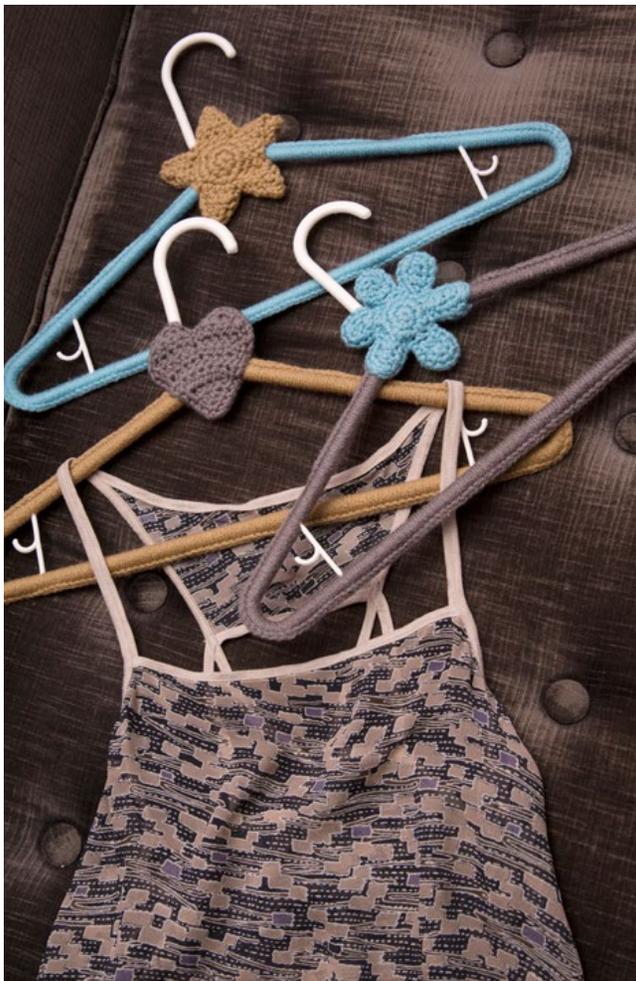




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Yarn Covered Hangers

Transform slippery plastic hangers into clever, decorator-style hangers. These are perfect for helping to keep clothes off your closet floor and are super gifts too!

Hanger measures 17" wide by 9¼" long (43 x 23.5 cm).

Special Stitch

dc2tog = [Yarn over, insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and pull up loop, yarn over, draw through 2 loops] 2 times, yarn over, draw through all 3 loops on hook.

Special Technique

Adjustable-ring method = Wrap yarn into a ring, ensuring that the tail falls behind the working yarn. Grip ring and tail firmly between middle finger and thumb. Insert hook through center of ring, yarn over (with working yarn) and draw up a loop. Work stitches of first round in the ring, working over both strands (the tail and the ring). After the first round of stitches is worked, pull gently, but firmly, on tail to tighten ring.

Covering sc = Place a slip knot on the hook, join yarn with slip stitch on diagonal bar, ch 1, *insert hook in triangular space from front to back under bar. Take yarn over top of bar to back and over the hook. Draw loop to front, bring yarn back over top of bar, yarn over and draw through both loops on hook (1 sc worked over bar); repeat from * around hanger. Push stitches together as you work, to ensure complete coverage. Fasten off and weave in ends. Note: To reduce the amount of weaving in, work the covering sc over the beginning tail.

Notes

1. Avoid using hangers with flat sections of plastic that will prevent you from working all the way around. If there are hooks or other dividers, skip over them and continue working around the hanger.
2. Take care to ensure that the strands of covering single crochet stitches do not cross over one another.

3. Check both sides of the hanger as you work to ensure that the plastic is completely covered. Do not work over the hook.
4. Beginning chains on appliques do not count as stitches.
5. When working in continuous rounds, do not join until instructed. Place a marker on the first stitch and move up as each round is complete.

HANGER (make 1 in each color)

Work as many covering sc as needed around diagonal and horizontal bars, pushing stitches together to ensure complete coverage; join with slip st in first stitch. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

APPLIQUES

Star (make 2)

With **A**, make an adjustable ring.

