Mandala throw

Lap throw, in bulky yarn · US terms



Finished size
About 26½ in (67 cm) across

Skill
Intermediate
Worked in rounds, with a change of color every round and one special stitch.

Yarn
Bulky (5), 5 colors

Hook
6.5 mm (US K-10 1/2)

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

You will need

Yarn A: ivory, main color	**about 90 yd (82 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: dusty blue, color B	**about 50 yd (46 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: rosewood, color C	**about 55 yd (50 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: slate green, color D	**about 30 yd (27 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: ochre, color E	**about 35 yd (32 m), an estimate**

Hook: 6.5 mm (US K-10 1/2). Also: a yarn needle, scissors and rust-proof pins for blocking.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. The estimate is from the stitches and chains of this size at this gauge, with 15 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Lap throw, in bulky yarn (this file)	**26½ in (67 cm) across**	**about 260 yd (237 m)**
Baby size, in worsted yarn	22½ in (57 cm) across	about 220 yd (201 m)
Large, in super bulky yarn	37 in (94 cm) across	about 355 yd (326 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
yo	yarn over
rnd	round

Special stitches

cl (Cluster): [yo, insert hook in the place named, yo and draw up a loop, yo and draw through 2 loops] 3 times, all in the same place, yo and draw through all 4 loops on hook. It leaves 1 cl for the next row.

beg-cl (Beginning cluster): Ch 3, [yo, insert hook in the place named, yo and draw up a loop, yo and draw through 2 loops] twice, all in the same place, yo and draw through all 3 loops on hook. It counts as a cl. It leaves 1 cl for the next row.

Gauge

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

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 4 the piece measures about 5 in (12.5 cm) across. If yours is larger, use a smaller hook; if it is smaller, use a larger hook.

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.
- Join a new color with a sl st in the place named; fasten off each color when its round is done.

Instructions

Chosen: Lap throw, in bulky yarn. Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. 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, ivory; B, dusty blue; C, rosewood; D, slate green; E, ochre.

☐ **Foundation**	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)**

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☐ **Rnd 2**	Join B with sl st in first dc, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same st, **[**2 dc in next dc**] 11 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off B	**(24 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Join C with sl st in first dc, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same st, dc in next dc, **[**2 dc in next dc, dc in next dc**] 11 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off C	**(36 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Join A with sl st in first dc, ch 1, sc in same st, ch 2, sk next dc, **[**sc in next dc, ch 2, sk next dc**] 17 times**, join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off A	**(18 sc, 18 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Join D with sl st in any ch-2 sp, beg-cl in same sp, ch 2, **[**cl in next ch-2 sp, ch 2**] 17 times**, join with sl st in top of beg-cl. Fasten off D	**(18 cl, 18 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	Join B with sl st in any ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), 3 dc in same sp, **[**4 dc in next ch-2 sp**] 17 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off B	**(72 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	Join C with sl st in first dc, ch 1, sc in same st, ch 4, sk next 2 dc, **[**sc in next dc, ch 4, sk next 2 dc**] 23 times**, join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off C	**(24 sc, 24 ch-4 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	Join A with sl st in any ch-4 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), 3 dc in same sp, **[**4 dc in next ch-4 sp**] 23 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off A	**(96 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	Join E with sl st in first dc, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same st, dc in each of next 7 dc, **[**2 dc in next dc, dc in each of next 7 dc**] 11 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off E	**(108 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 10**	Join D with sl st in first dc, ch 1, sc in same st, ch 3, sk next 2 dc, **[**sc in next dc, ch 3, sk next 2 dc**] 35 times**, join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off D	**(36 sc, 36 ch-3 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 11**	Join B with sl st in any ch-3 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in same sp, **[**3 dc in next ch-3 sp**] 35 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off B	**(108 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 12**	Join A with sl st in first dc, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same st, dc in each of next 5 dc, **[**2 dc in next dc, dc in each of next 5 dc**] 17 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off A	**(126 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 13**	Join C with sl st in first dc, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same st, dc in each of next 6 dc, **[**2 dc in next dc, dc in each of next 6 dc**] 17 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off C	**(144 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 14**	Join E with sl st in first dc, ch 1, sc in same st, ch 5, sk next 3 dc, **[**sc in next dc, ch 5, sk next 3 dc**] 35 times**, join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off E	**(36 sc, 36 ch-5 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 15**	Join A with sl st in any ch-5 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), 4 dc in same sp, **[**5 dc in next ch-5 sp**] 35 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off A	**(180 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 16**	Join D with sl st in first dc, ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1), sk next dc, **[**dc in next dc, ch 1, sk next dc**] 89 times**, join with sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-4. Fasten off D	**(90 dc, 90 ch-1 sps)**

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☐ **Rnd 17**	Join B with sl st in any ch-1 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same sp, **[**2 dc in next ch-1 sp**] 89 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off B	**(180 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 18**	Join C with sl st in first dc, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same st, dc in each of next 14 dc, **[**2 dc in next dc, dc in each of next 14 dc**] 11 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off C	**(192 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 19**	Join E with sl st in first dc, ch 1, sc in same st, ch 5, sk next 3 dc, **[**sc in next dc, ch 5, sk next 3 dc**] 47 times**, join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off E	**(48 sc, 48 ch-5 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 20**	Join A with sl st in any ch-5 sp, ch 1, sc in same sp, 9 dc in next ch-5 sp, **[**sc in next ch-5 sp, 9 dc in next ch-5 sp**] 23 times**, join with sl st in first sc	**(216 dc, 24 sc)**
☐ **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 point and loop drawn evenly, and let it dry.

In all: 20 rounds; 40 ends to weave in.

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