

Mandala Madness

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US terms used throughout.

Part 1

Abbreviations

St, sts	Stitch, stitches	Hdc	Half double crochet	Fl	Front loop only
R	Round	Dc	Double crochet	Bl	Back loop only
Ch	Chain	Tr	Treble crochet	Fp	Front post
Sl-st	Slip stitch	Dtr	Double treble crochet	Bp	Back post
Sc	Single crochet	Ttr	Triple treble crochet		



[] Hints: Are typed in italics and coloured purple, they are to help and guide you and hopefully make life a little easier, especially for beginners.

Reference to photos is [P] with the relevant photo number

* * Repeat instructions between asterisks the amount of times specified.

This is normally a repeat for a complete side and will consist of multiple instructions.

() Repeat instructions between parentheses the amount of times specified.

This is a lower level repeat.

Special Stitches

Folding Sc: Insert hook into back loop of next tr and into back loop of corresponding stitch in previous round, yarn over and pull through 2 loops, yarn over and pull through two loops.

Picot: Chain 3, sl-st through top of st to join.

Popcorn: Make 5 dc in same st, remove hook from loop and insert from front to back of 1st dc and then into dropped loop and pull through. Ch 1 to close. This closing chain is not counted in any chains you are asked to make after the popcorn.

To make a **Starting Popcorn**, simply start with a standing dc or ch 3 as your 1st st.

Tr Cluster: Yarn over twice, place hook in stitch or space to be worked and pull up a loop, 4 loops on hook, yarn over and pull through 2 loops twice, 2 loops on hook.

Yarn over twice, place hook in same st/sp, pull up a loop, 5 loops on hook, yarn over and pull through 2 loops twice, 3 loops on hook.

Yarn over twice, place hook in same st/sp, pull up a loop, 6 loops on hook, yarn over and pull through 2 loops twice, 4 loops on hook.

Yarn over and pull through all 4 loops.

To make a starting tr cluster, simply start with a standing tr or ch 4 as your 1st st.

Part 1 colours

Merino Soft



Colour Crafter



Stonewashed XL

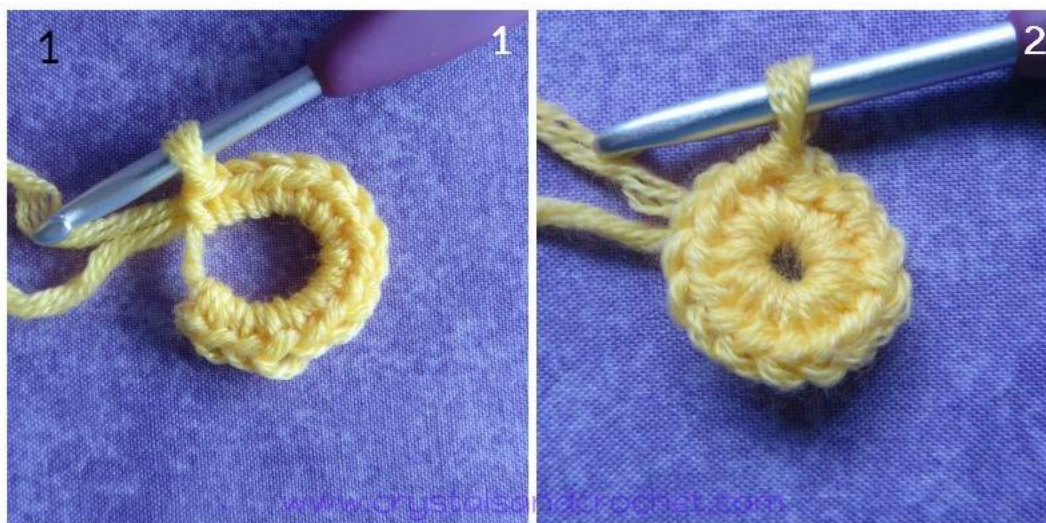


Round 1 Warhol 640
 Round 2 Warhol 640
 Round 3 De Goya 648
 Round 4 Gauguin 619
 Round 5 Rothiko 623
 Round 6 Mondrian 611
 Round 7 Giotto 613
 Round 8 Giotto 613
 Round 9 Kadinsky 625
 Round 10 Kadinsky 625
 Round 11 Carney 636
 Round 12 Carney 636
 Round 13 Titian 647
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 Round 15 Carney 636

