

Welcome to Part TWO of Connie's Ray of Hope

Welcome to the second week of our crochet along. How did you go with part one? I really hope you enjoyed it as much as I did. So are you ready to get down to business with part two then?

Ok that's great! BUT this CAL came about after the passing of Connie Johnson, if you read the Crochet Along Information you'll know all about her. So because of this, and after checking yourself in Part One, this week is about getting a family member or more to have themselves checked out. Maybe they have a mole that wasn't there before, or aren't quite feeling just right it's always better to check it out, even if it's nothing in the end.

This crochet along is all about raising awareness. So I would love you to be reminded every time you finish a round to think of someone you could ask to get checked or even remember someone that you know that has passed. And of course, if you are in the position to do so why not donate a dollar here or there to your charities of choice.

If you are using the same colourway as the Pastels version then you are now about to move into different colours other than Candyfloss and Fondant which represent different cancers. There are many different types that I would have loved to fit in this CAL but there aren't enough rounds for that but please know that it embraces all the varieties and their representing colours, not just those that we use throughout the crochet along.

Remember that there are many ways to get into contact with me or others if you get stuck. Please click on the links in the Information post to see how to do so.

I would love to see your creations don't forget to use the hashtags #conniesrayofhope #theloopystitchcal #loveyoursister when you post on social media platforms. Definitely post in the groups too.

For this part you will need:

- Your yarn
- Corresponding hook
- Scissors
- Yarn needle

Finished size of Part Two:

8 ply/dk version (Pastel and Regal) and 4mm hook: approximately **13.5 inches / 34 cm**
 Worsted Weight (Original) and 5mm hook: approximately **17.5 inches / 44.5 cm**

Notes:

Inspired by the Mandala Madness by Helen Shrimpton,

Hints will be in italics and bold and coloured green.

Stitch counts will be in bold and orange.

New rounds for continual (same coloured) yarn will be in italics and blue.

Wanting to start a new colour (or follow ones already made) for each round - look for pink. New rounds for joining new yarn will be in italics and pink.

* * Please repeat the instructions between asterisks the number of times stated.

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Stitches Used in Part Two: US TERMS

Chain (ch)

Slip Stitch (sl st): Starting with a loop on your hook, insert hook in stitch or space indicated and pull up a loop, pull through loop on hook as well.

Single Crochet (sc): Starting with a loop on your hook, insert hook in stitch or space indicated and draw up a loop (two loops on hook). Yarn over and pull through both loops on your hook.

Standing Single Crochet: Starting with a sl st on your hook, insert hook in stitch or space indicated and draw up a loop (two loops on hook). Yarn over and pull through both loops on your hook.

Half Double Crochet (hdc): Starting with a loop on your hook, yarn over, insert hook in stitch or space indicated, yarn over and draw up a loop (three loops on hook). Yarn over and pull through all loops.

Standing Half Double Crochet: Starting with a sl st on your hook, yarn over, insert hook in stitch or space indicated, yarn over and draw up a loop (three loops on hook). Yarn over and pull through all loops.

Double Crochet (dc): Starting with a loop on your hook, yarn over, insert hook in stitch or space indication, yarn over and draw up and loop (three loops on hook). (Yarn over and pull through two loops) x 2 times.

Standing Double Crochet: Starting with a sl st on your hook, yarn over, insert hook in stitch or space indication, yarn over and draw up

and loop (three loops on hook). (Yarn over and pull through two loops) x 2 times.

Treble Crochet (tr): Starting with a loop on your hook, yarn over twice, insert hook in stitch or space indicated, yarn over and draw up a loop (4 loops on hook). (Yarn over and pull through two loops) x 3 times

Back Post Single Crochet (bpsc): Starting with a loop on your hook, insert hook from back to front to back around post of indicated stitch, yarn over and draw up loop, yarn over and pull through 2 loops

Standing Back Post Single Crochet: Starting with a sl st on your hook, insert hook from back to front to back around post of indicated stitch, yarn over and draw up loop, yarn over and pull through 2 loops

Back Post Half Double Crochet (bphdc): Starting with a loop on your hook, yarn over, insert hook from back to front to back around around post of indicated stitch, yarn over and draw up a loop, yarn over and pull through 3 loops

