

Giant Corsage
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Materials:

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1 x 50g 25g 093 Titanium (used double) (A)	4mm crochet hook
1 x 50g 25g 092 Silver (used double) (B)	3.5mm crochet hook
	160 Bronze, Silver and Black beads.
Cotton Glace	Sewing thread
Approx 20m x 831 Dawn Grey (C)	Large Broach pin

Abbreviations:

st/sts = stitch/stitches	nxt = next
ch = chain	rep = repeat
dc = double crochet	htr = half treble
ss = slip stitch	dtr = double treble
foll = following	tr tr = triple treble
edtr = extended double treble	RS = Right Side

Special Abbreviations:

edtr = extended double treble. Wrap the yarn around the hook twice. Insert hook into the stitch. Wrap yarn around hook and draw through the stitch. Wrap the yarn around the hook and draw through just one loop. * Wrap the yarn around the hook again and draw through 2 loops as usual for a double treble. Repeat from * until stitch is completed and one loop remains on the hook.

Pattern Note:

Don't worry too much about your stitch count. Trying to keep track of over 200 stitches can be really difficult. If you have too many stitches then add more petals. If you run out of stitches then fasten off mid way through the final petal.

Method:

Main piece:

Using 4mm crochet hook and yarn (A) ch131.

Foundation row: Using yarn (A), work 1 dc into nxt 3sts. Mark the first st. Work 1htr into nxt 2 sts, 2tr into foll 10 sts. Work 2dtr into every foll st to last 3sts. Work 2tr into nxt st, 2htr into foll st, 1dc into final st. Do not turn. Fasten off (255sts)

Using 4mm crochet hook and yarn (B) with RS facing:

Row 2: Insert hook into marked st. Work * 1dc, 1ch into the st. Rep from * 5 times more.

- * work 2tr into nxt st, 2dtr into foll st, 2tr into foll st, 1dc into foll st. Rep from * 8 times more.
- * work 2tr into nxt st, 2dtr into foll 2 sts, 2tr into foll st, 1dc into foll st. Rep from * 8 times more.
- * work 2tr into nxt st, 2dtr into foll 3 sts, 2tr into foll st, 1dc into foll st. Rep from * 8 times more.
- * work 2tr into nxt st, 2dtr into foll st, 2edtr into foll 2sts,2dtr into foll st, 2tr into foll st, 1dc into foll st. Rep from * 8 times more.
- * work 1tr into nxt 2st, 1dtr into foll 2st, 1edtr into foll 4sts, 1dtr into foll 2sts, 1tr into foll 2sts, 1dc into foll st. Rep from * 2 times more.

Work 1dc into each st to end of chain.

Back Piece:

Using 3.5mm crochet hook and yarn (C) make corsage back piece as follows:

2ch, work 6dc into first ch, join with a ss to form a ring. Work in a spiral, using a stitch marker to mark the end of each round.

Round 1: work 2dc in each st to end of round. (12 sts)

Round 2: work *1sc into nxt 3 sts, 2sc into foll st; rep from * to end of round. (15sts)

Round 3: work *1sc into nxt 2 sts, 2sc into foll st; rep from * to end of round. (20sts)

Round 4: work *1sc into nxt 3 sts, 2sc into foll st; rep from * to end of round. (25sts)

Round 5: work *1sc into nxt 4 sts, 2sc into foll st; rep from * to end of round. (30sts)

Round 6: work *1sc into nxt 5 sts, 2sc into foll st; rep from * to end of round. (35sts)

Round 7: work *1sc into nxt 6 sts, 2sc into foll st; rep from * to end of round. (40sts)

Round 8: work *1sc into nxt 7 sts, 2sc into foll st; rep from * to end of round. (45sts)

Round 9: work *1sc into nxt 8 sts, 2sc into foll st; rep from * to end of round. (50sts)

From this point onwards do not use stitch marker, but continue to work as set by round 9 until you have reached a stitch count of (80sts)

Fasten off.

Making up:

Starting close to the centre point of the back piece, sew the main piece in a spiral using Cotton Glace and small over sewn stitches. Use the image as a guide. Sew beads into place at centre.

Attach a broach pin to reverse side