

Yarn: DK yarn

## METHOD

### Leaf (make 3)

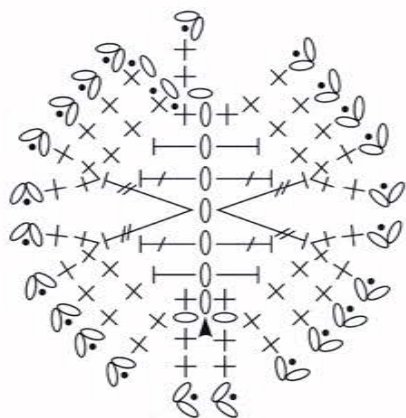
Make 8ch.

**ROUND 1:** Skip 1ch, 1dc in next ch, 1htr in next ch, 1tr in next ch, 2dtr in next ch, 1tr in next ch, 1htr in next ch, 1dc in last ch, 2ch, working into remaining strands of ch: 1dc in next ch, 1htr in next ch, 1tr in next ch, 2dtr in next ch, 1tr in next ch, 1htr in next ch, 1dc in last ch, join with ss in first dc.

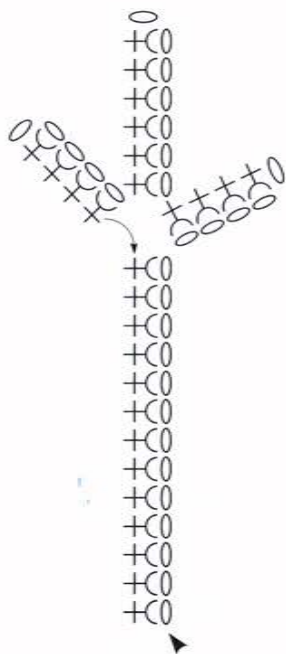
**ROUND 2:** 1ch, 1dc in each dc, htr and tr of previous round, 2dc in each dtr and 2ch sp, ending 1dc in ss at end of round 1, join with ss in first dc. (23 dc)

**ROUND 3:** 1ch, \*1dc in next dc, 2ch, skip 1ch, ss in next ch; repeat from \* to end, join with ss in first dc.

Fasten off.



Leaf



Stalk

### Branched stalk

Make 18ch. Working in back strand of each ch, skip 1ch, 1dc in each of next 4ch, 7ch, skip 1ch, 1dc in each of next 6ch, 5ch, skip 1ch, 1dc in each of next 4ch, 1dc in each of next 13ch. Fasten off.

### Finishing

Stitch one leaf on to each branch of the stalk, overlapping the base of the leaf with about 2mm ( $\frac{1}{8}$ in) of stalk.

**Yarn:** DK cotton in red (A) and green (B)

**Extras:** Yellow glass beads; embroidery thread to match A; wadding

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**NOTE:** The strawberry is worked in continuous rounds without joining. Use a marker to count rounds.

### Strawberry

Using A, make 2ch.

**ROUND 1:** Skip 1ch, 6dc in next ch.

**ROUND 2:** [1dc in next dc, 2dc in next dc] 3 times.  
(9 sts)

**ROUND 3:** [1dc in each of next 2dc, 2dc in next dc]  
3 times. (12 sts)

**ROUND 4:** 1dc in each dc.

**ROUND 5:** [1dc in each of next 3dc, 2dc in next dc]  
3 times. (15 sts)

**ROUND 6:** [1dc in each of next 4dc, 2dc in next dc]  
3 times. (18 sts)

**ROUND 7:** 1dc in each dc.

**ROUND 8:** [1dc in each of next 5dc, 2dc in next dc]  
3 times. (21 sts)

**ROUND 9:** [1dc in each of next 6dc, 2dc in next dc]  
3 times. (24 sts)

**ROUND 10:** 1dc in each dc.

**ROUND 11:** [2dc tog] to end of round. (12 sts)

At this point stitch beads on to the RS of the strawberry using 2 strands of embroidery thread and positioning the beads randomly across the surface. Fasten off securely. Stuff the strawberry firmly and continue.

**ROUND 12:** [2dc tog] to end. (6 sts)

Fasten off. Stitch from side to side of the strawberry to close the opening, tightening each stitch before making the next one.

