

Working in Rounds

Magic ring

There are a number of ways of making the initial loop when working in rounds. The best way is by using a 'magic ring'. This allows you to pull the hole really tight so you don't end up with a hole in the middle of your flower.

Pull the yarn through the loop as in the beginning of a slip knot, but don't pull the tail tight.



Hold the loop where the tail twists across it.



Use the loop on the hook to make a chain. The tail can be pulled to make the loop smaller.



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Joining in a new colour

It is simple to join a new colour in crochet.

Finish off the colour you are using. Put the empty hook through the crochet in the appropriate place.



Pull a loop of the new colour through.



Hold the tail of the new colour behind your work and simply start using the new colour yarn.



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Invisible finishing

You can just pull the end of the yarn through the last stitch to finish off your work, but this leaves a visible knot. There is a neater way to finish that is virtually invisible.

Cut the yarn 15cm from the end of your work and pull the tail through last stitch.



Thread the tail into a darning needle.



Thread the yarn through the front side of the next stitch and out of the back, then through the middle of your final stitch.



Pull tight and darn end into back of work.