

Spike Flower

Whip up this little floral beauty in ten minutes flat!

Got a selection of yarn remnants in your stash that you're not sure what to do with? Don't throw them out – instead, take a leaf from Lucinda Ganderton's book and make up this pretty little flower instead. Once it's finished you could sew it onto a hat or bag, add a brooch back to make a pin, or create a selection with chenille stick stems to create an everlasting bouquet.

Essential Kit

Yarn: Green, Purple, Mint

Crochet hook, 4mm

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Using 4mm hook and Green make 6ch, join with a sl st to first ch to form a ring

Rnd 1: 3ch (counts as 1tr), 11tr into ring, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch. 12 sts

Change to Purple

Rnd 2: (2ch [counts as 1htr], 1htr) in next st, 2htr in each st to end, join with a sl st to second of first 2ch. 24 sts

Fasten off Purple, join Mint to any sp between 2htr cl

Rnd 3: (1htr between next two tr of Rnd 1, miss two htr, 6tr in next sp between 2htr cl, miss two htr) to end, join with a sl st to first st. Six petals made

Fasten off, weave in ends