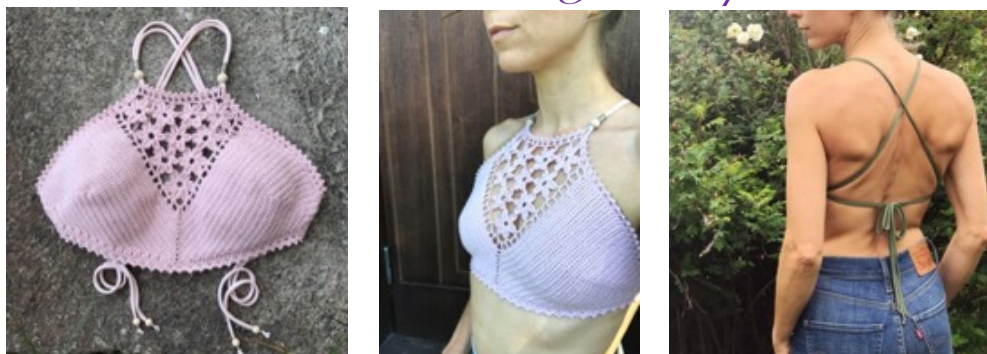


Coralia Triangle Top



Materials:

*Yarn: 50g/1.75oz-100g/3.5oz Super fine or Fine/2 (sport/baby) weight yarn. The Top in the pictures are made with Alize Diva Stretch (92% Microfiber, 8% Elastic): 100g=400m/3.52oz=438yards and Nako comfort stretch: 50g=193m/1.75oz=211yds. Other yarn suggestion for example: Anchor Freccia number 6 (100%): 50g=175m/1.75oz=191yds.

*Crochet hook: Normally size 3/D, but for sizes XS and S work the flowers with 2.5mm/C hook. For the pigots 2.5mm/C.

*Fabric for the ties, aproximately 5cm/2" (light, elastic bathing suit material, i have used lycra).

Gauge:

Work 1 flower (pictures A-I on page 2, the basic flower). So for size

XS and S: work a basic flower with hook size 2.5mm/C and it measures 3.2cm.

M and L: work flower with with hook size 3mm/D and it measures 3.6cm.

Check your gauge and use any size hook to obtain the gauge. Take your time to check the gauge.

Gauge for the sc part: With size D/ 3mm crochet hook in sc pattern. Work: 11 sc and 11 rows measures 1.6" (4cm). Check your gauge and use any size hook and yarn to obtain the gauge.

Abbreviations:

Ch = Chain

Sc = Single crochet

Sl = Slip stitch

St(s)= Stitch(es)

Dc = Double crochet

Yoh = Yarn over hook

Tr = Triple crochet /treble= yoh twice, insert hook into the stitch, yoh again and pull through stitch. (yoh and pull through 2 loops) 3 times.

Ea: = Each

Rnd = Round

Prev= Previous

Ch sp = Chain space. Spaces with 1 chain (ch-1), with 2 chains (ch-2). with 3 chains (ch-3), Sp/sps= space/s

Pigot= Ch 3, sl st in 1st ch. In this pattern I have used pigot with 3 chain stitches.

Cl = Cluster, 2tr cl: *yoh twice, insert hook in indicated st, yoh, pull though a loop, (yoh, pull through 2 loops on hook) 2 times, repeat from * 1 time more, yoh, pull through all 3 loops on hook

Notes:

1. In the beginning of each flower always the 1st ch 3 and 1 tr is counted as 2 tr-cl.

2. The number in the end of each row/round is the total amount of the stitches indicated/petals of the current row/round.

3. For example "(ch 4, 2 tr-cl in ring, ch 4, 1 sc in the ring) 5 times", means work all instruction between parenthesis in total 5 times.

4. For example "(1dc, ch3, 1dc) in next ch sp", means work all the instruction written between the parenthesis in next ch sp.

5. In the pictures is size S.

Sizes and measures (picture G on page 18): 4 different sizes: XS, S, M and L, in the pattern marked as XS(S,M,L). Picture of how the measures are taken on page 18, picture G.

	Height from middle	Widht below
XS	20cm/7.9"	34cm/13.4"
S	22cm/8.7"	36cm/14.2"
M	24.5cm/9.7"	38cm/15"
L	26.5cm/10.4"	40cm/6.8"

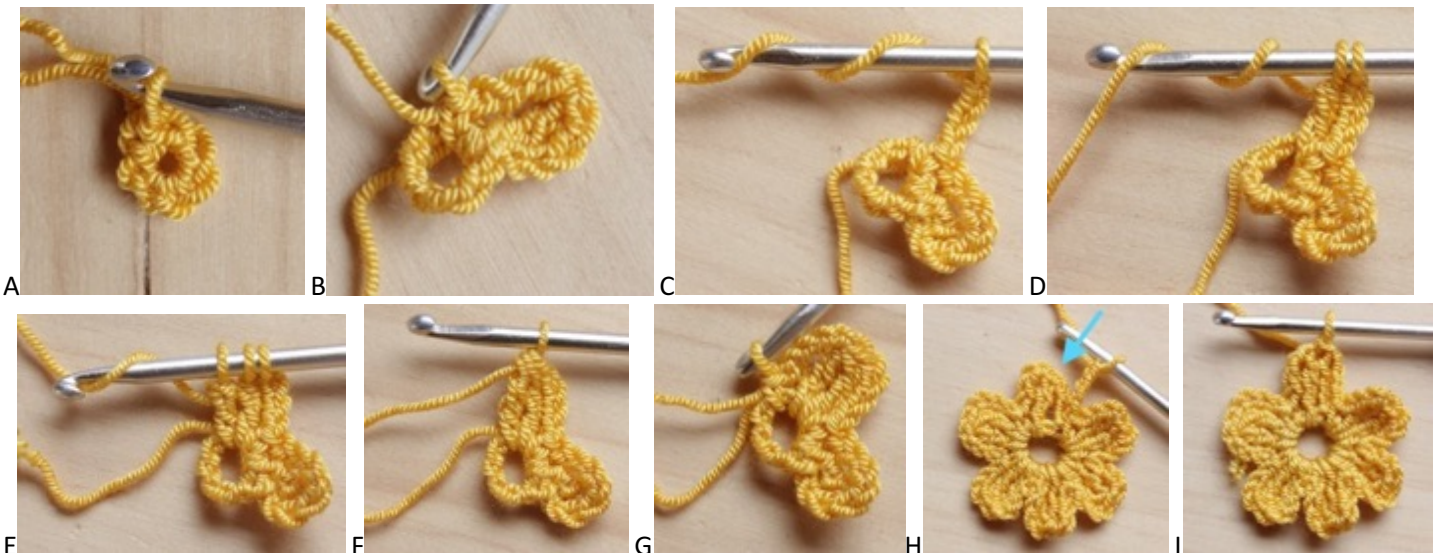
The Flower Triangle:

