

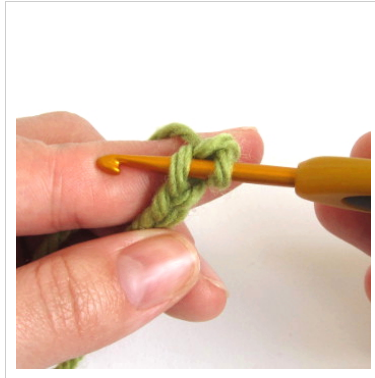
## Starting an oval piece with a chain

In this tutorial I will show how to use a chain as a base for an oval piece by crocheting the first row around the starting chain. Example:

**Rnd1:** chain 6, 2 sc in to the second chain from hook, sc 3, 4 sc in to the last chain, Turn and work on other side of beginning chain! sc 3, two sc in to the first chain. Do not join round.



1. Chain six. This will be the base for the first round.



2. Insert the hook in to the second chain from hook.



3. Crochet two single crochet stitches in to this chain.



4. Crochet one single crochet stitch in to next three chains.



5. Crochet four single crochet stitches in to the first chain.



6. Turn and work on the other side of the beginning chain.



7. Crochet one single crochet stitch in to next three chains.



8. Crochet two single crochet stitches in to the first chain (total of four stitches).



9. Do not join round. Insert the hook in to the first stitch of last round and start the new round.