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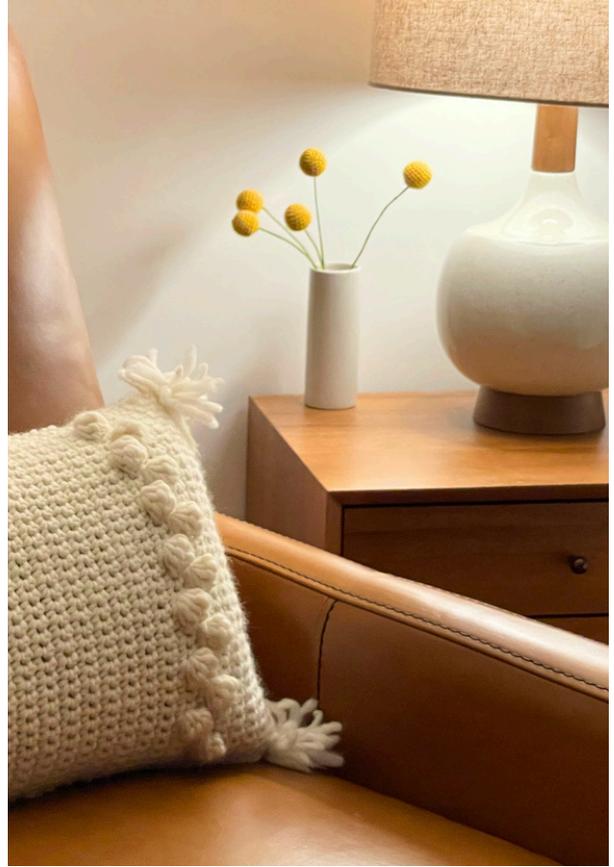
CRASPEDIA FLOWERS

Crochet level: Easy to Intermediate

Yarn Weight: Fingering

Hook Size: 2.25mm

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CROCHETED CRASPEDIA

CROCHET PATTERN BY JANET ANDERSEN

Project Level Easy to Intermediate. If you have crocheted amigurumi and are comfortable working with fingering weight yarn, this should be easy.

Finished Measurements You can cut your floral wire to any desired length before beginning the project. This pattern's tallest floral wire measures 10.5". Flower tops' width and length measure about 1.25" and depend partially on how much stuffing you use.

Yarn Requirements For 5 flower tops: 7 grams of Blue Sky Fiber's Woolstok Light, color "no. 2316 - Spun Gold." Woolstok Light is 100% Fine Highland Wool.
For 5 Stems measuring 10.5" or less: 3 grams of Hazel Knits' "Lyric" yarn in "Sedge" color, a 100% Superwash Merino Wool in lace weight.
It is highly recommended to use these specific yarns for this project; they have been chosen for their halo as well as their color and size.

Materials for 5 Flowers

- One 2.25mm Crochet hook
- Yarn for flower tops (see above)
- Yarn for flower stems (see above)
- 5 floral wires cut to your desired lengths
- 10 adhesive dots
- 3 grams of polyester stuffing
- 1 stuffing rod
- 1 tapestry needle
- 1 stitch marker
- Small scissors

Gauge Use a relaxed tension; the resulting holes in the fabric are an intended part of the design. When completed, **R3** should have a 1" diameter at its longest span.

Abbreviations This pattern uses US terminology.

ch - chain

dec - (invisible) decrease

inc - increase (2 sc in same stitch)

MR - magic ring/magic circle

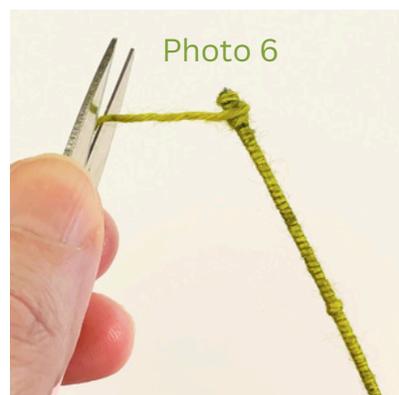
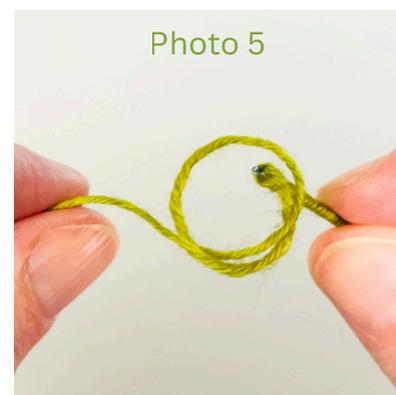
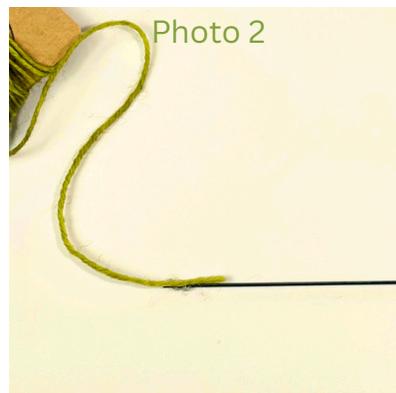
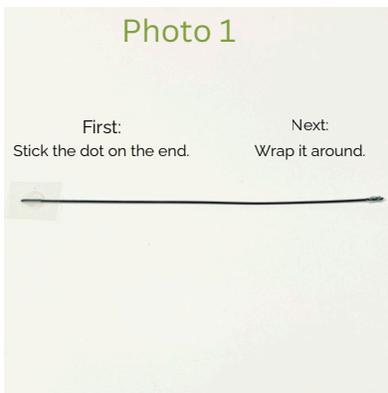
R - round/row

sc - single crochet

(...) - the number in the () is the total # of stitches in that round.

