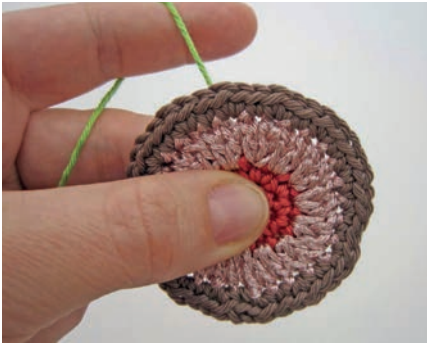


Surface Crochet

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Surface Crochet is a great way of embellishing and extra interest to your crochet work once they are fasten off. Surface crochet looks the same as sewn chain stitch – a common embroidery stitch.



Step 1: With the right side facing, hold the yarn you wish to use for the surface crochet embellishment at the back of the work.



Step 2: Insert your hook into the where you would like to start your line of surface crochet – repeated crochet stitches will create a regular spaced line of holes and spaces, so simply choose the line you wish to follow. Catch the yarn at the reverse side of the work with your hook.



Step 3: Draw the yarn through to the front of the work, anchoring the tail end of the yarn at the back of the work.



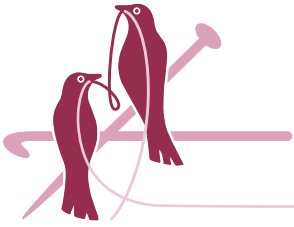
Step 4: Insert your hook into the next hole.



Step 5: Draw the yarn through to the front of the work using your hook (2 loops on hook).



Step 6: Draw first loop through the second to create a slip stitch.



Step 7: Repeat steps 4–6 to create a chain stitch design.



Step 8: Once you have completed your design, cut the yarn.



Step 9: For an invisible join, extend the working loop and draw the yarn tail through to the front of the work. Thread the tail through a knitter's needle and pass the needle under the first chain and then down through the centre of the last chain – as shown in the image above.



The images below show surface crochet worked on a background of double crochet.

