

Crochet Peony Flower

The yellow center and four layered rounds of petals, with selected frames and practical checkpoints.

AT A GLANCE

4-ply cotton | 2.5 mm hook
10 center stitches | 4 petal layers



START HERE

This guide follows Part 1 of the LnM Crochet & Handmade video. The video is the reference whenever a stitch movement needs a close-up. The stem, sepals, leaves, and assembly belong to Part 2.

BUILD SEQUENCE

01 Pistil

02 Five small petals

03 Five middle petals

04 Six outer petals

05 Six largest petals

PREPARE

Materials & stitch method

Read this page before making the center.

MATERIALS SHOWN OR USED IN PART 1

4-ply cotton yarn: yellow for the center and a main color for the petals. A 2.5 mm crochet hook, stitch marker, scissors, and yarn needle. The finished sample uses pink petals; choose any color.

US CROCHET TERMS

MR magic ring ch chain sc single crochet hdc half double crochet

dc double crochet ss slip stitch inc 2 sc in one stitch

FLO front loop only BLO back loop only st stitch



Vertical-bar work

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AFGHAN-STYLE PETAL ROW

Begin at the second back bar of the chain. Build the indicated dc and sc stitches while leaving loops on the hook; anchor in the next front loop of the base. Then yarn over and draw through two loops repeatedly until one remains.

SAVE THE BACK LOOPS

Petals attach to front loops. Mark the first unused back loop before each petal layer; the following layer begins in those saved back loops. Move the marker only after you locate the next starting point.

STEP 01

Yellow flower center

A compact ring grows into two tiers of chain loops.



Magic ring and 10 sc

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First tier of loops

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Round 1

With yellow yarn, make a magic ring. Ch 1, work 10 sc into the ring, close it, and join with ss in the front loop of the first sc.

Round 2

Working only through front loops, make a 7-ch loop and secure it with ss in the same stitch. Skip one base stitch and ss into the next. Repeat until there are 5 loops.

Round 3

Return to the marked back loop. Ch 1; work a sc increase in each of the 10 back-loop stitches. Join in the front loop of the first stitch. Check: 20 sc.

Round 4

Through front loops, form 10 new loops: ch 8, ss into the same stitch, skip one stitch, ss into the next. Fasten off the yellow yarn.



Increase to 20 stitches

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Completed center

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CHECKPOINT 5 short inner loops + 10 longer outer loops

First petal layer

Five smaller petals around the center. Video segment 05:15 - 12:38.



Base and saved loops

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Petal shaping

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Base round

Join the main color at the saved back loop. Ch 1, work 20 sc in BLO around the center, then ss into the front loop of the first stitch. Mark its back loop.

Petal row A

Ch 7. From the second back bar of the chain, work an Afghan-style row of 4 dc + 1 sc; anchor with 1 sc in the next front-loop base stitch. Return through paired loops.

Petal row B

Ch 2, ss into the second vertical bar, ch 2. Work 3 dc + 2 sc in the Afghan-style row; anchor with 1 sc in the next front-loop stitch. Return through paired loops.

Petal row C

Ch 2, ss into the second vertical bar, ch 2. Use ordinary crochet for 3 dc, 1 hdc, 1 sc; ss into the next front-loop base stitch.

REPEAT & COUNT

Ss into the next front loop before repeating the three petal rows four more times. Total: 5 petals. Each petal spans four base stitches.

Second petal layer

Five petals, each wider and set between the first five. Video segment 12:38 - 20:17.



Base and saved loops

13:40



Petal shaping

18:55

Base round

Join at the marked back loop. Ch 1, repeat [3 sc, inc] five times in BLO; join in the first front loop. Check: 25 sc. Make 3 ss along the front loops to stagger this layer.

Petal row A

Ch 8. From the second back bar, make an Afghan-style row of 5 dc + 1 sc; anchor with 1 sc in the next front-loop base stitch. Return through paired loops.

Petal row B

Ch 2, ss into the second vertical bar, ch 2. Work 4 dc + 2 sc in the Afghan-style row; anchor with 1 sc in the next front-loop stitch. Repeat this ridge row once.

Petal row C

Ch 2, ss into the second vertical bar, ch 2. Use ordinary crochet for 4 dc, 1 hdc, 1 sc; ss into the next front-loop base stitch.

REPEAT & COUNT

Ss into the next front loop, then repeat the four petal rows four more times. Total: 5 petals, using five base stitches per petal.

Third petal layer

Six petals with a larger, fuller outline. Video segment 20:17 - 28:24.



Base and saved loops

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Petal shaping

26:20

Base round

Move three stitches from the previous back-loop marker and join in the saved back loops. Ch 1, repeat [4 sc, inc] five times in BLO; join in the first front loop. Check: 30 sc. Shift with 3 front-loop ss.

Petal row A

Ch 10. From the second back bar, work an Afghan-style row of 6 dc + 2 sc; anchor with 1 sc in the next front-loop base stitch. Return through paired loops.

Petal row B

Ch 2, ss into the second vertical bar, ch 2. Work 5 dc + 3 sc in the Afghan-style row; anchor with 1 sc in the next front-loop stitch. Work the same row a second time.

Petal row C

Ch 2, ss into the second vertical bar, ch 2. Use ordinary crochet for 5 dc, 1 hdc, 2 sc; ss into the next front-loop base stitch.

REPEAT & COUNT

Ss into the next front loop, then repeat the four petal rows five more times. Total: 6 petals, five base stitches each. You may stop here for a smaller flower.

Fourth petal layer

Six broad petals complete the full flower head. Video segment 28:24 - 35:35.



Base and saved loops

29:24



Petal shaping

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Base round

Return to the unused back loops. Ch 1 and work 1 sc in each of the 30 back-loop stitches; join in the first front loop. No increases: 30 sc. Shift with 3 front-loop ss.

Petal row A

Ch 11. From the second back bar, work an Afghan-style row of 7 dc + 2 sc; anchor with 1 sc in the next front-loop base stitch. Return through paired loops.

Petal row B

Ch 2, ss into the second vertical bar, ch 2. Work 6 dc + 3 sc in the Afghan-style row; anchor with 1 sc in the next front-loop stitch. Repeat this ridge row once.

Petal row C

Ch 2, ss into the second vertical bar, ch 2. Use ordinary crochet for 6 dc, 1 hdc, 2 sc; ss into the next front-loop base stitch.

REPEAT & COUNT

Ss into the next front loop, then repeat the four petal rows five more times. Total: 6 petals. Fasten off after the last slip stitch.

FINISH

Final checks & article

The flower head is complete after the fourth petal layer.



Four layers and yellow center

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Count

Center: 10 sc, then 20 sc. Petal bases: 20, 25, 30, and 30 stitches. Petals per layer: 5, 5, 6, and 6.

Shape

Gently fan out the petals so the inner layers sit inside the outer layers. Weave in the ends on the back without pulling the petals flat.

Scope

This Part 1 tutorial finishes the flower head. Sepals, leaves, stem, and assembling the wired flower are shown separately in Part 2.

ARTICLE & VIDEO

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Read the article and watch the tutorial:

crochetpatternnest.site/crochet-peony-flower-video-tutorial/