

# Barb Owen's Spin on Crocheted Button Flowers

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### Supplies:

- **Crochet Hook** - steel hook that fits through the hole of the button (usually 7 or 8)
- **Crochet Thread** - Cotton #10
- **Buttons** - any 4-hole button. If you prefer to work with paper, use a Martha Stewart Embossed Button punch and glue several cardstock buttons together.
- **Tapestry Needle**
- **Small Scissor**
- **Dye** - If you use white or ivory crochet thread, you can dye the finished flower with Adirondack Color Wash or SEI Tumble Dye.
- **Embellishments** - glue small crystals, flat-back pearls or other embellishment to flower center, if you like.

**Watch the Ustream Rebroadcast if the pattern is confusing.**

### Key:

- CH** = chain
- SC** = single crochet
- HDC** = half double crochet
- DC** = double crochet
- TC** = triple crochet

**Round 1** - Insert hook from front to back of button and pull thread through. Hold the thread tail while creating a slip stitch at the edge of the button. **CH 3** (or 4 depending on the size of the button - you'll need to experiment with your specific button.) Go back into the same button hole and **SC** at edge of the button. **CH 3. SC** into next hole of button. **CH 3** and **SC** in same button hole. Continue around the button and slip stitch to connect when you finish the round.

**Round 2** - Work each petal UNDER the chain 3.

**Petal sequence for small button: HDC, DC, TC, DC, HDC.**

Repeat for each petal - total of 8. Slip stitch at end of round. Cut thread, leaving a tail.

Pull ending thread tail to back of flower. Tie beginning and ending thread tails together. Use tapestry needle to bury the tails in the stitches and trim.

**Pattern sequence for large button:**  
**HDC, DC, DC, TC, DC, DC, HDC**

**If you wish to dye the flower:** Dampen and spray with fabric dye. Let sit a few minutes and then rinse until water is clear. Dry. Heat set with heat gun --> keep the heat gun moving if the button is plastic.