♦ OAK LEAF **♦**

. The oak leaf measures approx 9cm long, including the stem.

Materials:

Small amount of green yarn, (4ply is preferable)

Size 2 – 2.50mm crochet hook

Brooch fastening

Darning needle

Small scrap of felt

scissors

Round 1

Chain 12; then begin working in 2nd chain from hook, as follows:

1 dc in each of the next 6 stitches; 3 htr in each of the next 3 stitches; 1 tr in each of the next 2 stitches.

Fasten off. [11 stitches in total]

Round 2

Keep your crochet with right side facing (tail ends over on the left), insert your hook into the first stitch

First Lobe (worked over 3 stitches, as shown above)

- (1) (1 dc; 1 htr) in next stitch.
- (2) (1 htr; chain 2; slip stitch) in next stitch.
- (3) Slip stitch in next stitch.

Second Lobe (worked over 3 stitches, as shown above)

- (1) (1 dc; 1 tr) in next stitch.
- (2) (1 tr; chain 3; slip stitch) in next stitch.
- (3) Slip stitch in next stitch.

Third Lobe (worked over 3 stitches, as shown above)

- (1) (1 dc; 1 tr) in next stitch.
- (2) (1 tr; chain 3; slip stitch) in next stitch.
- (3) Slip stitch in next stitch.

You should have one last stitch remaining - work 2 dc into the last stitch.

Work 2 dc stitches right into the post of the end treble stitch, pushing your hook right into the stitch, spacing the 2 stitches evenly.

Now you'll be working into the single loops of the foundation chain.

Work 2 dc in first stitch (you've now formed a rounded end to your oak leaf).

Three more lobes to make now, using 3 stitches for each lobe.

First Lobe (worked over 3 stitches, as shown above)

- (1) Slip stitch in next stitch.
- (2) (slip stitch; chain 3; 1 tr) in next stitch.
- (3) (1 tr; 1 dc) in next stitch

Second Lobe (worked over 3 stitches, as shown above)

- (1) Slip stitch in next stitch.
- (2) (slip stitch; chain 2; 1 htr) in next stitch.
- (3) (1 htr; 1 dc) in next stitch

Third Lobe (worked over 3 stitches, as shown above)

- (1) Slip stitch in next stitch.
- (2) (slip stitch; chain 2; 1 htr) in next stitch.
- (3) (1 htr; 1 dc) in next stitch.

You should have one stitch remaining - work 1 dc into this last stitch; chain 1.

Slip stitch into the chain-1 you made at the very beginning of round 2.

Chain 4 (you are making a short stem), then slip stitch into the 2nd chain from the hook; work 1 slip stitch into each of the next 2 chains.

Slip stitch into the centre/base of the leaf, fasten off and darn in all ends.

You can experiment with different Autumn colour combinations (eg mustard and gold, lime and meadow green),

