

Craftivism

MODERN SLAVERY AWARENESS CAMPAIGN WITH THE CLEWER INITIATIVE AND BRISTOL MOTHERS' UNION

Welcome and thank you for your interest in joining this crochet project to raise awareness of modern day slavery!



The plan is to make a crocheted chain of 951 links. The links represent the estimated number of victims of modern slavery in Bristol. In the lead up to Anti-Slavery Day (18th October) the chain will be draped around Bristol Cathedral to draw attention to the number of unseen victims in the city. We'd love each person to make a chain of at least 10 links. These can be dropped off at the address given to you via email by the end of September.

Pattern

The links are quite large and require an 8mm hook and either one strand of chunky yarn or two strands of DK or aran. Mixes of colours or a single colour is fine. There are two ways of making the links - in the round or flat.

I have included patterns for both below.

In the round

- Make a chain of 25.
- Join in a ring with a slip stitch being careful not to twist the chain.
- Chain 2, then 1 half treble in each stitch around, slip stitch to the chain 2 at the start of the round.
- Repeat row 3 more times, 4 rows in total.
- You will now join the row that you have just worked with the foundation chain to make a round tube.....put hook through the first stitch of the round and the original first chain 4 rows below, wrap yarn and pull through all stitches on the hook - a sort of slip stitch.
- Continue until the round is finished.
- Make a second foundation chain of 25 and before joining, thread it through the previous chain link. Join with a slip stitch being careful not to twist the chain.
- Continue until you have a chain of at least 10 links.

Flat

- Make a chain of 27.
- Half treble in third chain from hook and every following chain.
- Turn and chain 2.
- Repeat until you have 4 rows of half trebles.
- Either slip stitch the last row to the foundation chain to make a tube, or finish off leaving a long tail. Thread the tail onto a needle and sew the long sides together to make a tube.
- Sew the short ends of the tube together to make the link.
- Make another chain but before joining the short sides together thread it through the first chain.
- Make a chain of at least 10 links.

Enjoy!