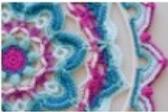
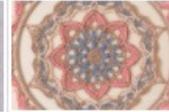
V Stitch (v-3 st): Make (dc, ch 3, dc) in stitch or space indicated

V Stitch (v-2 st): Make (dc, ch 2, dc) in stitch or space indicated

Front Post Treble Two Together (fptr2tog): Starting with a loop on your hook, yarn over twice insert hook around stitch indicated, yarn over and draw up a loop (5 loops on hook). (Yarn over and pull through two loops) x 2 times (First treble part done. Yarn over and insert hook around stitch indicated, yarn over and draw up a loop (5 loops on hook). (Yarn over and pull through 2 loops) x 2 times, yarn over and pull through all remaining loops.

Colours and Rounds:

Below is a table with the colours used (Please refer to here to see what brands of yarn they are)

							
Part 2	Round	Pastel	Regal	Original	Spin-A-Yarn32	Buttonnose	Little Stories
	12	Soft Peach	Parchment	Mint	Peacock	Green	Sunlight
	13	Soft Peach	Parchment	Mint	Peacock	Green	Sunlight
	14	Lemon	Boysenberry	Yellow	Iced Aqua	Green	Taupe
	15	Spring Green	Plum	Aqua	Antique Turquoise	Green	Blue Willow
	16	Aspen	Petrol	White	Turquoise	Green	Taupe
	17	Sherbert	Sage	Silver	ILTY Ocean	Blue	Sunlight
	18	Cloud Blue	Duck Egg	Aqua	Ocean	Blue	Taupe

Pattern:**Round 12:**

Using same colour: Sl st in next 5 sts, ch 1, *sc in same sp (should be working into the 6th bphdc), sc in next 3 sts, (sc, ch 2, sc) in ch-2 sp, skip 1st bphdc st, sc in next 4 sts ch 9, skip 10 sts*, repeat from * around, join with sl st to 1st sc made.

Joining new colour: In 6th bphdc from round 11, make a standing *sc, sc in next 3 sts, (sc, ch 2, sc) in ch-2 sp, skip 1st bphdc st, sc in next 4 sts, ch 9, skip 10 sts*, repeat from * around, join with sl st to 1st sc made.

Cut yarn and weave in ends.

(80 sc, 88 ch)

**Round 13:**

Using same colour: Ch 3, *dc in next 2 sts, hdc in next 2 sts, sc in ch-2 sp, hdc in next 2 sts, dc in next 3 sts, ch 3, sc in ch-9 sp, ch 3, dc in next st*, repeat from * around, join with sl st to 3rd ch.

Joining new colour: In any 1st sc made in round 12, make a standing dc, *dc in next 2 sts, hdc in next 2 sts, sc in ch-2 sp, hdc in next 2 sts, dc in next 3 sts, ch 3, sc in ch-9 sp, ch 3, dc in next st*, repeat from * around, join with sl st to 1st dc made.

Cut yarn and weave in ends.

(48 dc, 32 hdc, 24 sc, 48 ch)

**Round 14:**

Using same colour: Ch 1, *bpsc, bpsc around next 3 sts, skip 1 st, fpdc around 1st sc made in ch-2 sp from round 12, ch 3, fpdc around 2nd sc made in ch-2 sp, skip 4 sts, skip 1 st, bpsc around next 4 sts (**the 1st st will be the last hdc from round 13**), (hdc, 2 dc) in ch-3 loop, ch 1, (2 dc, hdc) in next ch-3 loop*, repeat from * around, join with sl st to 1st bpsc made.

Joining new colour: In 1st dc made in round 13, make a standing *bpsc, bpsc around next 3 sts, skip 1 st, fpdc around 1st sc made in ch-2 sp from round 12, ch 3, fpdc around 2nd sc made in ch-2 sp, skip 4 sts, skip 1 st, bpsc around next 4 sts (**the 1st st will be the last hdc from round 13**), (hdc, 2 dc) in ch-3 loop, ch 1, (2 dc, hdc) in next ch-3 loop*, repeat from * around, join with sl st to 1st bpsc made.

