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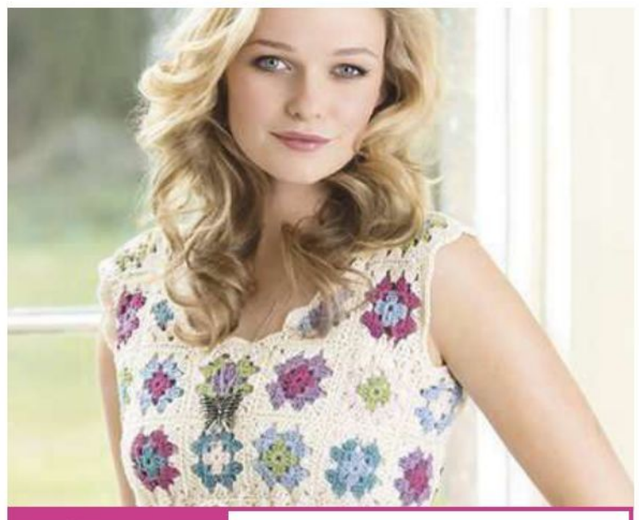
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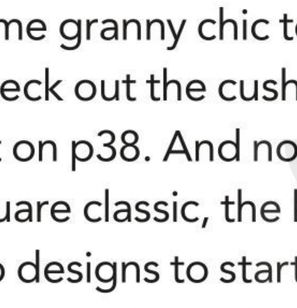
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Hello

Making your first granny square is something of a **RITE OF PASSAGE** for crocheters – you never forget your first one. So we've put together some of our favourite granny square projects from *Simply Crochet* to celebrate this cute little motif and highlight the multitude of ways you can use it in your creations.

Fancy **WEARING YOUR SQUARES**? There's a pretty empire-line top on p16, stylish monochrome scarf on p63 and a funky reversible skirt on p57. Want to add some granny chic to your **HOME DÉCOR**? Check out the cushion on p30 and kitchen set on p38. And not forgetting the granny square classic, the blanket – you'll find five fab designs to start hooking today!

We've also included a **LIBRARY OF SQUARES**, featuring 36 unique patterns. Ranging from the basic design to more intricate motifs featuring heart and flower shapes, this collection is sure to be something you turn to time and time again. Plus, if you're new to crochet, you'll find **STEP-BY-STEP GUIDES** to stitches and techniques (p121) to help get you started on your first project. Happy crocheting!



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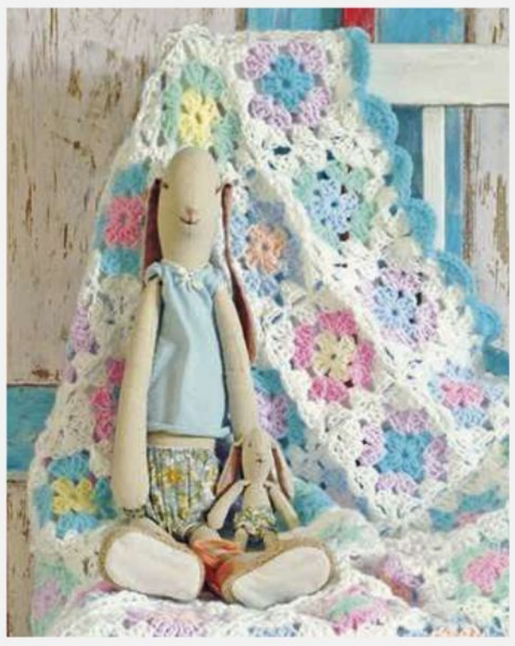
PROJECTS

From gorgeous home items to stylish accessories and clothes, it's time to get creative with your granny squares.

DOLLY MIXTURES

Join sweet squares to make a baby blanket in sugary shades. By Agnieszka Strycharska.

Baby blanket



TREBLE CROCHET | DK WEIGHT | 6MM HOOK

YOU WILL NEED

- Acrylic DK in 100g balls:
  - 2 balls of white
  - 1 ball of each:
  - Light Yellow
  - Light Turquoise
  - Light Pink
  - Light Orange
  - Light Blue
  - Light Violet
  - Light Green
- A 6mm (US J/10) hook

TENSION

Each square measures 10cm (4in) square

MEASUREMENTS

93cm (36½in) square

ABBREVIATIONS

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Granny square blankets are the ideal project for crochet newcomers, and handy too – just hook a square whenever you have time, then join them all together later! Gather pretty pastel shades to create this sugared almond-sweet blanket that's perfect for a baby's bedroom.

NOTES

Make 64 squares, joining them as you work Round 3, in 8 rows of 8 squares. The first square is worked as written below. For subsequent squares, replace the side ch-1 spaces in Round 3 with a dc into the corresponding ch-1 sp on the next square.
At each of the corners, replace 1 of the chains in the ch-sp with a dc into the corresponding corner ch-sp on the adjacent square.

Each square is worked in three shades: Yarns A, B and white.
Round 3 is always white; for Yarns A and B, choose contrasting shades from the list (left), using the shades evenly.

SQUARES

With Yarn A, ch4 and ss to first ch to join into a ring.
Round 1 (RS) Ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), (3tr, ch2) into ring 3 times, 2tr into ring, ss in third ch of beg ch-5. **Fasten off**. [4 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp]
Round 2 With Yarn B, ss into the first corner ch-sp, ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), 3tr in the same place as ss, *ch1, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in the next corner ch-sp; repeat from * twice more, ch1, 2tr in same place as the first ss, ss in third ch of beg ch-5. **Fasten off**. [8 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp, 4 side ch-1 sp]
Round 3 With white, ss into the first corner ch-sp, ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), 3tr in the same place as ss, *ch1, 3tr in the next side ch-sp, ch1, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in corner ch-sp; repeat from * twice more, ch1, 3tr in the next side ch-sp, ch1, 2tr in corner ch-sp, ss in the third ch of the beginning ch-5. **Fasten off**.

On subsequent squares, replace the side ch-1 spaces in Round 3 with a dc into the corresponding ch-1 sp on the next square; at the corners, replace 1 of the ch in the ch-sp with a dc into the corresponding corner ch-sp on the adjacent square.



The blanket squares are joined during Round 3 and edged with a pretty scallop border.



A different colour is used for each of the three rounds of the granny squares.

EDGING

Rejoin white into corner ch-sp. Work (3tr, ch1) into each ch-sp along the blanket side, and (3tr, ch2, 3tr, ch1) into each corner ch-sp around, replacing the first tr with ch-3. Ss to top of beg ch-3 to join. **Fasten off**.
There should be 4 3-tr groups for each side of each square.

Rejoin light turquoise in corner ch-sp, and work 6tr in corner ch-sp, dc in next ch-sp along the side. Work (6tr in next ch-sp, dc in next ch-sp) along the sides of the blanket and cont around corners with same pattern. You should end up with a 6-tr group in each of the corner ch-sp. Ss to the top of the first tr to join. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.

GRANNY COOL

Embrace vintage chic while you're on the go with this colourful handbag and its matching accessories.

TREBLE, HALF TR | DK WEIGHT | 4MM HOOK

YOU WILL NEED

- Sublime Egyptian Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/105m), 2 balls of Frothy (321); 1 ball of each: Cornelia (329), Alessandra (325), Feather (355), Peony (326), Hush Hour (324), Freya (328)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook
- Fabric measuring at least 41x67cm (16x26¼in) for the bag lining
- 1m (39¼in) upholstery tape, 5cm (2in) wide, for the bag handles
- Fabric measuring at least 25x12.5cm (10x5in) for the purse lining
- Medium square sew-in clasp, 10cm (4in) for the purse
- A button for the phone case

TENSION

Each square for the bag measures 8.5cm (3¼in)
Each square for the purse measures 10x10cm (4x4in)
Each square for the phone case measures 7cm (2¾in)

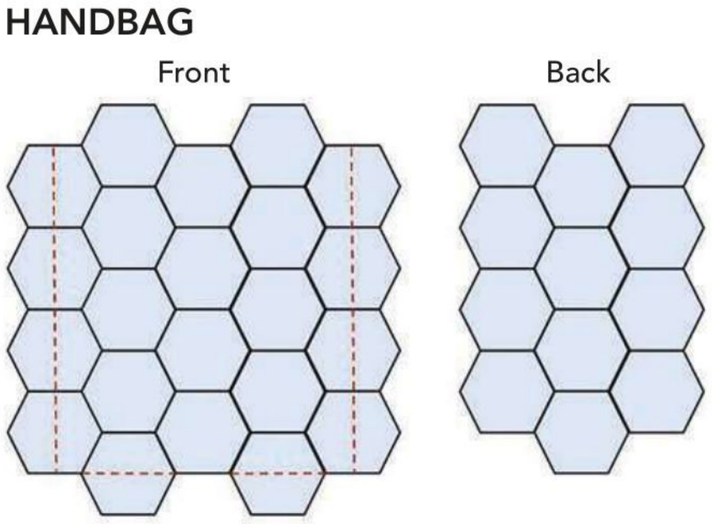
MEASUREMENTS

Bag measures 38x50cm (15x19¾in) with handles and 38x32cm (15x12½in) without handles
Purse measures 10x12.5cm (4x5in)
Phone case measures 7x14.5cm (2¾x5¾in)

ABBREVIATIONS

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HANDBAG



Using only a handful of squares, this trio is super stylish and super easy to hook. The bag makes a statement by tipping the squares onto their sides, giving them a whole new look. As well as co-ordinating with your new bag, the purse and phone case are also great quick-stitch presents.

