

Sunflower Garden Pillow

CROCHET TUTORIAL



ABOUT THIS PROJECT

This pillow features 3D sunflower motifs, leaves, and vines joined together with a lacy crochet background. Perfect for adding a cheerful, handmade touch to your home!

FINISHED SIZE

16 in x 16 in (40 cm x 40 cm)

MATERIALS

- Worsted Weight Cotton Yarn (Colors: White, Yellow, Green)
 - Crochet Hook: 4.0 mm (G/6)
 - Tapestry Needle
 - Scissors
 - Pillow Form: 16 in x 16 in (40 cm x 40 cm)
- White (Main)
● Yellow (Sunflower Petals & Center)
● Green (Leaves & Vines)

STEP-BY-STEP TUTORIAL

1 SUNFLOWER CENTER (Make 5)



With green yarn:
R1: Magic ring, ch 1, 12 sc in ring, pull tight. (12)
R2: 2 sc in each st around. (24)
Fasten off.

2 SUNFLOWER PETALS (Make 5)



Join yellow yarn in any stitch.
R1: (Ch 3, dc, hdc, sc, sl st) in same stitch, sl st in next st. Repeat around. (12 petals)
Fasten off.

3 ASSEMBLE SUNFLOWER (Make 5)



Ensure petals are all on the front side. Weave in ends. You will make 5 sunflowers using green centers and yellow petals.

4 LEAVES (Make 20)



With green yarn:
Ch 9
Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc, 2 dc, hdc, sc, sl st, sl st.
Fasten off.
Make 20 leaves.

5 VINES



With green yarn:
Ch 25 (or desired length)
Sl st in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across.
Fasten off.
Make 6-8 vines.

6 CENTER FLOWER



With yellow yarn:
R1: Magic ring, ch 1, 12 sc in ring, pull tight. (12)
R2: 2 sc in each st around. (24)
Change to white yarn.
R3: (Ch 5, sl st in same st, sl st in next st) around. (12 petals)
Fasten off.

7 ARRANGE & JOIN MOTIFS



Lay out your motifs as shown. Use the join-as-you-go method.

- Join with white yarn using:
- Sl st to attach leaves, vines, and flowers to the background and to each other.
 - Work through back loops or both loops for a neat finish.

JOIN-AS-YOU-GO (example)



SLIP STITCH JOIN



BASIC CROCHET STITCHES (US TERMS)

- ch Chain
Yarn over, pull through loop on hook.
- sc Single Crochet
Insert hook, yarn over, pull up a loop, yarn over, pull through both loops.
- hdc Half Double Crochet
Yarn over, insert hook, yarn over, pull up loop, yarn over, pull through all 3 loops.
- dc Double Crochet
Yarn over, insert hook, yarn over, pull up loop, yarn over, pull through 2 loops, yarn over, pull through 2 loops.
- sl st Slip Stitch
Insert hook, pull up loop, pull directly through loop on hook.
- Magic Ring
Wrap yarn into a ring, insert hook, pull up loop, ch 1 to secure.

8 BACK PANEL



With white yarn:
Ch 42
Row 1: Dc in 4th ch from hook and in each ch across. (40 dc)
Rows 2-40: Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, dc in each st across.
Fasten off.

9 ASSEMBLE PILLOW



Place front and back panels wrong sides together.

Join with white yarn around the edge using sc.

At each corner: (Sc, ch 2, sc) in same stitch for a neat corner.

Insert pillow form before closing completely. Finish sewing closed.

TIPS & NOTES

- Block your motifs lightly for best shape.
- Keep your tension even for a flat pillow.
- Use stitch markers to keep petals evenly spaced.
- This pattern is beginner-friendly with basic crochet skills.

CARE INSTRUCTIONS



Hand wash cold



Do not bleach



Lay flat to dry



Do not iron

Enjoy your handmade pillow!



CROCHET FLOWER SQUARE PILLOW – PATTERN DIAGRAM

All instructions in English (US Crochet Terms)



STITCH KEY (US TERMS)

- Chain (ch)
- Slip Stitch (sl st)
- × Single Crochet (sc)
- T Half Double Crochet (hdc)
- ⌋ Double Crochet (dc)
- ⌋ Treble Crochet (tr)
- ⌋ Double Crochet 3 Together (dc3tog)
- Magic Ring

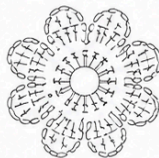
COLORS (SUGGESTED)

- White – Center Flower
- Yellow – Corner Flowers
- Green – Leaves & Stems
- Cream/Beige – Background & Border

SQUARE ASSEMBLY

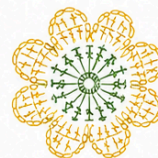
Make 4 squares.
Join squares together with slip stitch or whip stitch as shown in the photo.
Add a back panel and stuff the pillow.

