# **BLOOMING BAUBLE**

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# Skill level

Intermediate (3/5)

# **Materials**

Yarn: Yarn and Colors - Must-have

Color A - Pearl

Color B - Limestone

Color C - Antique pink

Color D - Riverside

Crochet hooks: 2,25 mm and 3 mm

Other materials are a piece of fishing thread to hang it up with when finished, 2 stitch markers, some stuffing, scissor and needle.



Abbreviations (US terms) - The stitches marked with \* is described further below under the heading "Special stitches". s - stitch sl st - slip stitch ch - chain stitch ch-sp - chain space sc - single crochet asc - attaching single crochet\* hdc - half double crochet dc - double crochet tr - treble crochet p2 - picot 2\* p3 - picot 3\* pop - popcorn\* s pop\* - starting popcorn rnd - round skip - skip the given amount of stitches fo - fasten off (i.e. cut the yarn) inc - increase (work 2 stitches in 1) inv dec - invisible decrease (FLO: work 2 stitches together into 1) FLO - front loops only (the ones closest to you) {...} - crochet all in the same stitch \*...\* -repeat instructions the entire round, or as many times as stipulated (...) - total number of stitches for the round

## **Special stitches**

## asc - attaching single crochet

Begin as a regular single crochet (two loops on your hook). Put the hook through the picot, yarn over and pull through all four loops (as seen below: the two green ones from the leaf and the blue ones from the bauble).











## p2 - picot 2

Chain 2, and make a single crochet through the first chain stitch you made.

## p3 - picot 3

Chain 3, and make a single crochet through the first chain stitch you made.

# pop - popcorn

Make 4 double crochet in the specified stitch, drop the loop and then insert the hook in the first double crochet you made. With the hook still placed through the first double crochet: grab the dropped loop and pull it through. Secure with a chain stitch (counts as part of the popcorn in the pattern and not as a stitch on it's own).

## s. pop - starting popcorn

It's just the same as a regular popcorn but you begin with a standing dc, or 2 chain stitches, then crochet 3 double crochets in the same stitch. Finish as a regular popcorn.

# **Other information**

- The finished mini bloom balloon measures approximately 5 cm x 5 cm.
- Please note that the standing dc in rnd 3 can be switched for a ch 2 start if preferred.

# **Pattern**

## Flower - 2,25 mm

Rnd 1. Color A. In a magic circle;

7 sc, sl st in the first st (7).

#### Rnd 2. Color A.

S.pop in the first st, pop in the next 6 sts, fo, invisible join (7).

Make a hanging loop with a piece of the fishing line (or any thread/yarn etc) and attach through the center of the flower. Secure on the backside.

You will now continue on with the beginning of the bauble. We'll get back to the flower after this.

# **Bauble - Part 1 - 2,25 mm**

The bauble is worked in continuous rnds, please mark the first st of each rnd with a stitch marker to keep track.

Rnd 3. Color B. Work this round entirely in the closing chain stitches from rnd 2.

{sdc, dc} in the first st, dc inc in the next 6 sts (14).

Now, place a stitch marker around the **last two double crochets** you just made. It's important that you start rnd 14 through these to make the asc add up.

## Rnd 4. Color B.

\*sc, sc inc\* repeat 7 times (21).

#### Rnd 5. Color B.

\*2 sc, sc inc\* repeat 7 times (28).

#### Rnd 6. Color B.

sc inc, \*3 sc, sc inc\* repeat 6 times, 3 sc (35).

#### Rnd 7. Color B.

\*4 sc, sc inc\* repeat 7 times (42).

#### Rnd 8. Color B.

3 sc, \*sc inc, 5 sc\* repeat 6 times, sc inc, 2 sc (49).

Don't cut the thread, just secure it with a stitch marker and leave it be for the time.

# The flower petals - 3 mm

Rnd 9. Color C. Join with a sl st into the center of any pop from rnd 2.

\*ch 2, sl st into the next pop\* repeat 7 times, sl st in the joining sl st (7 + 14 ch).

Rnd 10. Color C. Begin in any ch sp.

\*{sl st, hdc, dc, hdc, sl st}, skip sl st\* repeat 7 times, sl st in the first st (35)

Rnd 11. Color C. Skip all the sl sts from rnd 10.

\*skip 1 (i.e. the sl st), sl st in the hdc, {2 sc, p2, sc} in the dc, sl st in the hdc, skip 1 st (i.e. the sl st)\* repeat 7 times, sl st in the first st (35 + 7 p2).



Rnd 12. Color C. Work behind the first petal layer and begin with a ch followed by a sl st in the sl st from rnd 10 (see pic).

\*ch 3, sl st\* repeat 7 times, sl st in the first sl st. (7 + 21 ch)



The needles shows where to place the sl sts.

Rnd 13. Color C. Work this rnd in the ch sps from rnd 12.

\*{sl st, hdc, dc, tr, dc, hdc, sl st}, skip sl st\* repeat 7 times, fo, invisible join (49)



Leafs - 3 mm

It's time to make 3 leafs. Join with a sl st through the **last (!)** two dc:s from rnd 3 (see pic). You'll now be pretty happy that you placed a stitch marker around these because it can be quite hard to tell otherwise.



Rnd 14. Color D.

\*ch 3, sl st\* repeat 5 times, ch 4, skip 2 dcs, sl st through the next 2 dcs. (6 + 19 ch)



Rnd 15. Color D. Please note that for this rnd; each leaf is worked over two ch sps.

\*{sl st, sc, hdc, 2 dc, 2 tr, p3}, skip 1 st (i.e. sl st), {2 tr, 2 dc, hdc, sc, sl st}, skip 1 st (i.e. sl st)\* repeat 3 times, fo, invisible join (42 + 3 p3).



## **Bauble - Part 2 - 2,25 mm**

Rnd 16. Color B. It's now time to attach the 3 leafs to the bauble; pick up the loop that is secured with a stitch marker from the end of rnd 8. Please remember that the bauble is worked in continuous spiral so mark the first st of each rnd with a stitch marker to keep track.

5 sc, asc, 13 sc, asc, 16 sc, asc, 12 sc (49)

#### Rnd 17. Color B.

3 sc, \*inv sc dec, 5 sc\* repeat 6 times, inv sc dec, 2 sc (42).

## Rnd 18. Color B.

\*4 sc, inv sc dec\* repeat 7 times (35).

#### Rnd 19. Color B.

inv sc dec, \*3 sc, inv sc dec\* repeat 6 times, 3 sc (28).

#### Rnd 20. Color B.

\*2 sc, inv sc dec\* repeat 7 times (21).

Stuff the bauble.

#### Rnd 21. Color B.

\*sc, inv sc dec\* repeat 7 times (14).

#### Rnd 22. Color B.

\*inv sc dec\* repeat 7 times (7).

Cut the yarn leaving a long thread (approximately 10 cm). With a tapestry needle; insert the needle form the center and put it under the front loop of the first st. Repeat for the remaining 6 sts, pull the tail and tighten so that the hole closes. Push the needle back and forth through the bauble a few times to secure the end.

# Finished!