HANDBAG

Show off your stitches with this fabulous bag by Debora Bradley.



Raised seams give the bag a lovely texture and beautifully frame the motifs.

SQUARES

Make 24 squares. Every square has the final round worked in Frothy, and uses a different colour (referred to as Yarn A, B and C) for each of the first three rounds. You can use random colour combinations for the first 3 rounds until the yarn is used up.

With Yarn A, ch4, ss in first ch to form a ring.
Round 1 (RS) Ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), working into ring (3tr, ch2) 3 times, 2tr, ss in third ch of beg ch-5. [4 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp] **Fasten off**.
Round 2 With Yarn B, ss into first corner ch-sp, ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), 3tr in same place as ss, *ch1, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in next corner ch-sp; rep from * twice more, ch1, 2tr in same place as first ss, ss in third ch of beg ch-5. [8 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp, 4 side ch-1 sp] **Fasten off**.
Round 3 With Yarn C, ss into first corner ch-sp, ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), 3tr in same place as ss, *ch1, 3tr in next side ch-sp, ch1, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in corner ch-sp; rep from * twice more, ch1, 3tr in next side ch-sp, ch1, 2tr in corner ch-sp, ss in third ch of beg ch-5. [12 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp, 8 side ch-1 sp] **Fasten off**.
Round 4 With Frothy, ss in first corner ch-sp, ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), 3tr in same place as ss, *(ch1, 3tr in next side ch-sp) twice, ch1, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in corner ch-sp; rep from * twice more, (ch1, 3tr in next side ch-sp) twice, ch1, 2tr in corner ch-sp, ss in third ch of beg ch-5. [16 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp, 12 side ch-1 sp] **Fasten off** and weave in ends.

TO JOIN

Following the diagram (left) and using Frothy, join motifs to form bag. To join motifs, hold them WS together and work a row of slip stitches along edges, working each through front loops only on both edges.
Dashed lines on diagram indicate motifs folded and joined to both front and back to form side and bottom seams. Before joining the side seams of the bag, use it to make a template for the lining – see instructions below.

Join the sides A and A to the corresponding edges B and B once the bag is folded in half. DO NOT join the outside edges of the top 4 motifs on both sides as this is the bag opening.

With RS facing and Frothy, work a row of dc along the outside edges of the top motifs on the bag.
Fasten off and weave in ends.

LINING

Place bag centrally onto the fabric and using bag as a template, draw around the shape. Cut out fabric for lining leaving a 1cm gap for seam allowance. Sew together the side and bottom edges. Place lining inside the bag and pin in place, making a double hem at the top. Sew in place, going through the lining fabric.

HANDLES

Fold the upholstery tape in half lengthways and sew up, close to the edge. Attach handles inside the bag by sewing approximately 4cm down from the point of the motif, then sew handles securely into position around top edge.

PURSE

Stash your pennies in a vintage-style purse with a clasp by Kirstie McLeod

SQUARES (MAKE 2)
Each square uses a different shade for each round, referred to as Yarn A, B, C, D and E. We used Alessandra, Frothy, Cornelia, Feather and Peony for the first square, and reversed the order of the colours for the second square.

With Yarn A, ch4, ss in first ch to form a ring.
Round 1 (RS) Ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), working into ring, (3tr, ch2) 3 times, 2tr, ss in third ch of beg ch-5. [4 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp]
Fasten off.
Round 2 With Yarn B, ss into first corner ch-sp, ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), 3tr in same place as ss, *ch1, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in next corner ch-sp; rep from * twice more, ch1, 2tr in same place as first ss, ss in third ch of beg ch-5. [8 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp, 4 side ch-1 sp]
Fasten off.
Round 3 With Yarn C, ss into first corner ch-sp, ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), 3tr in same place as ss, *ch1, 3tr in next side ch-sp, ch1, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in corner ch-sp; rep from * twice more, ch1, 3tr in next side ch-sp, ch1, 2tr in corner ch-sp, ss in third ch of beg ch-5. [12 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp, 8 side ch-1 sp]
Fasten off.
Round 4 With Yarn D, ss into first corner ch-sp, ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), 3tr in same place as ss, *(ch1, 3tr in next side ch-sp) twice, ch1, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in corner ch-sp; rep from * twice more, (ch1, 3tr in next side ch-sp) twice, ch1, 2tr in corner ch-sp, ss in third ch of beg ch-5. [16 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp, 12 side ch-1 sp] **Fasten off**.
Round 5 With Yarn E, ss into first corner ch-sp, ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), 3tr in same place as ss, *(ch1, 3tr in next side ch-sp) 3 times, ch1, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in corner ch-sp; rep from * twice more, (ch1, 3tr in next ch-sp) 3 times, ch1, 2tr in corner ch-sp, ss in third ch of beg ch-5. [20 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp, 16 side ch-1 sp]
Fasten off and weave in ends.

TO FINISH
With WS together, sew the 2 squares together on 3 sides, leaving the top edge and the top portion of both sides unsewn for fitting the purse clasp.
Sew the remaining edges to either side of the purse clasp using the holes provided on the clasp.

PHONE CASE

Keep your phone or specs safe from harm in Kirstie McLeod's cute case of mini squares.

SQUARES (MAKE 4)
Every square has the final round worked in Frothy, and uses a different colour (referred to as Yarn A and B) for each of the first two rounds. For Yarns A and B we used Feather and Cornelia for the first square, Peony and Alessandra for the second square, Cornelia and Feather for the third square, and Alessandra and Peony for the fourth square.

With Yarn A, ch4, ss in first ch to form ring.
Round 1 (RS) Ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), working into ring (3tr, ch2) 3 times, 2tr, ss in third ch of beg ch-5. [4 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp] **Fasten off**.
Round 2 With Yarn B, ss into first corner ch-sp, ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), 3tr in same place as ss, *ch1, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in next corner ch-sp; rep from * twice more, ch1, 2tr in same place as first ss, ss in 3rd ch of beg ch-5. [8 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp, 4 side ch-1 sp] **Fasten off**.
Round 3 With Frothy, ss into first corner ch-sp, ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), 3tr in same place as ss, *ch1, 3tr in next side ch-sp, ch1, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in corner ch-sp; rep from * twice more, ch1, 3tr in next side ch-sp, ch1, 2tr in corner ch-sp, ss in third ch of beg ch-5. [12 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp, 8 side ch-1 sp]
Fasten off and weave in ends.

TO FINISH
Take two of the squares and work a dc seam to join them together, as follows: with Frothy and WS of two squares facing, insert the hook in each space or stitch of both squares, and work a double crochet stitch as normal.
Join the yarn in the corner space and work 2dc in each corner space and 1dc in each other stitch or space.
Repeat for the other two squares.

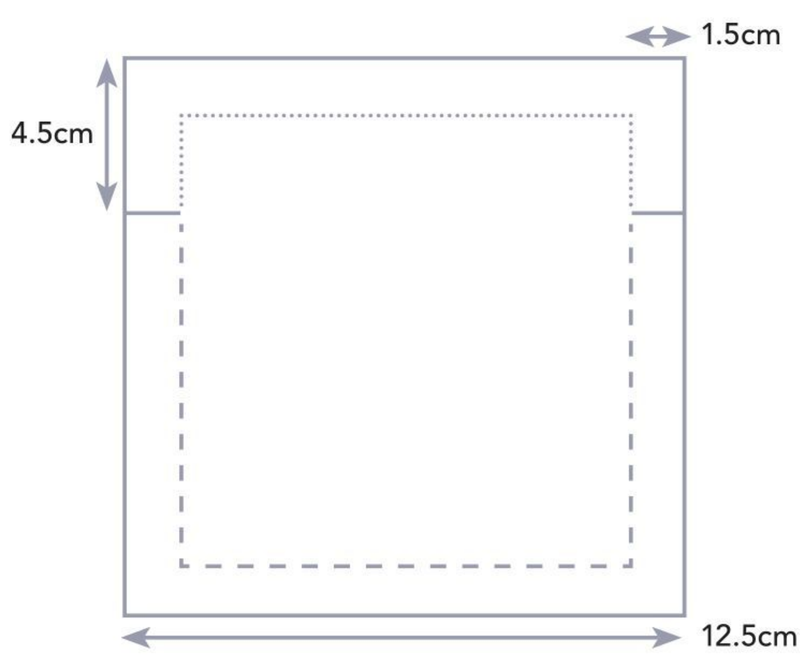
With the WS of these two pieces together, using Frothy, work a double crochet seam around 3 sides, leaving the top short side open. Double crochet evenly around the top open edge.
Fasten off and weave in ends.

