

Grandma Perkins' Crocheted Magical Flower Child



This little crocheted magical flower-child can transform into a beautiful flower basket. She would be a great Easter gift or maybe a bedside pal for someone who might be ill. She folds easily into her basket and out again, and is easy to make.



Life can be hectic.
Take time to stop and smell the roses.
And enjoy the pattern.



Pan





Finished Size: Doll is about 4 1/2" (10 cm) Tall
Basket is about 3" (7.6 cm) [not counting the handle]
Gauge: 4 sc and 4 rows = ~ 1" (2.5 cm) Not crucial.

Abbreviations:

~ = Approximately
Ch = Chain
FO = Fasten Off
Lp(s) = Loop(s)
Rnd(s) = Round(s)
Sc = Single Crochet
Ss = Slip Stitch
St(s) = Stitch(es)
BLO = Back Loop Only
FLO = Front Loop Only
Dec = Decrease by crocheting 2 single crochets as one
Inc = Increase with 2 single crochets into one stitch

Materials:

G/4.5mm hook
Yarn Needle
WW Med yarn:
I used Caron Simply Soft in different colors.
Small amount of each:
Skin-color
Basket-color
Hair-color
Dress-color
Petal-color
Black for eyes
Red crochet cotton #10 or a thin sport wt yarn for mouth.



***Note:** US Terminology
Work in a spiral and mark beg sts.
Do not join rnds or Ch-1, unless instructed.
Use a thread or safety pin to mark stitches.
Marked stitches are just to help with placement.

Head:

Rnd 1: **Skin-color:** 6 Sc in a Magic Ring. (6)
Rnd 2: Inc around. (12)
Rnd 3: (Sc, Inc) around. (18)
Rnds 4-9: Sc around. (18)
Rnd 10: Dec around. (9) Stuff moderately: not too tight.
Rnd 11: Dec, Sc in last 7 sts. (8) Change to dress color in last st. FO skin-color.

Dress:

Rnd 1: **Dress-color:** Inc in each st around. (16)
Rnd 2: This rnd in **FLO:** (Sc, Inc) around. (24)
Rnd 3: This Rnd in **BLO** and **Mark** the first free-loop left-over from Rnd 2.
Sc around. (24)
Rnd 4: Sc around. (24)
Rnd 5: (Sc in 5, Inc) around. (28)
Rnds 6-9: Sc around. (28)
Rnd 10: (Sc in 13, Inc) around. (30)
Rnd 11: Sc around. (30)
Rnd 12: This Rnd in **BLO** and **Mark** the first free-loop left-over from Rnd 11.
Sc around. **Join** with **Ss** in both loops of the next st and FO. (30)

***Note:** The next stitch will be the beginning point of your first petal.



Ruffle and Arms:

With head closest to you, join **Dress-color** with a ss in the **Marked** st from Rnd 2.
(Ch 3, skip next lp, ss in next lp) twice.

RT Arm: Ch 7, skip 1st ch, ss in back-ridge of next 6 chs
and then ss in the same lp on the dress as the last ss.
(Ch 3, skip next lp, ss in next lp) 6xs.

LT Arm: Ch 7, skip 1st ch, ss in back-ridge of next 6 chs
and then ss in the same lp on the dress as the last ss.

(Ch 3, skip next lp, ss in next lp) 4xs. Ch 3 and ss in the first marked lp to join. FO. (12 Ch-3-lps and 2 arms)

Petals:

With RT side facing and head down, attach **Petal-Color** with a ss in the next st **after** the last-joined-st of Rnd 12.

******(Ch 2, Hdc, Dc, Ch 2, Ss to top of last dc (picot made), Hdc, Ch 2, Ss) **All in the same st.** Ss in next **3** free-loops ******
Repeat from ****** to ****** around Rnd 12. (10 Petals)

Then Ss in the last **2 sts.**

At this point, **jog up** and **Ss** in the **Marked** first free-loop of Rnd 11.

The petals should alternate.

Continue to Repeat from ****** to ****** around in the spiral of Rnd 11.

The last ss will cross behind the next petal,

and join in the same st as the very first petal made on the bottom row.

FO and weave in. (10 petals) *Total of 20 petals in 2 alternating rows.*



Add Eyes and Mouth:

You can insert yarn-needle from back or top of head, and stitch through the head.

Sew the eyes and then bring yarn-needle to the back and tie the ends in place.

The knot will be hidden by the Wig-cap.

With Black yarn, I stitched the Eyes over Rnds 6 & 7 with about 4 sts between.

I did vertical straight stitches with 3 strands for each eye.

Add mouth over Rnd 9.

I made single-strand straight stitches in the form of a "V" or a "U".

Wig-Cap:

Rnd 1: With **Hair-color:** 6 Sc in a Magic Ring.

Be sure to pull the yarn-tail to snugly close the ring. (6)

Rnd 2: Inc around. (12)

Rnd 3: (**Inc** in next st, **Sc** in next, **Inc** in next) repeat around. (20)

Rnd 4: Sc around. (20)

Join with a ss in **BLO** of next st.

