Little Strawberries

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Strawberries

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TINY LITTLE CROCHET STRAWBERRIES DESIGNED BY COOLCRAFTING CROCHET TEXPERT ALY TODD. THESE CUTE LITTLE BERRIES FIRST APPEARED IN OUR 10 YEAR CELEBRATION MAGAZINE.

SUPPLIES FOR STRAWBERRY AND STALK

• 1 x each 25g Ricorumi DK Yarn, numbers 29, 05 and 49
• 3mm hook
• Tapestry needle
• Stitch marker

STITCH ABBREVIATIONS

- ch - chain
- sl st - slip stitch
- yrh - yarn round hook
- dc - double crochet
- dc inc - double crochet increase
- dc 2 (dc 3, dc 4) work one dc in each of the next 2(3 or 4) sts.

STITCHES USED

Slip Stitch - insert hook into st, yrh, pull the yarn back through st and through the loop on hook.

Double crochet - insert hook into st , yrh, pull up a loop, yrh and draw through both loops.

Double crochet increase - work 2 dc's into the same st.

NOTES

- The body of the strawberry is worked in continuous rounds (amigurumi)
- Use a stitch marker in the 1st st of each round.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR STRAWBERRY

Using colour 29
Leave a long end to stuff the strawberry with

To Start - Either ch2 OR make a magic circle.

Round 1 - Ch2 start instructions - work 4 dc'dinto the 2nd ch from the hook OR
 - Magic Circle start instructions - work 4 dc's,into the Magic Circle.
Pull yarn end to close circle - 4 sts
 Round 2 - Place marker in 1st st and 1st st ofeach subsequent round.
dc, dcinc, dc, dc inc - 6 sts
Round 3 - dc 2, dc inc, dc 2, dc inc - 8 sts.
Round 4 - dc 3, dc inc, dc 3, dc inc - 10 sts.
Round 5 - dc 4, dc inc, dc 4, dc inc - 12 sts.
Fasten off, leaving a long end.

Turn your strawberry inside out and with a tapestry needle, thread your starting yarn. Pull to make sure there is no hole and sew in to secure.
Turn your strawberry back with the right

side out and use the starting end of the yarn to stuff, if you haven't enough cut another piece of yarn and use that.

Thread the other end of the yarn onto the needle and leave in and out of the 12 sts of round 5. Pull tight to close the top and sew in the end to secure.

STRAWBERRY SEEDS
Using colour 05
Cut a long piece of yarn and thread needle.
Make a number of small vertical sts around the strawberry. Finish off by pulling yarn out of, no need to sew in the end. It will be covered the top of the strawberry

STRAWBERRY TOP
Using colour 049
Leave a long end to sew the top onto the strawberry.
To Start - Either ch 2 or make a Magic Circle
Ch2 start instructions - sl st into 2nd ch fom hook * ch 2, sl st into 2nd ch from hook, sl st back into the initial ch2 *

Repeat from * - * 4 more times - 5 leaves
OR Magic Circle start instructions * ch 2, sl st into 2nd ch from hook, sl st into magic circle * Repeat from * - * 4 more times - 5 leaves.
Close the centre gap by pulling on the start end of the yarn.
Insert the hook into the opposite side of the top and pull up a loop from underneath. At this point, you'll have 2 loops on your hook.
Using your fingers, pull the loop you've just made until about 5" long. Cut yarn.
Ch 3. Fasten off and make a knot as close to your last ch as possible Cut yarn.
Pin the top on to the Strawberry
Thread the start end of the yarn onto a needle and sew top onto the strawberry

Notes