



SEASONAL · SPRING

Crochet Flower Bookmark

A flat pink flower, a long green stem and a little leaf with a raised vein.

EASY

UNDER 1 HOUR

3 MM HOOK

~18 YD DK COTTON

ABOUT 9 IN LONG



BEFORE YOU START

Hello, book lover!

A bookmark is the one handmade gift that gets used every day. This one is made in two pieces from cotton scraps, and the stem is a firm cord that won't stretch between the pages.

Skill level: easy. You need a magic ring, chains, sc, hdc, dc and tr, and joined rounds. The only new trick for some is working into the back bump of a chain (see the cheat sheet below).

All flower rounds are **joined** with a sl st in the first stitch. A ch 1 at the start of a round doesn't count as a stitch.

AT A GLANCE

- ☐ **1 flower:** yellow center + 6 pink petals
- ☐ **1 leaf + stem** in one green piece
- ☐ **1 seam** on the back of the flower

YOUR YARN · DK #3 COTTON

**Yellow**

Flower center · ~2 yd

**Pink**

Petals and outline · ~10 yd

**Green**

Leaf and stem · ~6 yd

Amounts are estimates worked out from the stitch count, with a margin for tails.

HOOK & NOTIONS

- ☐ 3 mm hook (3.25 mm D/3 works too)
- ☐ Tapestry needle, scissors, stitch marker
- ☐ Optional: spray starch for crisp petals

GAUGE & SIZE

Keep your tension firm so the flower lies flat. **Center** ≈ ¾ in, **flower** ≈ 2¼ in across, **stem** ≈ 6 sts per inch, **leaf** ≈ 1½ in. Measure your first one against your book.

CHEAT SHEET · US TERMS

MR magic ring	ch chain	sl st slip stitch	sc single crochet
hdc half double crochet	dc double crochet	tr treble crochet	inc 2 sc in the same st
sk skip	sp space	st(s) stitch(es)	R round

Back bump. Turn the chain over: each chain has a little ridge on the back. Insert the hook under that bump only. The neat "V"s stay on the outside and the cord doesn't stretch.

UK crocheters: US sc = UK dc · US hdc = UK htr · US dc = UK tr · US tr = UK dtr.

PART

1

The flower

YELLOW

PINK

~25 MIN



The magic ring is the **center of the flower**. The side facing you as you work is the front.

- ☐ **R1 (yellow).** 6 sc in a MR. Pull closed, sl st in the first sc. 6

- ☐ **R2 (yellow).** Ch 1, inc in each st around. Sl st in the first sc. Fasten off yellow. 12

- ☐ **R3 (pink).** Join pink with a sl st in any st. Ch 1. Starting in the same st as the join, (sc in the next st, ch 3, sk the next st) 6 times in total. Sl st in the first sc. 6 sc • 6 ch-3 sps

- ☐ **R4 (pink).** Sl st in the first ch-3 sp. In each ch-3 sp, 6 times in total: (sc, hdc, 2 dc, tr, 2 dc, hdc, sc). Sl st in the first sc. 6 petals • 54

- ☐ **R5 (pink outline).** Don't ch 1. Starting in the sc you joined into, around each petal: sl st in the sc, sc in the hdc, sc in each of the next 2 dc, 3 sc in the tr, sc in each of the next 2 dc, sc in the hdc, sl st in the last sc. 6 times in total. Sl st in the first sl st. 66 • 11 per petal

✿ Clara's tip

Weave the yellow and pink tails through the *backs* of the stitches only, so nothing shows on the front. Then press the flower flat, petal by petal.

