Flower garden mandala

Worsted cotton · US terms



Finished size
About 9½ in (24 cm) across

Skill
Intermediate
Worked in rounds, with the stitches named

Yarn
Medium (4), 5 colors

Hook
5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge
14 stitches to 4 in (10 cm)
In double crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: butter yellow, main color	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: magenta, color B	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: leaf green, color C	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: coral, color D	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: lilac, color E	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8). Also: a yarn needle and scissors.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. The estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Worsted cotton (this file)	**9½ in (24 cm) across**	**about 55 yd (51 m)**
DK cotton	8 in (20.5 cm) across	about 50 yd (46 m)
Size 10 thread	3½ in (9 cm) across	about 30 yd (29 m)

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Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

ch	chain
sl st	slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
sp	space
st	stitch
sk	skip
beg	beginning
rnd	round

Special stitches

pc (Popcorn): 5 dc in the place named, take the hook out of the loop, put it from front to back through the top of the first of the 5 dc, pick the loop up again and draw it through. It leaves 1 pc for the next row.

beg-pc (Beginning popcorn): Ch 3, 4 dc in the same place, take the hook out of the loop, put it from front to back through the top of the ch-3, pick the loop up again and draw it through. It counts as a pc. It leaves 1 beg-pc for the next row.

shell (Shell): (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in the place named. Anything worked in a shell goes in its ch-2 sp. It leaves 1 shell for the next row.

beg-shell (Beginning shell): Ch 3 (counts as dc), (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in the same place. It counts as a shell. It leaves 1 beg-shell for the next row.

picot (Picot): Ch 3, sl st in the 3rd ch from hook. It leaves 1 picot for the next row.

Gauge

14 stitches to 4 in (10 cm) in double crochet.

14 double crochet to 4 in (10 cm).

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 4 the piece should measure about 4 in (10 cm) across, laid flat.

Before you start

- Magic ring: wrap the yarn round two fingers, work the first round into the loop, then pull the tail to close it. Ch 4 joined into a ring with a sl st does as well.
- Every round is worked with the right side facing; do not turn.
- A beginning chain counts as the stitch in brackets after it. A ch 1 at the start of a round does not count as a stitch.
- When the next stitch or space of a kind is named, pass over anything else that comes before it. Work into a space round the chain, not into it.
- The sl sts at the start of a round carry the yarn to where the round begins; they are not counted.
- Join a new color with a sl st in the place named. Fasten off a color only where the round says so; where it does not, the same color goes on into the next round.

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Instructions

Chosen: Worsted cotton. Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. Round brackets ( ) inside a line hold stitches that all go into one place. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a round is done. In UK terms sl st is slip stitch, sc is double crochet and dc is treble.

Yarns in order of use: A, butter yellow; B, magenta; C, leaf green; D, coral; E, lilac.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), 11 dc in ring, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off A	**(12 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Join B with sl st in first dc, ch 1, sc in same st, ch 2, **[**sc in next dc, ch 2**] 11 times**, join with sl st in first sc	**(12 sc, 12 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Sl st in next ch-2 sp, beg-pc in same sp, ch 2, **[**pc in next ch-2 sp, ch 2**] 11 times**, join with sl st in top of beg-pc. Fasten off B	**(12 pc, 12 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Join C with sl st in any ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in same sp, **[**3 dc in next ch-2 sp**] 11 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off C	**(36 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Join A with sl st in first dc, ch 1, sc in same st, ch 5, sk next 2 dc, **[**sc in next dc, ch 5, sk next 2 dc**] 11 times**, join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off A	**(12 sc, 12 ch-5 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	Join D with sl st in any ch-5 sp, beg-shell in same sp, ch 3, **[**shell in next ch-5 sp, ch 3**] 11 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off D	**(48 dc, 12 ch-3 sps, 12 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	Join E with sl st in any ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), 4 dc in same sp, sc in next ch-3 sp, **[**5 dc in next ch-2 sp, sc in next ch-3 sp**] 11 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off E	**(60 dc, 12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	Join C with sl st in first dc, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next dc, (sc, ch 3, sc) in next dc, sc in each of next 2 dc, ch 1, dc in next sc, ch 1, **[**sc in each of next 2 dc, (sc, ch 3, sc) in next dc, sc in each of next 2 dc, ch 1, dc in next sc, ch 1**] 11 times**, join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off C	**(72 sc, 12 dc, 12 ch-3 sps, 24 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	Join B with sl st in any ch-3 sp, ch 1, sc in same sp, ch 5, (dc, picot, dc) in next dc, ch 5, **[**sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 5, (dc, picot, dc) in next dc, ch 5**] 11 times**, join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off	**(24 dc, 12 sc, 24 ch-5 sps, 12 picots)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Finishing

- Weave in all ends with the yarn needle.
- To block: wet the piece, lay it right side up on a towel, pin it out to size with every loop and picot drawn evenly, and let it dry.

In all: 9 rounds; 2 ends to weave in.

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