



# Garden Tie Backs

*These curtain ties are very simple to make but add a pretty floral touch to a room.*

## Materials:

1 x ball of aran/worsted cotton (I used Rowan RYC Silk Cotton)

4.5mm (G or H USA) crochet hook

Various colours of dk/worsted yarn for flowers (I used Hayfield Bonus DK)

Yarn needle

This pattern is written using English crochet terms. However, I have included information to convert to American crochet.

## Ties

Make a chain of 158 to start

**Foundation row:** 1 dc into second chain from hook, 1 dc into next chain, chain 8, skip 8 chains and dc into 9th chain, 1 dc into each of the next two chains, \*chain 1, skip 1 chain and 1 dc into 2nd chain\*, repeat from \* to \* 29 more times, \*\*chain 4, skip next 4 chains and 1 dc into 5th chain\*\*, repeat from \*\* to \*\* 4 more times, †chain 9, skip 9 and 1 dc into 10th chain†, repeat from † to † 3 more times, chain 10 and fasten off.

**Start second chain:** Chain 10, 1 dc into 2nd dc from the end of last chain [Diagram 1], \*chain 9, skip 9ch, 1 dc into next dc\* repeat twice, \*\*chain 4, skip 4 chain, 1 dc into next dc\*\*, repeat from \*\* to \*\* 4 more times, †chain 1, skip 1 chain, 1 dc into next dc†, repeat from † to † 29 more times, 1 dc into next dc, chain 8, skip 8 dc, 1 dc into 9th dc, 1 dc into next dc (should be the last), turn.

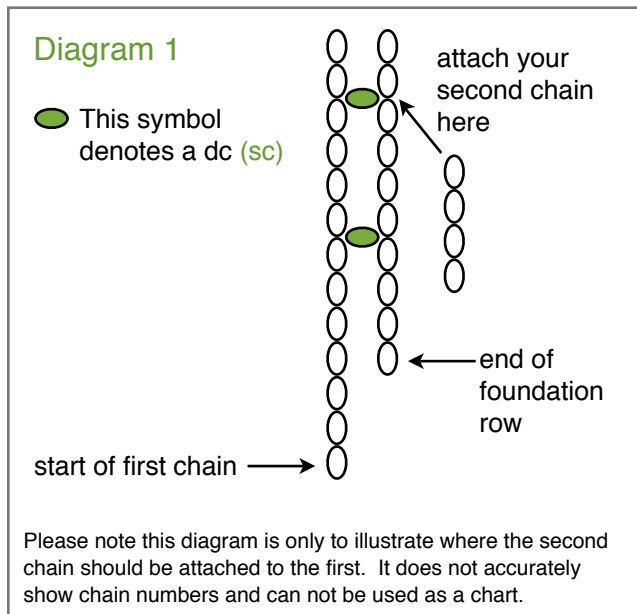
**Next row:** chain 1, 1 dc into next dc, 1 dc into each of the next 8 chains, 1 dc into next 2 dc, \*chain 1, skip 1 chain, 1 dc into next dc\*, repeat



29 more times, \*\* chain 4, skip 4 chain, 1 dc into next dc\*\*, repeat 4 more times, †chain 9, skip 9

## Flowers

Make around 40 flowers, using one or both of the following patterns:



### Four petal flower

Using first colour, make a chain of 6 and join with ss into a ring.

**First row:** (chain 2, 2 tr, chain 2, ss into ring) 4 times. This will make four petals. Fasten off your first colour.

**Second row:** Attach second colour yarn between petals, (1dc between petals and into ring, chain 1 behind petal) 4 times, ss in the back of the first dc. Fasten off.

### Second flower

Using first colour, make a chain of 6 and join with ss into a ring.

**First row:** chain 1, 9dc into the ring and using the second colour, ss to the chain 1.

**Second row:** continuing in second colour, (chain 4, 2dtr cluster in next dc, chain 4, 1dc in next dc) 5 times, ending with a ss in 1st chain of the first round. Fasten off.

### Making Up

Attach the flowers randomly at the ends and along the length of the tiebacks. I sewed them into place because I'm a bit messy with the glue. But if you have a glue that works well on wool, then this may be quicker!

### Abbreviations & Translations: (American terms in brackets)

ss	slip stitch
ch	chain
dc	double crochet (sc - single crochet)
tr	treble crochet (dc - double crochet)
dtr	double treble crochet (tr - treble crochet)

### Special stitch:

(American terms in brackets)

#### 2 dtr cluster (2tr cluster)

Work a dtr (tr), but do not complete the last wrap, leave this loop on the hook and then start the next dtr (tr), again do not complete the last wrap. You should now have three loops on your hook. Now wrap and pull through all the loops on your hook to complete the cluster.

To tie back curtains, take two of the completed cords, and hang both on the curtain hook, bring one cord around each side of the curtain and loosely tie in front.

