

# SNOWFLAKES

1980s Crochet Pattern



**SIZES:** Each motif measures about 3¼" to 4½" worked with No. 10 crochet thread. (Specific size for each is given below.)

**MATERIALS:** 100% cotton crochet thread No. 10, with steel crochet hook No. 8. (Snowflakes can be made in smaller sizes by using a finer thread and hook; for example, No. 30 crochet cotton with No. 12 hook.) We suggest you do not use any of the synthetic cotton-type threads now available as they do not take stiffening well. White glue. Piece of styrofoam; waxed paper; rustproof pins or toothpicks.

**STITCHES:** **Picot:** Ch 6, sl st in 6th ch from hook. **Large Picot:** Ch 8, sl st in 8th ch from hook. **Triple Treble Crochet (tr trc):** Yarn over hook 4 times, insert hook in stitch, yo and draw up a loop, (yo and draw through 2 loops on hook) 5 times.

**SNOWFLAKE NO. 1** (about 3¼"): Ch 5, join with sl st to form a ring.

**Rnd 1:** Ch 5, sc in ring, \* ch 10, sc in ring, ch 5, sc in ring; repeat from \* 4 times more, end ch 5, tr trc in ring—6 large loops; 6 small loops.

**Rnd 2:** Sc in top of tr trc loop, \* ch 9, sl st in 8th ch from hook, ch 7, sl st in 6th ch from hook, ch 6, sl st in 5th ch from hook, ch 6, sl st in last ch-6 loop at sl st, ch 5, sl st in same ch-6 loop at sl st, ch 7, sl st in 6th ch from hook, ch 9, sl st in 8th ch from hook, sl st in first ch-9 loop on this arm at sl st, ch 1, sl st in sc at top of ch-10 loop, ch 4, sc in next ch-5 loop on Rnd 1 (one arm completed), ch 4, picot, ch 4, sl st in sc at top of same ch-5 loop, ch 4, sc in next ch-10 loop; repeat from \* around, end last repeat with sl st in first sc.

**SNOWFLAKE NO. 2** (about 4½"): Ch 5, join with sl st to form a ring.

**Rnd 1:** \* Ch 25, sc in ring, ch 15, sc in ring; repeat from \* 5 times more. Cut thread.

#### ABBREVIATIONS

beg	begin or beginning	sc	single crochet
ch	chain	sk	skip
dc	double crochet	sl	slip
dec	decrease	sp	space
hdc	half double crochet	st	stitch
inc	increase	tog	together
lp	loop	tr	treble
pat	pattern	yo	yarn over
rnd	round		

**Rnd 2:** Join thread at top of ch-15 loop, sc in loop, \* ch 12, d trc in 5th ch from hook, ch 8, sl st in last d trc, ch 4, d trc in same trc, ch 7, sl st in last sc, sc in same ch-15 loop, ch 5, d trc in last sc, ch 5, sl st in last d trc, ch 6, picot, ch 5, d trc in same st as picot, sc in next ch-15 loop; repeat from \* 5 times more, end last repeat with sl st to first sc. Fasten off.

**SNOWFLAKE NO. 3** (about 3¾"): Ch 6, join with sl st to form a ring.

**Rnd 1:** Ch 1, work 12 sc in ring, join with sl st to first sc.

**Rnd 2:** Ch 1, \* ch 3, sc in next sc; repeat from \* 10 times more, end ch 1, dc in ch-1 at beginning of row.

**Rnd 3:** Sc in ch-3 space, \* ch 3, work large picot, ch 3, skip ch-3 space, sc in next ch-3 space, ch 3, sc in same space; repeat from \* 4 times more, end ch 3, large picot, ch 3, skip ch-3 space, sc in next ch-3 space, ch 1, dc in first sc.

**Rnd 4:** Ch 3, dc in ch-3 space, \* ch 4, trc in dc, ch 4, trc in last trc, ch 6, trc in last trc, ch 8, sl st in last trc (tip of snowflake) ch 6, trc in last trc, sl st in trc at base of first ch-6, ch 4, trc in same trc, ch 4, trc in last trc, 2 dc in next ch-3 space; repeat from \* 5 times more, end by replacing last 2 dc with sl st in top of first ch-3.

**SNOWFLAKE NO. 4** (about 3¼"): Ch 5, join with sl st to form a ring.

**Rnd 1:** Ch 5, sc in ring, \* ch 10, sc in ring, ch 5, sc in ring, repeat from \* 4 times more, end ch 5, tr trc in ring—6 large loops; 6 small loops.

**Rnd 2:** Sc in top of tr trc loop, \* ch 9, sl st in 8th ch from hook, ch 7, sl st in 6th ch from hook, ch 6, sl st in 5th ch from hook, ch 6, sl st in last ch-6 loop at sl st, ch 5, sl st in same ch-6 loop at sl st, ch 7, sl st in 6th ch from hook, ch 9, sl st in 8th ch from hook, sl st in first ch-9 loop at sl st, ch 1, sl st in sc at top of ch-10 loop (one leaf completed), (ch 4, picot) 2 times, ch 4, sc in top of next ch-10 loop; repeat from \* around, end last repeat by joining with a sl st in first sc.

**SNOWFLAKE NO. 5** (about 3½"): Ch 5, join with sl st to form a ring.

**Rnd 1:** Ch 3, trc in ring, ch 4, sl st in trc, ch 11, sl st in 8th ch from hook, ch 9, sl st in 6th ch from hook, ch 10, sl st in last sl st, ch 6, sl st in same sl st, ch 11, sl st in 8th ch from hook, ch 3, sl st in first trc on arm, ch 4, sl st in same trc, ch 3, sc in ring; repeat from \* 5 times more. Fasten off.

**SNOWFLAKE NO. 6** (about 3½"): Ch 5, join with sl st to form a ring.

**Rnd 1:** \* Ch 6, sc in ring; repeat from \* 4 times more, ch 1, trc in first ch of rnd.

**Rnd 2:** Ch 2, trc in space, ch 2, in same space work trc, dc, hdc, sc, \* in next ch-6 space work sc, hdc, dc, trc, ch 2, trc, dc, hdc, sc; repeat from \* 4 times more, end sc, hdc, sl st to top of ch-2 to join.

**Rnd 3:** Ch 1, sc in ch-2 space, \* ch 3, (picot, ch 2) 5 times, ch 1, sl st in last sc, sc in same ch-2 space, ch 3, trc in sc, ch 6, sl st in trc, ch 3, trc in same trc, sc in next ch-2 space; repeat from \* 5 times more, end sl st to starting ch-1.

**FINISHING:** Mix a solution of 1 part white glue to 1 part water. Saturate snowflake and squeeze out excess liquid. Place waxed paper on piece of styrofoam; place snowflake on waxed paper; using rustproof pins or toothpicks, pin into shape. Begin pinning by arranging all long loops in a straight line. You will find that depending on how the outer loops are pinned, the snowflake changes shape; the same snowflake can be made to look a number of different ways. Allow piece to dry completely before removing from wax paper. (If climate is very humid, use fan or hair dryer to hasten drying.)