

Spring bouquet

crochet pattern by Natalia Erkhova



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When using the recommended materials, the chamomile flower diameter is 4.5 cm, the flax flower diameter is 3 cm, the branch length is 18 cm.

The pattern includes descriptions of crocheting for 3 different plants: the chamomile, flax, branch with leaves. You can use them for making a small bouquet or several mono bouquets.



Materials and tools:

- 1 Yarn Alize Miss (100 % cotton, 50 g / 280 m): white (№ 55), yellow (№ 216), blue (№ 303) and green (№ 479) colors. Shown in the photo below: skeins № 1, № 2, № 3 and № 4. The recommended yarn can be replaced with any similar yarn.
- 2 Felt base for flowers. You can use felt or stout fabric of any color, see № 5 in the photo below.
- 3 Aluminium or copper wire d - 0.3 mm, № 6 in the photo below.
- 4 Fiber filler.
- 5 Fast drying glue.
- 6 Sewing thread of yellow color.
- 7 Crochet hook 1.5 mm.
- 8 Scissors, a needle.



Abbreviations:

[\(US standard of the Craft Yarn Council\)](#)

ch - chain / s.

st / sts - stitch / es.

sl st - slip stitch.

sc - single crochet.

inc - make 2 sc in 1 stitch.

inc3 - make 3 sc in 1 stitch.

dec - crochet 2 stitches together as sc.

Make decrease in both loops of stitches when crocheting in back-and-forth rows.

Make decreases in front loops only when crocheting in rounds.

(...) - number of stitches in the row / round.

(...)* - repeat stitches in the brackets specified times.

I would like to pay your attention:

- the flowers are made in spiral rounds and back-and-forth rows.
- the pattern uses both types of increases: of 2 sc and 3 sts.
- the pattern uses crochets which are made as in the usual way (in both loops of stitch) as well as in a back / front loop of stitch.

Chamomile

Central part

The part is made with the yellow yarn, in spiral rounds. Make sc in both loops of the stitches.

- 1) make 5 sc in a magic ring.
- 2) (1 inc)*5 (10 sc).
- 3) (1 inc, 1 sc)*5 (15 sc).
- 4) (2 sc, 1 inc)*5 (20 sc).
- 5) 19 sc, 1 sl st.



Change the yellow yarn to the green one. Cut the yellow yarn.

Work in back loops in the next round.

- 6) (1 dec, 2 sc)*5 (15 sc).

Close the last stitch, don't tighten too much, don't cut the yarn. The stitch will be unclosed for finishing the central part when the petals are finished.

In the 1st photo - the top view, in the 2nd photo - the side view of the part.



Petals

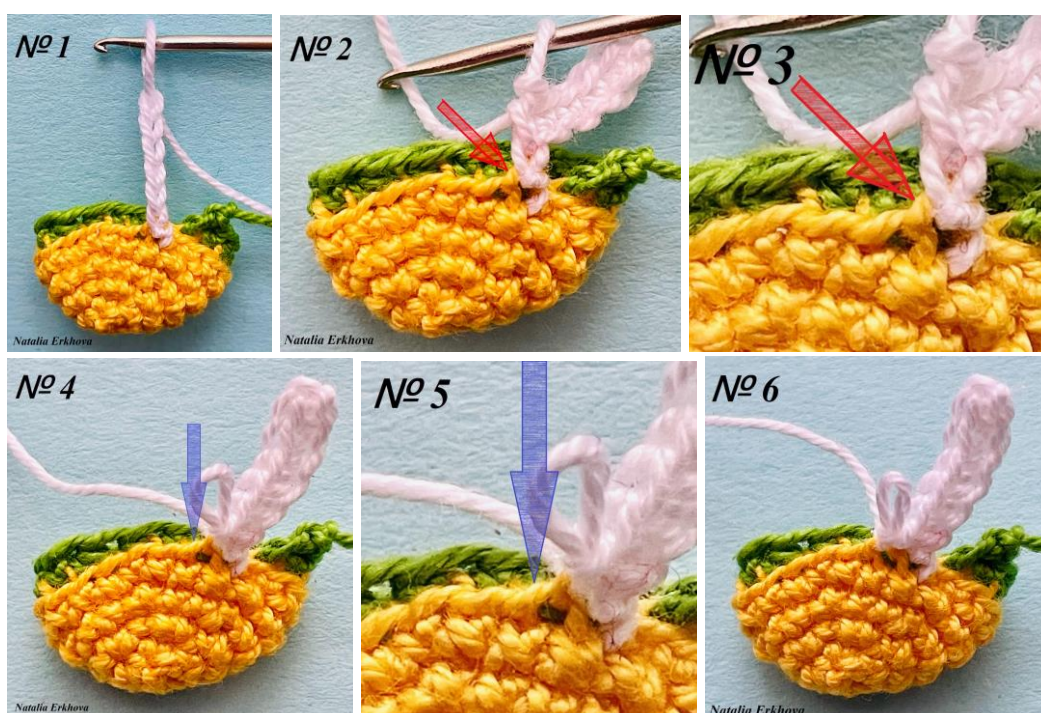
The petals are made in back-and-forth rows, in both loops of stitches.

