

Maple Leaf



O Canada! Your striking flag inspired me to crochet a Maple leaf.

SKILL LEVEL

Intermediate

MATERIALS & TOOLS

1 yarn of your choice in a leafy color

Hook: Appropriate size hook to achieve a firm gauge with selected yarn

Tapestry needle

PATTERN NOTE

The Maple Leaf starts by working across one side of the chain and then its other side. In the following rows, crochet down one side of the leaf toward its base, then rotate the leaf so you can work up the other side. At the end of the row, turn and work toward the base again.

FOR THESE LEAVES WE USED

Berroco Ultra® Alpaca (50% super fine alpaca, 50% Peruvian wool; 3.5oz/100g = 215yd/198m); (A) color red #6234—light weight yarn; (4)

GAUGE CIRCLE

(see page 11) = 1"/2.5cm worked on 4.00mm (size G-6 U.S.) hook

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

4½"/11.4cm x 45/8"/11.8cm (with stem)

Universal Yarns Fibra Natura Exquisite Bamboo (77% bamboo, 23% superwash merino wool; 1.76oz/50g = 109yd/100m); (A) color Sable #40-156—medium weight yarn; (4)

GAUGE CIRCLE

(see page 11) = 7/8"/2.2cm worked on 4mm (size G-6 U.S.) hook

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

41/8"/10.5cm x 43/8"/11.1cm (with stem)

Fiber Fanatic Hand Painted Yarn (100% wool, 3.5oz/100g = 245yd/223m); (A) color Sunset—medium weight yarn; (4)

GAUGE CIRCLE

(see page 11) = 13/8"/3.5cm worked on 5.00mm (size H-8 U.S.) hook

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

5¼"/13.3cm x 5½"/14cm (with stem)

Brooks Farm Yarns Duet (55% kid mohair, 45% fine wool; 8oz/225g = 500yd/455m); (A) color shaded reds and gold—light weight yarn; (4)

GAUGE CIRCLE

(see page 11) = 7/8"/2.2cm worked on 4.00mm (size G-6 U.S.) hook

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

5"/12.7cm x 51/8"/13cm (with stem)

INSTRUCTIONS

Leaf

Ch 12.

Row 1: Working in 1 lp of each ch, sc in 3rd ch from hook, dc, tr, 2 dc, 2 hdc, 3 sc, ch 2, rotate. Working in the unused lps along the other side of the ch, 6 sc, (sc, hdc) in next st. Ch 3, turn.

Row 2: Sk 3 ch, 8 sc, sc in ch-2 lp, ch 2, rotate. Working along the other side of the leaf, 6 sc, (sc, hdc) in next st. Ch 3, turn.

Row 3: Sk 3 ch, 8 sc, sc in ch-2 lp, ch 2, rotate. Working along the other side of the leaf, 2 sc, hdc, (hdc, dc) in next st. Ch 5, turn.

Row 4: Sc in 3rd ch from hook, sc in each of next 2 ch, 5 sc, sc in ch-2 lp, ch 2, rotate. Working along the other side of the leaf, 2 sc, hdc, (hdc, dc) in next st. Ch 5, turn.

Row 5: Sc in 3rd ch from hook, sc in each of next 2 ch, 5 sc, sc in ch-2 lp, ch 2, rotate. Working along the other side of the leaf, 8 sc. Ch 5, turn.

Row 6: Sc in 3rd ch from hook. Working in ch, dc, tr. Continuing down the edge of the leaf, tr, 3 dc, 2 hdc, 2 sc, sc in ch-2 lp, ch 2, rotate. Working along the other side of the leaf, 8 sc. Ch 5, turn.

Row 7: Sc in 3rd ch from hook. Working in ch, dc, tr. Continuing down the edge of the leaf, tr, 3 dc, 2 hdc, 2 sc, sc in ch-2 lp, ch 2, rotate. Working along the other side of the leaf, 7 sc, (sc, hdc) in next st. Ch 3, turn.

Row 8: Sk 3 ch, 9 sc, sc in ch-2 lp, ch 2, rotate. Working along the other side of the leaf, 7 sc, (sc, hdc) in next st. Ch 3, turn.

Row 9: Pay attention on this row; it's different. Sk 3 ch, 9 sc, sc in ch-2 lp, 3 sc, (hdc, dc) in next st. Ch 4, turn.

Row 10: Sl st in 3rd ch from hook, 3 sc, 3 sl sts, 3 sc, (hdc, dc) in next st, ch 4, turn.

Row 11: Sl st in 3rd ch from hook, 3 sc, 3 sl sts.

Make a stem: Ch 7, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sl st in rem ch, needle join to base of leaf.

Finishing

Weave in ends. Block.