With hook size 2.5mm/C for sizes XS and S. Hook size (3mm/D) for sizes M and L. Below is the picture of the order, that the flowers are worked.



1st flower

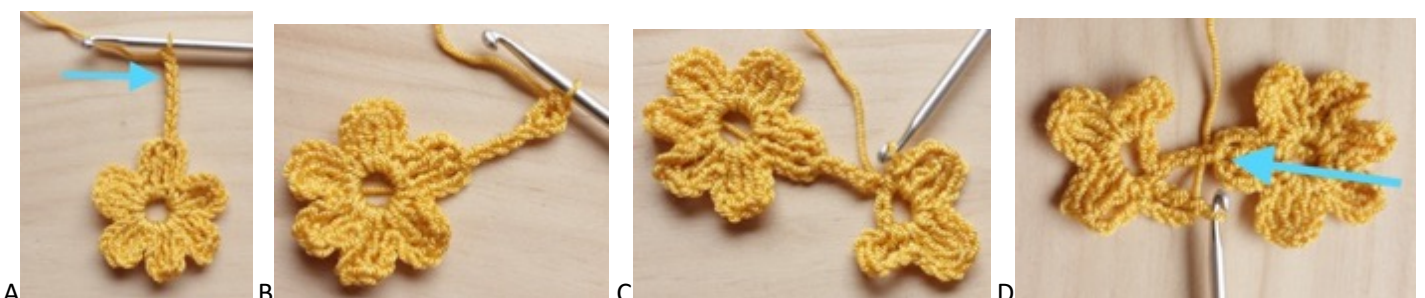
Work ch 6, join with sl in 1st ch to form a ring (picture A), ch 3, 1 tr in ring (ch 3 and tr count as 2 tr-cl), ch 4, 1 sc in the ring (picture B), (ch 4, 2 tr-cl in ring, ch 4, 1 sc in the ring) 5 times (pictures C-H), ch 4, join with sl in 1st cl (pictures H,I). In total 6 petals.

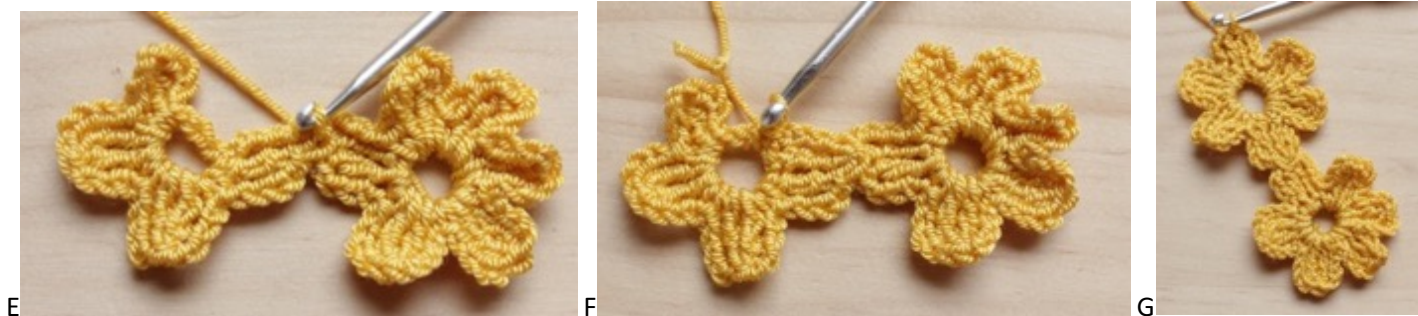


Now go on with the 2nd flower, don't cut the yarn.

2nd flower

work first ch 7, 1 dc in 3rd ch from the hook to form a ring (pictures A,B below), ch 3, 1 tr in ring (always the 1st ch 3 and 1 tr count as 2 tr-cl), ch 4, 1 sc in the ring, (ch 4, 2 tr-cl in ring, ch 4, 1 sc in the ring) 2 times (picture C), ch 4, 1 tr in ring, take the yarn under the prev flower (picture D), sl in 1st cl of the prev flower (pictures D,E), ch 4, 1 sc in ring (picture F), (ch 4, 2 tr-cl in ring, ch 4, 1 sc in the ring) 2 times, ch 4, join with sl in 1st cl. In total 6 petals (picture G).



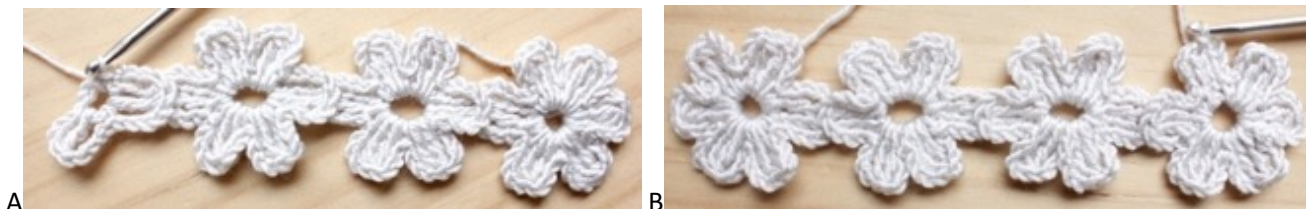


Repeat the instruction for the 2nd flower one time more (picture below).



