

crochet poppies, 5 versions by loopysue



These for an art installation, not to wear.

Materials: red worsted yarn (3 to 4m per poppy) black worsted yarn (less than 1m per poppy) 3.5mm crochet hook yarn needle for weaving ends

Pattern Notes: There are 5 versions in this pattern. They all start the same way with the black centre. US crochet terms are used.

Making other sizes with larger or smaller yarn: Use a hook size smaller than the yarn ball suggests. For larger yarns, chunky and bulky, I make the black centre with hdc instead of sc.

Please leave two threads unfinished at the back of each poppy so they can be tied to a large net for display

Abbreviations:

st(s) stitch(es)
Rnd round
ch chain

sc single crochet
hdc half double crochet
dc double crochet

tr treble crochet
sk skip
sl st slip st



Version 1: There are only 3 rounds

black yarn

Rnd1: ch1, 7sc in a magic circle. Cut yarn and sew in last edge loop to join round, creating the 8th edge stitch. Pull beginning tail tight to cinch centre.

red yarn

Rnd2: sl st in opposite end from the black tails, ch1, sc in same st, then make 2 sc in each remaining st to end of round. (16sts) Join with a sl st to top of the ch1.

Rnd3: sk 1 st, 6dc in the next st, sk 1 st, sl st in the next st) repeat 3 more times to end of round.



Version 2: This one has 4 rounds.

black yarn

Rnd1: ch1, 7sc in a magic circle. Cut yarn and sew in last edge loop to join round, creating the 8th edge stitch. Pull beginning tail tight to cinch centre.

red yarn

Rnd2: sl st in opposite end from the black tails, ch1, sc in same st, then make 2 sc in each remaining st to end of round. sl st to join rnd. (16sts)

Rnd3: ch1, (2sc in next st, 1sc in next st) repeat to end of round. (24sts)

Rnd 4: ch1, (2sc, 1sc, 2sc, 1sc, 2sc, 1 sl st spiked 2 rows below next st, in the same place red first went into black, sk next st) repeat to end. (6 sts repeat 4 times) Cut yarn and sew in to complete the final sl st.



Version 3: There are only 3 rounds.

black yarn

Rnd1: ch1, 7hdc in a magic circle. Cut yarn and sew in last edge loop to join round, creating the 8th edge stitch. Pull beginning tail tight to cinch centre.

red yarn

Rnd2: sl st in opposite end from the black tails, ch2, hdc in same st, then make 2 hdc in each remaining st to end of round. (16sts) Join with a sl st to top of the ch2.

Rnd3: 2hdc in each of the next 3 sc, sl st in the next st) repeat 3 more times to end of round.



Version 4: There are only 2 rounds.

black yarn

Rnd1: ch1, 7sc in a magic circle. Cut yarn and sew in last edge loop to join round, creating the 8th edge stitch. Pull beginning tail tight to cinch centre.

red yarn

Rnd2: sl st in any edge chain, ch3, 2tr in same st, 2tr in next st, ch3, sl st in same st as last 2tr, (1 petal done), (ch4, 2tr in same st, 2tr in next st, ch3, sl st in same st as last 2tr) repeat inside these brackets twice more. (4 petals total)

(For slightly smaller, do 1 less ch up/down each petal and use dcs instead of trs.)



Version 5: There are only 2 rounds.

black yarn

Rnd1: ch1, 7sc in a magic circle. cut yarn and sew in last edge loop to join round, creating the 8th edge stitch. Pull beginning tail tight to cinch centre.

red yarn

Rnd2: sl st in any edge chain, ch3, 3tr in same st, 3tr in next st, ch3, sl st in same st as last 3tr, (1 petal done), (ch4, 3tr in same st, 3tr in next st, ch3, sl st in same st as last 3tr) repeat inside these brackets twice more. (4 petals total) (For slightly smaller, do 1 less ch up/down each petal and use

dcs instead of trs.)

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Leaf



1st row: Ch 6, In 2nd chain from hook, work 1dc, 1htr, 2tr, 1ht, 1dc, ch1 at end of row ss into back of second chain from hook to form picot, turn,

this is where you ss into the back of the stitch can you see where I've placed the needle for clarity?



2nd row: working along the other side of the chain, work 1dc, 1htr, 1tr, 1htr, 1dc.



Bind off and sew in ends, leaving a tail to attach leaf to flower.

Finishing: I added a small circle of black felt with a small 6mm dolls eye as the centre, but you can simply sew a nice black button in the middle. Using black cotton add the stamen and add a simple french knot at the end of each stamen.

Attach your leaf to the back and tack in place, add a brooch back (or a safety pin) to the back and you are done.

Poppies in any fibre medium are appropriate for this project!

Overall poppy size should be approx 3 - 4 inches wide.

Thank you for helping with this community project! **Karen Scarlett**

