



The Poppy Challenge

The Royal British Legion spends £10,000 every hour of every day in support of those who need it; this is equivalent to £240,000 per day or £1.6million per week

Girlguiding Shropshire have been set a challenge to raise £4,500 during 2017, the equivalent of funding a full 5 day course at

Battleback for a wounded, injured or sick Armed Forces Personnel

There are lots of ways to fundraise and get involved throughout the year:

- Buy a Poppy Badge
- Host a Poppy Picnic

<http://www.britishlegion.org.uk/get-involved/fundraise/poppy-picnics/>

- Collect Used Stamps (details at the end of the pack)
- Take part in a muddy assault course
- Create knitted or crochet poppies (see patterns)
- Attend a local Remembrance event or assist with a local Poppy Appeal
- Affiliate with a local Legion Branch
- Hold a Poppy themed art, photo or poetry competition

For more information: <http://www.britishlegion.org.uk/>

Badges are available from the County Badge Sec marionwynn@blueyonder.co.uk

Fundraising donations to be sent to: The Guide Association Shropshire, c/o 25 Meynellfield, Loggerheads, Market Drayton Shropshire TF9 4GY clearing stating unit name, amount and how the funds were raised.

Poppy Patterns

Knitted Field Poppy Pattern

Yarn – any red and black

Needles – any appropriate size

Size of the finished poppy should be no smaller than the paper ones sold for Remembrance Day.



Method

Petals: (Make 4). Using red, cast on 7 sts.

1st row: (RS) K

2nd row: (Kfb, k to last 2 sts, kfb, k1. 9 sts.

3rd row: As 2nd row. 11 sts.

4th row: As 2nd row. 13 sts.

5th – 8th row: K.

9th row: Ssk twice, k to last 4 sts. K2tog twice. 9 sts.

10th – 12th row: K.

13th row: As 9th row. 5 sts.

14th – 16th row: K

17th row: K1, sk2po, k1. 3 sts.

18th row: K. Cast off.

Centre: Using black, cast on 16 sts. Cast off.

Making Up:

Joining cast off edges, sew petals together in pairs, then place one pair over the other in a cross formation and secure. Coil centre into a tight spiral and sew base in the centre of petals. Maintain the petals in a cup shape with a small stitch behind pairs of petals.

If desired, centre can be worked in a green/yellow shade, with a circle of black straight stitches and French knots around it.

Specific abbreviation: sk2po – slip one knitwise, K2tog, pass slipped st over.

Crocheted Poppy Pattern

Yarn - Any red and black, I used DK.

Hook - 3.5mm, but try larger too to see the effect.

Size of the finished poppy should be no smaller than the paper ones sold for Remembrance Day.

The Red Bit

Round 1: Make a magic loop, make 10 dc in the loop and draw tight, join with ss.

Round 1 (alternative): Make a starting chain of 4, ss to form a circle. Make 10 dc in the circle and join with ss to first dc.

Round 2: *ch1, dc, ch1, 2tr in next st, 3tr in next st, (2tr ch1 tr) in next st, ss in next 2 st. rpt from * around and join with ss.

Round 3: *ch1 3dc in next 2 sts, 2dc in next 5 sts, 3dc in next 2 sts, ss in next 2 sts. Rpt from *around, fasten off.

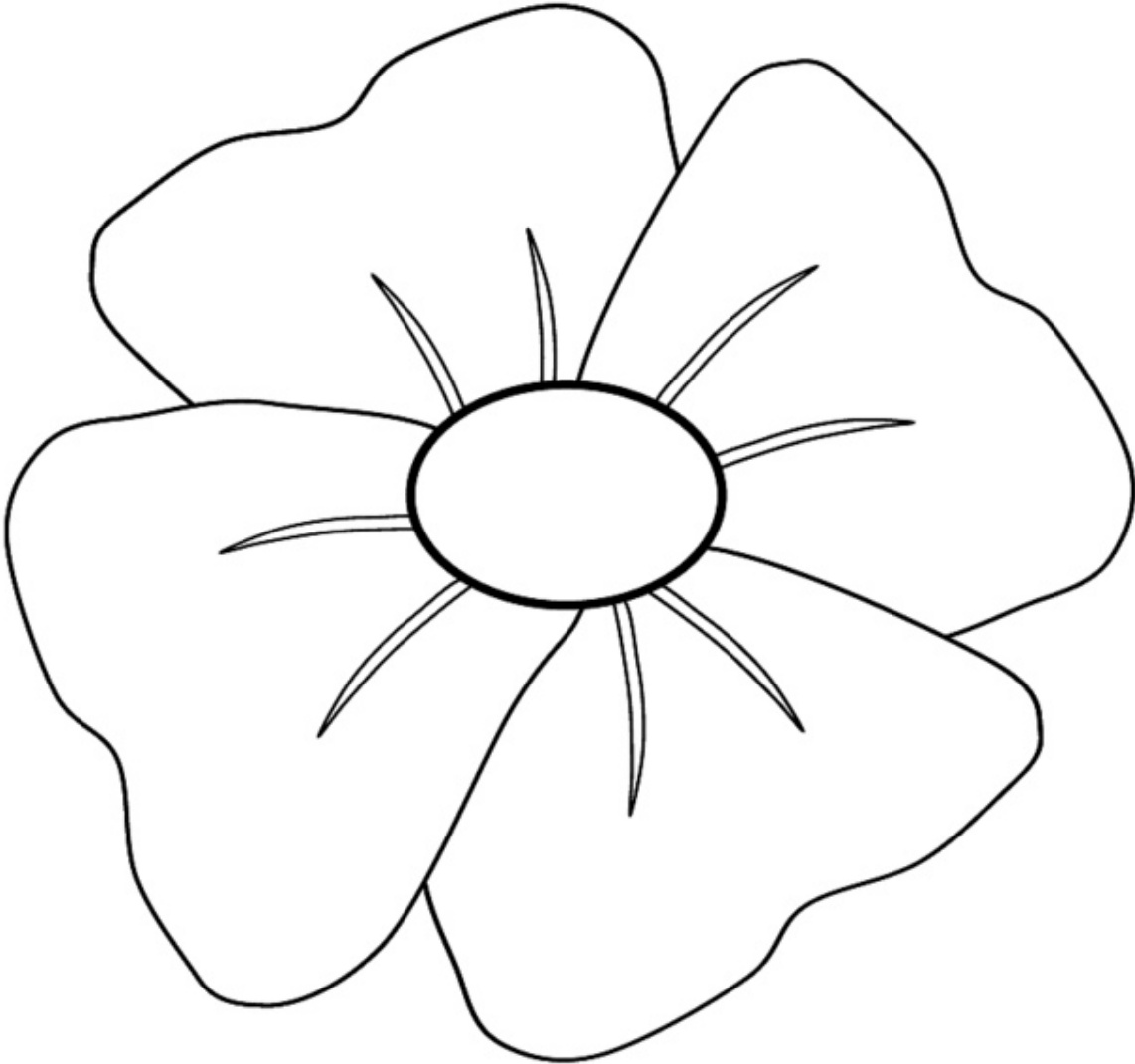
The Black Bit

Make a magic loop, 8dc into loop, tighten and fasten off.

For a tutorial go to <http://www.bellacoco.co.uk/2015/10/crochet-poppy.html>



A poppy to colour:



Shropshire Poppy Appeal

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