

Design S9022 / Strawberries



Size: 1.5 x 1.75"/3.5 x 4.5 cm.

Materials for 6 strawberries: Schachenmayr Catania, 1.75 oz/50 g each in Wine Red #00192, Strawberry #00258, Khaki 300212 and May Green #00389.

1 Milward crochet hook size US C-2 (3 mm),
 1 blunt yarn needle,
 1 sewing needle
 matching sewing thread
 Stuffing from Knorr Prandell,
 Seed beads from Rayher (ref 14062201, 2 mm, opaque in yellow) and
 Seed beads from Knorr Prandell (ref 5506282, 2 mm, iridescent salmon).

Main Pattern: Single crochet worked in a spiral. Mark the beginning of the round with a piece of contrasting yarn.

Color Sequence: Make 3 strawberries each in strawberry/may green with salmon-colored seed beads and 3 strawberries each in wine red/khaki with yellow seed beads.

Gauge: 20 stitches and 26 rounds = 4 x 4"/10 x 10 cm main pattern.

Instructions

Strawberries: With strawberry (wine red) make an adjustable ring as follows: Holding the yarn a few inches from the end, wrap around your finger. Do not remove wrap from finger, insert hook into the wrap and draw up a loop of working yarn. Chain one to secure the loop, and remove yarn from finger. Work stitches of first round in the ring. Pull gently, but firmly, on tail to tighten ring.

Round 1: Work 8 single crochet (sc) in ring.

Round 2: [Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] 4 times = 12 sc.

Round 3: [Sc in 2 next sc, 2 sc in next sc] 4 times = 16 sc.

Round 4: Sc in each sc.

Round 5: [Sc in 3 next sc, 2 sc in next sc] 4 times = 20 sc.

Round 6: Sc in each sc.

Round 7: [Sc in 4 next sc, 2 sc in next sc] 4 times = 24 sc.

Rounds 8-12: Sc in each sc.

Round 13: [Sc in 2 next sc, work 2 sc tog] 6 times = 18 sc.

Round 14: [Sc in next sc, work 2 sc tog] 6 times = 12 sc.

Stuff the strawberry tightly.

Round 15: [Work 2 sc tog] 6 times = 6 sc.

Cut yarn. Add more stuffing to shape the strawberry. Draw yarn through remaining stitches, pull together tightly and secure the end.

Leaves: With may green (khaki) chain 4, work slip st in 1st chain to form a ring. Work the 7 single leaves as follows: [ch 4, slip st in 2nd ch from hook, work 2 sc in each of next 2 ch, slip st in ring] 7 times = 7 leaves. For the stem, chain 4, slip st in 2nd chain from hook and in next 2 chain. Attach stem with slip st into the ring. Sew in all ends.

Finishing

Sew on the matching color seed beads.