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(By Terry Kimbrough)

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For our Large Roses, we used Lion Brand® Lion® Suede bulky weight yarn in Rose with a J (6 mm) hook; Caron® Simply Soft® medium/worsted weight yarn in Rubine Red with an H (5 mm) hook; and Red Heart® LusterSheen fine yarn in Dark Mulberry with an F (3.75 mm) hook. For the Medium Rose, we used TLC® Cotton Plus medium/worsted weight yarn in Hot Pink with an H (5 mm) hook.

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Large Rose

Leaving a 10" length for sewing, chain 57.

Row 1 (Wrong side): (Dc, ch 2, dc) in sixth ch from hook (5 skipped chs count as first dc plus ch 2), *ch 2, skip next 2 chs, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch; repeat from * across: 36 sps.

Row 2: Ch 3, turn; 5 dc in next ch-2 sp, sc in next ch-2 sp, (6 dc in next ch-2 sp, sc in next ch-2 sp) 5 times, (9 dc in next ch-2 sp, sc in next ch-2 sp) 5 times, (12 dc in next ch-2 sp, sc in next sp) 7 times; finish off leaving a 10" length for sewing.

Thread yarn needle with yarn end from beginning chain. With right side facing and beginning with first petal made, refer to photo to roll Rose; sew to secure as you roll. Then thread needle with ending yarn and sew to secure.

Medium Rose

Leaving a 10" length for sewing, chain 36.

Row 1 (Wrong side): (Dc, ch 2, dc) in sixth ch from hook (5 skipped chs count as first dc plus ch 2), *ch 2, skip next 2 chs, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch; repeat from * across: 22 sps.

Row 2: Ch 3, turn; 5 dc in next ch-2 sp, sc in next ch-2 sp, (6 dc in next ch-2 sp, sc in next ch-2 sp) 5 times, (9 dc in next ch-2 sp, sc in next sp) 5 times; finish off leaving a 10" length for sewing.

Thread yarn needle with yarn end from beginning chain. With right side facing and beginning with first petal made, refer to photo to roll Rose; sew to secure as you roll. Then thread needle with ending yarn and sew to secure.

Finishing: Depending on how the rose is to be used, you may sew or tie or glue it to another item or add a magnet or jewelry pin back. Be creative!

(Editor's Note: If you're new to crochet, ask for our teach-yourself books and DVDs at your local store or check our Web site for helpful guides such as I Can't Believe I'm Crocheting.)

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