

Knitted Poppies

For the best finish, knit with a Double Knit (DK yarn). The size of needle you choose will determine how big the poppy will be, but we recommend 3.5mm or 3.75mm (UK9).

1. Easy garter/knit stitch pattern for beginners

Colour A Red (one ball will make a lot of poppies!)

Colour B Scrap of Black or a black button

Body of Poppy

Using Col A cast on 120 stitches.

Rows 1-4 Knit

Row 5 Knit 3 stitches together across the row(40 stitches)

Rows 6-9 Knit

Row 10 Knit 2 stitches together across the row(20 stitches)

Rows 11-14 Knit

Row 15 Knit 2 stitches together across the row(10 stitches)

Cut yarn leaving a tail of about 20cm

Thread tail through yarn needle and slip all the remaining live stitches onto the yarn tail and pull tight. Pull around into a circle and then mattress stitch (or use whatever stitching you normally use) to seam for an invisible seam. Sew in ends.

Centre of Poppy

Using B, cast on 16 sts. Cast off. Coil into a tight spiral and sew base to the centre.

Or use a black or green button with 4 holes and sew to centre of poppy.

2. Easy ribbed poppy pattern

Colour A 1 ball red yarn (this will make a lot of poppies)

Colour B Scrap of black yarn or black button

Body of Poppy

Using Col A Cast on 60 stitches

Row s1 –10 : K2, P2 across whole row(for a slightly smaller poppy do 8 rows of rib).

Row 11 : Knit 2 stitches together across the row (30 stitches).

Row 12 : Slip 1 stitch, Knit 2 stitches together then pass the slip stitch over... repeat across the whole row (10 stitches).

Break off yarn with long tail and thread back through remaining stitches and pull tight.

Join edges with mattress stitch

Centre of Poppy

Using B, cast on 16 sts. Cast off. Coil into a tight spiral and sew base to the centre.

Or use a black or green button with 4 holes and sew to centre of poppy.

Poppy Crochet Pattern

You Will Need

- 3.5 mm crochet hook
- Red double knitting yarn
- Black button
- Sewing needles and thread

How to Make:

Abbreviations

- ch = chain
- dc = double crochet
- sl st = slip stitch
- tr = treble crochet

Work 4 ch and make a sl st into the 1st chain to form a ring, then continue as follows:

Round 1: 3 ch (counts as 1tr), 15 tr into ring and join with sl st into the 3rd chain of the starting 3 ch

Row 1: 3ch (counts as 1tr), 1tr into the same st, 2tr into each of the next 3 sts (8 sts) and turn

Row 2: 3ch (counts as 1tr), 1 tr into the next st, then 2tr into each of the next 4 sts, then 1tr into each of the following 2sts. (12sts) and turn

Row 3: 1ch and 1 dc into the same st, * 2ch and 1dc into the next st *, repeat from * until the end of the petal

sl st down the side of the poppy and into the next st on round 1, repeat rows 1 to 3 to make the next petal continue till you have made all 4 petals. Fasten off.

Making Up

Sew in all loose ends and sew on a black button, then fix onto the back of the poppy either a safety pin or a brooch pin.