Irish Crochet Tam

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Supplies

Hooks: 4.0 mm(G), 5.0 mm (H), 5 steel, 8 steel
yarn: size 5/2 pearl cotton 150 grams 5 1/4 oz
5: mother of pearl buttons (1 button per flower you can use more if so desired to embellish the project more)

Key

slst= slip stitch
yo = yarn over
ch = chain
dc = double crochet
sc dec = worked over next next two stitches

Pattern for Tam

(Using size H hook & holding two strands together)

Chain 4 form ring
Round 1:   ch 3 (*counts as first dc*), 15 dc in ring, slst to top of chain 3 (**16 dc**)
Round 2:   ch3(*counts as first dc*) , (*All stitches are in the back loop only from here on out*), 2 dc in next dc, * 1 dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc, *around , sl st to top of chain 3 (**24 dc**)
Round 3:   ch3, 1dc in next stitch ,2dc in next stitch,ch 1, * 1 dc in each of the next 2 stitches, 2 dc in next stitch, ch 1* around , slst to top of chain 3 (**32 dc**)

Round 4:   ch4, 1dc in next 3 stitches, 2 dc in the next stitch, ch 1,* 1 dc in each of the next 4 stitches, 2 dc in next stitch, ch 1* around , slst to top of chain 3 (**48 dc**)
Round 5:   ch3, 1dc in next 5 stitches, 2 dc in the next stitch, ch 1,* 1 dc in each of the next 6 stitches, 2 dc in next stitch, ch 1* around , slst to top of chain 3 (**64 dc**)
Round 6:   Continue in established pattern of adding 16 dc to every round (**80 dc**)

Repeat Round 6 for rounds 7-16 till you have **240 dc**

Change to size G hook

Round 17 :   ch 1 sc dec around (*pull up one thread from the next two stitches then yo over and pull off all three loops)* slip stitch into the top of the first sc dec(**120 sc dec**)

Round 18 :   sc in every stitch around, slip
      stitch into the top of the first sc (**120 sc**)

Repeat round 18 for rounds 19 and 20 making sure not to increase or decrees cut 1 thread at the end of round 20 weave in that 1 tail

Change to a size 5 steel hook

Round 21:   sc in every stitch around, slip stitch into the top of the first sc
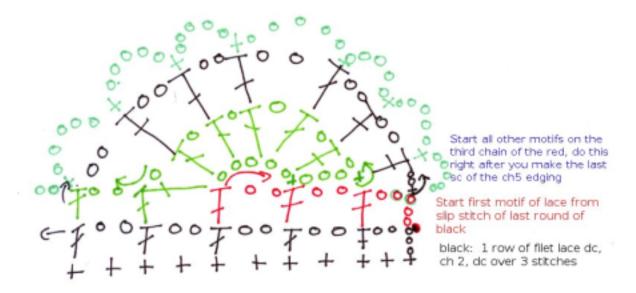Round 22:   (place market move marker to next row every time you come to it)do not chain one sc in every stitch around)
repeat round 22 for rounds 23-34 do not cut thread go straight into lace edging
Start of lace foundation
chain 5, dc in 2ⁿᵈ sc away from the slip stitch, *ch 2, skip 1 sc , dc in next sc ,*around.   Chain 2, slip stitch into 3ʳᵈ chain of starting chain go to diagram.

lace edging should have 12 scallop lace shells when done if you have a mistake at this point place it behind where you are going to embellish to make it disappear.

Start all other motifs on the third chain of the red, do this right after you make the last sc of the ch5 edging

Start first motif of lace from slip stitch of last round of black

black: 1 row of filet lace dc, ch 2, dc over 3 stitches

embellishments

Cord

    Make about 3 pieces of cord (5, 6, and 9 inches long)(go to Romanian Cord tutorial to learn how to make this cord.

http://sunshinescreations.vintagethreads.com/2008/07/romanian-lace-tutorial-video.html

Weave in one end of cord leave other tail long to sew to hat. Sew cord into desired shapes by using a tapestry needle and 1 strand of pearl cotton to tack the loops together into the desired form see drawing for the desired shaped of cords**.**

All motifs use a size 8 steel hook

Flower 1: make 1 forget me knot

(orange in placement photo)(bottom right side in photo)

Ch 6 form ring

ch 1, sc, 3 dc, 5 total petals around end with a sl st in the top of 1st sc cut and finish thread (5 peatals)

Flower 2: make 1 small wild rose

(top left side in diagram)

ch 6 form ring

    Round 1:   ch5(chould as 1 dc and ch2) *(dc in ring, ch 2) around till you have 6 spaces sl st into top of ch3

    Round 2:   sl st in ch space, (sc, 5 dc, sc) in every space around, sl st into 1st sc cut and finish threads **(6 petals)**

Flower 3: make 1 make believe flower

(top right side in diagram)

ch 6 form ring

Round 1:   ch1, 14 sc in ring sl st to first sc

Round 2:   ch 1, sc in 1st st, * ch 5, sk 1 st sc in next st, *repeat from * to *(5x), ch 5, sl st in 1st single crochet (**7 chain loop petals)**

Flower 4: make 1 Daffodil (left side in diagram)

chain 6 form ring

Round 1 : ch 1 sc in ring, chain 15, sc in ring**,** repeat till you have 4 loops *omitting last sc* slip stitch to first sc slip stitch into 1st chain 15 (4 petals)

Round 2 :   ch 1 (sc, 20 hdc, sc) into 15 chain loop sl stitch into first sc

Round 3 : (**working between previous round of petals)** sc into space between petals chain 5 sc in the next space chain 5 continue till the end of round working between each set of petals. Slip stitch in the the third chain of first chain 5 set.

Chain 1, place 5 sc into every chain 2 space around slip stitch into first sc of round cut and finish thread

You can make your daffodil taller by making more rows of hdc into each sc of the previous round. This will give more dimension and texture to your work

Flower 5: make 1 large rose

(center flower in diagram)

chain 6 form ring

Round 1 : ch 5, (dc into ring ch 2) 7x slip stich to 3rd chain of chain 5 (8 spaces for petals)

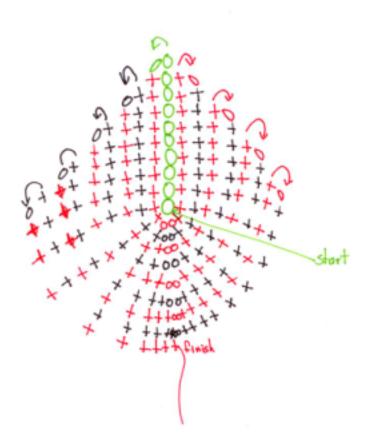Round 2 : ch1, (sc, 5dc, sc) in each chain 2 space around, sl st into first sc, chain 2

Round 3 : sc around the back of first dc of round 1, chain 7, **sc around next dc post of round 1** repeat around slip stitch in to first chain of first chain 7

Round 4 : ch 1(sc, 7dc, sc) in every chain 7 space around sl st into first sc, chain 2, sc around the back of first sc of round 3

Round 5 : sc around the back of first dc of round 3, chain 9, **sc around next dc post of round 1** repeat around slip stitch in to first chain of first chain 9

Round 6 : ch 1(sc, 9dc, sc) in every chain 9 space around sl st into first sc, cut and finish thread

Leaves: make 4

Working in back loops only for the leaves follow charted diagram

Embellish tam

Sew all elements in place according to diagram sew 1 button in the center of every flower you are free to add more or less embellishments or other types of embellishment have fun with this.

top

bottom

leaf

#3

leaf

#5

#1

#2

4

leaf

leaf