4th flower

work first ch 8, 1 sc in 4th ch from the hook to form a ring, ch 3, 1 tr in ring, ch 4, 1 sc in the ring, ch 4, 1 tr in ring, take the yarn under the prev flower, sl in 1st cl of the prev flower, ch 4, 1 sc in ring (picture A below), (ch 4, 2 tr-cl in ring, ch 4, 1 sc in the ring) 4 times, ch 4, join with sl in 1st cl. In total 6 petals (picture B).



Now you have the 1st flower row done. Next row of 3 flowers are worked above the previous flower row and joined from the petals>

5th flower

work first ch 7, 1 dc in 3rd ch from the hook to form a ring, ch 3, 1 tr in ring, ch 4, 1 sc in the ring, ch 4, Now joining into the flower of prev row> work 2 tr-cl in ring into a point of having 3 loops on the hook (picture A), sl in petal of the flower below (with sl pull through all loops on hook, pictures B,C, notice, that the yarn is kept under the work), ch 4, 1 sc in the ring (picture D), ch 4, 1 tr in ring, sl in 1st cl of the prev flower, ch 4, 1 sc in ring (picture E), (ch 4, 2 tr-cl in ring, ch 4, 1 sc in ring) 3 times, ch 4, join with sl in 1st cl. In total 6 petals (picture F).



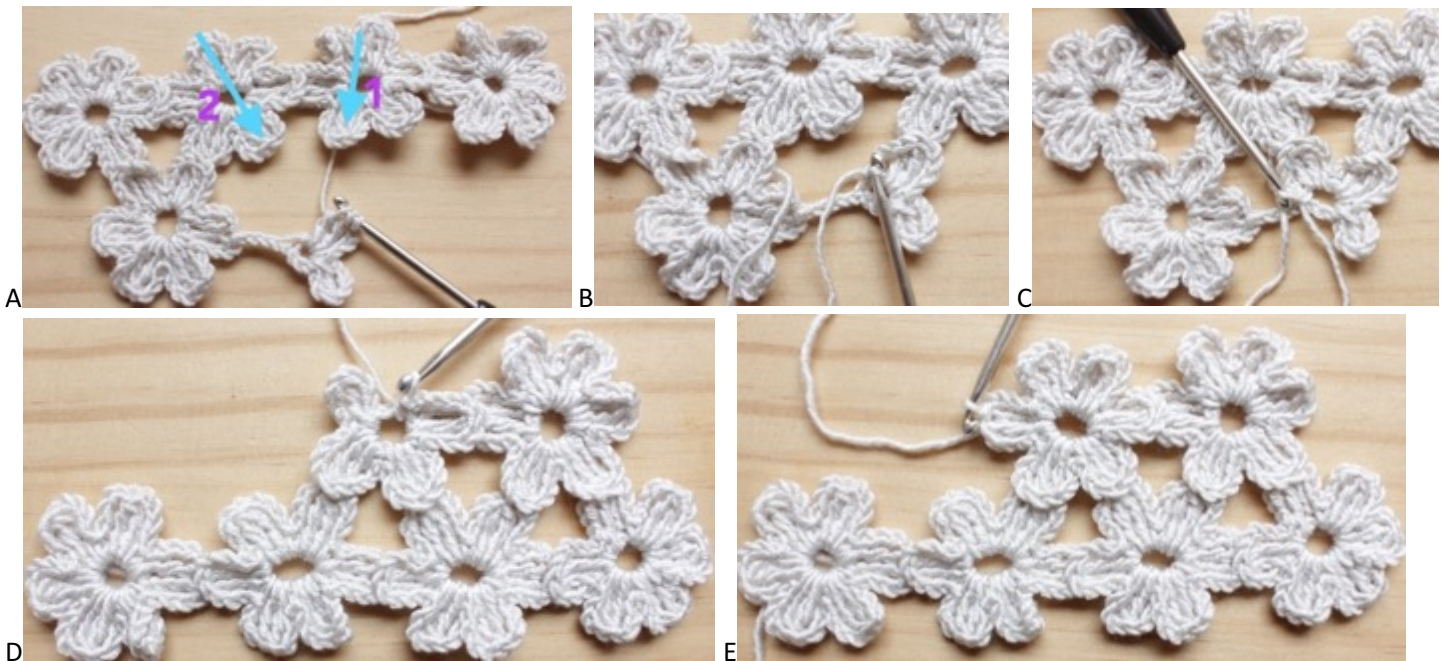


6th flower

work first ch 7, 1 dc in 3rd ch from the hook to form a ring, ch 3, 1 tr in ring, ch 4, 1 sc in the ring, [ch 4, Then work 2 tr-cl in ring joining with sl in petal of the flower below as before, ch 4, 1 sc in the ring] 2 times (pictures A-C),

ch 4, 1 tr in ring, sl in 1st cl of the prev flower, ch 4, 1 sc in ring (picture D),

(ch 4, 2 tr-cl in ring, ch 4, 1 sc in the ring) 2 times, ch 4, join with sl in 1st cl. In total 6 petals (picture E).



