdc2tog - front post two double crochet together**

This stitch is made just like a dc2tog but in the front post

### **tr3tog - three treble crochet together**

This stitch is made like a dc2tog but with three trebles crochets

### **Dc3tog - three double crochet together**

This stitch is made like a dc2tog but with three double crochets

### **BPdc2tog - two back post double crochet together**

This stitch is made like a dc2tog but in the back post

### **Dc4tog - four double crochet together**

This stitch is made like a dc2tog but with four double crochets