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Sisters In Stitch

The Wolfbay Wallflower

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You Will Need

Yarn

For this wallflower I've used 1 skein of Lankava yarnhouse Minimop in the color natural white (52). It's a dk/light worsted weight/#3 yarn (80% recycled cotton/20 % polyester; 490 m per 700 g skein). It is a loosely twisted cord-like yarn made of upcycled cotton.

I believe it can be done with most cotton yarns and thicker weights but it helps if the yarn is twisted so it easily splits: as it adds to the free style boho macrame look.

Hook & Other Materials

A US size J/10 (6.0 mm) crochet hook

A measuring tape

A larger sized darning needle

A pair of scissors

A 20 mm wooden ball with hole

A steel pet brush (used to roughen up the tall yarn lengths at the bottom)

Finished Measurements

Approximately 50 cm tall and 10 cm wide

Skill Level

Adventures beginner/Intermediate

Special stitches used:

p - picot (chain 2 and then slip stitch through the front loop AND the first leg bar of the previous double crochet)

THE PATTERN

The first petal

Begin with making a slip knot on your hook, then ch 4 + 1 sl st in the first chain to form a circle.

Make 3 sc + 2 hdc + 2 dc + 1 p + 2 dc + 2 hdc + 1 sc around the circle, sl st into the first st to close and finish the first petal. Continue on with the second petal.

- 4 sc, 4 hdc, 4 dc, 1 p

The second petal

ch 4 + 1 sl st in the first ch to form a circle, 3 sc + 2 hdc + 2 dc + 1 p + 2 dc + 2 hdc + 1 sc around the circle, sl st into the first st to close and finish the second petal.

- 4 sc, 4 hdc, 4 dc, 1 p

The third-, forth and fifth petal

Repeat the instructions for the second petal three more times so that you have **five petals in total**. Do not cut off your yarn!

The petal Join

When you have finished the last petal; hold your petals so that you have the fifth petal to the right and the others placed sequentially to the left.

Enter your hook through the space between the last and first single crochet made for each petal with the right side of all facing you (going from the 5th petal down into the space of the 4th, then the 3rd, then the 2nd and lastly the 1st) and make one slip stitch through them all. This can feel a little tricky but take it nice and slow; it will work.

Ch 1 + cut off your yarn whilst leaving a 20 cm long tail and let it rest. **Note! Do not tighten, nor work in your yarn end.** You will fasten it as the very last step before adding a hanger to your wallflower (see step 8 below).

Work in your starting end only.

THE YARN DROP AND FLOWER PISTILS

You will first make the base for your yarn drop and before finishing it; make the flower pistils.

Step 1. The Yarn Drop

Hold your arm in a 90 degree angle and wrap the yarn around your arm and up between your thumb and index finger 13 times (or keep wrapping until you reach desired fullness) which gave me loops with the circumce of approximately 70 cm Slide gently of your arm and place on your work surface.

Step 2.

Cut six 25 cm long pieces of your yarn and tie them all around place them all horizontally under the top centre of your looped yarn. Tie all six into a tight double knot around the looped yarn. This will give you 12 yarn ends that will now be used for the flower pistils.

Step 3. The Flower Pistils

Place your yarn drop and flower pistils right behind your flower center. With your crochet hook; gently pull the 12 yarn ends through the center of your crocheted flower. Tie they yarn ends together close to the flower; two by two to secure at the front and then make another knot using the right thread of a prior made knot and the left thread of the one to the knot places directly on the right side of it.

Step 4.

Use a pet brush to gently separate the threads of the 12 ends. Trim with a scissor to desired shape and height. When you are happy with the look, carry on with step 5.

Tip! Keep those in the center a bit longer and the other ones slightly shorter to give it a lovely rounded shape.. Mine inners measures 3 cm and my outer measures 2,5 cm. Tip. Use your fingers to fluff the ends up as you go; cutting a little off each time rather than too much at first.

Step 5. The Yarn Drop

Cut through the bottom of your looped yarn to make 26 yarn ends/threads.

Step 6.

Tie one or more knots at different heights on each of your lengths. This will prevent the yarn from splitting and unraveling up to the knot; and also add texture and visual interest to it.

Step 7.

Use a pet brush to gently separate the threads below the knots you've made. Help the yarn unravel with your fingers if needed.

Step 8. The Flower Yarn End

With a large darning needle; push the yarn end through both the flower then the yarn drop knot; and secure it in the knot by sewing back and forth through it a few times.

Step 9. The hanger

Cut an 85 cm long piece of your yarn and fold in half. Tie a knot approximately 6 cm down from your fold to make the eyelet to hang on a door handle.

Use your large darning needle and thread the 20 mm wooden ball on the two yarn ends up right below your first knot and secure with a knot right below the ball.

Tie a third knot approximately 7 cm below the second one. Use your large darning needle to sew the ends through the Yarn Drop knot and secure there with a double knot. Use your darning needle and tuck the two long ends over the just made knot and pull down into the rest of the yarn ends. Repeat step 6 and 7 to these two.

Step 10. Finishing touches

Finally, trim the Yarn Drop ends to desired shape and length, hang your finished Wolfbay Wallflower on one of your door handles: and you are done!

Your Wolfbay Wallflower is now finished!

I hope you had fun and that you will treasure it for years to come..

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