

# Sweet Caroline

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## Part 1

### UK terms used throughout Abbreviations

St, sts	Stitch, stitches	Dc	Double crochet	Bl	Back Loop
R	Round	Htr	Half treble crochet	Fl	Front Loop
Ch	Chain	Tr	Treble crochet	Bp	Back Post
Sl-st	Slip stitch	Dtr	Double treble crochet	Fp	Front Post
Yo	Yarn over	Ttr	Triple treble crochet		

*[ ] Hints: Are typed in italics and coloured purple, they are to help and guide you and hopefully make life a little easier, especially for beginners.*

**\*\* Repeat instructions between asterisks the amount of times specified.  
This is normally a repeat for a complete side and will consist of multiple instructions.**

**( ) Repeat instructions between parentheses the amount of times specified.  
This is a lower level repeat.**

## Special Stitches

**Beginning Tr Cluster:** Ch 2, yo, place hook in st/sp to be worked, yo and pull up a loop, yo and pull through two loops, 2 loops on hook.

Yo, place hook in same st/sp, yo and pull up a loop, yo and pull through 2 loops, 3 loops on hook. Yo and pull through all 3 loops.

**Tr Cluster:** Yo, place hook in stitch or space to be worked, yo and pull up a loop, yo and pull through 2 loops, 2 loops on hook. Yo, place hook in same st/sp, yo and pull up a loop, yo and pull through 2 loops, 3 loops on hook. Yo, place hook in same st/sp, yo and pull up a loop, yo and pull through 2 loops, 4 loops on hook. Yo and pull through all 4 loops.

**Beginning Dtr Cluster:** Chain 3, yo twice, insert hook into same st/sp, yo and pull up a loop, yo and pull through 2 loops twice (2 loops on hook), yo twice, insert hook into same st/sp, yo and pull up a loop, yo and pull through 2 loops twice (3 loops on hook), yo and pull through all 3 loops.

**Dtr Cluster:** Yo twice, insert hook into indicated st/sp, yo and pull up a loop, yo and pull through 2 loops twice (2 loops on hook), yo twice, insert hook into same st/sp, yo and pull up a loop, yo and pull through 2 loops twice (3 loops on hook), yo twice, insert hook into same st/sp, yo and pull up a loop, yo and pull through 2 loops twice (4 loops on hook), yo and pull through all 4 loops.

**Popcorn:** Make 5 tr in same st, remove hook from loop and insert from front to back of 1st tr and then into dropped loop and pull through. Ch 1 to close. This closing chain is not counted in any chains you are asked to make after the popcorn.

To make a **beginning popcorn**, simply start with a standing tr or ch 3 as your 1st st.

1. Starting with a magic ring make a beginning tr-cluster, (ch 1, tr-cluster) 5 times, into ring, ch 1.

Join to beginning tr-cluster, fasten off, and secure ends.

Stitch count: 6 tr-clusters, 6 ch-1 spaces.

2. Join with a standing tr in any ch-1 space, 3 tr in same space, (skip next cluster, 4 tr in next ch-1 space) 5 times.

Join to standing tr, fasten off, and secure ends.

Stitch count: 24 tr.

3. Join with a beginning popcorn between any 4-tr groups, (skip next 2 sts, 5 tr between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> tr, skip next 2 sts, popcorn between tr groups) 6 times, omit last popcorn.

Join to beginning popcorn, fasten off, and secure ends.

Stitch count: 30 tr, 6 popcorns.

4. Join with a beginning dtr-cluster between any 5-tr group and popcorn, (ch 4, dtr-cluster between popcorn and 5-tr group, ch 4, dtr-cluster between 5-tr group and popcorn) 6 times, omit last dtr-cluster.

Join to beginning dtr-cluster, fasten off, and secure ends.

Stitch count: 12 dtr-clusters, 12 ch-4 spaces.

5. Join with a standing dc in ch-4 space above any popcorn,  
\*skip next cluster, in next ch-4 space (2 dc, working in front of ch-4 space 5-dtr-cluster in 3<sup>rd</sup> tr of 5-tr group, 2 dc),  
skip next cluster, in next ch-4 space (2 dc, working in front of ch-4 space 5-dtr-cluster in popcorn, 2 dc). \*  
Repeat from \* to \* 6 times, omit last dc.  
Join to standing dc, fasten off, and secure ends.  
Stitch count: 48 dc, 12 5-dtr-clusters.

6. Join with a standing fpdc around any 5-dtr-cluster,  
(skip next st, 4 tr in next 2 sts, skip next st, fpdc around next 5-dtr-cluster) 12 times, omit last fpdc.  
Join to standing fpdc, fasten off, and secure ends.  
Stitch count: 12 fpdc, 96 tr.

7. Join with a standing bldc in 1<sup>st</sup> tr of any 2<sup>nd</sup> group of 4-tr,  
(skip next 3 sts, 5 dtr in next st [fpdc], skip next 3 sts, bldc in next 2 sts) 12 times, omit last bldc.  
Join to standing bldc with a sl-st.  
Stitch count: 24 bldc, 60 dtr.

8. Ch 1 and dc in same st,  
(tr in next st, 2 tr in next 3 sts, tr in next st, dc in next 2 sts) 12 times, omit last dc.  
Join to 1<sup>st</sup> dc, fasten off, and secure ends.  
Stitch count: 24 dc, 96 tr.

9. Join with a standing bptr around last tr of any repeat,  
(skip next 2 sts [dc's], bptr around next 2 sts, bphtr around next st, bpdcc around next 2 sts, bphtr around next st, bptr around next 2 sts) 12 times, omit last bptr.  
Join to standing bptr, fasten off, and secure ends.  
Stitch count: 24 bpdcc, 24 bphtr, 48 bptr.  
*Hint: dtr-clusters will fall in last bptr and 1<sup>st</sup> bpdcc of each repeat.*

10. Join with a beginning dtr-cluster in last bptr of any repeat,  
(ch 4, skip next 3 sts, dtr-cluster in next st) 23 times, ch 4.  
Join to beginning dtr-cluster, fasten off, and secure ends.  
Stitch count: 24 dtr-clusters, 24 ch-4 spaces.

11. Join with a standing fpdc around any cluster,  
(in next ch-4 space (2 dc, working in front of ch-4 space dtr-cluster in 2<sup>nd</sup> skipped st R9, 2 dc, fpdc around next cluster)) 24 times, omit last fpdc.  
Join to standing fpdc, fasten off, and secure ends.  
Stitch count: 96 dc, 24 fpdc, 24 dtr-clusters.

*Hint: take care not to miss the 1<sup>st</sup> st after the fptr.*

12. Join with a standing fptr around any dtr-cluster,  
(tr in next 2 sts, 2 tr in next st, tr in next 2 sts, fptr around next cluster) 24 times, omit last fptr.  
Join to standing fptr with a sl-st.  
Stitch count: 144 tr, 24 fptr.

13. Ch 3 [*counts as tr*], tr in same st,  
(tr in next 13 sts, 2 tr in next st) 12 times, omit last 2 tr.  
Join to top of ch-3, fasten off, and secure ends.  
Stitch count: 180 tr.

End part 1