Background Netting with Leaves and picots

2nd variation

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Abbreviations:

ch – chain

ss – slip stitch

tr – treble crochet

hdc – half double crochet

dc – double crochet

aka – also known as….

st(s) – stitch(s)

p – picot

drp – drooping picot

drp/p – drooping picot + top picot

yo – yarn over

w/ss – with slip stitch

A2L – arch of 2 leaves

w/drp/p – with drp/p

L – leaf: (ch8; on the chain crochet leaf: (sc; hdc; 2dc; hdc; sc);
make a transition **ss** into the 1st **st** of a **ch8**;
crochet on the other side of the **ch8**: (sc; hdc; 2dc; hdc; sc)

Step-by-step pattern

To start this background netting, you can choose regular chain, or as in this pattern double chain (aka single crochet foundation chain). I found it easier to start with double chain because of its structure. In the video tutorial (see last page) I explain how to crochet double chain.

Crochet chain multiple of 9 + 1 st.
In this example **ch36+1**. I used double chain (aka sc chain) to start this sample.
Ch1, turn your work.

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R1:

sc into the 1st st of the chain;

*[ch3; then make drp/p:

(ch5; remove hook from the last st, insert hook into 5th stitch from the hook, and pull last st through) – this completes the drp;

make top p: (ch5, close p w/ss into the 5th st from the hook);

make a ss between the drp and p to complete drp/p;

ch6; make drp/p; ch3;

skip 8sts on a double chain; sc into the 9th st .

Crochet A2L:

**ch8; on the chain crochet leaf: (sc; hdc; 2dc; hdc; sc);

make a transition ss into the 8th st of a ch;

crochet on the other side of the ch8: (sc; hdc; 2dc; hdc; sc)** ;

ch1; repeat from ** to **; skip 8sts on the double chain; sc into the 9th st.]*

Repeat from *[to]* one more time for our sample or to the end of the double chain.

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R2:

ch12 (for turning chain);

***crochet L; sc into the chain between the leaves of the R1; crochet L;

ch3; make drp/p; ch3; sc into the ch6 of the R1; ch3; drp/p; ch3 ***;

Repeat from *** to *** one more time for this sample, or to the end of the row. At the end of the row make a long stitch that consists of 10yo.

for some of you **long stitch** and **ch12** have to be adjusted to individual tension, which means that you probably will need to make 7, 8, or 9 yo instead of 10, and for the ch12 it will be probably enough ch10.

R3:

{crochet A2L; **sc** into the **st** between the bar with **drp/p** and the L of the R2;

ch3; then make **drp/p**; **ch6**; **drp/p**; **ch3**};

Repeat from {to} one more time for this sample, or to the end of the row.
Finish the R3 **w/sc** into a **st** between L and **ch12** of R2.

R4:

ch12; **[ch3; drp/p; ch3; sc into the ch6 of R3; ch3; drp/p; ch3; crochet L; sc

between the A2L of the R3; crochet L]**;

repeat from **[to]** one more time for this sample, or to the end of the row;

crochet long st.

R5:

[ch3; drp/p; ch6; drp/p; ch3; sc into a st between the L and the bar w/drp/p; A2L]; sc into a st between the bar w/srp/p and the L.

Repeat from ***[to]***; finish the R5 w/sc into the st between the bar w/drp/p and the ch12 of the R4.

Repeat the pattern from R2.

Video tutorial. How to crochet drp/p.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_MqvnL1dkm4&t=2s

Video tutorial. How to crochet leaves facing the right side

Lesson #1: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0JxAVYJCnwg&t=86s

Lesson #2:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=trn2YsaXVxw&feature=youtu.be

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