
Crochet Flower Jewelry with Jenny Doh

Chapter 1 - Introduction

Overview of project and tools

- I've always loved the look of a cuffed bracelet, but I've never been one to wear clanky metals or hard metals on my wrist, and so I thought I would design a cuff bracelet made of the softest cotton/bamboo yarn. And the great thing about this cuff bracelet project is that once you learn how to make this, you can use the motifs that make up the flower, the scallop flower, the five petal flower and the inner circle, to then make a brooch. And then also to use two of those motifs, the five petal flower and the inner circle, to create a statement necklace. You'll need four colors of the cotton/bamboo yarn from Lion Brand yarns, a size E or 3.5 millimeter crochet hook, a silver chain necklace, jump rings in two different sizes: 10 millimeter and 6 millimeter, two each, a tapestry needle, a stitch marker, white buttons, an embroidery needle, black thread, wire cutters, and you'll need needle-nosed pliers and scissors. Now all of these tools and materials are available at your local craft store, but you may already have many of these items on hand if you are a craft enthusiast.

Chapter 2 - Getting Started

Overview of stitches needed

- Now we will review all of the stitches that are needed to create this project. The first stitch that we need to know how to do is the slipknot, and the slipknot is made by bending the yarn, twisting that yarn, and then pulling the yarn that is attached to the ball of the yarn through the loop, and then pulling the tail. In crochet patterns, the slipknot is never referred to. It's a given, but that is how you make a slipknot. The next stitch that we'll learn how to do is the chain stitch. You place the crochet hook into the slipknot, and you make a chain stitch by placing the yarn over the crochet hook and pulling through. That's one chain stitch. Two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, 10. Chain stitch is abbreviated by the letters CH. CH equals chain stitch. The next stitch that we will review is the single crochet, and the single crochet is made by placing the hook into the stitch, yarn over, pull through, yarn over again, and pull through again. That is a single crochet. Let's make another one. Hook into the stitch, yarn over, pull through, yarn over, pull through. The abbreviation for single crochet is SC. So SC equals single crochet. Now, the next stitch that we will review is the double crochet. The double crochet is similar to the single crochet, but you start with the yarn over. So, yarn over, put the crochet hook into the stitch, yarn over, pull through, yarn over again, pull through, yarn over again, and pull through a third time. That is a double crochet. Let's make one more. Yarn over, put the crochet hook into the stitch, yarn over, pull, yarn over, pull, yarn over, and pull again. And that's the double crochet. The abbreviation for double crochet is DC. The next stitch is actually not a stitch. It is a skip stitch, and that means that we will skip a stitch. So here's a stitch, right? So if we skip it, we don't do anything to it. So it's the next stitch that we work on. So a skip stitch is one that we do not do anything to, and the abbreviation for a skip stitch is SK. So SK equals skip stitch. So let's skip that stitch and make a double crochet in the next stitch. Yarn over, we skip that stitch, and we create a double crochet into the next stitch. Pull, yarn over, pull, yarn over, pull. And because we have skipped that stitch, there is a hole right there where we've skipped a stitch. And the final stitch that we will review is the slip stitch, and the slip stitch is made by placing the crochet hook into the stitch, yarn over, and pull through all three strands of yarn, like so. And a slip stitch is

abbreviated by the letters SLST. So SLST equals slip stitch.