Rejoin Frothy to the top open edge above one of the side ch-1 spaces, ch8 and ss to the same edge above the other ch-1 space to form a button loop.
Sew a button to the opposite edge to correspond with the loop.

For the lining, cut two 12.5cm square pieces of fabric. With RS together, sew along three sides of the squares using a 1.5cm seam allowance, but leave the top edge and top portion of both sides open (see diagram below).
Reinforce both ends of this seam with extra stitches, and cut the edge of the lining so you can press back the seam allowance of the open edges to the WS of the fabric.
Place the lining inside the purse, and catch the pressed edges at the top of the purse with small stitches just inside the clasp.

PURSE LINING

KEY
- cut
- press
- sew



Accessories



READY, STEADY, COOK!

Pretty up a plain pinny with a pair of cute pastel-hued pockets.

Apron



YOU WILL NEED

- Yeoman Soft Cotton DK (100% cotton, 450g/900m), 1 cone each of White (1), Petal (31), Glacier (29), Lilac (30)
- Yeoman Panama 4ply (50% cotton, 50% acrylic, 500g/2000m), 1 cone of Primula (271) (used doubled)
- A 4mm (US G/6) crochet hook
- Bought apron or fabric as below
- 50cm (19½in) of pink gingham fabric (90cm/35in wide) for main fabric
- 3 strips of contrast fabric for waistband meas approx 12x53cm (4¾x21in)
- Tapestry needle and sewing kit or sewing machine

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The majority of items that are found in the kitchen have to be practical, but we think that it's equally important they look as good as they can as well. Which is exactly what we've done with this apron, by adding some crocheted pockets – there's no better way to add some homemade style to your meal preparation. The yarn colours are reminiscient of chocolate mini eggs, making the squares look good enough to eat! You'll have plenty of yarn left over after making the pockets, too, so you could also adapt the pattern to hook up some matching accessories such as a potholder, tea cosy or mat.



You're sure to find any opportunity to get into the kitchen and don this fab apron.

GRANNY SQUARE POCKETS (MAKE 2)

Using White and a 4mm hook, ch4 and join with a ss to the first ch to form ring.
Round 1 Ch3 (counts as tr), 2tr into ring, (ch2, 3tr in ring) 3 times, ch2, join with ss to top of beg ch-3 to join. **Fasten off.** [4 3-tr groups, 4 ch-2 sp]
Round 2 Change to Primula (doubled), join with a ss to any ch-2 sp, ch3 (counts as tr), (2tr, ch2, 3tr) in same ch-sp, *ch2, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in next ch-sp; rep from * twice more, ch2, join with a ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**. [8 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp, 4 side ch-2 sp]
Round 3 Change to Lilac, join with a ss to a corner ch-2 sp, *ch3 (counts as tr), (2tr, ch2, 3tr) in corner ch-sp, ch2, (3tr) in side ch-sp, ch2; rep from * 3 more times, replacing beg ch-3 with tr, join with a ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**. [12 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp, 8 side ch-2 sp]
Round 4 Change to Petal, join with a ss to a corner ch-2 sp, *ch3 (counts as tr), (2tr, ch2, 3tr) in corner ch-sp, ch2, (3tr in side ch-sp, ch2) twice; rep from * 3 more times, replacing beg ch-3 with tr, join with a ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**. [16 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp, 12 side ch-2 sp]
Round 5 Change to Glacier, join with a ss to a corner ch-2 sp, *ch3 (counts as tr), (2tr, ch2, 3tr) in corner ch-sp, ch2, (3tr in side ch-sp, ch2) 3 times; rep from * 3 more times, replacing beg ch-3 with tr, join with a ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**. [20 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp, 16 side ch-2 sp]
Round 6 Work a ss into every st to give a firmer edge. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.

MAKING UP

If making your own apron, take the pink gingham and make six pin tucks, keeping the middle section plain. Sew your three strips of contrast fabric together to make the waistband and attach. This can be done with a sewing machine or stitched by hand. Position the granny squares where you'd like pockets and sew around three sides. If using a ready made apron, just sew your crochet pockets straight on.

SQUARE WEAR

Bring your grannies up to date with Anne Egan's pretty vest top.



Vest top



YOU WILL NEED

- Sublime Egyptian Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/105m), 6 (7: 8) balls of Frothy (321); 1 ball of each: Alessandra (325), Feather (355), Peony (326), Hush Hour (324), Freya (328)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook
- A 3.75mm (F/5) or 3.5mm (E/4) hook (see sizing notes)

For yarn stockists, contact Sublime 01924 369666 www.sublimeyarns.com

MEASUREMENTS

Small (Medium: Large)
To fit bust: 86cm/34in (100cm/39½in: 114cm/45in)

SIZING

Sizes are determined by the number of squares in the top. To make a size in between the sizes given, use a smaller hook (3.5mm or 3.75mm), checking the measurements of one square and multiplying it by 12 (14: 16) to give you the finished bust size, adding an extra 2cm to allow for seaming the squares.

TENSION

Each square measures 7cm (2¾in) using a 4mm hook. Measure your squares accurately and change hook size if needed – an extra 0.5cm on each square will add 6cm to the bust of the smallest size!

ABBREVIATIONS

5-tr fan Work 5tr in stitch indicated by pattern. (Similarly 3-tr fan and 4-tr fan.)
For a full list, see page 130

Hook a delicate top that's perfect for the summer, worked in luxurious Egyptian cotton yarn in beautiful jewel tones. The dainty edging and super-flattering empire line waist make for an easy-to-wear vest, creating a garment that's the ideal blend between vintage and modern style.

SQUARES

Make 35 (44: 49) squares. Every square has the final round worked in Frothy, and uses a different colour (referred to as Yarns A and B) for each of the first two rounds. You can use random colour combinations for the first 2 rounds until the yarn is used up. Change yarn on the last yrh of the previous round, and weave in ends as you work.
The sample pictured shows the small size, made with 35 squares. For the small size, you may find that you need to add an extra 2 squares (shown by dotted lines on the diagram on p18) to increase the armhole depth to approx 17.5cm.

With Yarn A, ch4, ss in first ch to form ring.
Round 1 (RS) Ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), working into ring, (3tr, ch2) 3 times, 2tr, ss in third ch of beg ch-5. [4 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp] **Fasten off**.
Round 2 With Yarn B, ss into first corner ch-sp, ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), 3tr in same place as ss, *ch1, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in next corner ch-sp; rep from * twice more, ch1, 2tr in same place as first ss, ss in 3rd ch of beg ch-5. [8 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp, 4 side ch-1 sp] **Fasten off**.
Round 3 With Frothy, ss into first corner ch-sp, ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), 3tr in same place as ss, *ch1, 3tr in next side ch-sp, ch1, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in corner ch-sp; rep from * twice more, ch1, 3tr in next side ch-sp, ch1, 2tr in corner ch-sp, ss in third ch of beg ch-5. [12 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp, 8 side ch-1 sp]
Fasten off.

TRIANGLES

With Yarn A, ch3, ss into first ch to make a ring.
Round 1 (RS) Ch4 (counts as tr and ch1 throughout), working into ring, 3tr, ch2, 3tr, ch1, tr. **Fasten off**, turn.
Round 2 With Yarn B, ch4, 3tr in ch-1 sp, ch1, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in ch-2 sp, ch1, 3tr in next ch-sp, ch1, tr in 3rd ch of beg ch-4. **Fasten off**, turn.
Round 3 With Frothy, ch4, 3tr in ch-1 sp, ch1, 3tr in next ch-1 sp, ch1, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in ch-2 sp, (ch1, 3tr in next ch-1 sp) twice, ch1, tr in 3rd ch of beg ch-4. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.

TO MAKE UP BODICE

Following the diagram for your size (see p93), join squares with Frothy as follows: With RS tog, pin edges of all squares, and sew tog on WS through the back loops of each tr and ch on each square.