***Mark** the top-front loop of the **ss** and the first **free-loop** left over from rnd 4.

Put a safety pin through both loops. This is where the crown will begin.



Rnd 5: This Rnd in **BLO**.

Ch 1, Sc in same **back-lp** as the join-st and each around.

Join to both lps of the first sc. (20) *Continue with locks.*

Locks:

- 1: Ch 2, Ss in the 2nd ch from hook, and then Ss to next st on Rnd 5.
- 2: Ch 3, Skip the 1st ch, Ss in the **next 2**, and then Ss to next st on Rnd 5.
- 3: Ch 4, Skip the 1st ch, Ss in the **next 3**, and then Ss to next st on Rnd 5.
- 4: * Ch 5, Skip the 1st ch, Ss in the **next 4**,
and then Ss to **same** st as last ss on Rnd 5.
- 5: Ch 6, Skip the 1st ch, Ss in the **next 5**, and then Ss to next st on Rnd 5.
- 6: Ch 6, Skip the 1st ch, Ss in the **next 5**, and then Ss to next st on Rnd 5.
- 7: Ch 6, Skip the 1st ch, Ss in the **next 5**, and then Ss to next st on Rnd 5.
- 8: * Ch 6, Skip the 1st ch, Ss in the **next 5**,
and then Ss to **same** st as last ss on Rnd 5.
- 9: Ch 6, Skip the 1st ch, Ss in the **next 5**, and then Ss to next st on Rnd 5.
- 10: Ch 6, Skip the 1st ch, Ss in the **next 5**, and then Ss to next st on Rnd 5.
- 11: Ch 6, Skip the 1st ch, Ss in the **next 5**, and then Ss to next st on Rnd 5.
- 12: * Ch 6, Skip the 1st ch, Ss in the **next 5**,
and then Ss to **same** st as last ss on Rnd 5.
- 13: Ch 6 Skip the 1st ch, Ss in the **next 5**, and then Ss to next st on Rnd 5.
- 14: Ch 6, Skip the 1st ch, Ss in the **next 5**, and then Ss to next st on Rnd 5.
- 15: Ch 5, Skip the 1st ch, Ss in the **next 4**, and then Ss to next st on Rnd 5.
- 16: * Ch 4, Skip the 1st ch, Ss in the **next 3**,
and then Ss to **same** st as last ss on Rnd 5.
- 17: Ch 3, Skip the 1st ch, Ss in the **next 2**, and then Ss to next st on Rnd 5.
- 18: Ch 2, Ss in the 2nd ch from hook, and then Ss to next st on Rnd 5. **Do not FO.**

** Note: The 5 sts in the front are left unused,
and will be positioned over the eyes.

20: Ch 1, TURN. Working on the underside of the wig:

Ss to the bottom **tip** of each lock.

Then Ss in the bottom of the same last lock (at the base of the ch-2) (18 locks + Join = 19 ss)

FO with about **20"** (50cm) to sew onto head.

Crown:

Join **Petal-Color** (or different color) with a Ss through both **Marked** sts from the Wig-Cap: *the ss and free-lp from rnd 4.*

(Ch 3, Skip 1 st, Ss in next) around. (10-ch-3 lps) Join last loop to the same st as beg-join. FO.

Pull the beginning and end yarns through to the underside of the wig-cap.

Instead of weaving in, **tie** the yarn-ends. They will not show when the wig is in place.

Place wig on head.

Position the locks evenly spaced,
with the eyes under the 5 unused sts.

Sew to head with yarn-end.



Basket:

Rnd 1: **Basket-color:** 8 Sc in a Magic Ring. (8) Be sure to pull the yarn-tail to snugly close the ring.

Rnd 2: Inc around. (16)

Rnd 3: This rnd in **FLO:** (Sc, Inc) around. (24)

Rnd 4-5: Sc around. (24)

Rnd 6: (Sc in 5, Inc) around. (28)

Rnds 7-10: Sc around. (28)

Rnd 11: (Sc in 13, Inc) around. (30)

Rnd 12: Sc around. (30)

Rnd 13: *Top edge of Basket:* (Ss in the next st, Ch 6, Skip two sts) around.

Join the last ch-6-loop in the 1st sc of Rnd 12. FO. (10 lps)

Assembly: Hold Dress and Basket together with wrong-sides facing.

Basket-color: Sew together around the 16 free loops of the Basket and the Dress.



Handle (Optional): Check where the arms (on dress) are, and position the handle to correspond.

Join with a ss in the sc between the ch-6-lps.

Ch 30 loosely. Be careful not to twist the chain.

Skip 5 loops, join with a ss in the sc between 5th and 6th loop on other side. Turn.

Ch 1, Ss back across in the **back-ridge** of each ch. (30 ss)

Join with a ss in the same sc between the beg ch-5 lps and FO.

**** Note:** *If you wish, you could add tiny flowers for her hands to hold,
Or maybe a little chained necklace.*

Flowers for her hands (Optional):

Ch 4. Ss in the 4th ch from the hook.

(Ch 4, ss in the same as the previous ss) 2 times. FO and sew to end of arms.