Making the scalloped flower

- The first motif that we will make to create the flower cuff is the scalloped flower. And to make the scalloped flower we start with a slip knot with the cream colored yarn. We place the crochet hook into the slip knot and we chain two. One, two. Now we're ready to begin round one. For round one, we create eight single crochet into the second chain from the hook. So here's the first chain from the hook and here's the second chain from the hook. So here's the first single crochet. We put the crochet hook into that chain. Yarn over, pull, yarn over, pull. That's our first single crochet. Now we'll make seven more. That's two. That's three. Four. Five. Six. Seven. And eight. Eight single crochet. Now we will join the circle by placing the crochet hook into that first single crochet and making a slip stitch. So we've joined the circle. And now let's count the single crochet that we've made. Just to make sure that we have eight. So there's one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, perfect. Now we are ready to start round two. And to start round two we chain one and then we make two single crochet in each of the single crochet. So into the single crochet we make one. But before we make our second one, we'll take a stitch marker and place it into that first single crochet so that we know where the beginning of that round is. So that was the first of the two single crochet that we're making into that first single crochet. So there we go, that's the second one. Now we continue with the rest of the single crochet and make two single crochet in each single crochet. One, two. Kay, same thing in this one. One, two. We continue in the same manner all the way around. One, two. One, two. One, two. One, two. Now, it might be tempting to want to go into what looks like the next stitch. But if you remember, we started that second round with a chain one. That's a chain one. That's not a single crochet which is why the stitch marker really, really comes in handy when you are crocheting in rounds. So let's count from that first single crochet if we have created a total of 16 single crochet because that's the number that we should be at. So that's one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen. We're right where we should be. Before we start round three, we will take the stitch marker off and join with a slip stitch to create the circle. And now we're ready to start round three. Round three begins with chain one. Then we create two single crochet into that first single crochet. There's one single crochet, I'm gonna put the stitch marker back into that first single crochet that we just made to mark the beginning of the round. Make the second single crochet into that first single crochet. Okay, now the next single crochet, we'll just do one single crochet. And then the next one, we'll do two single crochet. One, two. And the next one is just one single crochet. And that's the pattern. Two, one, two, one, all the way around. So we just did two single crochet into that single crochet so now it's time to do one single crochet and now it's time to do two single crochet in the single crochet. Now it's one and two. One, two. One, two. One, two. One, two. And we end with one because this next space that looks like a single crochet space is actually the chain one that we began with. So if we count now we should have 24 single crochet. So let's count. Here's where we started with the stitch marker, so that's one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, seventeen, eighteen, nineteen, twenty, twenty one, twenty two, twenty three, twenty four. And we will join that round with a slip stitch. Take off the stitch marker. And join with a slip stitch. And now we're ready for the final round which is the fourth round. We start with a chain one. We skip the next stitch. And then we do one double crochet, one single crochet, and one slip stitch into the next single crochet. So we skip the next stitch and then we go into the stitch after that with a double, single, and a slip. And we repeat that pattern all the way around, where we skip a

stitch and then we create a double, single, and a slip into the stitch after the one that we have skipped. So skip, and then into the next single crochet, double crochet, single crochet, slip stitch. Skip, then a double, single, slip. Skip, and then a double. Single, and a slip. We skip and then we make a double, single, and a slip. And then we're at the end. And remember, that looks like a single crochet but it's actually that chain one. So we just slip stitch into that chain one, and we fasten off by cutting the yarn. And then pulling the yarn through. And then with a tapestry needle, and place the tail into the tapestry needle. And weave in the tail by going in and out on the back side of the scalloped flower. In areas where the needle can naturally and easily go through. Take your scissors and trim. And that is the scalloped flower.

Making the five-petal flower

- The five petal flower is the next motif that we will make for the flower cuff. We start by creating a slip knot with the pink colored yarn. Place the crochet hook into the slip knot and chain two. One. Two. And then, make five single crochet into the second chain from the hook. There's the first chain from the hook. There's the second chain from the hook. There's the first single crochet. Second. Third. Forth. And fifth. Five single crochet, and we will join the ring with a slip stitch by going into that first single crochet and pulling the yarn through. Now we're ready to make the first petal of the flower, and we do so by chaining two. One. Two. And then making two double crochet into the next single crochet. There's one, and two double crochet, and then we chain two. One. Two. And we slip stitch into that same single crochet that we've been working in. And that is our first petal. We do that again four times, so that we end up with five petals. So chain two. Two double crochet into the next single crochet. There's one. There's two. Now we chain two and slip stitch into that same single crochet. Now we're gonna make the third petal. Do the exact same thing that we've been doing. Chain two. Two double crochet into the next single crochet. One. Two. Chain two, and slip stitch into that single crochet. Now we need two more petals. We chain two, and two double crochet into the next single crochet. There's one, and two, and then we make two chain stitches, and slip stitch into that single crochet, and now it's time for the final petal. Chain two. Two double crochet into the next single crochet. That's one, and we'll make another one. Chain two. One. Two. And slip stitch into that single crochet. And there is our five petal flower. We will fasten off by taking our scissors, and cutting the yarn, and pulling the yarn through. And we weave in the ends by taking a tapestry needle, placing a tail into the tapestry needle, and weaving it back and forth, and trimming with the scissors, and doing the same thing with the other tail, and weaving it back and forth, and trimming the end. And there we have our five petal flower.

