How to crochet a spiral or corkscrew

SHORT VERSION:

Chain 40 (or 50 or 60 or as many as you like to reach desired length)

Into the second chain from hook work 3 double crochet (US=Single crochet)

Repeat this all the way along working 3 double crochet into each chain stitch (here I have worked into 2 chain stitches = 6 double crochet)

By about the 4th chain stitch you will see your work begging to curl like this.

As your spiral grows and curls it may begin to twist out of shape but this is normal and all you need to do is turn it to keep it all twisting in the same direction.

When you reach the end of your chain cast off and change to your second yarn colou Work 2 double crochet into each stitch from row below.

When you get to the end of the row cast off your yarn and twist your spiral so that it is all going in the same direction.



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Double knitting yarn with a 3.5 mm hook. (or 4mm)

First curly part: chain 32, work 2 hdc in your second chain from your hook and then 2 hdc in each stitch across (=60hdc)



Now chain 20, mark your last chain with a stitch marker – I did not have one so I used a little piece of yarn.



Second curly part: chain 32 – in connection of your 20 chains – work 2 hdc in your second chain from your hook and then 2 hdc in each stitch across until you reach your stitch marker. Slip Stitch in your stitch marker (=60hdc) Fasten off and weave in your ends.



Done. That was easy and it took me only a few minutes. Now you can tie your hair spiral in a bow around your kids pretty ponytail.

You can make these longer or shorter – with more or less chains – or fatter or skinnier – with dc or sc.