Between 2014 and 2018 Australia will commemorate the Anzac Centenary, marking 100 years since Australia’s involvement in the First World War. And in 2015, there will be a large number of activities commemorating 100 years since the Anzac Gallipoli landing.

As part of the 2015 Anzac Commemoration, the 5000 Poppies project will be “planting” a field of more than 100000 poppies in Federation Square Melbourne as a stunning visual tribute to Australian servicemen and women for more than a century of service in all wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations.

We are inviting all crafters to participate in this meaningful and heartfelt project. You are asked to hand make one or more poppies. They can be crocheted, knitted, felted or sewn from any materials. Any shade of red can be used and poppies should be no more than 15 cm in diameter.

There are two crochet and two knitted patterns included in this leaflet. More patterns are available at 5000poppies.wordpress.com. These patterns are meant a guide only. Please feel free to experiment with different materials and embellishments to make your poppies unique.

If you wish to include a dedication with your poppies download the submission from http://5000poppies.files.wordpress.com/2013/06/5000-poppies-submission-form.pdf or attach a small dedication to the back of your poppies.

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**Lynn’s Easy Ribbed Knit Pattern**

This pattern gives a full ribbed knitted poppy and is an easy pattern for beginners.

The ply of your yarn does not matter providing you adjust your needle size to suit. Use a smaller needle size than you may otherwise use. For instance if you are using 8 ply yarn and usually knit with 4mm needles, try a 3.75.

The size of the poppy will change depending on your yarn and needles.

Col A 1 ball red yarn (one ball will make a number of poppies)
Col B Small amount of green for centre or a button.
Col C Scrap of black yarn.

**BODY OF POPPY**

Using Col A Cast on 60 st
Row 1—10 K2 P2
Row 11 K2 tog across the row.
Row 12 S1 K2 tog pso across the row
Break off yarn with long tail and thread back through remaining stitches and pull tight. Join edges with mattress stitch

**CENTRE OF POPPY**

Using Col B Cast on 8 stitches and knit a square (approx 8-10 rows) of stocking stitch. Cut yarn leaving a tail and thread through live stitches as previously. The purl side is the right side. Run a line of running stitch around the outside of the knitted square and ease enough to pull the edges of the square into a round and tuck under.

**FINISHING**

Stitch the centre tucked side down to body of poppy and overstitch with black yarn as shown, or alternatively use a black or green button as the centre.

Start again
Lynn’s Easy Crochet Pattern
This pattern gives a full crochet poppy using only one size stitch, and is an easy pattern for beginners.

Size 3.5 crochet hook (we want the finished flower to be quite tight).
Col A 1 ball red 8 ply yarn (one ball will make a number of poppies)
Col B Scrap of green 8 ply yarn
Col C Scrap of black 8 ply yarn (eyelash yarn looks great)

BODY OF POPPY
Using Col A make a slip ring
1st round Ch 3, 9 treble crochet into ring. Pull the slip ring tight to close centre of ring and slip stitch in top ch to join
2nd round Ch 3, 1 treble crochet into first stitch 2 treble crochet into each stitch to last stitch, slip stitch in top ch to join
3rd round Ch 3, 2 treble crochet into first stitch, 3 treble crochet into each stitch to last stitch, slip stitch in top ch to join
4th round Ch 3, 1 treble into first stitch, 2 treble into each stitch to last stitch, slip stitch in top ch to join. Fasten off and sew in ends.

CENTRE OF POPPY
Using Col B Make slip ring Ch 3, 9 treble crochet into ring. Pull the slip ring tight to close centre of ring and slip stitch in top ch to join. Pull tail end to close centre of ring. Fasten off leaving long tail to attach centre to body of poppy.

FINISHING
Sew in ends for body of poppy. The ends for the centre can be sewn in if you wish or hide them behind when you sew on the centre. Using a yarn needle thread black tail and invisibly attach the centre to the body of the poppy.

Start again

Lorraine’s Easier Crochet Pattern
This design is only two rounds using treble and triple treble (yoh 3 times before inserting).

Size 3.5 crochet hook
Col A 1 ball red 8 ply yarn (one ball will make many poppies)
Col B Scrap of green 8 ply yarn
Col C Scrap of black 8 ply yarn

BODY OF POPPY
Using Col A make a slip ring
1st round Ch 3, 9 treble crochet into ring. Pull the slip ring tight to close centre of ring and slip stitch in top ch to join
2nd round 3ch, 4trtr in same stitch. In next stitch 5trtr, *in next stitch 1tr and 4trtr, in next stitch 5trtr. REPEAT from * to end of round, ending with slip st in top to join. Fasten off. Sew in ends.

CENTRE OF POPPY
Using Col B Make slip ring Ch 3, 9 treble crochet into ring and slip stitch in top ch to join. Pull tail end to close centre of ring. Fasten off leaving long tail to attach centre to body of poppy.

NOTES
The petals are made up of 5 groups of 10 stitches worked over 2 trebles of the first round.
Start again

Lynn’s Easy Knitted Poppy
This easy knit pattern gives a lovely frilly finish to your poppy.

Size 3.5 mm knitting needles (we want the finished flower to be quite tight).
Col A 1 ball red 8 ply yarn (one ball will make many poppies)
Col B Scrap of green 8 ply yarn
Col C Scrap of black 8 ply yarn

BODY OF POPPY
Using Col A cast on 120 stitches.
Rows 1-4 Knit
Row 5 Slip 1 Knit 2 together PSSO across the row (40 stitches)
Rows 6-9 Knit
Row 10 Knit 2 tog across the row (20 stitches)
Rows 11-14 Knit
Row 15 Knit 2 together across the row (10 stitches)
Cut yarn leaving a tail of about 15cm
Thread tail through yarn needle and slip all the remaining live stitches onto the yarn tail and pull tight. Pull around into a circle and then mattress stitch seam for an invisible seam.

CENTRE OF POPPY
Using Col B Cast on 8 stitches and knit a square (approx 8-10 rows) of stocking stitch. Cut yarn leaving a tail and thread through live stitches as previously. The purl side is the right side. Run a line of running stitch around the outside of the knitted square and ease enough to pull the edges of the square into a round and tuck under.

FINISHING
Sew in ends. The centre tucked side down to body of poppy and overstitch with black yarn as shown, or alternatively use a black or green button.

Start again