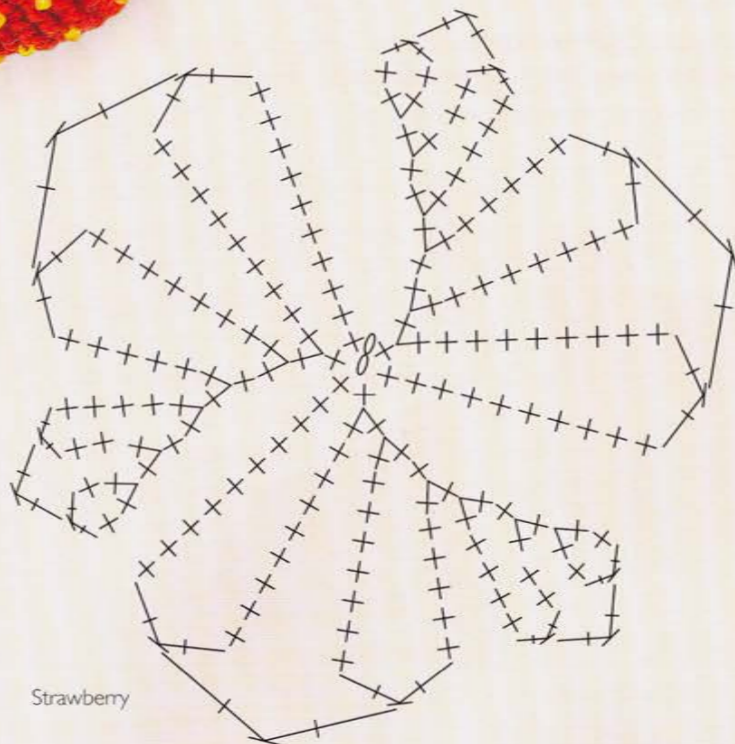
### Calyx

Using B, make 8ch.

**ROW 1:** Skip 1ch, 1dc in each ch to end. (7 dc)

**ROW 2:** 1ch, \*1dc in next dc, 5ch, skip 1ch, 1dc in each of next 4ch, ss into dc at base of ch; repeat from \* to end. Fasten off.

With RS to inside, roll calyx and secure with a couple of stitches, then stitch to top of strawberry.





**Yarn:** Fine wool in pale green (A) and purple (B)

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**NOTE:** Work all dtr around posts by inserting hook from back.

Using A, make a slip ring.

**ROUND 1:** 3ch, 11tr in ring, pull end to close ring, ss in top ch of 3ch. (12 sts)

**ROUND 2:** 3ch, [2tr in each of next 2tr, 1tr in next tr] 3 times, 2tr in each of next 2tr, ss in top ch of 3ch. (20 sts)

**ROUND 3:** 3ch, [1dtr around post of next tr, 2tr in next tr] 9 times, 1dtr around post of next tr, 1tr in ss at base of 3ch, with B ss in top ch of 3ch. (30 sts)

Continue with B.

**ROUND 4:** 3ch, [1dtr around post of next st, 1tr in each of next 2tr] 9 times, 1dtr around post of next st, 1tr in next tr, ss to top ch of 3ch.

**ROUND 5:** 3ch, 1dtr around post of next st, [2tr tog in next 2tr, 1dtr around post of next st] 9 times, 1tr in next tr, ss in top ch of 3ch. (21 sts)

**ROUND 6:** 3ch, [1dtr around post of next st, 1tr in next tr] 10 times, ss in top ch of 3ch.

**ROUND 7:** 3ch, [(1dtr around post, 1tr) tog in next 2 sts] 10 times, ss in top ch of 3ch. (11 sts)

Use coiled yarn B as filler and push it into the fig with the end of a pencil.

**ROUND 8:** 3ch, [1dtr around post of (1dtr, 1tr) tog] 10 times, ss in top ch of 3ch.

**ROUND 9:** 3ch, [1dtr around post of next st] 10 times, ss in top ch of 3ch.

Fasten off, leaving an end to gather the stitches underneath ribs of last few rows to form the stalk.