Round 1 (right side): Ch 1, 6 sc in ring—6 sc. Work in continuous rounds. Place marker on first stitch and move up as each round is completed. Pull gently, but firmly, on tail to tighten ring.

Round 2: Work 2 sc in each sc around—12 sc.

Round 3: *Work 2 sc in next 2 sc, sc in next sc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in first sc—20 sc.

Continue in rows for each point.

Row 1: Ch 1, hdc in first 3 sc, slip st in next sc, turn—3 hdc.

Row 2: Ch 2, skip slip st, hdc in first 2 hdc, slip st in last hdc, turn—3 hdc.

Row 3: Ch 2, skip slip st, dc2tog (point made), ch 1; working across ends of rows, 2 slip st in first row, slip st in next 2 rows, slip st in last sc work of Round 3—1 point.

Repeat Rows 1–3 four times; join with slip st in beginning ch of Row 1. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing on one star.

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Heart (make 2)

With **B**, ch 2.

Row 1 (right side): Work 2 hdc in 2nd ch from hook, turn—2 hdc.

Row 2: Ch 1, 2 hdc in each hdc, turn—4 hdc.

Rows 3–5: Ch 1, 2 hdc in first hdc, hdc in each st across to last hdc, 2 hdc in last hdc, turn—10 hdc.

First Arch

Row 6: Ch 1, hdc in first 4 hdc, slip st in next hdc; leave remaining sts unworked, turn—4 hdc.

Row 7: Ch 2, skip slip st, hdc in first 3 hdc, slip st in last hdc, turn—3 hdc.

Row 8: Ch 2, skip slip st, hdc in first 2 hdc, slip st in last hdc; holding piece with ends of rows facing, slip st in end of first 2 rows—2 hdc.

Second Arch

Row 6: Working in end of Row 6 of first arch, slip st in last hdc, ch 1, working in unworked sts, hdc in next 5 hdc, turn—5 hdc.

Row 7: Ch 1, hdc in first 4 hdc, slip st in last hdc, turn—4 hdc.

Row 8: Ch 2, skip slip st, hdc in first 2 hdc, slip st in next hdc, leave last hdc unworked, do not turn—2 hdc.

Edging

Round 1: Ch 1, working in ends of rows, sc 11 sts evenly down first side; work 3 sc in opposite side of foundation ch, sc 11 sts evenly up other side, 2 sc in next 2 hdc of first arch; sc in end of next 3 rows, slip st in center slip st (between arches); sc in end of next 3 rows up second arch, 2 sc in next 2 hdc; join with slip st in first sc. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing on one heart.

Flower (make 2)

With **C**, make an adjustable ring.

Round 1 (right side): Ch 1, 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook—6 sc. Work in continuous rounds. Place marker on first stitch and move up as each round is completed. Pull gently, but firmly, on tail to tighten ring.

Round 2: Work 2 sc in each sc around—12 sc.

Round 3: Ch 1, *sc in next sc, ch 5, working in back bumps only, dc in 3rd ch from hook, dc in next ch, hdc in next ch, sc in next sc (petal made); repeat from * 5 times—6 petals.

Round 4: *Working in opposite side of ch, slip st in first ch, sc in next 2 ch, 2 sc in next ch, 2 sc in ch-2 space (at top of petal), 2 sc in first dc, sc in next dc, slip st in next hdc, slip st in next sc, skip next sc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in first slip st. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing on one flower.

FINISHING

Pair each applique and hanger as follows: heart on **A**-colored hanger, flower on **B**-colored hanger, and star on **C**-colored hanger.

With wrong sides held together and working through both sets of loops, begin whipstitching pairs of appliques together but do not complete. Using photograph as a guide, center each applique over base of hanger hook, positioning over first and last stitches on bars. Continue whipstitching around, threading yarn as needed through wrong side of stitches to close gaps around bars and hook. Secure ends. Repeat for each hanger. Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

A, B, C = Color A, Color B, Color C, etc.; **ch** = chain; **dc** = double crochet; **hdc** = half double crochet; **sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch(es); * = repeat whatever follows the * as indicated.