SKIRT

There will be two 5-tr fans per square. With RS facing, join Frothy with a ss at a seam at the side of the garment.
Round 1 Dc around (1 dc in each tr, ch-sp and seam), ss into beg dc. [168 (196: 224) dc]
Round 2 Ch1 (does not count as st), (dc, skip 2 sts, 5-tr fan, skip 2 sts, dc) around, ss in beg dc. [24 (28: 32) 5-tr fans]
Round 3 Ss in next dc, ss in next tr, ch3, tr in next tr, ch3, dc in next tr, ch3, tr in each of next 2 tr, (tr in each of next 2 tr, ch3, dc in next tr, ch3, tr in each of next 2 tr) in each fan around, ss in top of beg ch-3.
Round 4 Ch3, 2tr in st at base of ch, (dc in next ch-3 sp, ch1, dc in next ch-3 sp, skip tr, 5-tr fan in next tr) around, ending with 2tr in base of beg ch-3, ss in top of beg ch-3.
Round 5 Ch1 (does not count as st), dc in st at base of ch, ch3, 2tr, (tr in each of next 2 tr, ch3, dc in next tr, ch3, tr in each of next 2 tr) in each fan around, ending with tr in each of next 2 tr, ch3, ss in first dc.
Round 6 Ss into ch-3 sp, dc in same ch-sp, (skip tr, 5-tr fan in next tr, dc in next ch-sp, ch1, dc in next ch-sp) around until last ch-3 sp, dc in ch-3 sp, ch1, ss to beg dc.
Round 7 Ss in next tr, ch3, tr in next tr, ch3, dc in next tr, ch3, tr in each of next 2 tr, (tr in each of next 2 tr, ch3, dc in next tr, ch3, tr in each of next 2 tr) in each fan around, ss in top of beg ch-3.
Repeat Rounds 4-7 until vest meas 60 (65: 65)cm or desired length (shorter version shown left), ending with Row 4 or 6.

NECK TRIM

With RS facing, join Frothy at back in the corner, ready to work over first shoulder.
Round 1 Ch1 (does not count as st), dc evenly around with 1dc in each st, ch-sp, seam or corner, and with 17dc across the diagonal of each triangle, ss to first dc.
For the following round, the aim is to have a 5-tr fan in the middle of each

Vest top



There are 19 shades of Sublime's Egyptian Cotton DK, so you've got plenty of shade choices if you want to hook up the top in a different colourway.

square, and a 5-tr fan at each square seam. In each corner there is a 3-tr fan and at the wider angled corners of the neck (where the triangles join) a 4-tr fan. Between each fan there are 2 dc. To ensure the fans are always evenly placed, adjust by occasionally using 1 instead of 2 dc between fans or skip 1 when the pattern says skip 2.

Round 2 Ch3, tr in st at base of ch (counts as part of 3-tr fan), (skip 2 dc, dc in next 2 dc, skip 2 dc, 5-tr fan) worked evenly around with a 3-tr fan in each corner and a 4-tr fan at each triangle join, ending with tr in base of beg ch-3 to complete fan, ss to beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

ARMHOLE TRIM

For each armhole, with RS facing, join Frothy at back corner ready to work over the shoulder.

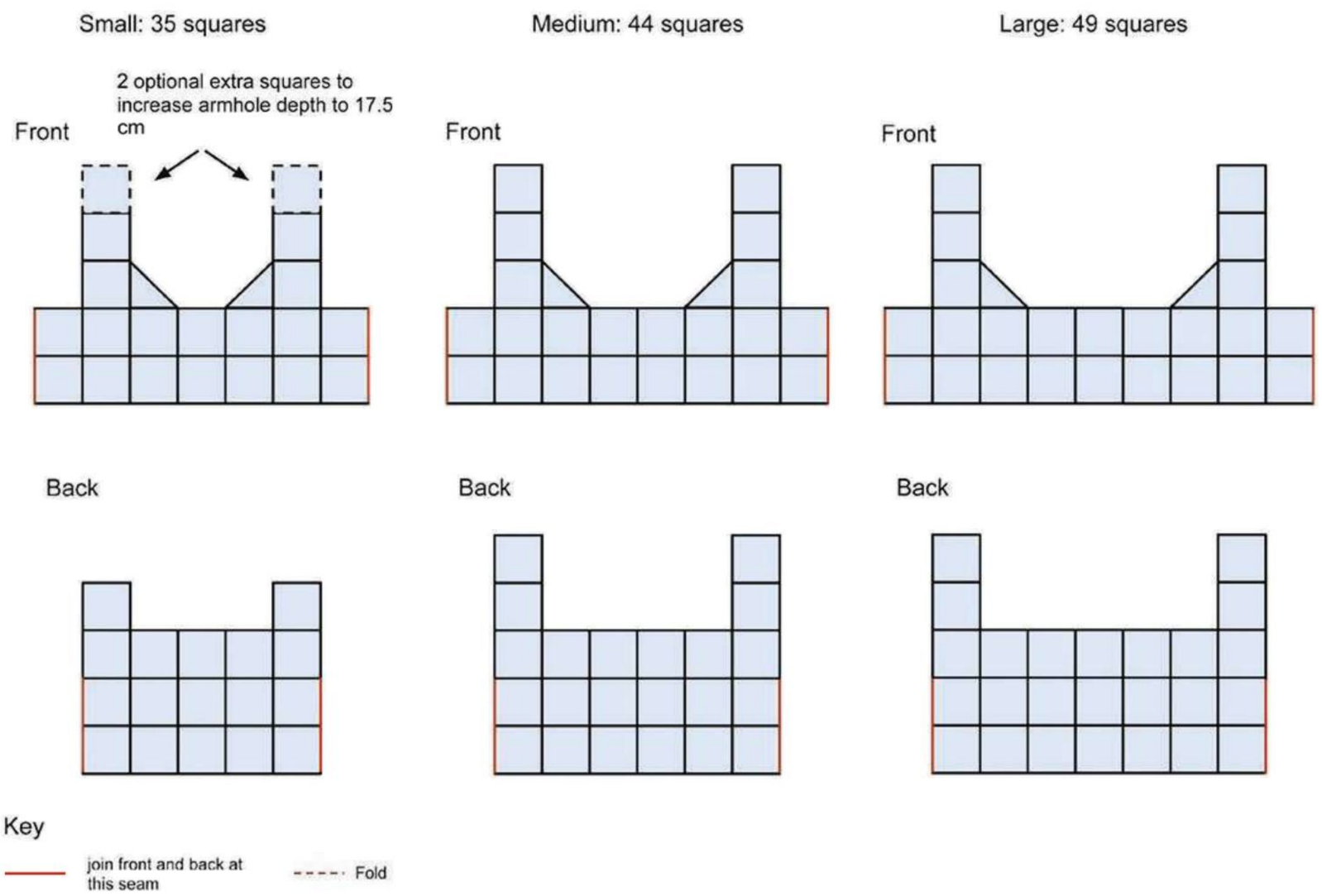
Work Rounds 1 and 2 as for Neck Trim, with a 5-tr fan in the centre and at the seam of each square, and a 3-tr fan in each corner. **Fasten off**.

TO FINISH

Make a chain in Frothy long enough to go around the bodice and leave 23cm tails on both sides.

Thread this tie evenly in and out around the top, just under the bodice, making sure that both tails come out to RS, close to centre front.

Fasten off and weave in loose ends back up the chain.



Lavender bag



ON THE SCENT

Keep your linens smelling sweet in the traditional way with Lara Messer's fragrant sachet.

Lavender bag



HALF TR, DOUBLE TR | 3PLY WEIGHT | 2.5MM HOOK

YOU WILL NEED

- DMC Petra no 5 (100% cotton), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Lilac (5224)
  Yarn B Cream (54459)
  Yarn C Pink (5225)
- A 2.5mm (US C/2) hook
- Dried lavender
- White felt (approx 13x6.5cm)
- Toy stuffing
- Sewing needle and thread

For yarn stockists, contact DMC 0116 275 4000 www.dmccreative.co.uk

MEASUREMENTS

Finished pillow measures approx 7cm (2¾in) square

ABBREVIATIONS

Cluster 5dtr in the same stitch or space

For a full list, see page 130.

Crochet designer Lara Messer says: "Hanging lavender bags on coat hangers, nestling them in drawers or even your holiday suitcase is a trick my mum taught me. It's a lovely thing to make on a summer's day and will keep everything smelling fresh and sweet." We're loving the vintage vibe of these delicate shades of cotton and lavender is such a calming scent, plus it's also a natural moth repellant. All sorted.

FRONT

With Yarn A, make a magic loop.
Round 1 Ch2 (counts as htr), *ch1, 1htr into the loop; repeat from * 6 more times, ch1, ss in the top of the beginning ch-2. [8 htr, 8 ch-1 sps]
Round 2 Ch1 (does not count as st), *2dc in each ch-1 sp around, ss to the first dc. [16 dc]
Fasten off.
Round 3 Join Yarn B in any dc, ch4, 4dtr in same dc, ch4, skip the next dc, *1 cluster in the next dc, skip the next dc, ch4; repeat from * around, ss in the top of the beginning ch-4.
Fasten off. [8 clusters, 8 ch-4 sps]
Round 4 Join Yarn C in any ch-4 sp, ch1 (does not count as st), 3dc in the same ch-4 sp, *1dtr in the previous skipped dc from Round 2 (this is the one beneath the current ch-sp), ch1, 3dc in next ch-4 sp; repeat from * around, ch1, ss to the first dc.
[8 dtr, 24 dc, 8 ch-1 sps]
Round 5 Ch3 (counts as tr), tr in the next dc, *skip the next dc and dtr, (1tr, 1dtr, ch1, 1dtr, 1tr) in the next ch-1 sp (forms corner), tr in each of the next 2 dc, skip the next dc, htr in the next dtr, htr in the next ch-1 sp, tr in each of the next 2 dc; repeat from * around, omitting the last 2 tr on the final repeat, ss in the top of the beginning ch-3.
[40 sts, 4 ch-1 sp]
Round 6 Ch1 (does not count as st), dc in each stitch around working (2dc, ch2, 2dc) in each corner ch-1 sp, ss to the first dc. [56 dc, 4 ch-2 sps]
Round 7 Ch3 (counts as tr), tr in each stitch around working (2tr, ch2, 2tr) in each corner ch-2 sp. [68 tr, 4 ch-2 sps]
Fasten off and weave in ends.