(64 bpsc, 16 fpdc, 32 dc, 16 hdc, 32 ch)



Round 15:

Using same colour: Sl st in next 2 sts, ch 3, *hdc in next st, sc in next fpdc, 4 sc in ch-3 sp, skip fpdc, sc in next st, hdc in next st, dc in next st, ch 3, skip 4 sts, v-3 st, in ch-1 sp, ch 3, skip 5 sts, dc in next st*, repeat from * around, join with sl st to 3rd ch.

Joining new colour: In any 3rd bpsc made in round 14, make a standing dc, *hdc in next st, sc in next fpdc, 4 sc in ch-3 sp, skip fpdc, sc in next st, hdc in next st, dc in next st, ch 3, skip 4 sts, v-3 st, in ch-1 sp, ch 3, skip 5 sts, dc in next st*, repeat from * around, join with sl st to 1st dc made.

Cut yarn and weave in ends.

(32 dc, 16 hdc, 48 sc, 72 ch)



Round 16:

Using same colour: Ch 1, hdc in same sp, *hdc in next 2 sts, sc in next 4 sts, hdc in next 3 sts, ch 1, (2 tr, 2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc, 2 tr) in v-3 st, ch 1, hdc in next st*, repeat from * around, on final repeat omit last hdc, join with sl st to 1st hdc made.

Joining new colour: In 1st dc made in round 15, make a standing hdc, *hdc in next 2 sts, sc in next 4 sts, hdc in next 3 sts, ch 1, (2 tr, 2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc, 2 tr) in v-3 st, ch 1, hdc in next st*, repeat from * around, on final repeat omit last hdc, join with sl st to 1st hdc made.

Cut yarn and weave in ends.

(48 hdc, 32 sc, 32 dc, 32 tr, 32 ch)



Round 17:

Using same colour: Ch 1, sc in same st, *sc in next st, ch 2, sc in next 2 sts, fptr2tog around fpdc sts from round 14, skip 2 sts, sc in next 2 sts, ch 2, sc in next 2 sts, bphdc around next 4 sts, (hdc, ch 2, hdc) in ch-2 sp, bphdc around next 4 sts, sc in next st*, repeat from * around, on final repeat omit last sc, join with sl st to 1st sc made.

Joining new colour: In any hdc made in round 16, make a standing sc, *sc in next st, ch 2, sc in next 2 sts, fptr2tog around fpdc sts from round 14, skip 2 sts, sc in next 2 sts, ch 2, sc in next 2 sts, bphdc around next 4 sts, (hdc, ch 2, hdc) in ch-2 sp, bphdc around next 4 sts, sc in next st*, repeat from * around, on final repeat omit last sc, join with sl st to 1st sc made.

Cut yarn and weave in ends.

(64 sc, 8 fptr2tog, 64 bphdc, 16 hdc, 48 ch)



Round 18:

Using same colour: Sl st to next st, ch 3, *5 dc in ch-2 sp, dc in next st, skip st, sc in fptr2tog, skip st, dc in next st, 5 dc in ch-2 sp, skip st, dc in next st, skip 2 sts, sc in next 3 sts, (sc, ch 2, sc) in ch-2 sp, skip hdc, sc in next 3 sts, skip 2 sts, dc in next st*, repeat from * around, on final repeat omit last dc, join with sl st to 3rd ch.

Joining new colour: In 2nd sc made in round 17, make a standing dc, *5 dc in ch-2 sp, dc in next st, skip st, sc in fptr2tog, skip st, dc in next st, 5 dc in ch-2 sp, skip st, dc in next st, skip 2 sts, sc in next 3 sts, (sc, ch 2, sc) in ch-2 sp, skip hdc, sc in next 3 sts, skip 2 sts, dc in next st*, repeat from * around, on final repeat omit last dc, join with sl st to 3rd ch. Cut yarn and weave in ends.

(112 dc, 72 sc, 16 ch)



Part 3... coming soon

Yahoo you did it! Part TWO is complete. That's the non-fiddly part out of the way. Now if you don't want to continue with part THREE, you can still attach it to a ring using a yarn needle and some yarn and weave it around evenly.

Part TWO in all her glory :D
So stay tuned for next week and the final installment of Connie's Ray of Hope.