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 Deep Amethyst 851
 Lilac Quartz 858
 Lilac Quartz 858
 Rose Quartz 860
 Rose Quartz 860
 Brown Agate 862
 Brown Agate 862
 Green Agate 855
 Green Agate 855
 Brown Agate 862

1. Starting with a magic ring, make 16 sc into ring.
Join to 1st sc with a sl-st, and pull up ring.
Stitch Count: 16 sc.



2. Ch 3 [*counts as dc*] dc in same st, (ch 2 skip next st, 2 dc in next st) 7 more times, ch 2.
Join to top of ch 3, fasten off, and secure ends.
Stitch Count: 16 dc, 8 ch 2 spaces.



Hint: To learn how to form a Perfect Picot go to tutorials on my website.

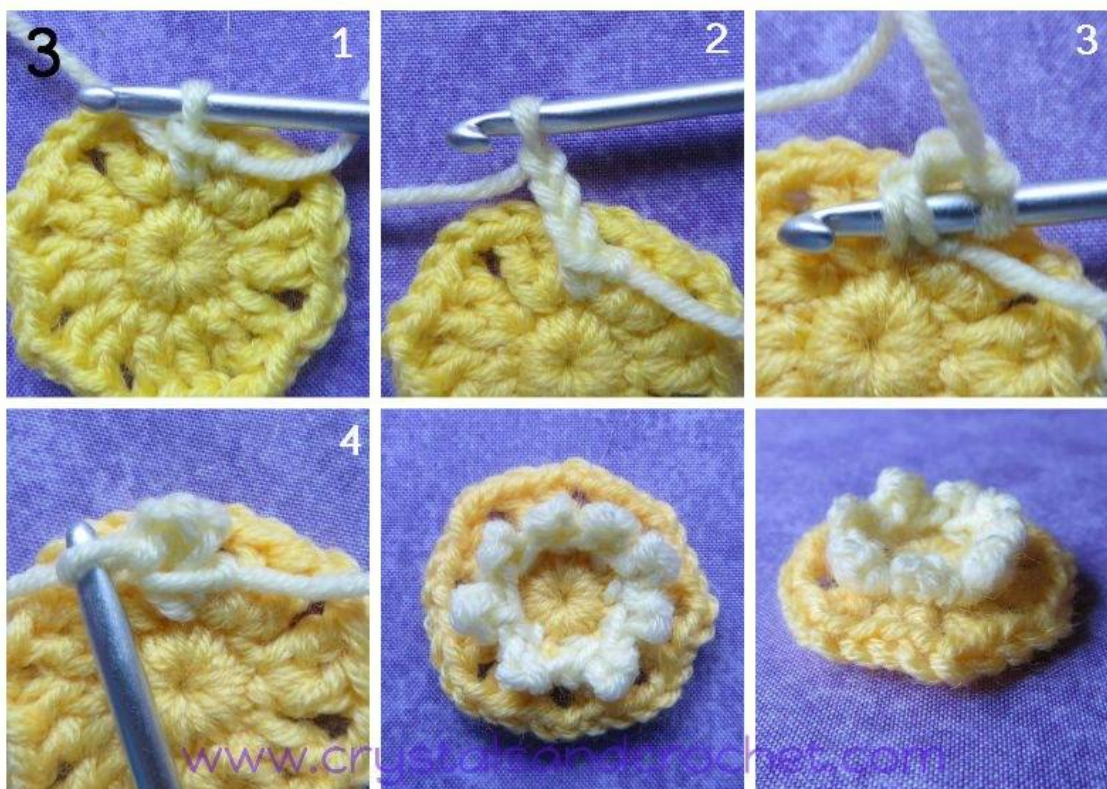
3. Working in front of Round 2 and ONLY into skipped stitches in Round 1, make a standing sc, ch 3 and sl-st through sc to form a picot [P1,2,3]

sc in next skipped st, ch 3, sl-st into sc to form a picot.

