

August's Crocheted Flower:

Gladiola

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SIZE: 3 inches wide x 5 inches long

SKILL LEVEL: Intermediate

MATERIALS:

- South Maid crochet cotton size 10 (350 yds per ball): Small amount #494 victory red (A), #1 white (B), #401 orchid pink (C) and #449 forest green (D)
- DMC Cebelia crochet cotton size 30 (50g per ball): Small amount light yellow (E)
- Kreinik Blending filament (55 yds per spool): 1 spool each #003 red (BFA), #093 star mauve (BFB), #007 pink (BFC), #008 green (BFD) and #091 yellow (BFE)
- Size 7 steel crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Size 9 steel crochet hook
- 1-inch long pin back
- 7/8 inch x 2-1/2 inch strip plastic canvas
- Sewing needle and green sewing thread
- Starch

GAUGE: With larger hook and size 10 crochet cotton: 10 dc = 1 inch

PATTERN NOTE: Join rnds with a sl st unless otherwise stated.

PATTERN STITCHES:

Beg dc dec: Ch 2, dc in next st.

2-dc dec: Holding back on hook last lp of each st, dc in each of next 3 sts, yo, draw through all 4 lps on hook.

Red Flower

Inner Section Base

Rnd 1 (RS): With one strand A and one strand BFA held tog, using larger hook, ch 1 (center ch), ch 3 more (counts as first dc throughout), 11 dc in center ch, join in top of beg ch-3. (12 dc)

Rnds 2 & 3: Ch 3, dc in each rem dc around, join in top of beg ch-3. (12 dc)

First Inner Petal

Row 1: Working in back lps only this rnd, 2 sc in



first dc, sc in next dc, 2 hdc in next dc, dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in each of next 2 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next dc, 2 hdc in next dc, sc in next dc, 2 sc in next dc, turn.

Row 2: Ch 1, sk first st, sl st in next st, sc in each of next 2 sts, hdc in next st, dc in next st, 2 dc in each of next 6 sts, dc in next st, hdc in next st, sc in each of next 2 sts, sl st in next st, leave last st unworked, turn.

Row 3: Ch 1, sk first st, sc in next st, hdc in next st, [dc in next st, 2 dc in next st] 7 times, hdc in next st, sc in next st, sl st in next st, turn.

Row 4: Ch 1, sk first st, sc in next st, hdc in next st, [dc in next st, 2 dc in next st] 9 times, dc in next st, hdc in next st, sc in next st, sl st in next st, turn.

Row 5: [Ch 2, sl st in next st] rep across, fasten off.

Second Inner Petal

Row 1 (RS): Using larger hook, with bottom of Inner Section Base pointing away, working in rem lps of Rnd 3 toward opening at front of First Inner Petal, join one strand A and one strand BFA held tog with a sl st in third rem lp from beg of Rnd 3, 2 dc in same st, 2 dc in next st, 3 dc in next st, turn. (8 dc)

Row 2: Ch 3, dc in each rem dc across, turn. (8 dc)

Row 3: Beg dc dec, [dc in next st, dc dec] twice, turn. (5 sts)

Row 4: Ch 3, 2-dc dec, dc in last st, turn. (3 sts)

Row 5: Ch 2, dc dec, fasten off.

Row 6: With RS of petal facing, working over end sts of rows around petal, join one strand A and one strand BFA held tog with a sl st in rem lp of Rnd 3 at base of end st of Row 1, [{ch 2, sl st} twice over end st of next row] 5 times, [ch 2, sl st] twice over end st on opposite side of same petal, as last sl st made, [{ch 2, sl st} twice over end st of next row] 4 times, ch 2, sl st in rem lp of Rnd 3 at base of end st of bottom row, do not fasten off.

Third Inner Petal

Row 1 (RS): Working in rem lps of Rnd 3, sl st in last rem lp of Rnd 3, ch 3, 2 dc in same st, 2 dc in next st, 3 dc in next st, turn. (8 dc)

Rows 2-6: Rep Rows 2-6 of Second Inner Petal.

Outer Section Base

Rnd 1: Rep rnd 1 of Inner Section Base.

Rnd 2: Ch 3 (counts as first dc throughout), 2 dc in next dc, [dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc] rep around, join in top of beg ch-3. (18 dc)

Rnds 3 & 4: Ch 3, dc in each rem dc around, join in top of beg ch-3. (18 dc)

First Outer Petal

Row 1: Ch 3; working in front lps only this row, dc in same st as joining, dc in each of next 2 dc, 2 dc in next dc, turn. (6 dc)

Row 2: Ch 3, dc in first st, 2 dc in each rem dc across, turn. (12 dc)

Row 3: Ch 2, dc in next st (beg dc dec made), dc in each rem dc across to last 2 dc, dc dec, turn. (10 sts)

Row 4: Ch 2, dc in next st (beg dc dec), dc in next st, 2 dc decs, dc in next st, dc dec over last 2 sts, turn. (6 sts)

Row 5: Beg dc dec, dc dec across, turn. (3 sts)

Row 6: Ch 2; dc dec, fasten off.

Second Outer Petal

Row 1: Sk next 2 dc on Rnd 4 of Outer Section Base, with larger hook, join one strand A and one strand BFA held tog with a sl st in front lp only of next st, rep Row 1 of First Outer Petal.

Rows 2-6: Rep Rows 2-6 of First Outer Petal.

Third Outer Petal

Rows 1-6: Rep Rows 1-6 of Second Outer Petal.