FLOWER (CENTER)



1. Magic ring, ch 2 (counts as first dc).
2. 11 dc in ring. Join with sl st to top of ch 2. (12 dc)
3. Ch 1, (sc, hdc, 3 dc, hdc, sc) in each dc around. Join with sl st. Fasten off.

CORNER FLOWER



1. Magic ring, ch 1.
2. 12 sc in ring. Join with sl st. (12 sc)
3. Ch 2, *(dc, tr, dc) in next st, sl st in next st* repeat around. (8 petals)
4. Fasten off.

LEAF (MAKE 12)

Ch 9.
Row 1: sc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc, dc, hdc, sc, sl st, sc, hdc, dc, hdc, sc.
Fasten off, leave a long tail for sewing.

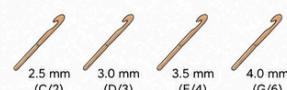


BORDER (ROUND)



Join yarn in any corner.
Round 1: ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in same corner, ch 2, 3 dc in same corner.
Dc in each stitch across, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in corner Repeat around. Join with sl st. Fasten off.

CROCHET HOOK GUIDE



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Sunflower Garden Pillow – Complete Crochet Tutorial (US Terms)

Welcome to this complete Sunflower Garden Pillow crochet tutorial! This guide is based on the original project layout and has been expanded with detailed instructions so that beginners and experienced crocheters alike can confidently complete the pillow from start to finish.

The design features five sunflowers, one elegant white center flower, realistic crocheted leaves, connecting vines, and a crocheted background panel, all joined together using the Join-As-You-Go (JAYG) method.

This tutorial uses US Crochet Terms throughout.

Materials

Before beginning, gather all of your supplies.

Yarn

Use Worsted Weight Cotton Yarn (Category 4).

Colors

- White (Background and Center Flower)
- Yellow (Sunflower Petals and Flower Center)
- Green (Leaves, Vines and Sunflower Centers)

Other Supplies

- 4.0 mm (G/6) Crochet Hook
- Tapestry Needle
- Sharp Scissors
- Stitch Markers (Optional)
- 16 x 16 inch (40 x 40 cm) Pillow Form

Finished Size

Approximately:

16 x 16 inches (40 x 40 cm)

Finished size may vary slightly depending on your yarn and personal tension.

Basic Crochet Stitches (US Terms)

Throughout this tutorial the following abbreviations are used.

- **ch = Chain**
- **sl st = Slip Stitch**
- **sc = Single Crochet**
- **hdc = Half Double Crochet**
- **dc = Double Crochet**
- **Magic Ring = Adjustable Loop**

Gauge

Exact gauge is not critical for this decorative pillow.

However, try to crochet with even tension so every flower has the same size.

If your flowers are larger than shown, use a smaller hook.

If they are smaller, use a larger hook.

Project Overview

You will crochet:

- **5 Sunflower Centers**
- **5 Sets of Yellow Petals**
- **Assemble 5 Sunflowers**
- **20 Leaves**
- **6–8 Vines**
- **1 White Center Flower**
- **Crochet the Background**
- **Join Everything Together**
- **Crochet the Back Panel**
- **Assemble the Pillow**



H2 – Step 1: Crochet the Sunflower Centers

Make 5 identical centers.

Using green yarn:

Round 1

Create a Magic Ring.

Chain 1.

Work:

12 sc inside the Magic Ring.

Pull the ring closed.

Join with a slip stitch to the first sc.

(12 stitches)

Round 2

Chain 1.

Work:

2 sc into every stitch around.

Join with a slip stitch.

(24 stitches)

Fasten off.

Leave a short tail for weaving.

Repeat until you have five sunflower centers.



H2 – Step 2: Crochet the Yellow Petals

Attach yellow yarn to any stitch of the sunflower center.

Each center receives 12 petals.

Each petal is worked as follows:

Ch 3

dc

hdc

sc

sl st

all worked into the appropriate stitches as indicated around the circle.

Continue making petals evenly around.

Each petal should sit neatly beside the previous one.

Once all 12 petals are complete:

Join with a slip stitch.

Fasten off.

Repeat for all five flowers.



H2 – Step 3: Assemble the Sunflowers

Before continuing:

✓ Make sure every petal faces the front.

Turn the flower in your hands and gently shape each petal.

Use your fingers to slightly curl the petals outward.

Weave in every loose yarn end using a tapestry needle.