BACK

Ch17.
Row 1 Tr in the third ch from the hook and in each tr to the end, turn. [15 sts]
Row 2 Ch3 (counts as tr), tr in each st to end, turn.

Repeat Row 2 until Back measures same as Front (approx 7 more rows).
Fasten off and weave in ends.

MAKE THE PILLOW

Cut out two pieces of felt, each measuring 6.5x6.5cm (or size needed to be slightly smaller than your Front/Back piece).

Place the pieces together and sew around three of the edges.
Half stuff with toy stuffing, then add the dried lavender.

Top up the pillow with more of the toy stuffing. Securely sew up the fourth edge.

TO FINISH

Place the Front and Back pieces with WS together.

Join Yarn C to any stitch at the edge, then dc evenly around three of the sides, working through both layers of fabric.
At each corner stitch, work (2dc, ch2, 2dc).

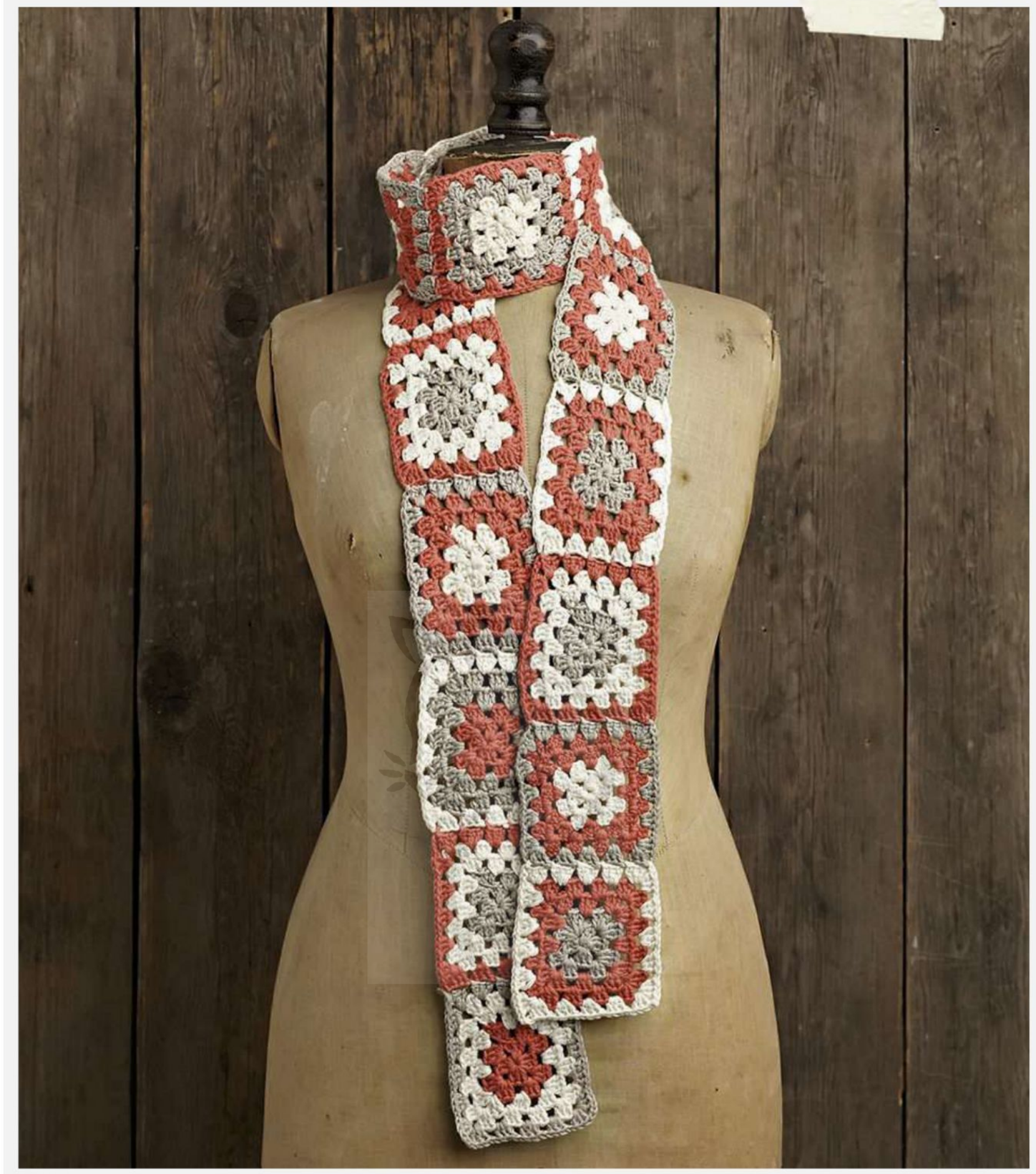
Place your scented pillow inside the crochet square, then dc along the fourth side to enclose the pillow.
Do not fasten off.

Ch50, then dc into the final corner ch-sp.
Fasten off and weave in ends.



Front and back are worked separately and then joined with a dc seam around the pillow.

Pastel scarf



CHAIN REACTION

Debbie Bliss's scarf is an elegant row of granny squares that's light enough to wear all year round.

Pastel scarf



TREBLE CROCHET | DK WEIGHT | 3.25MM HOOK

YOU WILL NEED

- Debbie Bliss Eco Baby (100% cotton, 50g/125m), 2 balls of each: Yarn A Tangerine (43), Yarn B Ecru (16), Yarn C Stone (15)
- A 3.25mm (US D/3) hook

For yarn stockists, contact Designer Yarns 01535 664222 www.designeryarns.uk.com

MEASUREMENTS

Each motif measures 10cm (4in) square
FInished scarf is 10cm (4in) wide x 170cm (67in) long

ABBREVIATIONS

For a full list, see page 130



Perfect if you're new to crochet, or you want an easy weekend project, this scarf is made from just one motif, crocheted several times over and stitched together.

MOTIF A (MAKE 2)

Using Yarn A, ch4, ss in first ch to form a ring.
Round 1 Ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), working into ring, (3tr, ch2) 3 times, 2tr, ss in third ch of ch-5. [4 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp]
Round 2 Ss into first corner ch-sp, ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), 3tr in same place as ss, *ch2, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in next corner ch-sp; rep from * twice more, ch2, 2tr in same place as first ss, ss in third ch of ch-5. [8 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp, 4 side ch-2 sp]
Fasten off.
Round 3 Ss with Yarn B to first corner ch-sp, ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), 3tr in same place as ss, *ch2, 3tr in next side ch-sp, ch2, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in corner ch-sp; rep from * twice more, ch2, 3tr in next side ch-sp, ch2, 2tr in corner ch-sp, ss in third ch of ch-5. [12 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp, 8 side ch-2 sp]
Round 4 Ss into first corner ch-sp, ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), 3tr in same place as ss, *(ch2, 3tr) in next side ch-sp twice, ch2, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in corner ch-sp; rep from * twice more, (ch2, 3tr) in next side ch-sp twice, ch2, 2tr in corner ch-sp, ss in third ch of ch-5. [16 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp, 12 side ch-2 sp]
Fasten off.
Round 5 Ss with Yarn C to first corner ch-sp, ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), 3tr in same place as ss, *(ch2, 3tr) in next side ch-sp 3 times, ch2, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in corner ch-sp; rep from * twice more, (ch2, 3tr) in next ch-sp 3 times, ch2, 2tr in corner ch-sp, ss in third ch of ch-5. [20 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp, 16 side ch-2 sp]
Fasten off.

This completes the first motif. The remaining motifs will be worked in the same way, but in a different colour sequence and will be joined to the preceding motif in the following way:

JOINING ROUND

Round 5 Work as for round 5 of the first motif, but replace every ch-2 sp on the third side of the motif with the following: ch1, remove loop from hook, place right side of first motif, to right side of working motif, insert hook through ch-sp of first motif and replace loop on hook, ch1.
Fasten off.

MOTIF B (MAKE 4)

As motif A, working 2 rounds Yarn C, 2 rounds Yarn A, 1 round Yarn B.

MOTIF C (MAKE 4)

As motif A, working 2 rounds Yarn C, 2 rounds Yarn B, 1 round Yarn A.

MOTIF D (MAKE 4)

As motif A, working 2 rounds Yarn B, 2 rounds Yarn A, 1 round Yarn C.

MOTIF E (MAKE 2)

As motif A, working 2 rounds Yarn A, 2 rounds Yarn C, 1 round Yarn B.