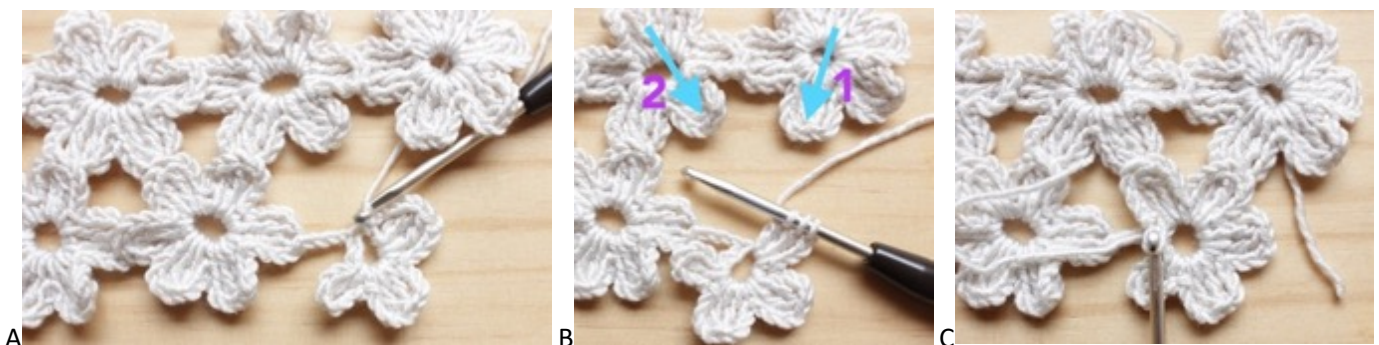
7th flower

Ch 6, 1 tr in 2nd ch from the hook to form a ring, ch 3, 1 tr in ring, ch 4, 1 sc in the ring, (ch 4, 2 tr-cl in ring, ch 4, 1 sc in the ring) 2 times (picture A below),

[ch 4, 2 tr-cl in ring joining with sl into the flower of prev row as before, ch 4, 1 sc in the ring] 2 times (pictures B,C),

ch 4, 1 tr in ring, sl in 1st cl of the prev flower, ch 4, 1 sc in ring (picture D),

ch 4, join with sl in 1st cl. In total 6 petals (picture E).





D



E

Now we have the 2nd flower row done (picture E above). Next row of 2 flowers are worked above the previous flower row.

8th flower

Ch 6, 1 tr in 2nd ch from the hook to form a ring, ch 3, 1 tr in ring, ch 4, 1 sc in the ring, (ch 4, 2 tr-cl in ring, ch 4, 1 sc in the ring) 3 times (picture A), ch 4, 1 tr in ring, sl in 1st cl of the prev flower, ch 4, 1 sc in ring, ch 4, 2 tr-cl in ring joining with sl into the flower of prev row (picture B), ch 4, 1 sc in the ring, ch 4, join with sl in 1st cl. In total 6 petals (picture C).



A



B



C

9th flower

work first ch 8, 1 sc in 4th ch from the hook to form a ring, ch 3, 1 tr in ring, ch 4, 1 sc in ring, ch 4, 1 tr in ring, sl in 1st cl of the prev flower, ch 4, 1 sc in ring, [ch 4, 2 tr-cl in ring joining with sl into the flower of prev row, ch 4, 1 sc in the ring] 2 times (pictures A,B), (ch 4, 2 tr-cl in ring, ch 4, 1 sc in the ring) 2 times, ch 4, join with sl in 1st cl. In total 6 petals (picture C).



A



B

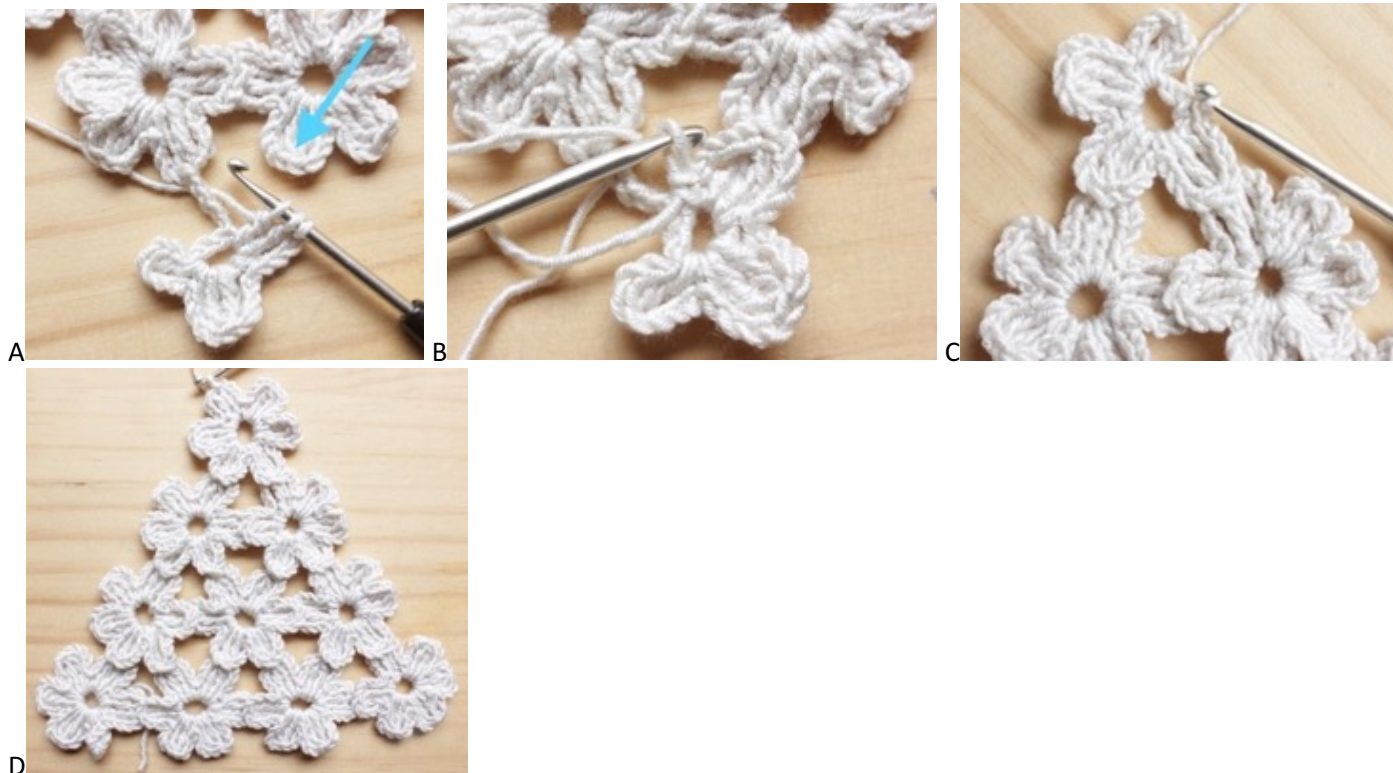


C

And the finally the last flower on top. This is the peak of the triangle.