Add the white yarn to the central part: start in the 1st stitch of the 5th round, make 10 petals in front loops of the stitches.

The 5th round has 20 stitches. Leave 1 loop free after each petal.

Each petal is made in the next way:

- make in 1 st: 1 sl st + 6 ch (photo № 1) + work along the chain starting in the 2nd st from the hook 1 inc + 4 sc (photo № 2) + 1 sl st in the same st that the first slip stitch was crocheted in (in the photos № 2 and № 3 is shown with the red arrow, photo № 4);
- make 1 sl st in the next stitch (shown in the photos № 4 and № 5 with the blue arrow, in the photo № 6 - the finished petals).



Make the next 9 petals in the same way, don't cut the yarn.

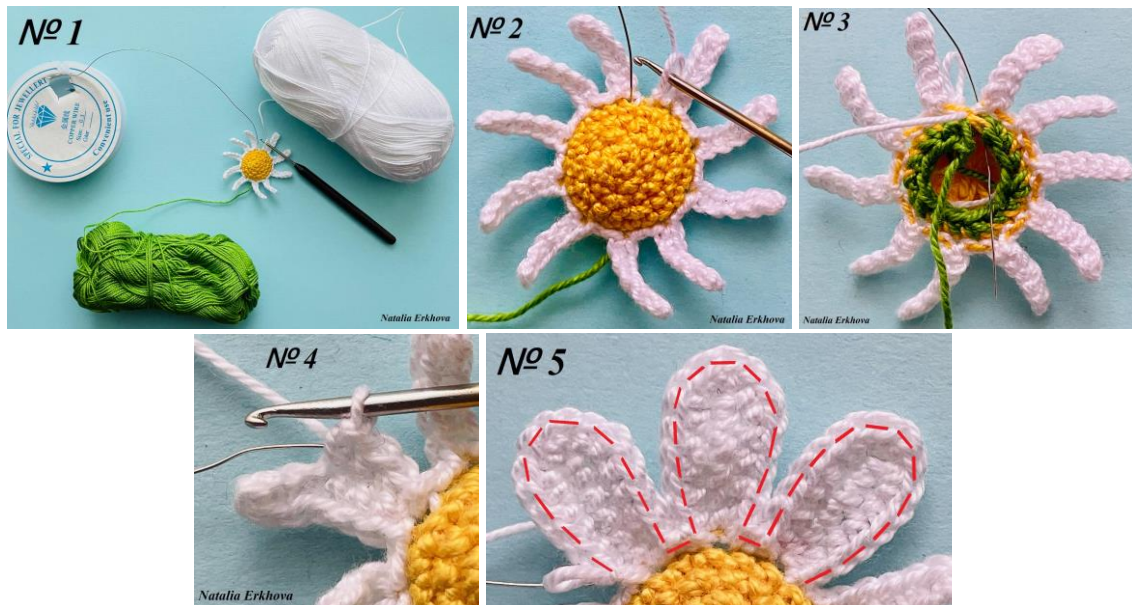
In the photo № 2 - front view, in photo № 3 - back view of the petals.



