

Crochet Peonies



1. Ch 5, sl st into first ch to form ring.
2. First Round: Ch 7, sl st into ring (6 times)
3. Second Round: In first ch space (dc, htr, tr, 5 dtr, tr, htr, dc) to create a petal. Repeat in each ch space. 6 petals worked.



4. Working behind Rnd 1, sl st into centre ring of first petal, ch 9 (6 times). Sl st into centre of first petal again to join round.



5. (dc, htr, tr, 7 dtr, tr, htr, dc) to create a petal. Repeat in each ch space. 6 petals worked. Sl st into first dc and fasten off. Weave in ends.

Flower centre (front)



Rnd 1: Ch 2, 6 dc in 2nd ch from hook, join with sl st to first dc

Rnd 2: Ch 1, 2 dc in each dc, join (12 dc)

Rnd 3: (Dc tog the next 2 dc) 6 times, join (6 dc). Fasten off leaving 30 cm tail. Ensure both threads are pulled through to the back and centre cast off thread back towards the middle.

Flower centre (back)



Rnd 1: Ch 2, 6 dc in 2nd ch from hook, join with sl st to first dc

Rnd 2: Ch 1, 2 dc in each dc, join (12 dc). Fasten off leaving 30 cm tail. Ensure both threads are pulled through to the back and centre cast off thread back towards the middle.

Assembly



1. Pull threads of Centre Front through centre of flower. Hook each thread through a stitch to anchor on opposite sides of centre.
2. Tie Centre Front threads together. Trim ends as these will be hidden under Centre Back.
3. With Centre Back, hook each thread through a stitch to anchor on opposite sides of centre.



4. Tie Centre Back ends together. Sew Back down so it lies flat against the back of the flower. Weave in ends.