Making the ring

- The small inner ring is the next motif that we will make. We start with a slip knot using the green-colored yarn. Place the hook into the slip knot and chain four. One, two, three, four. We place the crochet hook into the first chain stitch to join the ring with a slip stitch. We chain one, and then make 10 single crochet into the ring. So, we place the crochet hook into the center of the ring. Yarn over pull, yarn over pull again. There's that first single crochet. We're gonna make a total of 10, so we have nine more to go. Two. Three. Four. Five. Six. Seven. Eight. Nine. 10. We join, with a slip stitch, into the first single crochet, and we take the scissors and we cut the yarn. And we pull the yarn through to fasten off, and we weave in the ends with a tapestry needle. Here's the first end that you weave in back and forth. Trim. Weave in the other end, back and forth, and trim. And there is the small inner circle.

Making the band

- Now that we've created the three motifs, it's time to make the band to finish our cuff. Start with the cream colored yarn, and make a slip knot. Place the crochet hook into the slip knot and chain four. There's one, two, three, four. Now, into the second chain stitch from the hook, there's the first and there's the second, make a single crochet. Place the hook into the stitch, yarn over, pull, yarn over, pull through. We do the same thing in the next chain stitch. Yarn in, hook in, yarn over, pull, yarn over, pull. There's the second single crochet. And we make a third single crochet in the first chain stitch. We have completed our first row and ended with three single crochet. It's time to turn the work to start our second row. So we turn the work. Chain one, and single crochet into each single crochet across. There's one, There's two, and there's three. We repeat exactly what we just did in that second row for 28 more rows, until you create a band that is approximately seven inches long. Depending on how thick your wrist is, you might wanna go for an extra row, or maybe one fewer row. That's really up to you. But that's the length that fits my wrist best, and it's about seven inches long. And so now it is time to finish with the final row, and that is to chain five. One, two, three, four, five, turn the work, and then skip that next single crochet, and slip stitch into that final single crochet. And then we're gonna fasten off by cutting the yarn with scissors... pulling that yarn through... with a tapestry needle... weaving that tail... in and out. And then trimming that tail. Doing the same thing with the first tail, with a tapestry needle. And, trimming that with scissors. So that completes the band for the cuff.

Finishing and brooch

- To finish the cuff we will stack the three flower motifs and place it on the center of the band. Place a white button on top of the stacked flowers. And then stitch those layers together with needle and black thread. And... Working from the back side and working through all the layers, including the button, pull the thread up and then back down. And do this a few times so that all the layers can be nice and secure. Tie the thread and trim. We will take a button to the other end of the band, and with the same black thread, stitch that to one end of the cuff. So there's a knot at the end of the thread. And the thread is being worked back and forth to stitch the button in place. And I like to go in and out a few times so that it's nice and secure. And then tie that thread. And we trim the end. And now to finish with the pink accents, we'll take a length of pink yarn, put it into the tapestry needle, make a knot at the end of that yarn by twisting the yarn around the needle two or three times, holding the yarn and pulling the needle through to create a knot. And working from one end pull the pink yarn up and then back down on the band. And continue up the band with the same small straight stitches. And while I'm doing this I like to catch the tail of the end that I started with so that I don't need to weave that in again at the end. So here we go, we're continuing with the accent stitches. And let's make one more on this side of the band. And then we'll make some more on the top part of the band but without breaking the yarn we can just weave the pink yarn through back and forth and move it up to the other part of the band. And when we get to that area we can continue by making the small accent stitches. There's one. There's another. And another. And so now we'll weave in the tail. Back and forth. And with the scissors, trim. And we are finished with the flower cuff. The great thing about this project is that once you learn how to make the three different flower motifs, you can use what you've learned to create a brooch. The first thing that you would do is to crochet the scalloped flower, and then crochet the five petal flower, and then the inner small circle, and then attach all three layers with a white button using black thread and needle. Just like we did with the cuff. And once you do that, take a pin back and place it onto the back of the layers

that you've made and with needle and thread stitch the pin back in place. And in no time you will have a cute little brooch that coordinates with your cuff.