10th flower

work first ch 7, 1 dc in 3rd ch from the hook to form a ring, ch 3, 1 tr in ring, ch 4, 1 sc in the ring, ch 4, 2 tr-cl in ring, ch 4, 1 sc in the ring, ch 4, 2 tr-cl in ring joining with sl into the flower of prev row, ch 4, 1 sc in the ring (picture A,B), ch 4, 1 tr in ring, sl in 1st cl of the prev flower, ch 4, 1 sc in ring (picture C), (ch 4, 2 tr-cl in ring, ch 4, 1 sc in the ring) 2 times, ch 4, join with sl in 1st cl. In total 6 petals (picture D).



The flowers are done. The measure of the triangle is now approximately>

	Height from the middle	Widht below
XS,S:	12cm/4.7"	12.8cm/5"
M,L:	13.6cm/5.4"	14.4cm/5.7"

Next is worked the edging around the triangle. Go on with same yarn, BUT change to a hook size 3mm/D, if you were making the flowers for sizes XS and S with smaller hook.

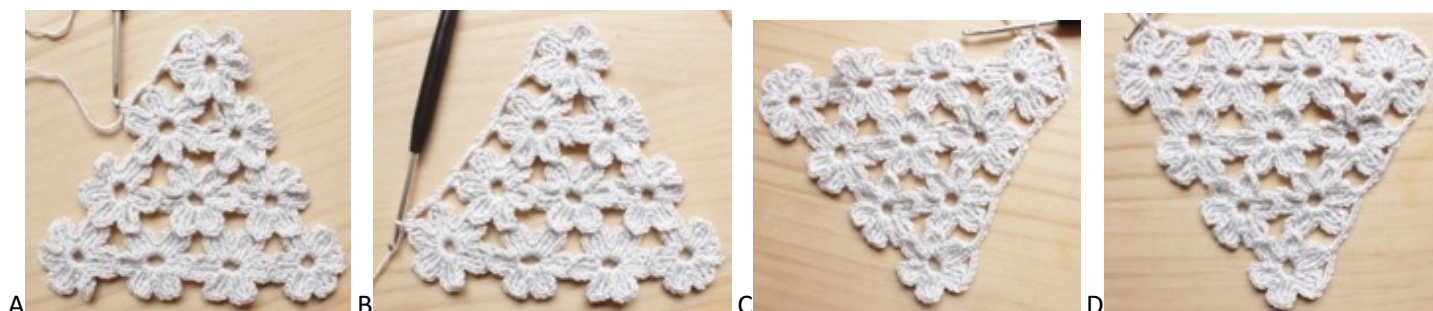
Row 1

Ch 5(5,6,6) (count as 1 sc, ch 4(4,5,5), 1 sc in cl of next petal, [ch 3(3,4,4), 1 sc in next petal, ch 4(4,5,5), 1 sc in next petal] 3 times (pictures A,B),

[ch 4(4,5,5), 1 sc in next petal] 2 times (picture C),

[ch 3(3,4,4), 1 sc in next petal, ch 4(4,5,5), 1 sc in next petal] 3 times (picture D).

In total 15 ch-sps. Turn.



Row 2

Ch 5(5,6,6) (count as 1dc, ch 2(2,3,3), [1dc in next ch sp, ch 2(2,3,3), 1dc in next sc, ch 2(2,3,3)] 7 times (pictures A,B), (1dc, ch3, 1dc) in next ch sp (picture C), [ch 2(2,3,3), 1 dc in next sc, ch 2(2,3,3), 1 sc in next ch sp] 7 times, ch 2(2,3,3), 1dc in next sc (in ch, that is counted as sc, picture D).

In total 15 ch sps in both side of the triangle and 1 ch-3 sp in the middle. Turn.



<p>Size XS Row 3 Sl in next ch-2 sp, ch 1 (count as 1sc, picture A), 1 sc in same ch-2 sp, 2sc in ea next 4 ch sps, 3 sc in ea next 10 ch-2 sps, (1 sc, ch 3, 1 sc) in next ch-3 sp, 3 sc in ea next 10 ch-2 sps, 2 sc in ea next 5 ch sps (pictures B-D size S). In total 41sc in both sides and ch 3. Turn.</p>	<p>Size S Row 3 Sl in next ch-2 sp, ch 1 (count as 1sc, picture A), 1 sc in same ch-2 sp, 2sc in ea next 2 ch-2 sps, 3 sc in ea next 12 ch-2 sps, (1 sc, ch 3, 1 sc) in next ch-3 sp, 3 sc in ea next 12 ch-2 sps, 2sc in ea next 3 ch-2 sps (pictures B-D size S). In total 43sc in both sides and ch 3. Turn</p>	<p>Size M Row 3 Sl in next ch-3 sp, ch 1 (count as 1sc, picture A), 1 sc in same ch-3 sp, 3sc in ea next 14 ch-3 sps, (1 sc, ch 3, 1 sc) in next ch-3 sp, 3 sc in ea next 14 ch-3 sps, 2 sc in last ch-3 sp (pictures B-D size S). In total 45sc in both sides and ch 3. Turn</p>	<p>Size L Row 3 Sl in next ch-3 sp, ch 1 (count as 1sc, picture A), 2 sc in same ch-3 sp, 3sc in ea next 14 ch-3 sps, (2 sc, ch 3, 2sc) in next ch-3 sp, 3 sc in ea next 15 ch-3 sps (pictures B-D size S). In total 47sc in both sides and ch 3. Turn</p>
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D

Row 4

Ch 1 (count as 1sc), 1 sc in ea next 40(42,44,46) sc, (1 sc, ch 3, 1 sc) in next ch-3 sp, 1 sc in ea next 41(43,45,47) sc. In total 42(44,46,48) sc on both sides and ch-3 sp in the middle (picture below). Turn.

