

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 sc rows is for turning only and not counted as a stitch unless otherwise stated.

Joining slip stitch: the slst 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

sc2tog: (Insert hook in next st, yo and draw through) twice, yo and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

sc3tog: Insert hook in next st, yo and draw through, skip next st, insert hook in next st, yo and draw through, yo and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

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

Rnd 1: 1ch, sc in each ch, slst to 1st ch, turn.

Rnd 2: 1ch, (sc in next sc, skip sc, sc in next 5sc, 2sc in next sc, 3sc in next sc, 2sc in next sc, sc in next 6sc, skip sc) 5 times, slst to 1st ch, turn. (95sts)

Rnd 3: 1ch, (sc in next sc, skip sc, sc in next 6sc, 2sc in next sc, 3sc in next sc, 2sc in next sc, sc in next 7sc, skip sc) 5 times, slst to 1st ch, turn. (105sts)

Rnd 4: 1ch, (sc in next sc, skip sc, sc in next 7sc, 2sc in next sc, 3sc in next sc, 2sc in next sc, sc in next 8sc, skip sc) 5 times, slst to 1st ch, turn. (115sts)

Rnd 5: 1ch, (sc in next sc, skip sc, sc in next 8sc, 2sc in next sc, 3sc in next sc, 2sc in next sc, sc in next 9sc, skip sc) 5 times, slst to 1st ch, turn. (125sts)

Rnd 6: 1ch, (sc in next sc, skip sc, sc in next 9sc, 2sc in next sc, 3sc in next sc, 2sc in next sc, sc in next 10sc, skip sc) 5 times, slst to 1st ch, turn. (135sts)

Rnd 7: 1ch, sc in each sc, slst 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, yo and draw through a loop, 1ch, (2sc in next ch, sc in next 5ch, sc3tog, sc in next 5ch, 2sc in next ch) 5 times, slst 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, (sc in next sc, skip sc, sc in next 10sc, 2sc in each of next 3sc, sc in next 11sc, skip sc) 4 times, sc in next sc, skip sc, sc in next 10sc, 2 sc in next sc, (sc, 8ch, ss to 1st ch, sc) in next sc, 2sc in next sc, sc in next 11sc, skip sc, slst to 1st ch, fasten off and sew in ends.

