Round pinwheel motif

US terms



Finished size
About 8½ in (22 cm) across

Skill
Intermediate
Worked in rows and rounds, with 9 pieces, color changes and 1 special stitch.

Yarn
Medium (4), 5 colors

Hook
5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge
14 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: coral, the blades	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: butter yellow, some of the pieces	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: aqua, some of the pieces	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: ivory, some of the pieces	**about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: deep teal, the hub	**about 9 yd (8 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 40 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a yarn needle, scissors, pins for blocking and a spray bottle.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. The estimate is from the stitches and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Gauge

14 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

A blade is about 3½ in (9 cm) long from its tip to the middle of its last row.

Use any hook that gives you this. If you count more stitches than this in 4 in (10 cm), change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, to a smaller one.

Notes

- Rounds are worked with the right side facing; do not turn.
- Where a line says turn, turn the piece over and work back along the stitches just made.

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- Magic ring: wrap the yarn round two fingers, work the first round or row into the loop, then pull the tail until the ring is closed. Four chains joined into a ring with a slip stitch may be used instead.
- A chain 1 at the start of a round or a row does not count as a stitch.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line count its stitches; slip stitches are not counted.
- The right side of a blade is the side that faces you in Row 1 and in every other odd row. Held right side up with its tip at the bottom, a blade leans to the left: the stitches are added at its left edge and taken away at its right edge.
- After a ch 1 and a turn the first stitch is worked in the last stitch of the row before: no stitch is skipped. The sc2tog counts as one stitch.
- Whip stitch: hold the two edges together, put the needle through both from back to front, bring the yarn over the edges and go in again from the back, one stitch along.

Instructions

US terms.

ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **st** stitch, **rnd** round.
RS right side, the one that shows.
2 sc in next st: both in one stitch. **sc in next 2 sts**: one in each.
(1 sc): the stitches you have when the row is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

sc2tog (UK dc2tog): [insert the hook in the next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop] twice (3 loops on the hook), yarn over and pull through all 3 loops.

Blade: make 8

Make 2 in each of A, B, C and D. The lines say A; use the other colors the same way.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 2.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook	(1 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st	(2 sc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st	(3 sc)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(3 sc)
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn, sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st	(4 sc)
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts	(5 sc)
☐ **Row 7**	Ch 1, turn, sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st	(6 sc)
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog in next 2 sts	(5 sc, 1 sc2tog)
☐ **Row 9**	Ch 1, turn, sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st	(7 sc)
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog in next 2 sts	(6 sc, 1 sc2tog)
☐ **Row 11**	Ch 1, turn, sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st	(8 sc)
☐ **Row 12**	Ch 1, turn, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog in next 2 sts	(8 sc, 1 sc2tog)
☐ **Row 13**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog in next 2 sts, sc in next 6 sts, 3 sc in next st	(1 sc2tog, 9 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 16 in (41 cm) tail for sewing.	

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Hub

Yarn E, deep teal.

☐ **Foundation**	With E, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 6 sc in ring, pull the tail to close the ring, sl st in first sc to join	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(12 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 12 in (30 cm) tail for sewing.	

Finishing

- Block: pin every blade flat, right side up, with its two long edges curved the same way, and the hub in a circle. Spray the pieces with water and let them dry.
- Lay the eight blades out right sides up in a ring, with their tips together in the middle and their last rows outward. Going round clockwise the order is A, B, C, D, A, B, C, D. The long tail of every blade hangs at the outer end of its left edge, where Row 13 ends.
- Sew the left edge of every blade to the right edge of the blade on its left (the next one counterclockwise) with that tail. Lay the two edges side by side, right sides up, and whip stitch them together from the outer end to the tips: put the needle down through the edge of one row of the first blade, up through the edge of the same row of the other and go on to the next row, so that Row 13 is sewn to Row 13 and Row 1 to Row 1. When the eighth seam is done, run its tail once through the eight tips, draw them together and fasten the tail on the wrong side.
- Rim, round 1: with E and the right side facing, join with a slip stitch in the sc2tog that begins Row 13 of any blade and ch 1, which does not count as a stitch; work 1 sc in each of the 10 stitches of every blade, the first in the same sc2tog; slip stitch in the first sc to join (80 sc). Fasten off.
- Rim, round 2: join D with a slip stitch in any sc of round 1, ch 1, sc in the same sc, sc in each of the next 3 sc, picot, [sc in each of the next 4 sc, picot] 19 times; slip stitch in the first sc to join (80 sc, 20 picots). Fasten off. Picot: ch 3, slip stitch in the top of the sc just made.
- Lay the hub right side up over the middle, its magic ring over the point where the eight tips meet, and sew it down round its edge with its tail, one small stitch through both loops of each of its 12 sc and through the blades under it.
- Weave in all the ends that are left with the yarn needle.

In all: 9 pieces.

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