

Advent Calendar 2018 – Flower 1, finishing

*This pattern uses US terminology*

Finishing:



Stack the three pieces with the largest flower at the bottom and the center with the pistils (step 5) on the top.



Align the centers as best you can and sew all layers together with a yarn needle working around the first round.

I didn't check exactly where my needle went in each layer, I just tried to maintain the three layers as well as possible.

Weave in ends. Your first flower is finished!

Optional:

I mounted my flower in a metallic circle (sold as dreamcatcher circles here in France). The size of the circle depends on the size of your flower. My finished, unblocked flower was about 9 cm (3.5") across, and I mounted it in a 10 cm (4") circle.



Some of the circles I used had a spot with raw edges on the inside. I sanded this lightly so it would not scratch my yarn.



Work one or two sc around the circle, leaving a relatively long yarn tail. Insert your hook under the circle, as you would with a ring of chain stitches at the beginning of a motif worked in the round.



Work 1 sc inserting your hook under the circle and through one ch-3 space in the last round of the largest flower.



Continue working in sc around the circle, to the point where you attach the next petal tip of the flower. To see how far you should work, place your circle on a table and position the flower at its center. In my cas, I worked 20+ sc between each tip.



Once all tips are attached and sc have been worked all around the circle, fasten off and knot the two yarn tails (at start and end) together firmly.



Pass the two tails through the sc made to attach the first tip of the flower, and use them to make a loop to suspend the flower.



This is my first flower, I'd love to see yours! Don't forget to show your finished flowers, either by publishing a photo [in the dedicated Facebook group](#), or by sending it to me via email. Every participant who has published or sent in her/his photo of the flower will enter the final prize drawing in January.