After completing this step you should have:

🌻 Five finished sunflowers.

H2 – Step 4: Crochet the Leaves

Make 20 leaves.

Using green yarn:

Chain 9.

Working back across the chain:

sc

hdc

2 dc

hdc

sc

sl st

Continue around the opposite side of the chain, mirroring the stitches to create a pointed leaf.

Finish with a slip stitch.

Fasten off.

Leave a tail for joining.

Repeat until twenty leaves are completed.

Try to keep every leaf identical.

H2 – Step 5: Crochet the Vines

Using green yarn.

Chain approximately 25 stitches.

(Adjust length if desired.)

Working back:

Slip stitch into the second chain from hook.

Continue making one slip stitch into every chain.

Fasten off.

Create between 6 and 8 vines.

The vines should remain flexible since they will curve naturally across the pillow.

H2 – Step 6: Crochet the White Center Flower

This flower becomes the focal point of the pillow.

Using yellow yarn:

Round 1

Magic Ring.

Chain 1.

12 sc into the ring.

Join.

(12 stitches)

Round 2

2 sc in every stitch.

Join.

(24 stitches)

Fasten off yellow.

Join white yarn.

Round 3

Each petal is worked as:

Ch 5

sl st into same stitch

sl st into next stitch

Repeat around.

You should finish with:

12 white petals.

Fasten off.

Lightly shape each petal.

This flower should appear larger and fuller than the sunflowers.



H2 – Step 7: Arrange the Entire Design

Lay your background panel flat.

Arrange pieces exactly like this:

 **One sunflower in each corner.**

 **White flower in the center.**

 **Leaves surrounding every flower.**

 **Vines connecting flowers naturally.**

Take your time during this step.

Move each motif until the arrangement looks balanced.

The vines should appear to grow naturally between flowers.

H2 – Step 8: Join the Motifs (Join-As-You-Go)

Using white yarn.

Attach leaves first.

Then attach vines.

Finally attach flowers.

Use:

Slip Stitch Join

or

Join-As-You-Go technique.

Work through both loops whenever possible.

Keep stitches even.

Avoid pulling too tightly.

The motifs should lie perfectly flat.

Continue joining until every flower, leaf and vine is securely attached.

H2 – Step 9: Crochet the Background Panel

Using white yarn.

Chain 42.

Row 1

Beginning in the fourth chain from hook:

dc across.

(40 dc)

Turn.

Rows 2–40

Chain 3.

dc across every stitch.

Repeat until the panel becomes a square measuring approximately:

16 x 16 inches.

Fasten off.

Block lightly if needed.



H2 – Step 10: Attach the Floral Motifs

Place all finished motifs on top of the background panel.

Pin everything into position if desired.

Sew each piece securely using matching yarn.

Begin with:

- Center flower
- Four corner flowers
- Leaves
- Vines

Double-check that all motifs are firmly attached before moving on.



H2 – Step 11: Crochet the Back Panel

The back panel is worked exactly the same size as the front panel.

Chain 42.

Work rows of dc until you have another:

16 x 16 inch square.

Fasten off.

Block lightly.



H2 – Step 12: Assemble the Pillow

Place:

Front panel

and

Back panel

Wrong sides together.

Using white yarn:

Join around all four sides.

Work:

(sc, ch 2, sc)

into every corner.

Continue around the pillow.

Leave one side partially open.

Insert the pillow form.

Finish sewing the opening closed.

Fasten off.

Weave in every remaining yarn tail.

Blocking

Blocking helps every flower open beautifully.

Lightly spray the pillow with water.

Shape each flower by hand.

Flatten the leaves.

Allow everything to dry completely before use.

Care Instructions

To keep your pillow looking beautiful:

- Hand wash in cold water.
- Use mild detergent.
- Do not bleach.
- Lay flat to dry.
- Do not tumble dry.
- Do not iron directly on the crochet motifs.
- Store in a dry place when not in use.



Helpful Tips



Count stitches after every round.



Use stitch markers if needed.



Weave in yarn tails immediately to avoid tangling.



Keep all flowers the same size by maintaining even tension.



Arrange the motifs before attaching anything permanently.



Blocking makes the finished pillow look significantly more professional.



Cotton yarn provides the best stitch definition and helps the motifs hold their shape over time.



Congratulations!

Your Sunflower Garden Pillow is now complete!

You have created a beautiful decorative crochet pillow featuring textured sunflowers, elegant white blossoms, detailed leaves, and flowing vines on a classic crocheted background. With careful stitching, even tension, and thoughtful assembly, you'll have a timeless handmade piece

that adds warmth and charm to any room. Happy crocheting!