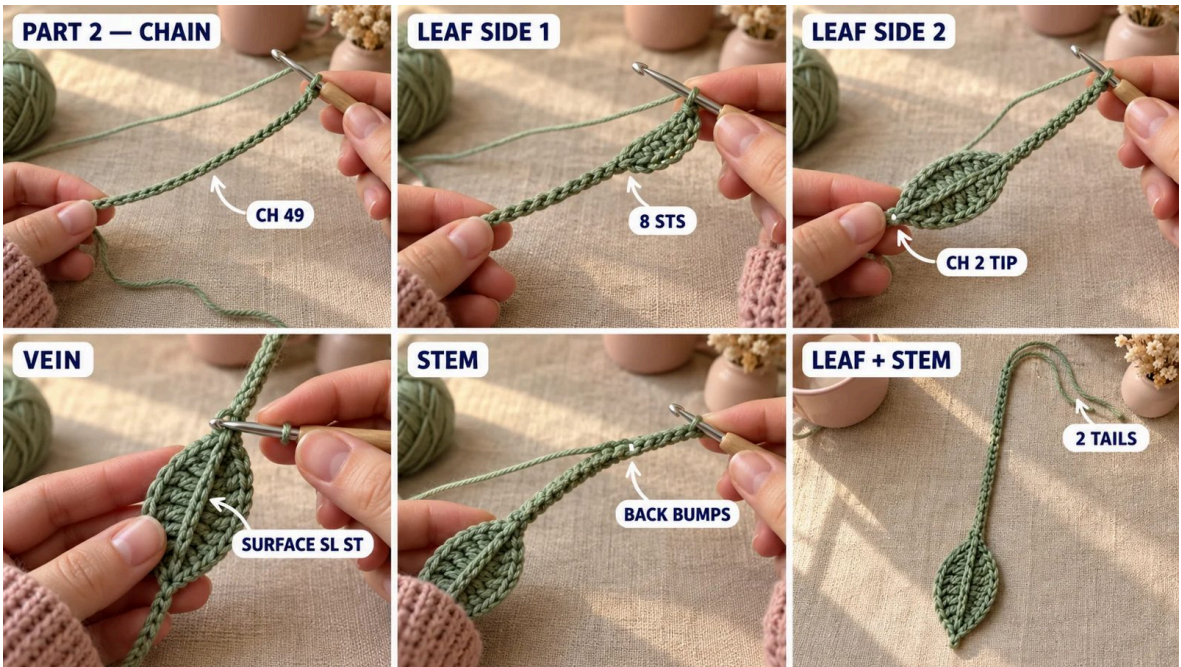
PART

2

The leaf and stem

GREEN

ONE PIECE · ~15 MIN



You start at the top of the stem, chain down to the leaf, make the leaf, then work back up. Both tails end at the **top of the stem**.

- ☐ **Foundation.** Leave an 8-in (20 cm) starting tail. Ch 49: 40 for the stem + 9 for the leaf. 49 ch
- ☐ **Leaf, side 1.** From the 2nd ch from the hook (the tip): sc, hdc, dc in each of the next 3 chs, hdc, sc in each of the last 2 leaf chs. 8
- ☐ **Leaf, side 2.** In the free loops of the same chs, back toward the tip: sc in each of the first 2, hdc, dc in each of the next 3, hdc, sc. 8
- ☐ **Tip.** Ch 2, sl st in the first sc of side 1. point
- ☐ **Vein.** Yarn under the leaf: about 8 surface sl sts down the center line to the base. ~8 sl st
- ☐ **Stem.** Sc in the back bump of each stem ch, back to the starting tail. Fasten off with an 8-in tail. 40 sc

STEM LENGTH FOR YOUR BOOK

From the edge of the flower to the leaf tip, aim for about 1 in shorter than the page. Every 6 chains ≈ 1 in. The stem round always has as many sc as stem chains.

BOOK	PAGE HEIGHT	STEM CH	TOTAL CH
Mass-market paperback	≈ 6¾ in (17 cm)	30	39
Trade paperback	≈ 8 in (20 cm)	38	47
Large paperback / small hardcover	≈ 8½ in (21.5 cm)	40	49
Standard hardcover	≈ 9½ in (24 cm)	46	55

PART

3

Joining and finishing

~10 MIN



- ☐ **Place.** Flower face down. Lay the top of the stem on its back, the end at the center, the stem running straight down between the two bottom petals. About $\frac{3}{4}$ in of stem lies on the flower. $\frac{3}{4}$ in
- ☐ **Sew.** With one tail, whipstitch both edges of the stem to the back of the flower, catching only the backs of the stitches. Go back over the seam a second time. 10+ sts
- ☐ **Lock.** With the second tail, sew across the end of the stem through the yellow center. Knot the two tails, weave them in opposite directions and trim. tug test
- ☐ **Block (optional).** Pin the flower flat, mist with water or spray starch, let it dry. optional

IF SOMETHING GOES WRONG

Petals cup: block the flower, or use a 3.25 mm hook for R4–R5.

Flower ruffles: check 9 sts per petal on R4 and only 3 sc in each tr on R5.

Stem twists: make the foundation chain looser, then steam it straight.

MAKE IT YOURS

Daisy: white petals, yellow center.

Sunflower: yellow petals, brown center.

Lavender: lilac petals, cream center, sage stem.

To use it: stem and leaf in the book, flower above the top edge.

Gift tag: ch 20 + 9 for a short stem.

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