**Row 5**

Ch 1 (count as 1sc), 1 sc in ea next 41(43,45,47) sc, (1 sc, ch 3, 1 sc) in next ch-3 sp, 1 sc in ea next 42(44,46,48) sc. In total 43(45,47,49) sc on both sides and ch-3 sp in the middle Turn.

Go on working as before until you have in total 48(52,56,60) sc in both sides (you'll be having 1 sc more in both sides after each row). In total 10(12,14,16) rows by now. Don't cut the yarn.



Then the Right side.

Now just working the right side of the piece. Going on with the same yarn.

Row 11(13,15,17)

Ch 1(count as 1sc), 1 sc in ea next 47(51,55,59) sc. In total 48(52,56,60) sc (pictures A,B). Turn.



Row 12(14,16,18)

Ch 1(count as 1sc), sc2tog in next 2 sc (picture A), 1 sc in ea next 45(49,53,57) sc, In total 47(51,55,59) sc (picture B). Turn.



Row 13(15,17,19)

Ch 1(count as 1sc), 1 sc in ea next 43(47,51,55) sc, sc2tog in next 2 sc, 1 sc in last st. In total 46(50,54,58) sc. Turn.

Row 14(16,18,20)

Ch 1(count as 1sc), sc2tog in next 2 sc, 1 sc in ea next 43(47,51,55) sc, In total 45(49,53,57) sc. Turn.

Row 15(17,19,21)

Ch 1(count as 1sc), 1 sc in ea next 41(45,49,53) sc, sc2tog in next 2 sc, 1 sc in last st. In total 44(48,52,56) sc. Turn.

Go on working as before; decreasing sc2tog in lower part, until you have 38(42,46,50) sc. In total 21(23,25,27) rows by now (picture below).

**Row 22(24,26,28)**

Ch 1(count as 1sc), sc2tog in next 2 sc, 1 sc in ea next 16(18,20,22) sc, sc2tog in next 2 sc, 1 sc in ea next 17(19,21,23) sc. In total 36(40,44,48) sc (picture below). Turn.



Row 23(25,27,29)

Ch 1(count as 1sc), 1 sc in ea next 15(17,19,21) sc, sc2tog in next 2 sc, 1 sc in ea next 15(17,19,21) sc, sc2tog in next 2 sc, 1 sc in last st. In total 34(38,42,46) sc. Turn.

I'll explain still the next 2 rows to get hang of it, but basically, they are worked the same as previous 2 rows, except you have 2sc less after each row.

Row 24(26,28,30)

Ch 1(count as 1sc), sc2tog in next 2 sc, 1 sc in ea next 14(16,18,20) sc, sc2tog in next 2 sc, 1 sc in ea next 15(17,19,21) sc. In total 32(36,40,44) sc. Turn.

Row 25(27,29,31)

Ch 1(count as 1sc), 1 sc in ea next 13(15,17,19) sc, sc2tog in next 2 sc, 1 sc in ea next 13(15,17,19) sc, sc2tog in next 2 sc, 1 sc in last st. In total 30(34,38,42) sc. Turn.

Now go on decreasing 2sc in every row, until you have in total 4sc (pictures A,B). In total 38(42,46,50) rows.



A

B

Row 39(43,47,51)

Ch 1(count as 1sc), sc2tog in next 2 sc, 1 sc in last st. In total 3sc (pictures A,B). Bind off.