MOTIF F (MAKE 1)

As motif A, working 2 rounds Yarn B, 2 rounds Yarn C, 1 round Yarn A.

TO MAKE UP

Join motifs together in the following order: A, B, C, D, E, C, A, B, F, D, E, C, D, B, C, D, B.





This scarf comes from Debbie Bliss's pattern book, *Simply Crochet* (RRP£7.50), which includes 11 patterns using Debbie's yarns (for stockists, contact www.designeryarns.uk.com, 01535 664222).

Pencil case

TREBLE CROCHET | 5-PLY WEIGHT | 3MM HOOK

YOU WILL NEED

- Phildar Phil Coton 3 (100% cotton, 50g/121m), 1 ball of each: Vitamine (0006), Ciel (0003), Jade (0058)
- A 3mm (US C/2 or D/3) hook
- Zip, 16cm (6¼in) long
- Lining fabric, measuring at least 26x30cm (10¼x11¾in)

For yarn stockists, contact Loveknitting 0845 544 2196 www.loveknitting.com

TENSION

Each square measures 5cm (2in) square, using a 3mm hook

MEASUREMENTS

28x12cm (11x4¾in)

ABBREVIATIONS

For a full list, see page 130



ZIP IT UP

Beat the back-to-school blues with Sara Huntington's simple pencil case.

BASIC SQUARE

Ch4, ss to first ch to join into a ring.
Round 1 (RS) Ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), (3tr, ch2) 3 times into ring, 2tr into ring, ss to third ch of beg ch-5. [4 3-tr groups, 4 ch-2 sp]
Round 2 Ch3 (counts as tr), *(2tr, ch2, 2tr) into next ch-2 sp, 1tr into each of next 3 tr; repeat from * twice more, (2tr, ch2, 2tr) into next ch-2 sp, 1tr into each of next 2 tr, ss to top of beg ch-3. [7tr and one ch-2 sp per side]
Round 3 Ch1 (does not count as st), dc in each tr and 4dc in each ch-2 sp, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**.
Make 10 squares using Vitamine.
Make 10 squares using Jade in Round 1 and Ciel for Rounds 2 and 3.

TO MAKE UP

Sew all 20 squares together in a chequerboard pattern using the image as a guide.
With Ciel, work 2 rows of double crochet along the top and bottom of the made-up piece.
Fold the piece in half (10 squares each side) with RS together and sew up the sides to form pencil case. Turn right side out.

Pin and sew zip into position on both sides of the case, along the dc edge. The zip should sit centrally in the opening. Sew together the gap at both ends of the zip.

LINING

Fold a piece of fabric measuring 26x30cm (the dimensions of the pencil case plus 1cm seam allowance all around) and stitch up both sides.
Insert the lining into the pencil case with WS facing the crochet fabric. Turn down the 2cm seam allowance along the zip edges and hand sew into position to conceal the inside zip edge.

DREAM IN COLOUR

Bring a rainbow to the nursery with Becky Skuse's sweet and simple granny square blanket.



Rainbow blanket





YOU WILL NEED

- DK yarn, approx 100m/50g of 10 different colours in shades of red, orange, yellow, green, turquoise, blue, lilac, purple, pink and magenta
- DK yarn, approx 650m/200g of cream
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

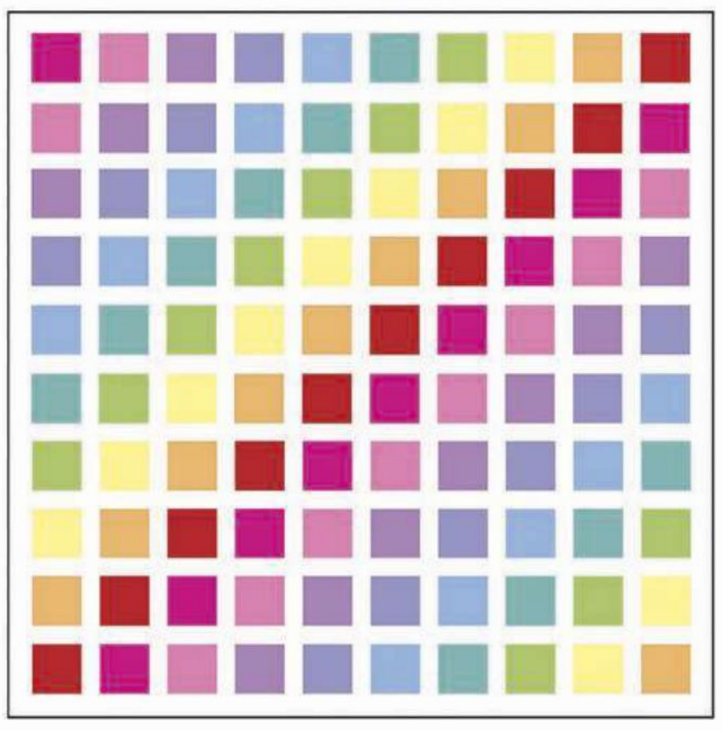
MEASUREMENTS

Each coloured square measures 7.5x7.5cm (3x3in) before border.
Each square measures 9x9cm (3½x3½in) with border.
Finished blanket measures approx 100x100cm (39½x39½in)

ABBREVIATIONS

For a full list, see page 130

LAYOUT DIAGRAM



Designer Becky says: "I've always adored rainbows, so a rainbow blanket had been on my must-make list for ages. I chose granny squares because they allow the colours to stay as the focus of the design, while the cream background keeps the look light. For me, crocheting with each shade in turn was like a form of colour therapy!" So, where do we sign up?



The wave of rainbow shades runs diagonally across the blanket. See the diagram below.



A wide half treble border worked in four easy rounds finishes off the blanket perfectly.

SQUARE

Make 10 squares in each yarn colour except cream.
Squares are joined when working a border in cream around each one.

Make a magic loop.
Round 1 (RS) Ch3 (counts as tr), 2tr into the ring, *ch3, 3tr into the ring; repeat from * twice more, ch3, ss to the top of the beginning ch-3 to join.
[4 3-tr groups, 4 ch-3 sps]
Round 2 Ss to the next ch-3 sp, ch3 (counts as tr), (2tr, ch3, 3tr) into the same ch-3 sp, *ch1, (3tr, ch3, 3tr) into the next ch-3 sp; repeat from * twice more, ch1, ss to the top of the beginning ch-3 to join.
[8 3-tr groups, 4 ch-3 sps, 4 ch-1 sps]
Round 3 Ss to the next ch-3 sp, ch3 (counts as tr), (2tr, ch3, 3tr) into the same ch-3 sp, *ch1, 3tr into the next ch-1 sp, ch1, (3tr, ch3, 3tr) into the next ch-3 sp; repeat from * twice more, ch1, 3tr into the next ch-1 sp, ch1, ss to the top of the beginning ch-3 to join.
[12 3-tr groups, 4 ch-3 sps, 8 ch-1 sps]
Fasten off and weave in ends.

BORDER

Join cream to any ch-3 sp of the first square, using a ss.
Round 1 (RS) Ch2 (counts as htr), (2htr, ch3, 3htr) into the same ch-3 sp, *ch1, (3htr into the next ch-1 sp, ch1) twice, (3htr, ch3, 3htr) into the next ch-3 sp; repeat from * twice more, (ch1, 3htr into next ch-1 sp) twice, ch1, ss to the top of the beginning ch-3 to join. [16 3-htr groups, 4 ch-3 sps, 12 ch-1 sps]
Fasten off and weave in ends.