Strengthening the petals with wire

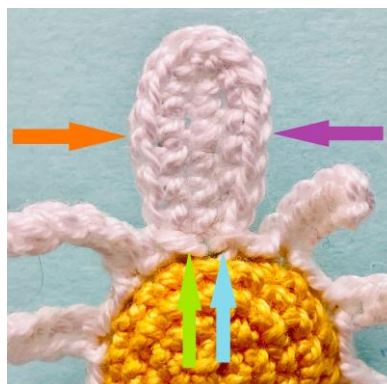
In order for the petals to keep their shape well, make a wireframe along the edges. Insert the wire in the central part beside the 1st petal, leave a wire end of 2-3 cm length (photo № 2, № 3). Then crochet along the edges hiding the wire under the crochets (photo № 4).

The photo № 5 shows how the wire passes inside the crochets.



Each petal is crocheted along its edge in the next way:

- make 1 sl st in the base stitch (shown in the blue arrow in the photo below);
- make 4 sc, 1 inc along the side (see the purple arrow);
- make 1 inc3, 1 inc, 4 sc along the opposite side (shown with the orange arrow);
- make 1 sl st in the base stitch (see the green arrow).



Make all the petals in that way.

Make 1 sl st in the base of the 1st petal, close the last stitch, cut the yarn and draw the final tail to the wrong side. Cut the wire leaving the tail of 2-3 cm length, draw it to the wrong side. Twist the wire ends together, shorten them to 1.5-2 cm long, hide inside the central part.

We have such petals.



Wireframe for flower

The frame is made with wire and felt.

The required wire length is calculated as: $(3 \text{ cm} + \text{required length of a stem}) * 2$.
If the stem of my chamomile is 15 cm length, I need a piece of wire 36 cm long, since $(3 \text{ cm} + 15 \text{ cm}) * 2 = 36 \text{ cm}$.

Cut the piece of wire with required length, fold twice and twist it.

Cut out a circle of felt equal to the diameter of the central part (photo № 1).

Make a loop at one of the wire ends, sew it to the felt circle (photo № 2).

In the photo № 3: the finished wireframe for the flower.



Insert the felt into the central part and sew it with 2 sewing stitches at the center (shown with the red cross in the right photo).



Unclose the last stitch of the central part and continue crocheting.

7) (1 sc, 1 dec)*5 (10 sc).

8) (1 dec)*5 (5 sc).



Fasten off, cut the yarn leaving a 15 cm tail.

Stuff the part, close the final hole with a needle using the leaving yarn tail.



Stem

Cut 2 pieces of wire equal to 2 stem lengths. The length of my stem is 15 cm, so I need 2 pieces of 30 cm each (photo № 1).

When you use a thicker yarn than recommended, you may need more wire pieces. It's necessary so that your stem is strong and does not bend from the weight of the flower.

Insert each piece of wire in the lower part of the flower as shown with the dotted line in photo № 2, photo № 3.

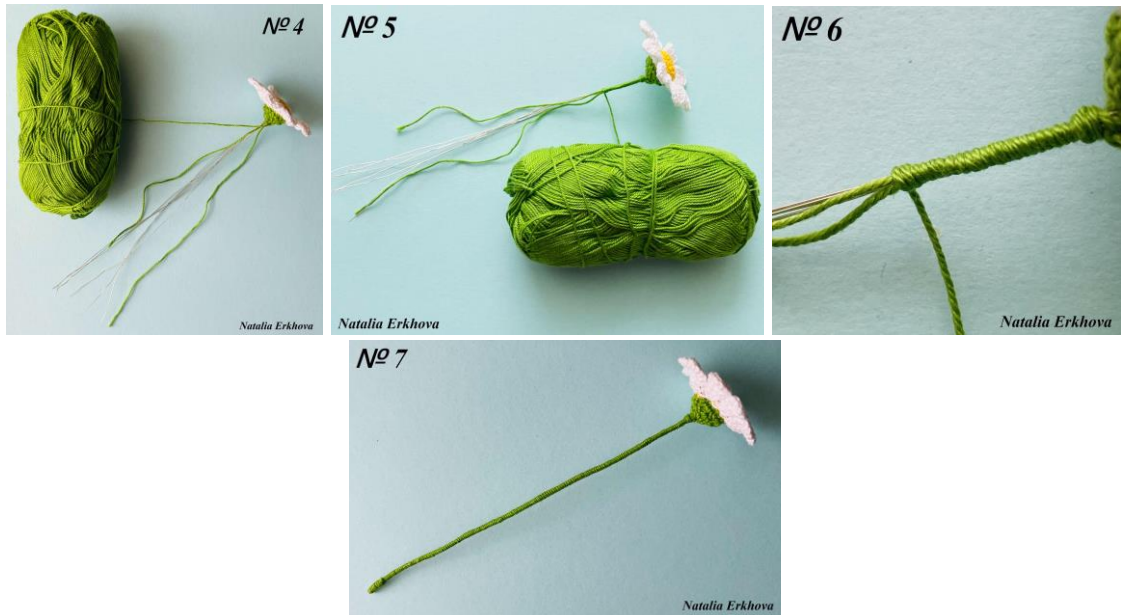
Bend the wire twice (photo № 4).

