

Starfish

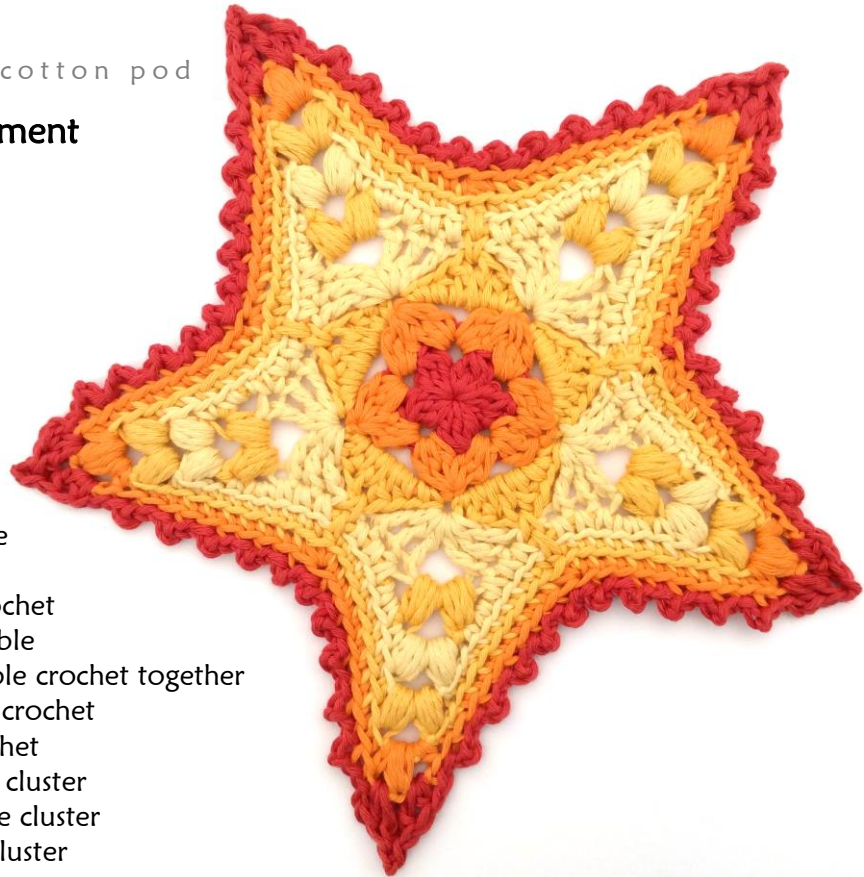
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Materials and Equipment

Yarn - DROPS Paris
 5mm hook
 Yarn/darning needle
 Scissors
 Stitch marker

Abbreviations

ch	chain
ch sp	chain space
cl	cluster
dc	double crochet
dtr	double treble
3dctog	three double crochet together
htr	half treble crochet
tr	treble crochet
2tr cl	two treble cluster
3tr cl	three treble cluster
6tr cl	six treble cluster
ss	slip stitch
sts	stitches
yo	yarn over
* *	repeat instructions between the two asterix
()	brackets outline a group of stitches, they often all go in the same place



Stitch Information/Notes

2tr Cluster = yarn over hook, work the first part of the treble stitch omitting the last stage to leave two loops on hook, work next stitch in the same way, you should now have 3 loops on hook, yarn over hook and pull through all three loops.

3tr Cluster = yarn over hook, work the first part of the treble stitch omitting the last stage to leave two loops on hook, work next two stitches in the same way, you should now have 4 loops on hook, yarn over hook and pull through all four loops.

6tr Cluster = yarn over hook, work the first part of the treble stitch omitting the last stage to leave two loops on hook, work next five stitches in the same way, you should now have 7 loops on hook, yarn over hook and pull through all seven loops. Please note the six treble cluster in this pattern is split into two parts at the bottom but joined at the top.



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Join yarn – insert hook, yo pull loop through using new colour.

Chain space – this is the space or gap created when chains are used in the previous row instead of stitches. Crochet into the space/gap created, rather than into the individual chains themselves.