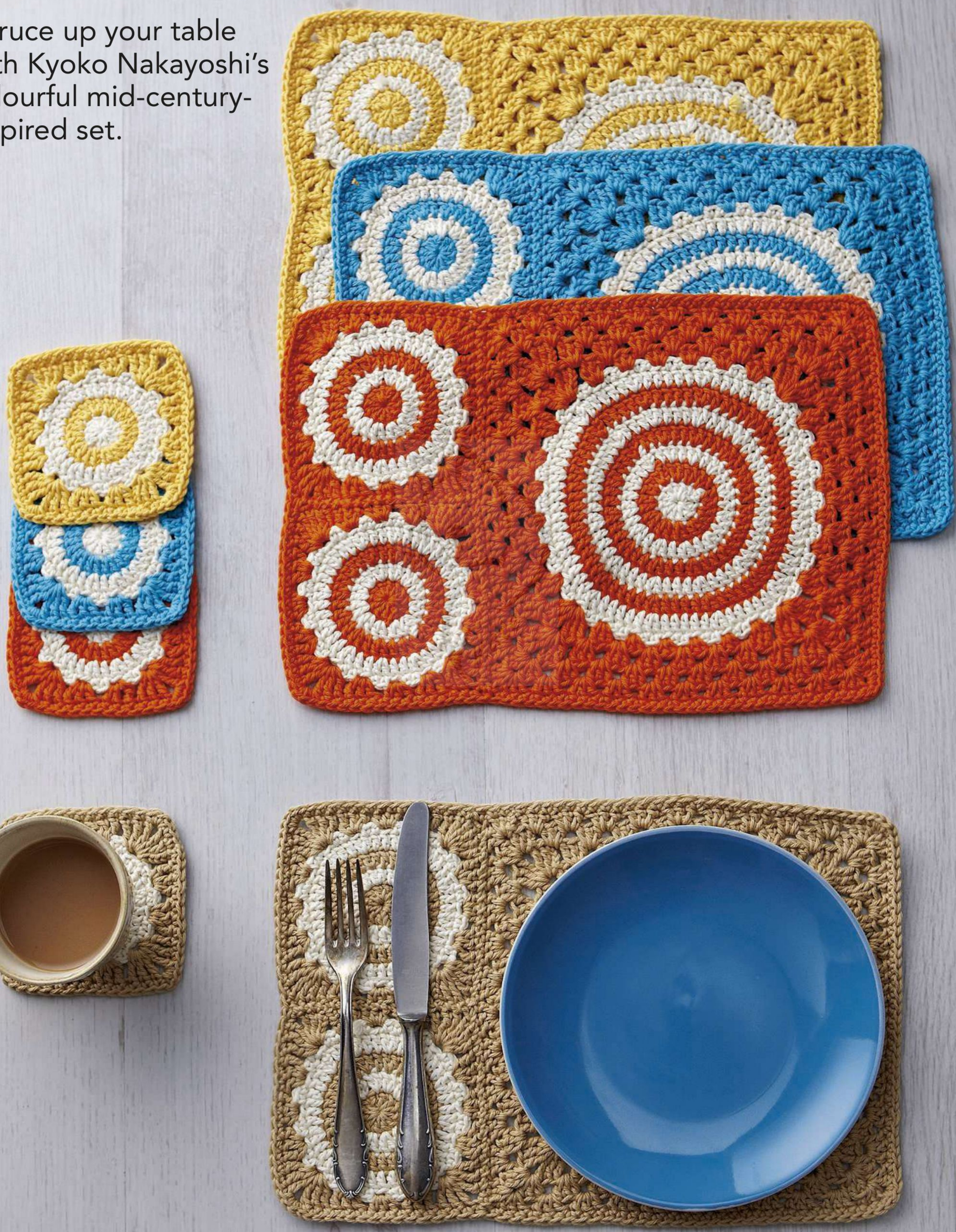
Now join tog the rem squares in a 10x10 grid (see diagram left) as you work the Border around each square. Work the Border round as above, but on the sides where you have an adjacent square, replace each 'ch1' with 'ss to matching ch-1 sp on adjacent square', and replace each 'ch3' with 'ch1, ss to matching ch-3 sp on adjacent square, ch1'.
Once you've joined the last square, do not fasten off the yarn.

BLANKET BORDER

Rotate work to crochet around the outside of the finished blanket.
Round 1 (RS) Ch2 (counts as htr), work 1htr into each stitch and ch-sp around, working 3htr into each of the blanket's 4 corner spaces. Ss to the top of the beginning ch-3 to join. [178 htr]
Round 2 Ch2 (counts as htr), work 1htr into each stitch, working 3htr into each corner stitch. Ss to the top of the beginning ch-3 to join. [186 htr]
Rounds 3-4 Repeat Round 2. [202 htr]
Fasten off and weave in ends.

FIFTIES FABULOUS

Spruce up your table with Kyoko Nakayoshi's colourful mid-century-inspired set.



Placemat and coaster set



YOU WILL NEED

- Stylecraft Classique Cotton DK (100% cotton, 184m/100g), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Ivory (3665)
  Yarn B Azure (3671), Sunflower (3662), Seville (3670), Toffee (3656)
- A 3mm (US C/2 or D/3) hook
- Tapestry needle

For yarn stockists, contact Stylecraft 01535 609798 www.stylecraft-yarns.co.uk

MEASUREMENTS

Placemat: 33x22cm (13x8½in)
Coaster: 10x10cm (4x4in)

ABBREVIATIONS

For a full list, see page 130

PLACEMAT

LARGE SQUARE (MAKE 1)

With Yarn A, make a magic loop.
Round 1 (RS) Ch3 (counts as first tr throughout), 11tr into loop, ss into top of beg ch-3. [12 sts]
Round 2 Change to Yarn B, ch3, 1tr into st at base of ch, *2tr into next st; rep from * 10 times more, ss into top of beg ch-3. [24 sts]
Round 3 Change to Yarn A, ch3, 1tr into st at base of ch, 1tr into next st, *2tr into next st, 1tr into next st; rep from * 10 times more, ss into top of beg ch-3. [36 sts]
Round 4 Change to Yarn B, ch3, 1tr into st at base of ch, 2tr, *2tr into next st, 2tr; rep from * 10 times more, ss into top of beg ch-3. [48 sts]
Round 5 Change to Yarn A, ch3, 1tr into st at base of ch, 3tr, *2tr into next st, 3tr; rep from * 10 times more, ss into top of beg ch-3. [60 sts]
Round 6 Change to Yarn B, ch3, 1tr into st at base of ch, 4tr, *2tr into next st, 4tr; rep from * 10 times more, ss into top of beg ch-3. [72 sts]
Round 7 Change to Yarn A, ch3, 1tr into st at base of ch, 5tr, *2tr into next st, 5tr; rep from * 10 times more, ss into top of beg ch-3. [84 sts]
Round 8 Ch1 (counts as dc), 1dc into next st, ch1, skip next st, *2dc, ch1, skip next st; rep from * 26 times more, ss into first ch.
Fasten off Yarn A.
Round 9 With Yarn B, ss into first ch-1 sp, ch4 (counts as dtr), (2dtr, ch1, 3dtr) into same ch-1 sp, (corner) *(1dtr, 2tr) into next ch-1 sp, (3htr into next ch-1 sp) 4 times, (2tr, 1dtr) into next ch-1 sp, (3dtr, ch1, 3dtr) into next ch-1 sp (corner); rep from * twice more, (1dtr, 2tr) into next ch-1 sp, (3htr into next ch-1 sp) 4 times, (2tr, 1dtr) into next ch-1 sp, ss into top of beg ch-4. [32 groups of 3 sts]
Round 10 Ss into next 2 sts and ch-1 sp, ch4 (counts as dtr), (2dtr, ch1, 3dtr) into same ch-1 sp, *(1dtr, 2tr) into next gap between groups of 3 sts, (3tr into next gap) 5 times, (2tr, 1dtr) into next gap, (3dtr, ch1, 3dtr) into the next ch-1 sp; rep from * twice, (1dtr, 2tr) into next gap, (3tr into next gap) 5 times, (2tr, 1dtr) into next gap, ss into top of beg ch-4. [36 groups of 3 sts]
Round 11 Ss into next 2 sts and ch-1 sp, ch3, (2tr, ch1, 3tr) into same ch-1 sp, *(3tr into next gap) 8 times, (3tr, ch1, 3tr) into next ch-1 sp; rep from * twice, (3tr into the next gap) 8 times, ss into top of beg ch-3. [40 groups of 3 sts]
Round 12 Ss into next 2 sts and ch-1 sp, ch3, (2tr, ch1, 3tr) into same ch-1 sp, *(3tr into next gap) 9 times, (3tr, ch1, 3tr) into next ch-1 sp; rep from * twice, (3tr into next gap) 9 times, ss into top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.

SMALL SQUARE (MAKE 2)

Rep Rounds 1 to 4 of Large Square but start with Yarn B and alternate with Yarn A. At the end of Round 4, do not fasten off. [48 sts]
Round 5 Cont with Yarn A, ch1 (counts as dc), 1dc into next st, ch2, skip next st, *2dc, ch2, skip next st; rep from * 14 times more, ss into first ch. **Fasten off** Yarn A.
Round 6 With Yarn B, ss into ch-2 sp, ch4 (counts as dtr), (2dtr, ch1, 3dtr) into same ch-2 sp (corner), *(1dtr, 2tr) into next ch-2 sp, 3htr into next ch-1 sp, (2tr, 1dtr) into next ch-2 sp, (3dtr, ch1, 3dtr) into next ch-2 sp (corner); rep from * twice, (1dtr, 2tr) into next ch-2 sp, 3htr into next ch-2 sp, (2tr, 1dtr) into next ch-2 sp, ss into top of beg ch-4.
Fasten off and weave in ends.

JOINING

Join 2 small squares using whipstitch in Yarn B. Join long edge of the two squares onto large square.
With Yarn B, dc evenly around mat with 3dc in each corner ch-1 sp.
Fasten off, weave in ends and block.