Using your crochet hook, pull the end of the green yarn skein through the bottom of the flower (like the wire). Leave the yarn tail that is equal to the length of the stem, direct it down along the wire (photo № 4).

Cover this yarn tail with fast drying glue, wrap the stem with the yarn from the skein. (photo № 5, № 6).

In the photo № 7 - the finished stem.





Your chamomile flower is finished.



Flax flower

Base of flower

The base is made in spiral rounds.
Starting with the yellow yarn.

1) make 5 sc in a magic ring, make 1 sl st in the 1st stitch of the round.



Change the yellow yarn to the green one, cut the yellow yarn.

Work in back loops of stitches in the next round.

2) 5 sc.

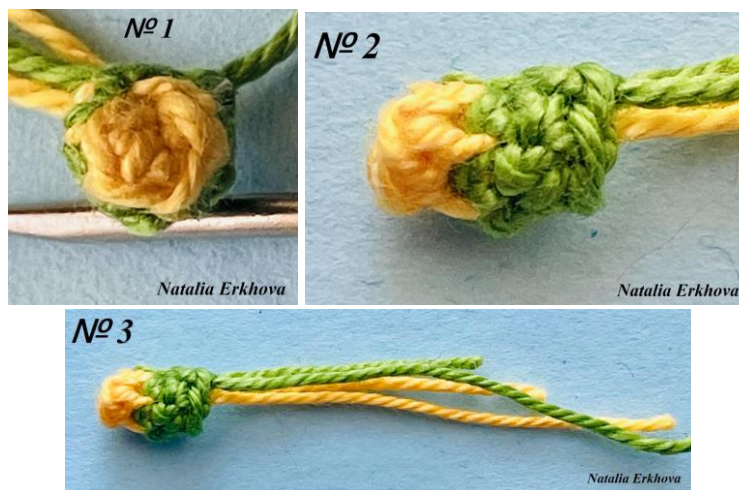
Work in both loops in the next round.

3) 5 sc, 1 sl st.

Fasten off, cut the yarn, leaving the tail 15 cm long, we will use it to finish the flower later, at the step "Shaping of the petals".

Pull all the yarn tails through the center of the part, don't shorten them now.

In the photo № 1 - top view, in photo № 2, № 3 - side view of the part.

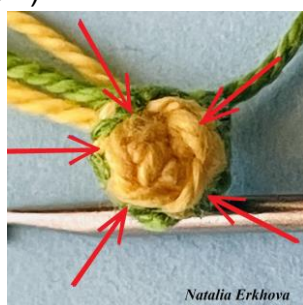


Petals

The flax flower has 5 petals.

Each petal is made separately, in back-and-forth rows, in both loops of stitches.

The petals are crocheted in front loops of the 1st round of the flower base (shown with arrows in the photo below).



Attach the yarn to the 1st stitch of the 1st round of the base and crochet the petal.

Pull the blue yarn tail through the center of the flower base, do not shorten it now.