Edging

With RS facing, using larger hook, join one strand A and one strand BFA held tog with a sl st in first sk

dc of any pair of skipped dc on Rnd 4, sl st in next st, **sl st over end st on row 1 of next petal, ch 2, sl st over same st, *[ch 2, sl st] twice over end st of next row, rep from * to end st on bottom row of opposite side of same petal++, sl st in each of next 2 dc on Rnd 4 of Outer Section Base, rep from **around, ending last rep at ++, join in beg sl st, fasten off.

White Flower

Inner Section Base

Rnds 1-3: With one strand B and one strand BFB held tog, rep Rnds 1-3 of Inner Section Base for Red Flower.

First Inner Petal

Rows 1-4: With one strand B and one strand BFB held tog, rep Rows 1-4 of First Inner Petal for Red Flower. Fasten off at end of Row 4.

Row 5: With larger hook, join one strand C and one strand BFC held tog in last st of Row 4, rep Row 5 of First Inner Petal for Red Flower.

Second Inner Petal

Rows 1-5: With one strand B and one strand BFB held tog, rep Rows 1-5 of Second Inner Petal for Red Flower.

Row 6: With one strand C and one strand BFC held tog, rep Row 6 of Second Inner Petal for Red Flower. Fasten off.

Third Inner Petal

Rows 1-5: With larger hook, join one strand B and one strand BFB held tog with a sl st in last rem lp of Rnd 3, rep Rows 1-5 of Third Inner Petal for Red Flower.

Row 6: Rep Row 6 of Second Inner Petal.

Outer Section Base

Rnds 1-4: With one strand B and one strand BFB held tog, rep Rnds 1-4 of Outer Section Base for Red Flower.

First Outer Petal

Rows 1-6: With one strand B and one strand BFB held tog, rep Rows 1-6 of First Outer Petal for Red Flower.

Second Outer Petal

Rows 1-6: With one strand B and one strand BFB held tog, rep Rows 1-6 of Second Outer Petal for Red Flower.

Third Outer Petal

Rows 1-6: With one strand B and one strand BFB held tog, rep Rows 1-6 of Third Outer Petal for Red Flower.

Edging

With one strand C and one strand BFC held tog, rep Edging for Red Flower.

Pistil (make 2)

With one strand E and one strand BFE held together, using smaller hook, ch 28, yo, insert hook in third ch from hook, *yo, draw up a lp, yo, insert hook in same ch, yo, draw up a lp, yo, draw through all 5 lp on hook, ch 1 tightly to secure*, sl st in each rem ch across to last ch, ch 2, yo, insert hook in last ch, rep from * to *, fasten off.

Pin Base Cover

Front

Row 1: With one strand D and one strand BFD held tog, using larger hook, ch 9 for foundation ch, ch 3 more (counts as first dc throughout), dc in fourth ch from hook, dc in each rem ch across, turn. (10 dc)

Rows 2-10: Ch 3, dc in each rem dc across, dc in top of beg ch-3, turn. Fasten off at end of Row 10.

Back

Rows 1-10: Rep Rows 1-10 of Front. Do not fasten off at end of Row 10; turn.

Join Front and Back

Holding Front and Back together and working through both thicknesses at once, sc in each st across last row to corner, sc evenly spaced over ends sts of long edge to next corner, 3 sc in corner st, sc in each rem lp across next edge to corner, insert plastic canvas strip between Front and Back, 3 sc in corner, sc evenly spaced across long edge to next corner, 2 sc in same st as first sc, join in first sc. Fasten off.

Leaf (make 3)

Row 1: Beg at base of leaf with one strand D and one strand BFD held together, using larger hook, ch 29, tr in fifth ch from hook, tr in each of next 8 chs, dc in each of next 10 chs, hdc in each of next 4 chs, sc in next ch, 3 sc in last ch; working in rem lps across opposite side of foundation ch, sc in

next ch, hdc in each of next 4 chs, dc in each of next 10 chs, tr in each of next 8 chs, 2 tr in last ch, turn.

Row 2 (RS): Sl st in each st across to center sc of 3-sc group at tip of leaf, (sl st, ch 1, sl st) in center sc, sl st in each rem st across. Fasten off.

Finishing

Fold pistil in half, Cut six-inch length of A and tie around center of pistil. With crochet hook, reach up through bottom center of Inner Section Base for Red Flower and draw both ends of A from inside to outside. Insert hook into bottom of Outer Section Base for Red Flower. Insert Inner Section Base into Outer Section Base so that any leaf from Outer Section Base is centered under opening of First Petal on Inner Section Base, drawing 2 strands of A from bottom of Inner Section Base through to outside of Outer Section Base. With tapestry needle tie strands of A onto bottom of Outer Section Base and weave in ends.

Rep for White Flower with six-inch length of B and rem Pistil.

With paper towel or small sponge, apply starch to each flower including pistils and to each Leaf. Pin flowers and leaves out and shape. Let dry thoroughly.

Sew pin back to bottom center of Pin Base Cover with sewing needle and green sewing thread. Using photo as a guide, sew one leaf to top of Pin Base Cover so that tip of leaf extends approximately 1-1/4-inches beyond lower edge of Cover. Sew another leaf so that it extends, at an angle, approximately 1-inch from top right corner. Sew rem leaf slightly lower down on Pin Base so that it extends, at an angle, approximately 3/4-inch beyond edge of Cover. Sew White Flower to top of Cover over leaves. Overlapping petals, sew Red Flower to bottom of Cover.

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