

Materials:

- Worsted Category 4 yarn [main color and contrast color] small amounts of each
- H 5.0 mm hook

Size:

• 3 ½" wide by 3 ¼" tall using H hook and #4 yarn [without trim]

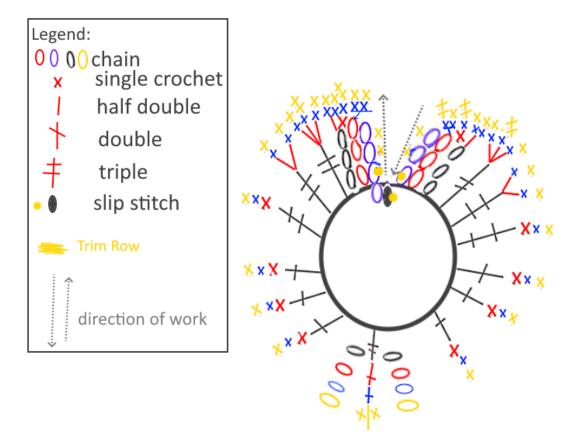
Stitches Used:

- Ch chain
- SI St slip stitch
- SC single crochet
- DC double crochet
- HDC half double crochet
- TR treble (or triple) crochet

This pattern starts with a magic circle. If you need to see a more thorough tutorial on the magic circle before beginning this pattern, check out the video HERE on my YouTube Channel!

How to Crochet Hearts

THE PATTERN



Rnd 1: Magic Circle,

- Ch4,
- work the following stitches into the circle:
 - o 3 TR, 3 DC,
 - o ch1, TR, ch1,
 - o 3 DC, 3 TR, ch3

Slip stitch to the center of ring. Pull the ring together, but not all the way in as you will need to get your hook in the center for the next 2 rounds.

Rnd 2:

- ch3
- SC and HDC in first stitch [top & in ch 4 loop],
- 3 HDC in next stitch [1st TR of previous row],
- <u>2 HDC</u> in next stitch [2nd TR of previous row],
- SC in next 4 stitches [3rd TR of previous row and 3 DC of previous row],
- ch1, skip ch1 of previous row,
- DC [in top of preious row's TR],
- Ch1, skip ch1 of previous row,
- SC in next 4 stitches [3 DC of previous row nd TR o previous row],
- 2 HDC in next stitch [2nd TR of previous row],
- 3 HDC in next stitch [1st TR of previous row],
- HDC and SC in next stitch [top & in ch4 loop],
- <u>ch3</u> and slip stitch in center of heart.

Rnd 3: ch3,

- 2 SC in first stitch [chain loop of ch3 of previous row],
- SC in next [1st SC of previous row],
- 2 SC in next stitch,
- SC In next 9 stitches [last sc here is in ch1 loop],
- ch1, DC [in top of Dc in previous row],
- Ch1, skip ch1 of previous row,
- SC in next 9 stitches,
- 2 SC in next stitch,
- SC in next,
- <u>2 SC</u> in last stitch [top of ch3 of last row],
- ch3 and slip stitch in slip stitch of last row.

Trim:

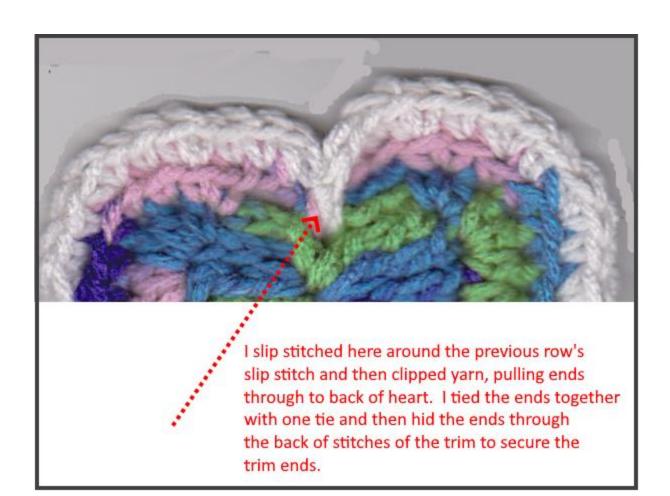
Do one row of sc around as follows. Ending with securing ends as shown in diagram picture below. Use BLO [Back loop only] on trim where possible.

Attach white [contrast yarn] to 1st loop of previous row ch3 with a slip stitch [make sure you do so in 1st loop of the ch3 as it sometimes becomes small],

- Sc in 2nd loop, sc in 3rd loop,
- <u>sc</u> in 1st sc,
- SC in next sc,
- 2 SC in next sc,
- SC in next 3 SC,
- 2 SC in next SC,
- SC in next 7 stitches,
- Ch1,
- In next SC [tip of heart at bottom] all in the same stitch do
 - BLO SC, BLO HDC, BLO SC,
- Ch1
- SC in next 7 stitches,
- <u>2 SC</u> in next SC,
- <u>SC</u> in next 3 SC,
- 2 SC in next SC,
- SC in next 2 SC,
- SC in next 2 loops [of ch3 of previous row[,

slip stitch in last loop [of ch3 of previous row],

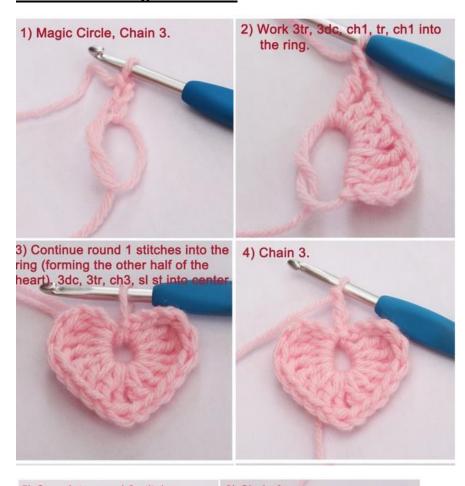
<u>Slip stitch</u> to first slip stitch and secure ends [see diagram below]. Hide ends.



Note: The above is an adaption of a pattern on someone else's website. See pinterest.com to find it as I don't remember where it is. The original picture is:



TUTORIALS: Original Pattern







How to Surface Slip Stitch Around Hearts

To surface slip stitch around the hearts, follow the instructions below. I have also included a photo tutorial (scroll to the end of this post).



Step 1: Make slip knot with your yarn. Insert your crochet hook through one of the stitches of the heart. (Note: I made my surface slip stitches in the second round in from the outside of the heart, but you can also make these stitches around the outside round).

Step 2: Pull the loop of the slip knot through to the front of the heart.

Step 3: Insert your hook into the next stitch and yarn over.

Step 4: Draw up a loop (there will be 2 loops on your hook now).

Step 5: Make a slip stitch by pulling the second loop through the first one on your hook.

Step 6: Repeat steps 3-5 in each stitch around the heart.

Step 7: When you are finished surface slip stitching around the heart, make your last surface slip stitch into the stitch you started in. Fasten off and then weave in ends (on back of heart).