Puff stitches: puff stitches are created by crocheting a multiple number of htr stitches together. Each htr stitch is put on the hook, then instead of removing the loops they are left on the hook until all the stitches have been made. At the end all the stitches are removed in one go. Take care to keep your loops loose and equal in size, so that it is easier to get the hook through all the stitches at the end. The puff stitches in this pattern are all 4htr puff stitches

4htr puff stitch

- yo, insert hook, yo pull loop through. 3 loops on hook
- yo, insert hook, yo pull loop through. 5 loops on hook
- yo, insert hook, yo pull loop through. 7 loops on hook
- yo, insert hook, yo pull loop through. 9 loops on hook
- yo, pull loop through all 9 loops on the hook



Front & back loops – each stitch has a front loop and a back loop. If you crochet into the front loop only the back loop is left free, ready to be crocheted into later.



Picot – a picot is a little point, usually created by slip stitching back into a previous chain or stitch. In this pattern the picot is made either by crocheting 2 chains then adding a slip stitch into the back bump of the first chain (2ch picot) or by crocheting 1 chain and adding a slip stitch into the back bump of the first chain (1ch picot) .



The Starfish Pattern

Begin with a magic ring.

Round 1: ch2, 2tr cluster, ch3 *3tr cluster, ch3*, 4 times, ss to top of initial 2tr cluster. 5 clusters in total. Fasten off.

Round 2: Join new colour in ch sp to the right of the first cluster stitch from round 1. ch3, 3tr cluster into the next ch sp, ch6, *6tr cluster – place the first 3tr in the chain space before the cluster stitch from round 1 and the final 3tr in the chain space after the cluster stitch, ch6* 4 times. 2tr cluster, ss to top of initial 3tr cluster, introduce the next colour during the slip stitch.

Round 3: (dc, dc, htr, tr, ch1, tr, htr, dc, dc) into each chain space. Ss to initial dc, bring though the next colour during the ss.

Round 4: ch5, *(3dtr, ch3 3dtr) between the two dc stitches from round 3, ch1* 4 times. 3dtr, ch3 2dtr, ss to the top of the 4th chain of the initial ch5, bring though the next colour during the ss.

Round 5: dc into the ch space in between the two tr from round 3, *ch5, (puff stitch, ch3, puff stitch) into the chain space, ch 5, dc into the ch space in between the two tr from round 3 * 5 times, ss into the initial dc, bring though the next colour during the ss.

Round 6: *ch1, dc over the chain from round 5 into the top of the tr stitches from round 4, 3 times. 2dc into the ch sp. dc into the top of the puff stitch. (puff stitch, ch3, puff stitch) into the ch3. Ch2. dc into the top of the puff stitch. 2 dc into the ch sp. dc over the chain from round 5 into the top of the tr stitches from round 4, 3 times* 5 times. Ss into the initial ch 1, bring though the next colour during the ss.

Round 7: ch1, *dc into the back loops only of the next 8sts. (puff stitch, ch3, puff stitch), ch2, starting at the top of the puff stitch, dc into the back loops only of the next 8sts, htr into the V part of the dc stitch from row 5* 5 times. Ss to the initial dc, bring though the next colour during the ss.

Round 8: ch1, dc into the back loops only of the next 10sts. *Htr, ch1, puff stitch, ch2, htr into the chain space. Dc into the back loop only of the next 9sts, 3dctog, dc into the back loop only of the next 9sts * 4 times. Htr, ch1, puff stitch, ch2, htr into the chain space, dc into the back loop only of the next 9sts, 2dctog, ss to initial dc, bring though the next colour during the ss.

Round 9: ch1, ss into the back loop of the next st, (ch1 picot, ss into the back loop of the next 2sts) 5 times.

Ch1, (htr, tr) into the chain space before the puff stitch, ch2 picot, (tr, htr) into the ch sp after the puff stitch, ch1, ss into the back loop of the next 2sts, (ch1 picot, ss into the back loop of the next 2sts) 10 times 4 times.

Ch1, (htr, tr) into the chain space before the puff stitch, ch2 picot, (tr, htr) into the ch sp after the puff stitch, ch1, (ss into the back loop of the next 2sts, ch1 picot) 5 times, ss into the back loop of the next st, ss into the initial ch1 to complete the round.

Fasten off and darn in ends.

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