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# Cat's Paw Coral

*Stylophora*

Stylophora grows chunky branches that resemble a cat's paw. It lives in shallow, wave exposed areas.

**Fun fact:** It often appears in bright pinks and purples.

## Stylophora (US)

Crochet in a spiral

### Part 1

<b>Row 1.</b>	10 sc in MC
<b>Row 2–5.</b>	(4 rows): 10 sc, sl st, F/O

### Part 2

<b>Row 1.</b>	10 sc in MC
<b>Row 2.</b>	(4 rows): 10 sc
<b>Row 3.</b>	3 join sc with the part 1, 6 sc, dec (one loop from the part 1, second loop from the part 2), 5 sc, dec (one loop from the part 2, the second loop immediately after joining) = 12
<b>Row 7–10.</b>	(4 rows): 12 sc, sl st, F/O.

### Part 3

<b>Row 1.</b>	10 sc in MC Row 2–10 (9 rows): 10 sc
<b>Row 11.</b>	3 join sc with the part 2, 6 sc (the first loop is indicated by an arrow), dec (one front loop from part 2, the second front loop immediately after joining), 7 sc on part 3, dec (the front loop from the last sc of the row and the front loop from the first sc of the row) (14)

Make 8–12 pieces. Combine them at the bottom in random order. Use an overlook stitch, joining 3 to 5 pairs of stitches.