Tunisian Leaf

Leaf worked in Tunisian short rows around a ring



SKILL LEVEL	SIZE	TIME
Intermediate	NOT MEASURED	

Materials

YARN

100% cotton yarn (any yarn suitable for your hook size works)

HOOK

3–3.5 mm (US C/2–E/4)

NOTIONS

- Tunisian (afghan) hook — holds the loops as rows get longer
- Scissors
- Tapestry needle

Abbreviations (US terms)

MR	magic ring	UK: MR (magic ring)
sc	single crochet	UK: dc (double crochet)
join	join with slip stitch to first stitch	UK: join (join with ss to first st)
ch	chain	UK: ch (chain)
2 sc in same st	2 single crochet in same stitch	UK: inc (increase (2 dc in same st))

Notes

- Tunisian simple stitch (Tss): insert hook behind the next vertical bar, pull up a loop and keep it on the hook.
- Return pass: yarn over, pull through 1 loop, then through 2 loops repeatedly until 1 loop remains.
- Each row is 1 stitch longer than the last; the extra loop is picked up from the next sc of the ring.
- The leaf will cup while you work; this is normal. Steam-block from the wrong side.

Pattern

Rnd 1: Magic ring; 16 sc into ring; join with sl st (16)

Rnd 2: Ch 1; 2 sc in each st; join with sl st (32)
32 sc (the base).

Rnd 3: TUNISIAN ROWS. Row 1: ch 1; pull up a loop in the back loop of the first sc and one in the next sc (3 loops on hook); return pass working off 2 at a time. Row 2: ch 1; pull up a loop behind the vertical bar of the previous row and one in the next sc of the ring (4 loops); work off 2 at a time. Continue: each row, pull up a loop behind every vertical bar of the previous row plus one in the next sc of the ring; each row grows by 1 stitch. Work until 7 of the original 32 sc remain unused. (0)
25 base sts are used: 24 Tunisian rows, 26 loops on the hook in the last row.

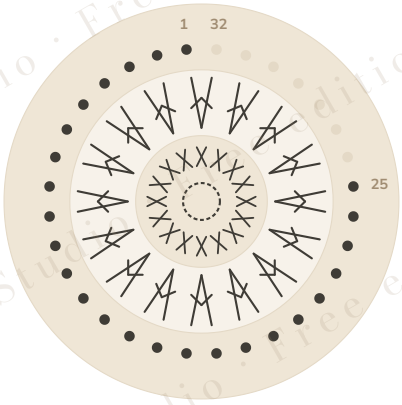
FINISHING

- Work the last return pass loosely; fasten off.
- Steam-block from the wrong side to shape the leaf (use a pressing cloth if needed).

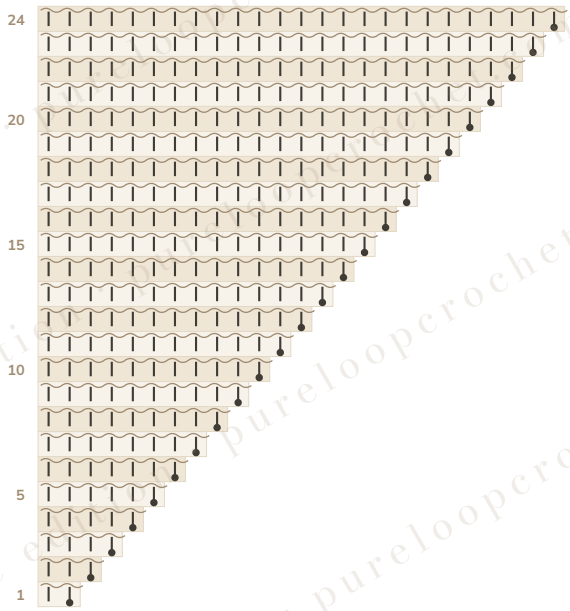
Stitch chart

Start at the centre (magic ring) and read outwards, counter-clockwise. Numbered circles mark the start of each round. Sections in [ ] are repeated as indicated.

Rounds 1–2



Tunisian rows (round 3 onward)



Each row grows by 1 · 25 base sts used, 7 left

Stitch key

- magic ring
- 2 sc in same stitch
- return pass: work off 2 at a time
- base sc used
- single crochet (sc)
- Tunisian simple stitch (forward pass)
- loop picked up from a ring sc
- base sc left unworked

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