To Make the Stems

- Holding your floral wire horizontally, wrap one adhesive dot around each end of the floral wire. (See Photo 1)
- Holding your wire horizontally, stick the first half inch of your green yarn, horizontally, onto a gluey end of your wire. (See Photo 2)
- Wrap the working end of your yarn tightly around the tip of your wire, in a single layer, covering over the yarn you first glued parallel to the wire. (See Photos 3 & 4)
- Once you have wound past the adhesive dot, you should be able to work faster by rolling the wire with your finger tips in one hand while pushing the coiled yarn up the wire with the other hand to fill in any gaps in the coiling yarn.
- Continue this way until you get to the adhesive dot on the opposite end of the wire. Wrap the yarn all the way to the end of the wire over that second glue dot.
- To tie off, make a loop with the working end of your yarn (See Photo 5), put the end of your wire up through the center of the loop and pull the yarn tight to form a knot. Repeat to form a second knot.
- Leaving a tail of about a half inch, cut the yarn. (See Photo 6). This yarn tail will get hidden inside the flower.



To Make the Flowers

Use a 2.25mm hook.

R1: 6sc in MR (6)

R2: 6inc (12)

R3: [sc, inc] x6 (18)

Note: Your flower will be flat and about an inch wide at its longest span. [See Photo A.]

R4-8: 18sc (18)

Your flower will start to form a bowl shape as you crochet these rounds.

R9: [sc, dec] x6 (12)

Stuff the flower evenly until it forms a dome shape (using the stuffing rod, if helpful). [See photo B.]

R10: 6dec (6)

Fasten off the flower yarn leaving a 5-6" tail. [Photo C shows the flower ready to fasten off.]

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Instructions continued

Insert the yarn-tail-end of the green stem into the flower. Push (and twist, if needed) until the stem tip reaches about halfway into the flower). Make sure the stem's tail is completely hidden inside. If there is difficulty inserting the stem, the flower may be over-stuffed. Try removing some stuffing, re-shaping the remaining stuffing, and trying again.

With your tapestry needle, sew the flower closed by going through the front-loop-only of all 6 stitches. [Photo D shows the start of the first stitch.]

When you have come full circle, pull the yarn to cinch the stitches tight.

For extra security, reverse your stitching-direction and sew back along the base of the stem again, cinching the yarn tight. (It doesn't matter here which specific stitches you sew through.) [See Photo E.]

Finally, pull the tapestry needle up and out the top (or any other hole) of the flower. Cut the yarn flush with the flower.

[Photo F shows the scissors almost flush.]

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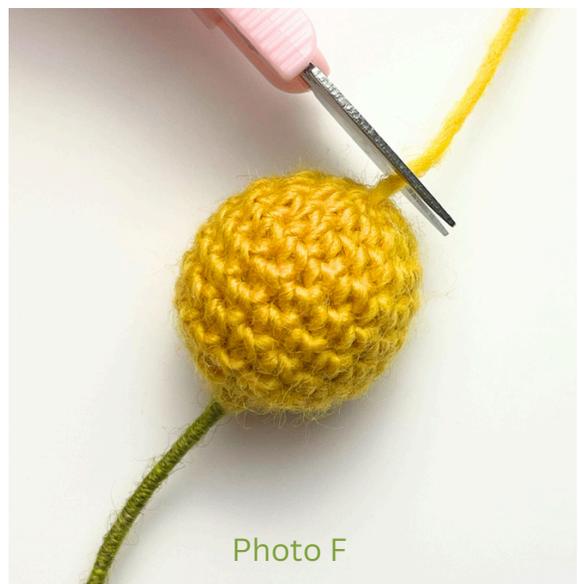


Photo G shows the underside of a completed flower.



Yay! You did it.

Once all your flowers are complete, you can arrange them how you like. It is okay to slightly bend some of the flower stems.

For safety, keep the flowers away from pets and small children.

To clean, use a small lint roller to remove dust.



If you would like to make multiple vases of flowers, reach out to info@janetandersen.com; perhaps we can make a custom kit for you to help reduce costs.

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Quick Reference Easy-Print Sheet

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THANK YOU

I hope your flowers bring delight wherever they go. Keep an eye on my YouTube channel for more fun projects and helpful video tutorials. For questions or pattern support, email janet@janetandersen.com. Thank you so much for being a part of my crochet community.

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