



# Golden Flakes of Snow

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A beautiful decoration to hang on the tree or around the home and they also make a great present topper.

## Pattern Notes

A full pattern including clearly written instructions and stitch abbreviations.

**This pattern is written in UK terms**

# Snowflakes

## Materials:

Yarn: Twilleys Goldfingering (Metallic crochet thread)

Hook: 2.5mm

## Abbreviations:

ch - chain

ss - slip stitch

st/sts - stitch/es

dc - double crochet (US sc - single crochet)

htr - half treble crochet (US hdc - half double crochet)

tr - treble crochet (US dc - double crochet)

## Special Stitches:

*picot* - 3ch, make a ss into the 3rd chain from hook to create a tiny loop

*triple picot* - make picot, 4ch, make a ss into the 4th chain from hook, make picot, then make a ss into the 1st chain of the 1st picot to hold the triple picots together

*extended picot* - 3ch, make triple picot, ss into each of the first 3 chains

## Snowflake No 1: Frosted

ch4, ss into the 1st ch to make a loop

**Round 1:** 1ch, (1dc into loop, 3ch) six times, ss into the top of the 1st dc of the round.

**Round 2:** ss into chain space, 1ch, (1dc, 4ch, 1dc) into same space, \*3ch, make 1dc in next space, 4ch and 1dc in same space,\* repeat from \* to \* four times, then 3ch, ss into the top of the 1st dc of the round.

**Round 3:** ss into chain space, 1 ch, (1dc, 3ch, 1dc, 4ch, 1dc, 3ch, 1dc) into same space, \*3ch, skip 3ch space and into 4ch space work: (1dc, 3ch, 1dc, 4ch, 1dc, 3ch, 1dc),\* repeat from \* to \* four times, 3ch, skip 3ch space and ss into the top of the 1st dc of the round.



## Snowflake No 2: Crystal

ch5, ss into the 1st ch to make a loop

**Round 1:** 3ch (counts as 1tr), 11tr's into the loop, ss into the top of the beginning 3ch.

**Round 2:** 1ch, 1dc into same st, \*2ch, 1tr in next tr, 2ch, 1dc,\* repeat from \* to \* four times, 2ch, 1tr, 2ch, ss into the top of the 1st dc of the round.

**Round 3:** 1ch, 1dc into same st, \*2ch, (1tr, 1ch, 1tr) into tr, 2ch, 1dc in dc,\* repeat from \* to \*, four times, 2ch, (1tr, 1ch, 1tr) into tr, 2ch, ss into top of the 1st dc of the round.

**Round 4:** ss into chain space, 1ch, 1dc in same space, \*2ch, (1dc, 2ch, 1tr, make triple picot, 1tr, 2ch, 1dc) into next space, 2ch, 1dc in next space, make picot, 1dc in next space,\* repeat from \* to \* five times, ending the last repeat after the picot with a ss into the top of the 1st dc of the round.



## Snowflake No 3: Sparkle

ch4, ss into the 1st ch to make a loop

**Round 1:** 1ch, (1dc into loop, 2ch) six times, ss into top of the 1st dc of the round.

**Round 2:** 1ch, \*1dc in dc, 2ch, 1tr in space, 2ch\*, repeat from \* to \* five times, ss into top of the 1st dc of the round.

**Round 3:** \*2ch, ss in tr, make extended picot, ss into same tr, 2ch, ss into dc, make triple picot, ss into same dc,\* repeat from \* to \* five times.



## Snowflake No 4: Stellar

6ch, ss into the 1st ch to make a loop

**Round 1:** 1ch, (1dc, 1ch, 1tr, 1ch) into loop six times, ss into the top of the 1st dc of the round.

**Round 2:** ss into chain space, ss into tr, 1ch, 1dc in same st, \*4ch, 1dc in next tr,\* repeat from \* to \* four times, 4ch, ss into top of the 1st dc of the round.

**Round 3:** ss into chain space, 1ch, \*(1dc, 1htr, 1tr, 2ch, 1tr, 1htr, 1dc) in space, 1ch,\* repeat from \* to \* five times, ss into top of 1st dc of the round.

**Round 4:** ss into next 2 sts, ss into chain space, 1ch, \*(1dc, 3ch, 1dc) in 2ch space, 3ch, 1dc in 1ch space, 3ch,\* repeat from \* to \* five times, ss into top of the 1st dc of the round.

**Round 5:** \*ss into next chain space, (3ch, ss, 4ch, ss, 3ch, ss) all into same space, 3dc into next sp, ss into dc, 3dc into next space,\* repeat from \* to \* five times, ss into the ss at the beginning of the round.



## Finishing

Weave in the ends and block the snowflakes, taking care to pin out the loops and picots into the shape you would like once dry. Wet the flakes with either water or spray starch and leave them overnight. Once dry, carefully unpin the flakes and use some extra thread to tie a small loop for hanging.

## Tips

**Picots** - When making a slip stitch into the chain to make a picot, insert your hook into the chain so that two loops of the chain are lifted over the top of the hook and only one is below the hook. This will give you a neater and tighter finish.

**Tight stitches** - If you're having trouble pulling the yarn through those tight stitches, try rolling the hook with your fingers so that the head twists away from you, it will slip through a lot more smoothly.

**Stiffening** - Carefully paint PVA glue onto the back with a brush and then leave to dry. This will give a nice stiff finish to your motifs, perfect to help it keep its shape when you hang it.