

Snowflake

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Abbreviations:

ch – chain
sc – single crochet
dc – double crochet

sl st – slip stitch
st - stitch

Special Stitches in rows 1, 2 and 3:

Row 1: *Beg. Shell = ch 3 (counts as dc), dc, ch3, 2 dc [this completes the Beg. Shell]

Rows 2 & 3: **Beg. Shell = ch3 (counts as dc), 2 dc, ch 3, 3 dc [this completes the Beg. Shell]

To begin, using magic loop make 12 sc in ring, join to first sc. Or, if you do not want to use magic loop, ch 4, sl st to make ring, make 12 sc in ring.

Row 1: Make *Beg. Shell in same joining st, skip next st, make a Shell (2 dc, ch 3, 2 dc) in the next sc. Repeat around. Join with a sl st to the top of ch 3. (6 shells made.)

Row 2: Sl st in next 2 dc and into ch 3 loop; **Beg. Shell in loop (3 ch, 2 dc, ch 3, 3 dc), ch 3, in the next Shell make a Shell (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) ch 3, Shell in next shell; repeat around. Join to top of ch 3. (6 Shells and 6 ch 3 loops made.)

Row 3: Sl st in next 3 dc and in ch 3 loop. **Beg Shell, ch 3, sc in ch 3 loop, ch 3, Shell in next Shell, repeat around. Join in top of ch 3, sl st in same st to finish. Cut yarn and weave in ends. Stiffen snowflake.

