

cupcake

F Hook/3.75 mm

dk weight yarn

1 skein each - brown and pink

begin cup

- Using brown yarn, make magic loop with 7 sts. Pull tight.
- begin spiral for bottom of cupcake - Make 2 sc in first st (mark with a scrap of pink yarn) and in every st around to pink marker.
- Starting in st with marker, make *2sc in first st, 1sc in next st* repeat to end of round. (when you come to it, remove marker and replace in next st)
- Starting in st with marker, *sc in ea of first 2 sts, 2sc in next st* repeat to end of round. Sl st in stitch with marker.

Begin sides of cup - you will work next row of sts behind previous row, pulling yarn through the "crossbar" behind crochet stitch

- Starting with same stitch in which you just slipped, sc in each st around in "crossbar" behind crochet around to stitch just before sl st.
- sc in first st. made in crossbar and begin spiral around.
- make 4 rows in a spiral, replacing marker each row to count.
- sl st in each of next 3 sts.
- Pull yarn through, work in loose yarn and cut.



begin cake

- Using pink yarn, make magic loop using 7 sts.
- 2sc in each sc around
- mark next st with a bit of brown yarn *sc in each of next 2 sts, 2sc in next st* repeat around to end of round (last 2 sc in one will be in marked st)
- *sc in each of next 3 sc, 2sc in next sc* repeat to end (one sc will end off this round before the marked st.
- *sc in ea of nest 4 sc, 2sc in next sc* for 2 rounds, replacing marker to count rows
- *sc in next 9 sts, 2sc in next sc* repeat around, finish with 8 sc.

join cup to cake

- with pink yarn still on hook from making the cake, insert hook through next st in cake, AND next st in cup. sc through both
- repeat 4 more times (5 total) in same st to create scallop.
- make next scallop in 4th pink st from hook and 3rd brown st from hook.
- continue making scallops around until you have just enough room to fit in the stuffing.
- insert stuffing or plastic pellets to fill cupcake and finish last scallops.
- sl st in base of first scallop, pull through and work in.

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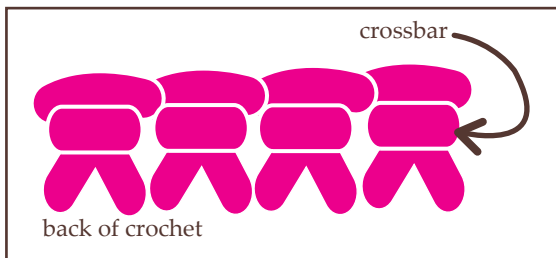
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crocheting behind

Crocheting behind can make a more defined edge when you want to stop one plane and begin another. I use this method when I am crocheting in the round and making three-dimensional objects.

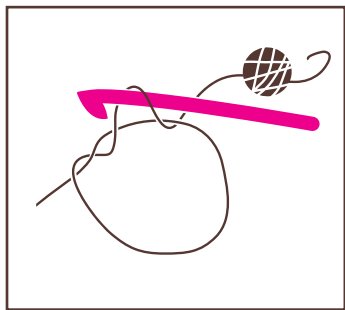
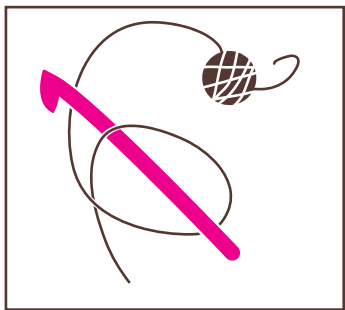
- When you are finished with one plane and are ready to start the next, insert the needle in the crossbar behind the next stitch.



magic loop

Magic Loop is essential to making nice amigurumi centers that don't have a big hole where the stuffing or pellets can come out. It's also a good start for designing a flower. Here are some basic instructions on how to make this essential stitch:

- Make a loop with the yarn (fig A).
- Pull yarn through loop (fig B)



- Yarn over, pull through. If you are doing double or treble crochet in your magic loop, ch1 or ch 2 to accommodate the stitch height.
- now, make as many sts as indicated in directions for item (ie. make magic loop with 7 sts means make 7 more sts after this)