Repeat from * to * 6 more times.

Join to standing sc, fasten off, pull ends through to back of work and secure.

Stitch Count: 8 sc with picot.



4. Make a starting popcorn in the 2nd dc of any pair from [R2],

ch 3, skip ch 2 space, skip next st, make a popcorn in next st.

Repeat from * to * 6 more times, ch 3.

Join to beginning popcorn, fasten off and secure ends.

Stitch Count: 8 popcorn, 8 ch 3 spaces.



5. Join with a standing sc in any ch-2 space from [R2] also working over ch-3 from [R4],

*in next ch-2 space make 7 tr, [*making sure the popcorn is in front of your stitches and that you are working over both chains*], [P2,3]
sc in next ch 2 space.*

Repeat from * to * 3 more times, omit last sc.

Join to standing sc, fasten off and secure ends.

Stitch Count: 4 sc, 4 shells of 7 tr.



6. Join in any sc with a standing tr, make 4 more tr in same st, ch 3 and sl-st into top of tr to form a picot [P3], make 4 more tr in same st,
 *ch 2, sl-st into base of [R5] shell at back of your work [P5], ch 2,
 in next sc, (5tr, ch 3 picot, 4tr).*

Repeat from * to * twice more, ch 2, sl-st into base of [R5] shell, ch 2.
 Join to standing tr, fasten off and secure ends.

Stitch Count: 4 point groups of 9 tr with picot [36 tr in total], 8 ch-2 spaces.



7. Join with a standing sc in the bl of 7th tr of any group,
 *blhdc in next st [*8th tr*], bldc in next st [*9th tr*], 3 tr in ch-2 space, skip sl-st,
 3 tr in next ch-2 space, bldc in next st [*1st tr*], blhdc in next st [*2nd tr*], blsc in next st [*3rd tr*],
 ch 3, skip next 3 sts, blsc in next st [*7th tr*].*
 Repeat from * to * 3 more times, omit last blsc.
 Join to standing sc with a sl-st.
 Stitch Count: 8 blsc, 8 blhdc, 8 bldc, 24 tr, 4 ch-3 spaces.



8. Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next st,
 (2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts) 3 times, sc in next st, ch 3, skip ch-3, sc in next 2 sts.
 Repeat from * to * 3 more times, omit last 2 sc.
 Join to 1st sc, fasten off and secure ends.
 Stitch Count: 60 sc, 4 ch-3 spaces.



9. Join with a standing fltr in 1st sc of any group, fltr in next 14 sts, *ch 1, sc over both chains [R7 and R8], ch 1, fltr in next 15 sts.* Repeat from * to * twice more, ch 1, sc over both chains, ch 1, **DO NOT JOIN**.
 Stitch Count: 4 sc, 60 fltr, 8 ch 1 spaces.



10. *Make a folding sc [*see special stitches*] in next 15 tr, skip ch-1 space, sc in sc, skip ch-1 space.* Repeat from * to * 3 more times.
 Join to 1st fsc, fasten off and secure ends.
 Stitch Count: 60 folding sc, 4 sc.



11. Make a standing sc in any sc which falls between folding sc groups, sc in picot [R6], sc in same sc [R10], [P2]

sc in next 15 fsc, sc in next sc, sc in picot, sc in same sc.

Repeat from * to * 3 more times, omit last sc/picot group/sc .

Join to standing sc with a sl-st.

Stitch Count: 72 sc.