Each petal is made in the next way:

- 1) make 2 sc in 1 stitch, 1 ch, turn (photo № 1).
 - 2) starting in the 2nd st from the hook: (1 inc)*2, 1 ch, turn (photo № 2), (4 sc).
 - 3) starting in the 2nd st from the hook: 4 sc, 1 ch, turn (photo № 3).
 - 4) starting in the 2nd st from the hook: 1 sl st, (1 inc)*2, 1 sl st (6 sts).
- Fasten off, cut the yarn, weave the tail in during next step (photo № 4).



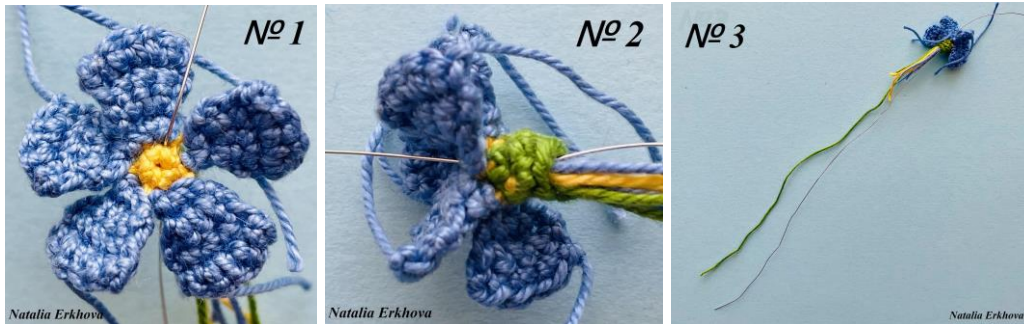
Make more 4 petals in the same way.



Shaping of the petals

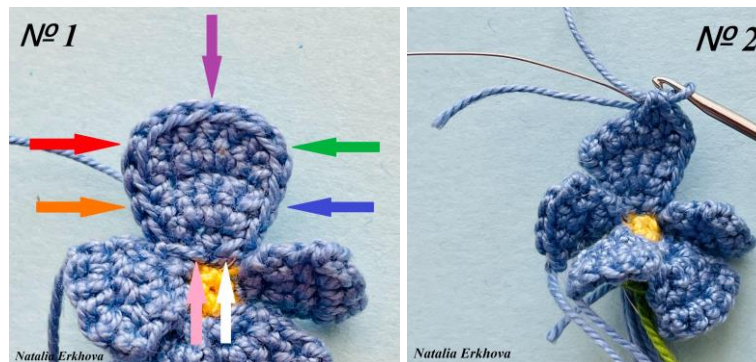
Flax petals are finished in the same way as chamomile petals.

Insert the wire, piercing the flower base close to the 1st petal (photo № 1, № 2). Pull out a wire tail into the middle of the central part (photo № 2). Make the length of this tail equal to the length of the flax stem (photo № 3). The stem of my flax is 15 cm long and has the same length as the chamomile stem.



Each petal is finished in the same way:

- make 1 sl st in the base stitch (shown with the white arrow in the photo № 1);
- make 3 sc along the side (blue arrow in the photo № 1);
- make 1 inc at the right corner of the petal (see the green arrow in the photo № 1). Weave the petal yarn tail in, inside this finishing row (photo № 2);
- make 4 sc along the top side (see the purple arrow in the photo № 1);
- make 1 inc in the left corner of the petal (see the red arrow in the photo № 1);
- make 3 sc along the opposite side (see the orange arrow in the photo № 1);
- make 1 sl st in the base stitch (see the rose arrow in the photo № 1).



