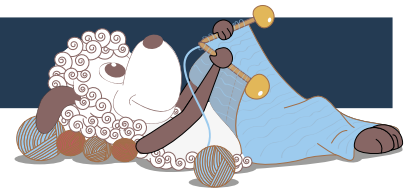


Mirabilis - a crocheted skirt for girls



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The shape of this little skirt is made by crocheting gradually larger double fans. It gives warmth and is pretty at the same time. Here it has been made using two colors, but the possibilities for color play are endless. Try making all the double fans in one color, but change color for each row of dc. Or let the rounds of dc be in one color and crochet each round of double fans in different colors.

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Materials

Arwetta Classic from Filcolana:

Color A: Approx. 65 (70) 80 (100) g color 954 (light grey melange)

Color B: Approx. 15 (20) 25 (25) g color 255 (lime-light)

Crochet hook: 3 mm or the one that gives gauge.

Sizes

1-2 (2-3) 4-5 (6-7) years

Measurements

Waist: 48 (51) 54 (60) cm (before elastic is added)

Lower width: 74,5 (84) 84 (93) cm

Length: 22 (24,5) 27 (34,5) cm

Gauge

Double fan pattern using 9 dtr: 3 fans = 14 cm, 8 rounds (3 double fans) = 10 cm (measured at the highest point)

Abbreviations (UK terms)

dc = double crochet

dtr = double treble

fdc = foundation double crochet

sl st = slip stitch

st = stitch

tr = treble

Notes

The skirt is crocheted top-down. The waistband is added lastly. The pattern uses UK crochet terms.

Foundation

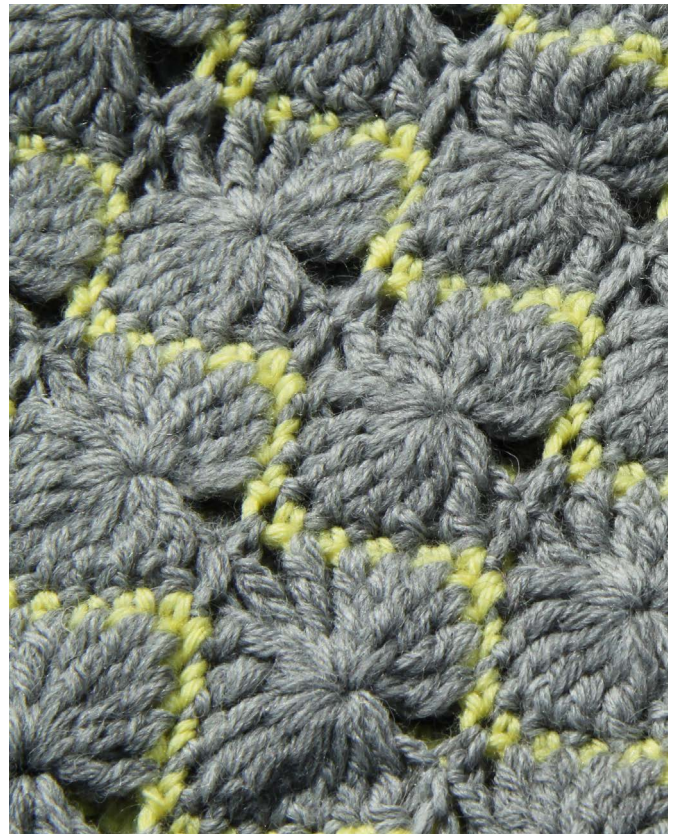
To get a more flexible foundation the foundation double crochet is used instead of the regular chain foundation.

How to make foundation double crochet:

Ch 2.

1. fdc: Insert hook in 2. ch from the hook. Yarn over and pull yarn through st, yarn over and pull yarn through 2 loops on hook.

2. and following fdc: Insert hook under both loops on the side of the previous fdc, yarn over and pull yarn through, yarn over and pull through 1. loop on hook,



yarn over and pull through 2 loops on hook. Foundation double crochet can be replaced by an ordinary chain foundation and a round of dc, but make sure to crochet loosely as it not as flexible as the foundation dc.

Skirt

96 (102) 108 (120) fdc using color A, join to a ring with a sl st in first fdc.

Round 1: Ch 1, 1 dc in same st as sl st just made.

Skip 2 st, 7 tr in next st (fan), skip 2 st, 1 dc in next st. Repeat from * to * around, join with a sl st in first dc. Fasten off. (16 (17) 18 (20) fans).

Round 2: Join B in any st. Ch 1, 1 dc in each st around, join with a sl st in first dc. Fasten off.

Round 3: Join A in the middle st of a fan. Ch 1, 1 dc in same st, **ch 3, *yarn over, pull yarn through next st, yarn over and pull yarn through first 2 loops on the hook* - now 2 loops left on the hook. Repeat from * to * in the next 6 st - now you have 8 loops on the hook, yarn over and pull yarn through all loops on the hook, ch 3, 1 dc in the middle st of next fan **, repeat from ** to ** around, join round with a slip st in the first dc.

Round 4: Ch 1, 1 dc in the same dc as sl st just made. *7 tr in the middle st of next fan, 1 dc in next dc*, repeat from * to * around, join round with a sl st in first dc. Fasten off.

Round 5: As round 2.

Round 6: As round 3.

Round 7: Ch 1, 1 dc in the same dc as sl st, *7 dtr in the middle of next fan, 1 dc in next dc*.

Repeat from * to * around, join with a sl st in first dc. Fasten off.

Round 8: As round 2.

Round 9: Join A in the middle st of a fan. Ch 1, 1 dc in the same st, ** ch 4, *yarn over twice, pull yarn through next st, yarn over, pull yarn through first 2 loops on the hook, yarn over and pull yarn through first 2 loops on the hook - now 2 loops left on the hook. Repeat from * to * in the next 6 st - now 8 loops on the hook. Yarn over and pull yarn through all loops on the hook, ch 4, 1 dc in the middle st of next fan**. Repeat from ** to ** around, join with a sl st in first dc.

Rounds 10 - 15: Repeat rounds 7, 8 and 9 twice.

Round 16: Ch 1, 1 dc in dc, *9 dtr in the middle of next fan, dc in next dc*. Repeat from * to * around, join with a sl st in first dc. Fasten off.

Round 17: As round 2.

Round 18: Join A in top of a fan, ch 1, 1 dc in same st, ** ch 4, *yarn over twice, insert hook in next st and pull yarn through, yarn over and pull through first 2 loops on hook, yarn over and pull through first 2 loops on hook* - now 2 loops left on hook. Repeat from * to * in the next 8 st - now 10 loops on hook, yarn over and pull yarn through all loops on hook, ch 4, 1 dc in the middle st of next fan.

** Repeat from ** to ** around, join with a sl st in the first dc of round.

Repeat round 16-18 0 (1) 2 (4) times.

Repeat round 16 once.

Fasten off.

Waistband

Join A to a foundation st. Ch 1, dc in the back of each fdc around. Continue crocheting dc in a spiral 9 rounds more. Fasten off.

Join a piece of elastic band into a ring in the acquired size by sewing it together. Fold the waistband in half lengthwise with the elastic band inside and sew the

waistband down on the wrong side. Weave in yarn ends. Wash gently and let it dry flat.

