

# Charmed Snowflake Ornament

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## Materials

Small amount size 10 crochet cotton  
Size 10 steel crochet hook  
1" - 1 1/2" charm (Flat or 3-dimensional)  
Tapestry needle for weaving in ends  
Fabric stiffener  
Rustproof pins  
Blocking board  
Wax paper or plastic wrap

Additional materials for picture frame  
version:

Glue  
3" x 3" piece thin cardboard for backing  
Picture to fit center of frame



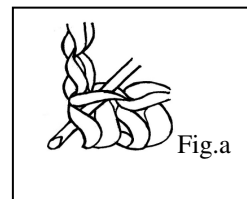
**Gauge** Overall not important, length of starting chain should be approx 4"

**Finished Size** Approx 5 3/4" after stiffening

**Skill Level** Intermediate

## Special Stitches

**Picot (p):** Make number of chain stitches for each picot as noted in instructions (i.e. ch4p would mean to chain 4 before working picot, ch3p to chain 3, etc.) then sl st into front loop and left bar of stitch at base of chain to form picot loop (see Fig. a). Take care not to catch chains in the sl st.



**2 Double Crochet Cluster (2dcCL):** Yo, insert hook in st noted in instructions, yo, pull through st, yo, pull through 2 lps on hook, yo, insert hook in same st, yo, pull through st, yo, pull through 2 lps on hook, yo, pull through all 3 lps on hook.

## Instructions

Snowflake is worked in rounds. Do not turn at end of each round. For best results, work tightly.

**Rnd 1:** Ch36, taking care not to twist chain, join with sl st in first ch. Ch3, dc in same st as joining, \* ch2, skip 1 ch, 2dc in next ch. Repeat from \* around, ending with ch2, join with sl st in top of starting ch3. (18 ch-2 spaces)

**Rnd 2:** Sl st in next dc and in first ch-2 space, ch1, \* 2sc in sp, ch6, (2sc in next ch-2 sp, ch3) twice. Repeat from \* 5 times, join with sl st in first sc. (6 ch-6 spaces, 12 ch-3 spaces)

**Rnd 3:** Sl st in next sc and in first ch-6 sp, ch1, \* in ch-6 sp work (4 sc, ch 7, 4 sc), in each of next 2 ch-3 spaces work (2sc, ch1, 2sc). Repeat from \* 5 times, join with sl st in first sc.

**Rnd 4:** Sl st in next 3 sc and in first ch-7 space, ch1, \* in ch-7 space work (2sc, ch2, 3dc, 2tr, ch4p (see special stitches), tr, 3dc, ch2, 2sc), ch4, 2dcCL (see special stitches) in next ch-1 sp, ch1, 2dcCL in next ch-1 sp, ch4. Repeat from \* 5 times, join with sl st in first sc.

**Rnd 5:** \* Sl st in next sc, sc in ch-2 sp, sc in next dc, ch4p, sc in next 2dc, ch4p, sc in next tr, sk next tr, in ch4p loop work (3sc, ch5p, 2sc), sc in next tr, ch4p, sc in next 2dc, ch4p, sc in next dc, sc in ch-2 sp, sl st in next 2sc, in next ch-4sp work (2sc, ch3p, 2sc), in next ch-1 sp work (sc, ch5p, sc), in next ch-4sp work (2sc, ch3p, 2sc), sl st in next sc. Repeat from \* 5 times, fasten off. Weave in ends.

**For Picture Frame Version:**

**Rnd 1:** Ch36, join with sl st. Ch3 (counts as first dc), dc in same st as joining. 2dc in each ch around, join with sl st in top of starting ch3. (72 dc)

**Rnd 2:** Ch1, sc in joining and next dc, \*ch6, sk 2 dc, sc in next 2 dc, ch3, sk 2dc, sc in next 2dc, ch3, sk 2dc, sc in next 2dc. Repeat from \* 5 times, omitting last 2 sc on last repeat, join with sl st in first sc. (6 ch-6 sp, 12 ch-3 sp)  
Continue with rounds 3, 4, and 5 as for snowflake ornament.



**Finishing:** Stiffen according to manufacturer's directions. Block to approx 5 3/4" diameter circle, starting with 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> ch5p loops at top and bottom of circle. (For ease in attaching charm in ornament version, with a pin slightly enlarge remaining loop of 3rd ch of starting chain before stiffener dries). Dry thoroughly. Attach charm to enlarged loop inside open center of snowflake for ornament version. For picture frame version, cut thin cardboard circle the same size as the dc ring formed by Rnd1. Cut picture slightly smaller. Apply thin line of glue along edge of circle, (leave top half of circle unglued if you wish to be able to change picture). Place picture on cardboard inside circle of glue. Lay ornament over cardboard, edges even with dc circle and top of picture under ch5p loop. Weight until dry. Both versions: attach hanger to top ch5p loop.