12. *Hint: ch-4 tr groups fall into the sc made into picot and stitch above 8th fsc, giving 8 in total.*

Starting in sc made into picot *(sl-st, ch 4, tr, ch 4, sl-st) into sc made into picot, sc in next 8 sts.*

Repeat from * to * 7 more times.

Join to 1st sl-st, fasten off and secure ends.

Stitch Count: 64 sc, 8 tr, 16 ch-4.

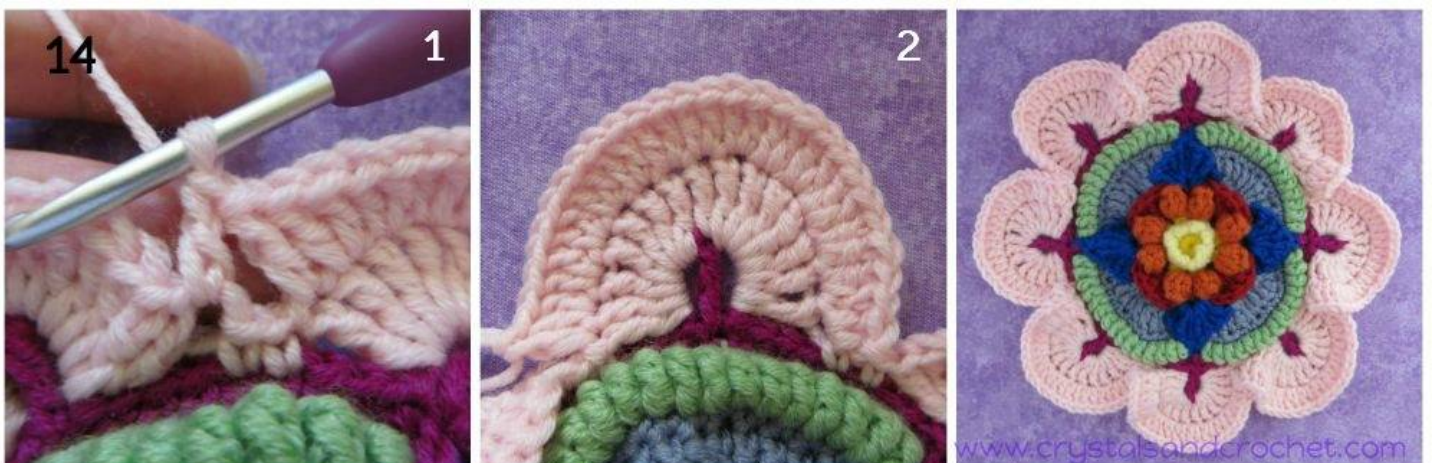


13. Join with a standing sc in 5th sc after any tr/ch loop,
 *skip next 3 sts, in ch-4 loop make 7 tr, tr in tr, make 7 tr in next ch-4 loop, skip next 3 sts,
 sc in next 2 sts*.
 Repeat from * to * 7 more times, omit last sc.
 Join to standing sc with a sl-st.
 Stitch Count: 16 sc, 120 tr.



14. *Skip sc's, dc in 1st tr of next group, 2 dc in next 13 sts, dc in last tr.*
 Repeat from * to * 7 more times.
 Join to 1st dc, fasten off and secure ends.
 Stitch Count: 224 dc.

Hint: your work will be very wobbly at this point, but will lay flat again after the next few rounds.



15. Join with a **bpsc** in any dc, **bpsc** in each dc around.

Join to 1st bpsc, fasten off and secure ends.

Stitch Count: 224 bpsc.



Hint: Work away all ends, I suggest working [R15] ends into [R12] to make it easier to work the sts of [R15] in the next part.

*Congratulations part 1 of your Mandala Madness is now complete....
see you next week.*

Size and gauge guide

Merino Soft Dk with 4mm hook = 8 inches, 20.5cm approx

Colour Crafter with 4.5mm hook = 9 inches, 23 cm approx

Stonewashed XL with 5.5mm hook = 11 ½ inches, 29cm approx