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# Crochet Heart Pattern

Wool: anything you have to hand. Double knitting is ideal. Any colour.

Hook size: whatever you have, ideally the appropriate size for your wool.

Other equipment: stitch markers, scissors, a needle to sew in ends, a cup of tea!

If you want to watch this pattern being made, follow this link: <a href="https://youtu.be/lharPpycj2Q">https://youtu.be/lharPpycj2Q</a>

(Note, US terms are used on the video, so when she says single crochet, you will need to double crochet)



## Instructions:

This heart is worked in rounds. Round 1 is worked across the top of the beginning chain and then around the bottom, and you keep crocheting in circles like this to make the shape. Don't worry if you have the wrong number of stitches after any round, so long as it is more or less right (and you skip chains and add chains in the right places) it should look like a heart!

To start: chain 15 loosely (this will make it easier to work round 1). Leave a long end of yarn at the start to use later.

#### Round 1:

- o make 3 double crochet (dc) in the 2nd chain from the hook. Place a stitch marker in the first stitch to mark the beginning of the round
- 1 dc in each of the next 5 chain
- o skip the next 2 chain
- o 1 dc in each of the next 5 chain
- 3 dc in the last chain

Turn your work so that you are now working in the bottom loops of the beginning chain.

- o 1 dc in of the first 5 stitches
- (1 dc, 2 chain, 1 dc) in the chain 2 space do all of the instructions in brackets in the chain 2 space
- 1 dc in each of the last 5 stitches

You should now be back at your stitch marker which marks the first stitch of the round, and have 30 stitches.

#### Round 2:

 2 dc in each of the first 3 stitches. Move stitch marker to the first stitch of the new round.

- 1 dc in each of the next 4 stitches
- Skip the next 2 stitches
- 1 dc in each of the next 4 stitches
- 2 dc in each of the next 3 stitches
- 1 dc in each of the next 6 stitches
- o (1 dc, 2 chain, 1 dc) in the chain 2 space
- o 1 dc in each of the last 6 stitches

You should now (hopefully!) be back at your stitch marker and have 36 stitches.

## Round 3:

- 2 dc in each of the next 6 stitches. Move stitch marker to the first stitch of the new round.
- 1 dc in each of the next 3 stitches
- Skip the next 2 stitches
- 1 dc in each of the next 3 stitches
- 2 dc in each of the next 6 stitches
- 1 dc in each of next 7 stitches
- o (1 dc, 2 chain, 1 dc) in the chain 2 space
- o 1 dc in each of the last 7 stitches

You should now (hopefully!) be back at your stitch marker and have 48 stitches.

#### Round 4:

- 1 dc in each of the first 6 stitches
- 2 dc in each of next 2 stitches
- o 1 dc in each of the next 6 stitches
- Skip the next 2 stitches
- 1 dc in next 6 stitches
- 2 dc in next 2 stitches
- o 1 dc in next 14 stitches
- o (1 dc, chain 3, 1 dc) in chain 2 space
- o 1 dc in each of last 9 stitches

You should now (hopefully!) be back at your stitch marker and have 53 stitches.

1 slip stitch into the next stitch to fasten off.

#### To finish:

- Weave the long end you left at the start through the centre of the heart to close up any gaps.
- Sew in the other end.
- Make a hanging loop in the centre of the top of the heart by pulling a piece of wool through with your hook, securing it and tying it in a loop.

Admire your beautiful heart and think of someone in our community you would like to send love to.

Keep it safe until you can give it to the person you have been thinking of, or until we can yarn bomb our community with love!