A

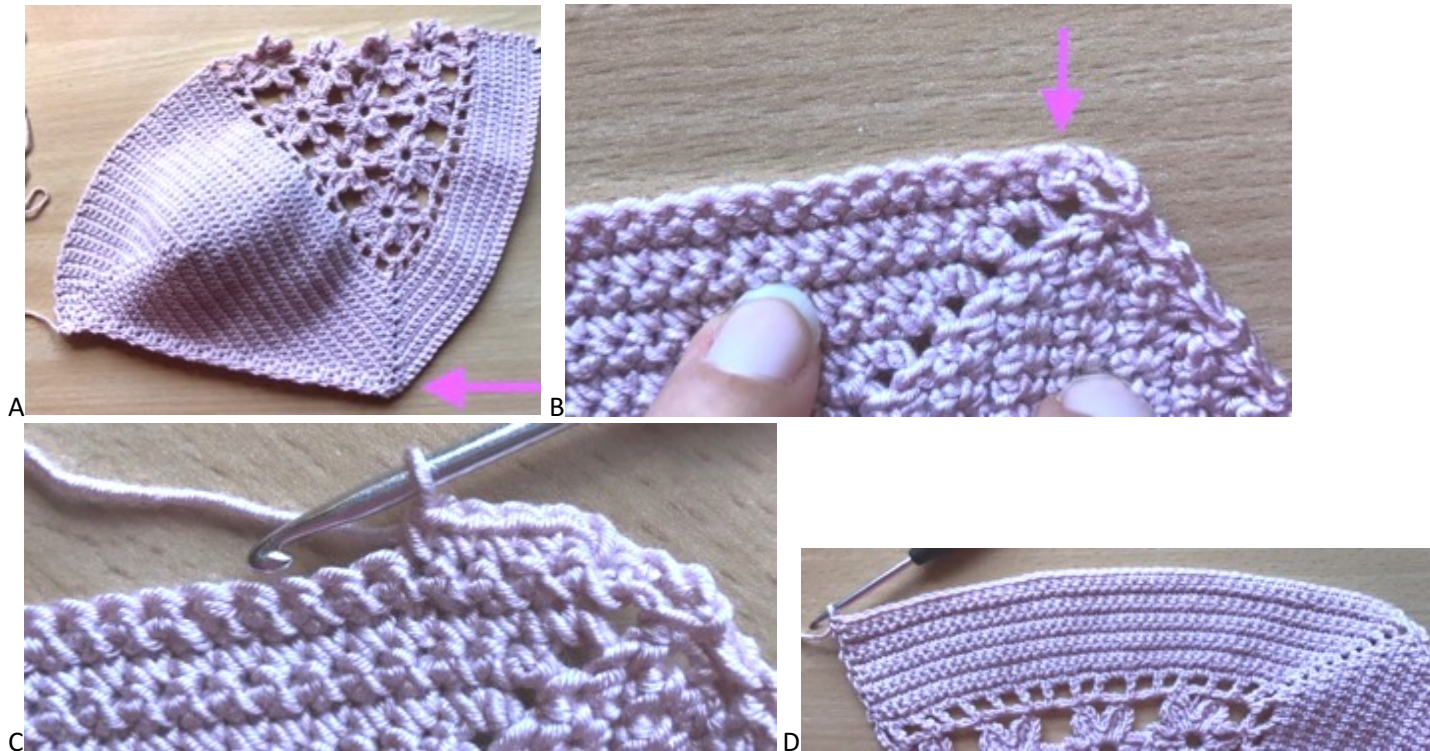
B

And the Left side

Place the piece right side facing you and start from the 1st sc to the left from the ch-3 sp (pictures A,B, pink arrow).

Row 11(13,15,17)

1 sc in ea next 48(52,56,60) sc. In total 48(52,56,60) sc (pictures C,D). Turn.



Row 12(14,16,18)

Ch 1(count as 1sc), 1 sc in ea next 44(48,52,56) sc, sc2tog in next 2 sc, 1 sc in last st. In total In total 47(51,55,59) sc. Turn.

Row 13(15,17,19)

Ch 1(count as 1sc), sc2tog in next 2 sc, 1 sc in ea next 44(48,52,56) sc. In total 46(50,54,58) sc. Turn.

Go on working as before; decreasing sc2tog in lower part, until you have 38(42,46,50) sc. In total 21(23,25,27) rows by now (picture below).



Row 22(24,26,28)

Ch 1(count as 1sc), 1 sc in ea next 16(18,20,22) sc, sc2tog in next 2 sc, 1 sc in ea next 16(18,20,22) sc, sc2tog in next 2 sc, 1 sc in last st. In total 36(40,44,48) sc. Turn.

Row 23(25,27,29)

Ch 1(count as 1sc), sc2tog in next 2 sc, 1 sc in ea next 15(17,19,21) sc, sc2tog in next 2 sc, 1 sc in ea next 16(18,29,22) sc. In total 34(38,42,46) sc. Turn.

Again I'll explain still the next 2 rows to get hang of it, but basically, they are worked the same as previous 2 rows, except you have 2sc less after each row.

Row 24(26,28,30)

Ch 1(count as 1sc), 1 sc in ea next 14(16,18,20) sc, sc2tog in next 2 sc, 1 sc in ea next 14(16,18,20) sc, sc2tog in next 2 sc, 1 sc in last st. In total 32(36,40,44) sc. Turn.

Row 25(27,29,31)

Ch 1(count as 1sc), sc2tog in next 2 sc, 1 sc in ea next 13(15,17,19) sc, sc2tog in next 2 sc, 1 sc in ea next 14(16,18,20) sc. In total 30(34,38,42) sc. Turn.

Now Go on by yourself decreasing 2sc in every row, until you have in total 4sc. In total 38(42,46,50) rows.

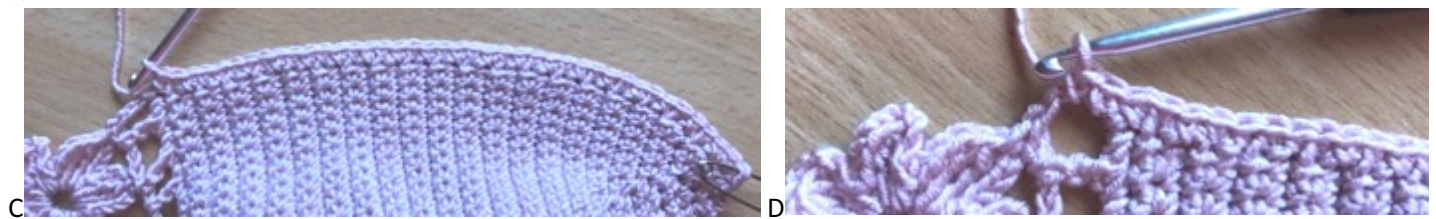
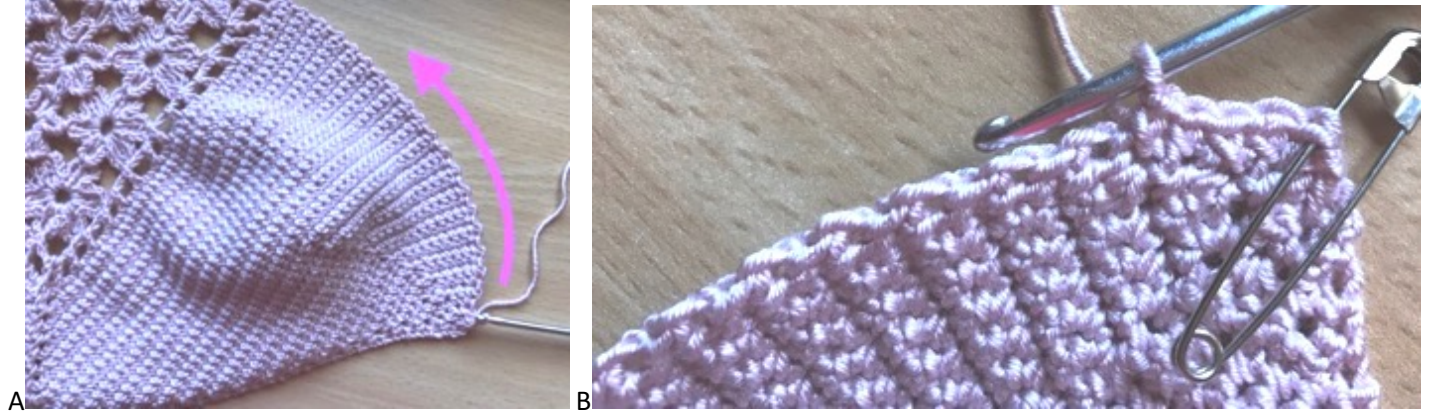
Row 39(43,47,51)

Ch 1(count as 1sc), sc2tog in next 2 sc, 1 sc in last st. In total 3sc. Don't cut the yarn (picture below).

