

Charming Cherry Blossom Keyhole Scarf

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Skill Level: Experienced Beginner-Advanced Beginner

General Supplies:

- Hook: L (scarf), H (branches), B (blossoms)
- Yarn: Worsted in main color (scarf), worsted for branches (black or brown), small amount of worsted for buds, #10 crochet or craft thread in light color (white, cream light pink etc)
- Tapestry needle for weaving in ends
- Stitch markers

Staining/painting supplies (for included tutorial):

- Permanent markers in colors of choice for blossoms (I use Sharpies in light pink and red)
- Rubbing alcohol
- Medicine Dropper/Plastic Syringe/Q-tip

Gauge (scarf w/L hook): 7sc x 7 rows= 2"x2" test swatch

Sizing: One size. Approx measurements of 4"W x 40"L

Abbreviations and stitches required:

- mc- magic circle (tutorial here: <http://cre8tioncrochet.com/2013/03/magic-circle-or-ring-crochet/>)
- ch- chain
- sc- single crochet
- dc- double crochet
- flosc- front loop only single crochet
- blocs- back loop only single crochet
- sl st- insert slip stitch
- st(s)- stitch(es)

****Note:** Scarf is worked in a spiral, counterclockwise.

PATTERN

-Scarf (L hook, main color worsted)

Row 1: ch120, sc in 2nd st from hook, sc across till one stitch is left, 3 scs in last st (121sts)

Row 2: ch1, turn piece 180 degrees (you're now working in the back sts of the beginning chain), 3 scs in 1st st, sc in next 30 sts, ch15, skip next 15 sts, sc in next st and across till one st is left, 3 scs in last st (125sts, not including ch1)

Row 3: ch1, turn 180 degrees (working in R1 sts), 3 scs in 1st st, *flosc in next st, blocs in next st*, repeat flosc/blocs alternating across till one st is left, 3 scs in last st, turn 90 degrees, 2 scs into ch1 SPACE from R2 (127sts, not including ch1)

Row 4: turn 90 degrees, 3 scs in 1st st, *flosc in next st, blocs in next st*, repeat flosc/blocs alternating across (including into ch STS when you get to that point) till one st is left, 3 scs in last st, turn 90 degrees, 2 scs into ch1 SPACE from R3 (131sts)

****Note:** your blocs's and flosc's are alternating from row to row to create the texture. When you begin a new row, the flosc sts will be placed into the blocs sts from previous row and vice versa.

Row 5: turn 90 degrees, 3 scs in 1st st, *blocs in next st, flosc in next st*, repeat blocs/flosc alternating across till one st is left, 3 scs in last st, turn 90 degrees, 2 scs into next TWO sts (133sts)

Row 6: turn 90 degrees, 3 scs in 1st st, *blocs in next st, flosc in next st*, repeat blocs/flosc alternating across till one st is left, 3 scs in last st, turn 90 degrees, 2 scs into next TWO sts (137sts)

Row 7: turn 90 degrees, 3 scs in 1st st, *flosc in next st, blocs in next st*, repeat flosc/blocs alternating across till one st is left, 3 scs in last st, turn 90 degrees, 2 scs into next st, sc in next two sts, 2 scs in next st (139sts)

Row 8: turn 90 degrees, 3 scs in 1st st, *flosc in next st, blocs in next st*, repeat flosc/blocs alternating across till one st is left, 3 scs in last st, turn 90 degrees, 2 scs into next st, sc in next two sts, 2 scs in next st (143sts)

Row 9: turn 90 degrees, 3 scs in 1st st, *blocs in next st, flosc in next st*, repeat blocs/flosc alternating across till one st is left, 3 scs in last st, turn 90 degrees, 2 scs into next st, sc in next four sts, 2 scs in next st (145sts)

Row 10: turn 90 degrees, 3 scs in 1st st, *blocs in next st, flosc in next st*, repeat blocs/flosc alternating across till one st is left, 3 scs in last st, turn 90 degrees, 2 scs into next st, sc in next four sts, 2 scs in next st (147sts), sl st in next st

Row 11: ch1, sc all the way around piece (one sc in each st around), join w/sl st in first st, fasten off and weave in ends.

-Branches (H hook, surface crochet tutorial: <http://www.crochetspot.com/how-to-crochet-surfacecrochet-or-surface-slip-stitch/>. Keep stitches loose, so they don't pull/distort the piece)

- Insert hook (right side TO inside) and pull up a loop.
- Crochet branches using sl sts to create a line at desired angle, also known as surface crochet. Add a second 'line' in parts where you want the branch to appear 'thicker'.
- When your branches reach the desired length, fasten off and weave in ends.
- Repeat process for additional branches coming off the main one.

-Flower 'buds' (tapestry needle and red worsted)

Using tapestry needle threaded with red worsted yarn, stitch on flower buds, wherever you like.

-Blossoms (B hook, light colored #10 cotton thread)

Round 1: Make a mc, sc 10 inside mc, join w/sl st in 1st st (10)

Round 2: *ch2, skip next st, sc in next st*, repeat 4 more times (5 ch2 spaces), do NOT join.

Round 3: *sl st in next ch2 space, ch1, 6 dcs in same ch2 space, ch1, sl st in same ch2 space (one petal made)*, repeat from * to * 4 more times (5 petals made), fasten off leaving long tail for sewing
(NOTE: scs or hdc's may be used in place of dcs for 'just opening' petals)

****follow tutorial for staining/painting blossoms, then sew on to desired item after they dry.**

Tutorial link: <http://www.cre8tioncrochet.com/2014/03/stain-paint-crochet/>

Wrap scarf around neck, feed long end through the keyhole 'slit' and pull to fasten around neck. Enjoy!

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