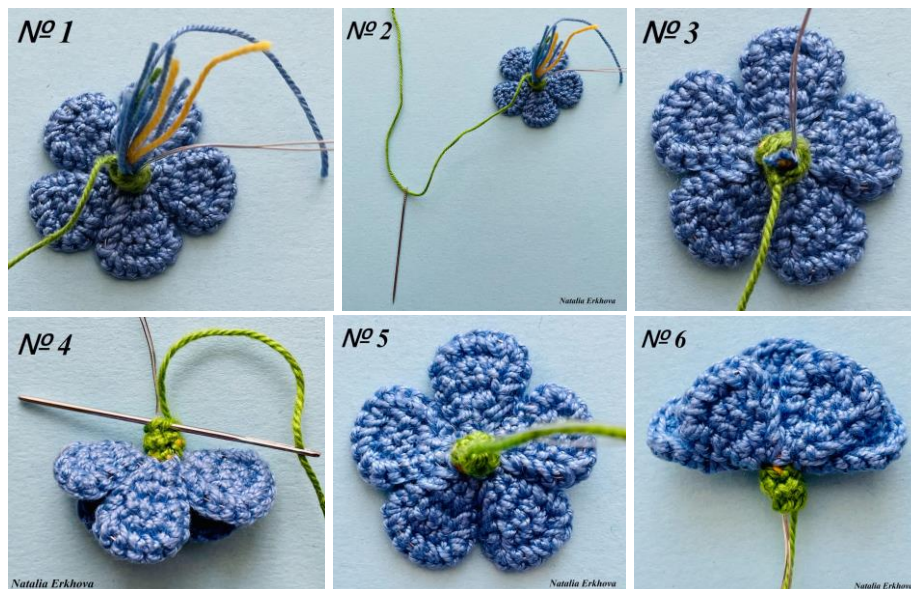
Don't cut the wire, finish the rest of the petals in the same way.

Make 1 sl st in the base stitch of the 1st petal. Fasten off, cut the yarn, pull out the yarn tail in the center of the flower. Cut the wire, leaving the tail that equals the length of the stem. Pull it out through the center of the flower.



During the work, we left a lot of yarn tails that are in the center of the flower base (see the photo № 1 below). Take the long green yarn tail, insert it into the needle (photo № 2). Shorten the rest of the yarn tails (photo № 3). Pull the needle through the front loops of the last green round, tight well to close the final hole (photo № 4). The yarn tails inside the base are used as stuffing of the flower.

In the photo № 5, 6 - the finished green base of the flower.



Stem

The flax stem is finished as the chamomile stem.



The flax flower is finished.



Branch

The branch is made of green yarn. My branch has 7 leaves, you can make more. Each leaf is made in spiral rounds, crocheting in both loops of stitches.

The pattern has 2 rounds. When crocheting the last stitch of the 1st round, put the wire, then continue crocheting the 2nd round. The first end of the wire is 2 cm,

the final end is equal to the desired length of the branch. My branch is 18 cm long, from the end of the top leaf to the end of the stem. The length of the leaf is 2 cm, so the length of the final wire end is 16 cm.



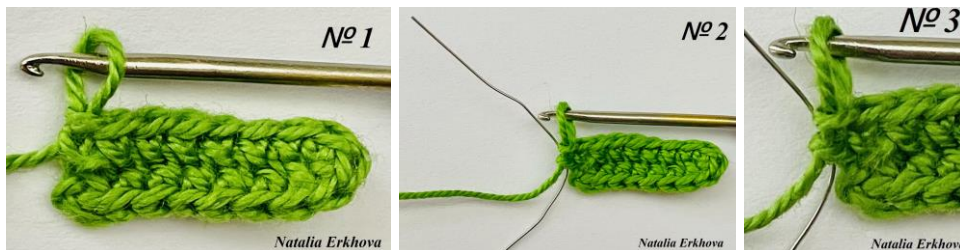
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Leaf

Make 7 pieces.

Make a chain of 9 loops. It's the base of the 1st round.

1) starting in the 2nd stitch from the hook, make 7 sc, 1inc3 in the last stitch of the chain, 6 sc in the opposite direction; working in the last stitch, make 2 sc (an increase): the first sc is made as usual (photo № 1), then attach the wire to the edge, leaving the initial tail 2 cm, and crochet the second sc of the increase (photo № 2, № 3). Then make the next round, attaching the wire along the edge of the leaf.



2) 8 sc (photo № 1); make in the next stitch: [1 sc + 2 ch (photo № 2), make 1 sc in the 2nd chain from the hook (photo № 3), make 1 sc in the same stitch that the first sc (photo № 4)], 8 sc, 1 sl st (photo № 5).

Cut the wire, leaving a long tail, cut the yarn. Put out both ends of the wire and yarn tail through the last stitch, tighten well (photo № 6).

In the photo № 7 - the finished leaf.



Assembling

The design of the branch stem is slightly different from the flower stem. When assembling the branch, additional pieces of the wire are not needed.

