

Star

Materials

Acrylic DK and a 3.00mm hook or DMC Petra/Perle size 5 and a 1.50mm hook, toy stuffing or plastic canvas, tapestry needle for sewing in ends.

My star is 20cm/8ins tall when using yarn and 11cm/4¼ins when using thread.

Stuffing

Stuffing is optional. The double thickness makes the star sturdy enough but stuffing gives them a more 3D effect. If you prefer them flat but want it firmer, plastic canvas can be used.

General Notes

Turning 1ch: the 1ch at beginning of dc rows is for turning only and not counted as a stitch unless other wise stated.

Joining slip stitch: the ss used to join rounds is not counted as a stitch and is not worked into when you turn.

Starting chain: Always work into the back loop of the starting chain unless otherwise stated. This gives a neater finish, making both the bottom and top of the work look the same. When working into **unused loops**, pick up both loops as you would when working into the tops of other stitches.



Special Stitches

dc2tog: (Insert hook in next st, yoh and draw through) twice, yoh and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

dc3tog: Insert hook in next st, yoh and draw through, miss next st, insert hook in next st, yoh and draw through, yoh and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

1st Side: 85ch, ss to 1st ch taking care not to twist.

Rnd 1: 1ch, dc in each ch, ss to 1st ch, turn.

Rnd 2: 1ch, (dc in next dc, miss dc, dc in next 5dc, 2dc in next dc, 3dc in next dc, 2dc in next dc, dc in next 6dc, miss dc) 5 times, ss to 1st ch, turn. (95sts)

Rnd 3: 1ch, (dc in next dc, miss dc, dc in next 6dc, 2dc in next dc, 3dc in next dc, 2dc in next dc, dc in next 7dc, miss dc) 5 times, ss to 1st ch, turn. (105sts)

Rnd 4: 1ch, (dc in next dc, miss dc, dc in next 7dc, 2dc in next dc, 3dc in next dc, 2dc in next dc, dc in next 8dc, miss dc) 5 times, ss to 1st ch, turn. (115sts)

Rnd 5: 1ch, (dc in next dc, miss dc, dc in next 8dc, 2dc in next dc, 3dc in next dc, 2dc in next dc, dc in next 9dc, miss dc) 5 times, ss to 1st ch, turn. (125sts)

Rnd 6: 1ch, (dc in next dc, miss dc, dc in next 9dc, 2dc in next dc, 3dc in next dc, 2dc in next dc, dc in next 10dc, miss dc) 5 times, ss to 1st ch, turn. (135sts)

Rnd 7: 1ch, dc in each dc, ss to 1st ch, fasten off.

2nd side

Leaving a 3m tail at the beginning, repeat the 1st side. Do not fasten off after rnd 7, leave loop for later use. Place both sides together and work the joining rounds through both pieces.

Join Inside

Working in the unused loops of the starting ch, insert hook through 1st ch, yoh and draw through a loop, 1ch, (2dc in next ch, dc in next 5ch, dc3tog, dc in next 5ch, 2dc in next ch) 5 times, ss to 1st ch, fasten off and sew in ends.

Join Outside

If you are stuffing the star, do each point as you work it.

Insert hook in left loop, 1ch, (dc in next dc, miss dc, dc in next 10dc, 2dc in each of next 3dc, dc in next 11dc, miss dc) 4 times, dc in next dc, miss dc, dc in next 10dc, 2 dc in next dc, (dc, 8ch, ss to 1st ch, dc) in next dc, 2dc in next dc, dc in next 11dc, miss dc, ss to 1st ch, fasten off and sew in ends.

