Sunflower Pincushion

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This is a fairly basic pattern as it consists of just two parts, the centre (yellow) and the petals (white)

Centre

This is made up as a continuous row, increasing by doing 2 dc into dc as needed.

Using yellow yarn, Ch 3, join to make a ring

R1: 6 dc into ring,

R2: *dc, 2 dc into dc*, rep until circle is approx 5 cm across

Next 3 rounds: dc (to form side)

Next 3 rounds: *dc, dec*, rep until circle nearly closed

Fill with stuffing, dec to close

Cast off, stitch opening closed

Petals

Using white yarn, ch 14

R1: tr

Leave yarn attached, make a total of 24 petals.

Assembly instructions

Turn yellow centre over, stitch 12 petals around the centre at first dec row, stitch remaining 12 petals around at 2nd dec row. Arrange the second row of petals so that they are between the petals of the preceding row.