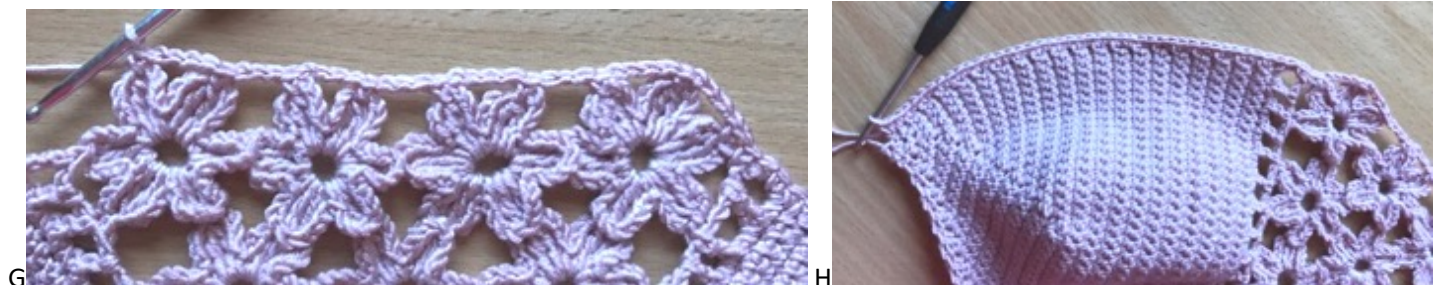


And now the edging around the whole piece

Rnd 1
So with same yarn work ch 1 (count as 1sc), 1 sc in each 36(40,44,48) sc row along the edge (pictures A-C), 2 sc in post of next dc (picture D), 1 sc in post of next sc, 1sc in 2tr cl of next petal (picture E), (ch 4, 1sc in 2tr cl of next petal) 2 times (picture F),



(ch 3, 1sc in next petal, ch 4, 1sc in next petal) 3 times (picture G), ch 4, 1sc in next petal, 1 sc in post of next sc, 2 sc in post of next dc,
1 sc in each 37(41,45,49) sc row along the edge (pictures H,I),
ch 3, sk next sc, 1 sc in next sc, 1 sc in each 29(31,33,35) sc row along the lower edge (picture J), 1 sc in next ch-3 sp (picture K, pink arrow), 1 sc in each 30(32,34,36) sc row along the lower edge, ch 3, join with sl in 1st sc (pictures L,M).





Rnd 2
 Ch 3 (count as 1sc, ch2), (sk next sc, 1sc in next sc, ch2) 20(22,24,26) times (picture A), 1sc in next ch-4 sp, ch2, 1 sc in next sc, ch2 (picture B),
 (1sc, ch 5, 1dc) in next ch-4 sp (picture C),
 (ch1, 1dc in next sc, ch1, 1dc in next ch sp) 5 times, ch1, 1dc in next sc, ch1,
 (1dc, ch 5, 1sc) in next ch-4 sp (picture D),



ch2, 1 sc in next sc, ch2, 1sc in next ch-4 sp, ch2, 1 sc in next sc (picture E), (ch2, sk next sc, 1 sc in next sc) 20(22,24,26) times (picture F),
ch3, sk next ch-3 sp, 1 sc in next sc (picture G),
(ch2, sk next sc, sc in next sc) 30(32,34,36) times, ch 3, sk next ch-3 sp, join with sl in 1st ch of ch 3 (picture H,I).



Work the last round with smaller hook to make the edging firmer and pigots pointy (In case you don't have smaller hook available, I recommend to work only (1sc, pigot) in ea next ch sp).

Rnd 3

(1sc, pigot, 1sc) in ea next ch-2 sp (pictures A-C), 8sc in next ch-5 sp (picture D), (1sc, pigot, 1sc) in ea next ch-1 sp, 8sc in next ch-5 sp, (1sc, pigot, 1sc) in ea next ch-2 sp,
Now work 6sc around both 2 ch-3 loops (pictures E,F), (1sc, pigot, 1sc) in ea next ch-2 sp, 6sc around both 2 ch-3 loops, join with sl in 1st sc. Bind off (picture G).



You can shape/form the top by placing the cups over your folded knee and pull gently the edges.

Ties for the top

I have added two different ways to make the cords/ties. The basic crochet ones and elastic ones by cutting ribbons from a fabric. I always use elastic ties, cos they make the bikini so much more comfortable to wear especially if you like to swim with your bikini.

Elastic Ties for the top:

If you prefer elastic strings/cords you can buy a piece of good quality elastic lycra/swim suit material and just cut long narrow strips (width around 1cm-1.50cm or as you prefer), pull/stretch the strip and it goes as a tube (picture A).

Cut 2 ribbons, length approximately 1.2m/47" for sizes XS/S and 1.4m/54" for sizes M/L. Take the midpoint of the ribbons and pull a loop through the loops of the flower triangle, then insert the ends of the tie through the loop, tighten. Add some beads (pictures B-E). Pull the ends still through the loops of the sides, so that the ribbons cross each other from the back (picture F).

Crochet Ties for the top:

Work ch stitches until the string measures 1.2m/47" for sizes XS/S and 1.4m/54" for sizes M/L. Adjust as the elastic ones (pictures B-F).



