

Flower with beads.



This motif is crochet over the PC (packing cord). It is important to go over the Chapter 3 of the Video Tutorials to learn all the details how to use PC in crochet.

Materials:

Presencia Finca #8, hook #0.75mm (if it is difficult to crochet with 0.75mm hook, then switch to 0.9mm hook); 15 4mm beads.

Thread the beads on a thread with beading needle.

Abbreviations:

PC – packing cord; ch – chain; ss – slip stitch; st – stitch; sc – single crochet; dc – double crochet; tc – treble crochet; dtc – double treble crochet; RS – right side; WR – wrong side; w/ss – with slip stitch; yo – yarn over; dc (tc; or dtc)+bead – stitch with added bead.



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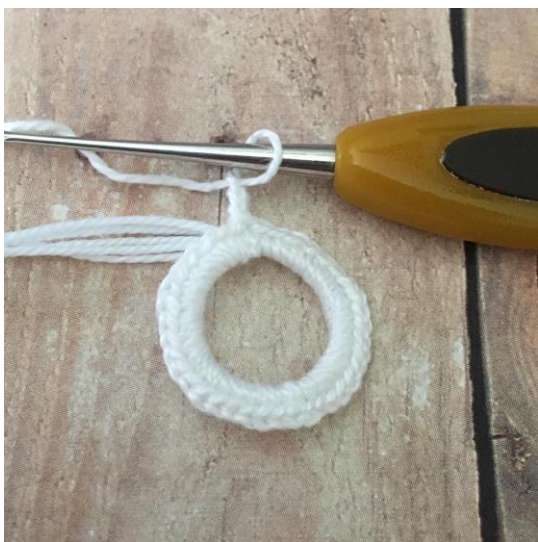
Prepare PC: measure 1ya (1m), fold it in half, and again in half (4 strands of thread for PC). PC is added to give motif more volume.

R1:
crochet over the PC: 35sc. Connect PC with a sc in a ring.

Make sure all stitches are snug and PC is not seen through the stitches.



Move PC on the back of your work and close the round w/ss.



Ch3



Next round is not a complete closed round. It is a round with a gap. That gap is needed as a place, where the stem will be attached.

We will crochet dc sts over the PC, inserting hook into both loops of the previous round.



R2:

crochet 46dc, following this pattern:

1dc right next to chain of 3sts; *2dc into one st; 1dc into next st...*. Repeat from * to * to the end of the round, and you will have 4 - 5 sts left. Those 4 - 5 sts, where we will attach a stem.

Turn your work to the WS.



Drop PC. 3rd round crochet on the WS of the motif, and this is when we will add beads.

R3:

ch7; skip 2sts; dc+bead.

To add bead, first make yo, insert hook into the stitch, pull thread and pull it through; move bead close to the base of stitch and grab thread with the hook just above the bead, finish dc st as usually, crocheting st and yo together.



R3 (continue):

crochet, following this pattern:

(ch5; skip 2sts; tc+bead) 4 times;

(dtr+bead; ch5) 5 times;

(tc+bead; ch5) 4 times;

dc+bead; ch7;

ss at the end into the last dc st.



Please remember that you crochet on the wrong side of the flower in order to add beads. Beads are always added, when crochet in the WS. This picture shows RS of your work.



Into a gap of the ring crochet: hdc; dc decrease; hdc; ss.



Cut thread and sew PC to the dc sts in the back of your work.



Sew over the PC $\frac{3}{4}$ of an inch (1cm). Make sure the strands of thread are snug and tight to prevent PC from slipping away.

Cut PC; weave in the thread on the WS.



Front of the flower will look like this.

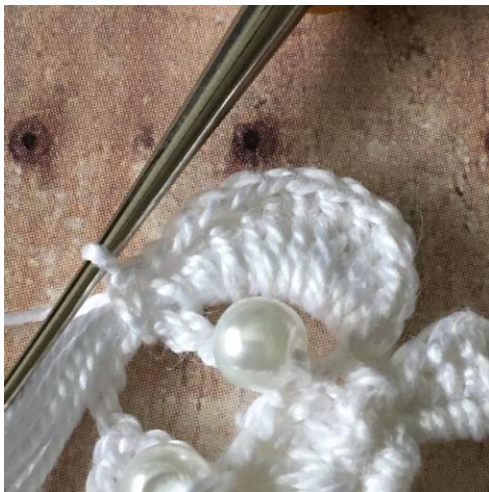


R5:

Turn flower to the RS. Connect thread again to the flower at the left into the beginning of the first chain.



Add PC again, and crochet petals. This time you can add thicker PC with more strands. It will make petals more pronounced.



First and last petals crochet, following pattern:

(sc; hdc; 7dc; hdc; sc).

After crocheting each petal, check on the PC on the WS by pulling on strands, to make sure there is no PC showing on the back.



R5 (continue):

the rest of the petals crochet, following pattern:

(sc; hdc; 4dc; hdc; sc).



Move PC on the back, secure PC on the back by sewing it to sts.

Cut PC only after you satisfied the way flower is, that there is no ruffle effect happening, that this round is flat. If it is behaving as a ruffle, pull on the PC to adjust the last round and make sure that the motif is flat.



With ss move to the center, where we will crochet stem. Move w/ss on the back of the flower.



Ch16 (or different length).

Add PC, crochet around the chain and PC sc sts:

insert hook into 1st st of the chain and the folded loop of the PC, pull thread through and secure 1st st as a sc;

after that crochet around the chain and added PC.

Stitches on the stem must be snug and the PC cannot be seen through the stitches. At the end sew over the PC with the working thread to secure PC on the back of the motif. Cut thread and weave it on the WS of the motif.