Chapter 3 - Making the Necklace

Creating the flowers

- Another wonderful variation to the flower cuff is this statement necklace. And the way you make this necklace is by crocheting three five-petal flowers, one in pink, one in yellow, and one in cream. And you also create two small circles, one in green and one in pink. Once you crochet the flowers and the rings, you'll want to arrange them in a way that you like. The way I've arranged mine is like this. I think the flowers fit in a way that's very cute and the rings also fit nicely. Now, one tip about crocheting these elements for the necklace is to not weave in the tails after you crochet each element because we will use the tails to join the elements together. So let's do that right now by placing one of the tails to the pink flower into a tapestry needle and then joining the flower to the yellow flower. Let's see, so we turn this around and stitch them together. And you know, this is also an intuitive process. You'll get a sense of where the next stitch should go based on how the petals are fitting together. And so as you can see, I have worked up to this part of the two flowers and then I'm working back down to secure the other petals together. So when you feel like the flowers have joined together nicely like this, then you can weave that end back and forth and then take your scissors and trim ... oops. Trim that end. There, so we have the first two flowers connected. Now, let's see. I think that looks good. So we will place the tail of the cream flower into the tapestry needle and turn the work over and do the same thing. Intuitively ... make some decisions on where the stitches should go so that the flowers fit nicely. And as you are joining these flowers together, I would say there's maybe three or four or five stitches that you are making. I think I've made four here, one, two, three four. To join these flowers together. And when you are weaving in the tail, you want to make sure that you're not weaving it, weaving all the tails into one flower or one area so that it gets, because that would make it bulky in that one area. So you wanna try to spread out where you're weaving in the tail. So for example, this tail I will weave into this white flower, this cream colored flower. Back and forth. And then with my scissors, trim the end. Okay, now that the three flowers have been joined, it's time to join the two circles. I think I'm gonna start with the green circle. Place the tail of the green circle into the tapestry needle and then turn the work. Join the circle, I'm joining the circle first by placing the needle through the edge of one of the petals of the pink flower and then the edge of a petal of the yellow flower. And let's see, so it looks like I need another stitch to join the green circle to the yellow flower. And let's take a look and see how it looks over here. I feel like there needs to be one more stitch made to join the green circle to the pink flower, so I'm gonna go back and do that. And in order to go back and do that, you can tell that I need to work my way back to the pink flower because I've been working here at the yellow flower. So let's do that by weaving, kind of backtracking what we've done already, weaving back to the pink flower. And joining with another stitch. And maybe one more. It looks very nice. And so then we weave the tail back and forth and take the scissors and trim that end. And now we will join the pink circle to the white flower. Let's check it out. I think it looks pretty good. So, then I will weave in that tail like so and then trim that tail with scissors. And then there are two more tails that I'm gonna quickly weave in so that we can move on to adding the chain and the jump rings. Here's the final tail that we will weave in. We're almost finished. Trim the end. So the crocheted portion of the necklace is now complete.

Assembling the necklace

- To finish the necklace, we will add a length of chain. I like to buy my chain in the jewelry section of my local craft store. And they're very affordable and this one comes with three chain necklaces in one packet. So I take one of the chain necklaces out and use my wire cutters to just cut right at the middle of the chain. And now that you've cut the chain in half, we will attach the smaller jump rings to either end. And and close that jump ring. I just closed that jump ring with my fingers but if you need help closing it, you can use your needle nose pliers to, to move the jump ring. And here's the other half of the link that had been cut that I'm gonna remove. And then place the other small jump ring into the link at the, at that end of the chain and close that jump ring. Okay. So now we have the two larger jump rings and one of the jump rings will go right at the top of crocheted circle. And the other jump ring will go at the top of the crocheted flower. And to do this, just push one end of the jump ring into the crocheted circle, one of the stitches. And then, place the smaller jump ring onto the larger jump ring and close that larger jump ring, with your fingers or with needle nose pliers. And then we will place the final large jump ring into the crocheted flower, by catching both strands of that stitch. And then placing the smaller jump ring from the other end of the chain onto the larger jump ring. And with your fingers or with the help of needle nose pliers, close that jump ring. And once you've put it all together, you will have completed the flower necklace. Which coordinates with your flower cuff and your flower broach.