Using a crochet hook, pull out the yarn through the lower part of the leaf, leaving a yarn tail equal to the length of your wire tail (photo № 1, № 2).

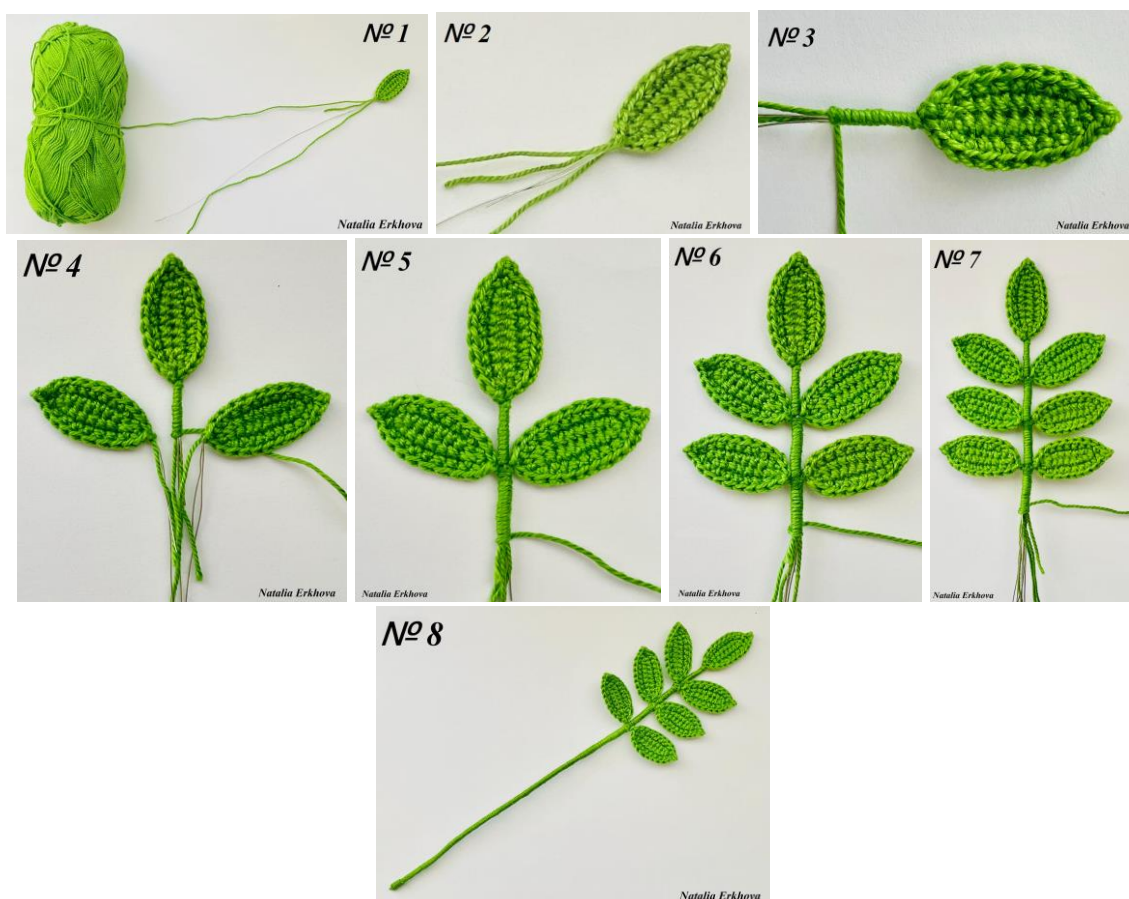
Cover the yarn tail with fast drying glue and wrap the nearest 1 cm of the stem with yarn from the skein (photo № 3).

Put 1 leaf on both sides of the stem and wrap the next 1 cm of the stem (photo № 4, № 5).

Then attach the second pair of the leaves and wrap the next 1 cm of the stem (photo № 6).

The last pair of the leaves is attached in the same way as the previous ones (photo № 7). Wrap the stem to its end.

In photo № 8 - the finished branch.



Your branch is finished.



When flowers and branches are crocheted, you can make your bouquets.



I wish you that your bouquets always turn out beautiful!

Thank you for your attention to my work!