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Blooming Bauble

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The Story Behind...

One year when Christmas was coming up; I started to dream about an "all crochet"-kind of Christmas three. Handmade and filled with love.. So this darling little bauble came to be a new addition to my growing collection.

The Blooming Bauble is a quick, cute and perfect yarn stash busting project. It is actually a remake on one of my older patters; the Mini Bloom Balloon, and is kind of it's quickie version..

The Blooming Baubles can be used all year around as sweet decorations on a plate or hung as ornaments in your window? I'm making 3 colourful ones to hang up in little Es room, soo cute if I may say so myself hihi..

Oh and please note that you can use the same sized hook throughout the project, just crochet a bit looser on the flower and leafs and then tighter on the bauble so that the flower rest relaxed on top of the bauble with no stuffing peaking through.

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Tess





You Will Need

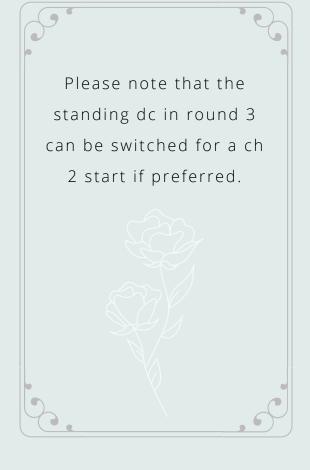
Must-have by Yarn And Colors: A - Pearl, B - Limestone, C - Antique Pink, D - Riverside; a 2,25 mm and a 3 mm hook; Small amount of toy stuffing; 2 Stitch markers; Yarn needle; Scissor

Note! This is a scrap yarn project that requires very little yarn and you can use about any weight or sort.

Skill level: Intermediate

Other info

The finished mini bloom balloon measures approximately 5 cm x 5 cm.



Abbrevations

<u>US-terminology</u>

The stitches marked with * is described further on the next page.

st - stitch rnd - round

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

p2b - picot 2 b*

p3b - picot 3 b*

pop - popcorn*

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 - front loops only (the ones closest to you)

{...} - crochet all in the same stitch

... -repeat instructions the entire round

(...) - total number of stitches for the round

*Special stitches

<u>US-terminology</u>

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 (see picture below).











p2b - picot 2 b

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

p3b - picot 3 b

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).

The Pattern

Flower Center - 2,25 mm

Rnd 1. Color A.

In a magic circle; 7 sc, sl st in the first st (7).

Rnd 2. Color A.

pop in the next 7 sts, fo, invisible join (7).

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).

Tip! You can also watch the video tutorial to get help with parts you may find tricky.

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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, p2b, 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).



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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).

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



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, p3b}, 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 p3b).

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Bauble - Part 2 - 2,25 mm

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.

Rnd 16. Color B.

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.





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