

'Baby' Bunting

A Very Easy Crochet Project

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Abbreviations:	ch	Chain stitch
	dc	Double crochet (UK)
		Single crochet (US)
	tog st(s)	make two stitches together stitch(es)

Pattern

Part 1: Flags

Foundation ch16, turn

ROW 1 1dc in second ch from the hook, then 1dc in each ch across, turn (15sts)

ROW 2 1ch (turning chain does not count as a stitch in this row or any row of the pattern), dc in the first st, dc2tog, 1dc in each stitch across, turn (14sts)



ROW 3 – 13 Repeat row 2 (4sts)

Row 14 1ch, 1dc, dc2tog, 1dc, turn (3sts)

Row 15 1ch, 1dc, dc2tog, turn (2sts)

Row 16 1ch, dc2tog. Cut yarn but leave a long yarn end on the point of each flag if you want to add dangling beads. Otherwise hide yarn ends.

You will need: A 3.5 or 4mm hook
A yarn needle for hiding yarn ends
A beading needle (see beading tips if you don't have one)

Kit contains: These instructions.
6 x Small balls of double knitting yarn
Buttons and/or beads to decorate.

Pattern notes: You should get about 5 small flags from each 10 g ball of yarn. Each flag is about 8cm wide and 8cm long. Ten flags joined as shown in the picture gives a bit more than a metre of bunting.
The tension does not matter but if you crochet very loosely you may not get as many flags from each ball.
There are instructions for increasing the size of each flag and obviously if you make bigger flags but will not get as many.

Part 2: Joining the flags

- 1 50ch - this gives strings to let you hang the bunting you can make these string longer or shorter if you need to by simply making more or fewer chains.
- 2 Take the flag you'd like to hang on the right of your string and position with the right side facing.
- 3 Make 1dc into the back of each foundation ch of this flag. This should be 15ch in total.
- 4 8ch - this forms a gap between your flags. As with your strings you can increase or decrease the space by making more or fewer chains.
- 5 Take each flag in turn. Find the right side and repeat steps 3 and 4 until you run out of flags.
- 6 50ch Cut yarn and work in ends.



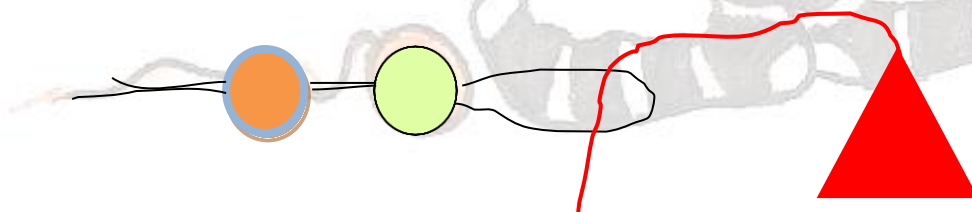
Part 3: Decorating

To add a row of dangling beads:

Easy way - thread the long thread through the beads and tie a very big firm knot

2nd Method - (as in the diagram) thread the yarn end through all of the beads, around the last bead and back up through the rest of the beads in reverse order. Then hide your yarn end back in the flag itself.

Beading tip: If you do not have a beading needle take a piece of sewing cotton or a piece of fine fishing line and feed this through the beads and back again leaving a loop. Post your yarn through the loop and then pull the loop back through the beads dragging the yarn with it. If it is tough, try doing just one bead at a time.



Now have fun!! Sew beads and buttons where ever your creativity takes you.