COASTER

Rep Rounds 1 to 3 of Large Square, do not fasten off. [36 sts]
Round 4 Cont with Yarn A, ch1 (counts as dc), 1dc into next st, ch2, skip next st, *2dc, ch2, skip next st; rep from * 10 times more, ss into first ch.
Fasten off Yarn A.
Round 5 With Yarn B, ss into ch-2 sp, ch4 (counts as dtr), (2dtr, ch1, 3dtr) into same ch-2 sp (corner), *(1dtr, 2tr) into next ch-2 sp, (2tr, 1dtr) into next ch-2 sp, (3dtr, ch1, 3dtr) into next ch-2 sp (corner); rep from * twice, (1dtr, 2tr) into next ch-2 sp, (2tr, 1dtr) into next ch-2 sp, ss into top of beg ch-4.
Round 6 Dc evenly around coaster with 3dc in each corner ch-1 sp.
Fasten off, weave in ends and block.

GIVE A MUG A HUG

Use four different shades of yarn to make one of Louise Smith's retro-hued cup cosies.

Cup cosies



YOU WILL NEED

- Rowan Pure Wool Worsted (100% wool, 100g/200m), 1 ball of each: Papaya (00135), Periwinkle (00146), Buttercup (00132), Olive (00125), Chestnut (00107), Magenta (00119)
- A 4.5mm (US 7) hook
- 6 buttons, 1.5cm (½in) diameter

For yarn stockists, contact Rowan 01484 681881 www.knitrowan.com

MEASUREMENTS

10x21cm (4x8¼in) (without button loops)
10x25cm (4x9¾in) (with button loops)

ABBREVIATIONS

For a full list, see page 130

NOTES

For Rounds 4 and 6, the ch-sps from the previous round also count as sts. When working into a ch-1 sp, work into the ch itself and not the space.

C SQUARE (MAKE 2)

Using Yarn A, ch4, ss to first ch to form a ring.
Round 1 (RS) Ch1 (does not count as st throughout), 8dc into the ring, ss to first dc to join. [8 dc]
Round 2 Ch2 (counts as htr throughout), htr in st at base of ch, ch1, *2htr in next st, ch1; rep from * around, ss to top of beg ch-2.
[16 htr and 8 ch-1 sp]
Fasten off.
Join Yarn B to any ch-1 sp.
Round 3 Ch2, htr in same ch-1 sp, ch1, 2htr in same ch-1 sp, *(2htr, ch1, 2htr) in next ch-1 sp; rep from * around, ss to top of beg ch-2. [32 htr and 8 ch-1 sps]
Fasten off.
Join Yarn C to any htr to the left of a ch-1 sp.
Round 4 Ch1, dc in st at base of ch, *htr in next st, tr in ch-1 sp from Round 2 between next 2 htr groups, htr in next st, dc in each of next 2 sts; rep from * around, omitting last dc, ss to first dc. [40 sts]
Fasten off.
Join Yarn D to any dc to the right of a htr.
Round 5 Ch1, dc in st at base of ch, *ch1, htr in next st, ch1, tr in next st, ch1, htr in next st, ch1, dc in each of next 7 sts; rep from * around omitting last dc, ss to first dc. [28 dc, 8 htr, 4 tr, 16 ch-1 sp]
Round 6 Ch1, dc in st at base of ch, dc in each of next 3 sts, *2dc in next st, dc in each of next 13 sts; rep from * around omitting last 4 dc, ss to first dc. [60 dc]
Fasten off and weave in ends.

TO FINISH

Place squares side by side with WS uppermost and sew tog using whip stitch through back loops only.
Using Yarn A, work a dc border evenly around edges, with 3dc in each corner st, ss to first dc to join. **Fasten off**.
*Using Yarn A, make a slipknot on hook and join with a ss near top corner of one RS edge, ch13, ss in st at base of ch to make a button loop. **Fasten off**.
Rep from * to make a second button loop at the bottom corner of same edge. **Fasten off**. Weave in rem ends.
Sew 2 buttons to correspond with button loops on opposite RS edge.
Block lightly.







Our cup cosies are worked in three colourways: 01 Yarn A: Papaya, Yarn B: Buttercup, Yarn C: Olive, Yarn D: Chestnut 02 Yarn A: Periwinkle, Yarn B: Chestnut, Yarn C: Magenta, Yarn D: Buttercup 03 Yarn A: Magenta, Yarn B: Olive, Yarn C: Chestnut, Yarn D: Periwinkle

COMING UP ROSES

Revamp your favourite chair with Nicki Trench's vibrant cushion.

Cushion



DOUBLE, TREBLE | DK WEIGHT | 4MM HOOK

YOU WILL NEED

- Rooster Almerino DK (50% baby alpaca, 50% merino wool, 50g/112.5m), 3 balls of Brighton Rock (211), 1 ball of each: Custard (210), Strawberry Cream (203), Ocean (208), Lighthouse (220), Gooseberry (207), Lilac Sky (215), Starfish (218), Beach (217)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook
- 1 cushion pad 41cm (16in) square

For yarn stockists, contact Laughing Hens 01829 740903 www.laughinghens.com

MEASUREMENTS

To fit 41cm (16in) square cushion pad

ABBREVIATIONS

2-tr cluster (Yrh, insert hook in space/st indicated, yrh and pull up loop, yrh and draw through 2 loops) 2 times, inserting the hook in the same space/st each time, yrh and draw through all loops on hook

3-tr cluster Work as for 2-tr cluster, repeating () 3 times

For a full list, see page 130

Add a splash of bright hues to your décor with this fab floral granny square cushion. It's also reversible (see left) so you can choose the colour scheme to suit your mood.

FRONT

SQUARES

Make 16 in the following colourways:
Colourway 1 (make 3): A: Custard, B: Ocean, C: Beach, D: Gooseberry, E: Lighthouse
Colourway 2 (make 3): A: Lighthouse, B: Starfish, C: Custard, D: Gooseberry, E: Brighton Rock
Colourway 3 (make 2): A: Custard, B: Lighthouse, C: Strawberry Cream, D: Gooseberry, E: Custard
Colourway 4 (make 3): A: Custard, B: Brighton Rock, C: Strawberry Cream, D: Ocean, E: Beach
Colourway 5 (make 2): A: Brighton Rock, B: Custard, C: Starfish, D: Ocean, E: Strawberry Cream
Colourway 6 (make 3): A: Custard, B: Brighton Rock, C: Lighthouse, D: Gooseberry, E: Lilac Sky

Using Yarn A, ch4, join with ss to form ring.
Round 1 (RS) Ch1 (does not count as st), 8dc into the ring, join Yarn B with a ss into first dc. **Fasten off** Yarn A. [8 dc]
Round 2 Ch3 (counts as tr throughout), 1tr in st at base of ch, ch2, *2-tr cluster in next st, ch2; rep from * to end, ss in top of beg ch-3. [8 clusters, 8 ch-2 sp]
Fasten off. Join Yarn C in first ch-sp.
Round 3 *Ch3, 3-tr cluster into same ch-sp, ch4, ss into same ch-sp (1 petal made), 1dc in top of next 2-tr cluster, ss in next ch-sp; rep from * to last 2 tr, 1dc in top of first tr, ss in same ch-sp as the first petal. [8 petals] **Fasten off**. Join Yarn D in top of any dc between petals.
Round 4 Ch1 (does not count as st), 1dc in same st, *ch3 (corner), keeping the petal at front of work make 1dc into top of next dc (between next petal), ch2, 1dc into top of next dc; rep from * to end, ss into first dc, do not fasten off. [4 corner ch-3 sp, 4 ch-2 sp, 8 dc]
Round 5 Ss in first ch-3 sp, ch3, (2tr, ch2, 3tr) in same ch-3 sp (corner), *(ch1, 2tr, ch1) in next ch-2 sp, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in next ch-3 sp (corner); rep from * to last ch-2 sp, (ch1, 2tr, ch1) in last ch-2 sp, ss in top of beg ch-3. [8 3-tr groups, 4 2-tr groups, 4 ch-2 sp, 4 ch-1 sp] **Fasten off**.

Join Yarn E in any corner ch-2 sp.
Round 6 Ch3, (2tr, ch2, 3tr) in same ch-sp (corner), 3tr in each of next 2 ch-sp, *(3tr, ch2, 3tr) into corner ch-sp, 3tr into each of next 2 ch-sp; rep from * to end, ss into top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

JOIN SQUARES

Place squares in 4x4 grid. With right sides facing, sew together to form front.

EDGING

In the following rounds, 'sp' refers to the space between groups of treble sts.
Round 1 With RS facing, join Lilac Sky with ss in any corner sp, ch3 (counts as tr), (2tr, ch2, 3tr) in same ch-sp (corner), *3tr in each of next 4 sp (next corner sp of same square), miss next sp (first corner sp of next square), rep from * to corner sp of panel, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in corner ch-sp; rep from * to end of round, ss into top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.
Round 2 Join Lighthouse with a ss into any corner sp, ch3 (counts as tr), (2tr, ch2, 3tr) into same ch-sp (corner), *3tr into each sp to next corner, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) into corner sp; rep from * to end of rnd, ss into top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.
Round 3 Using Beach, repeat Round 2. **Fasten off**.

BACK

Repeat Rounds 1-6 of square for Front using this colour sequence: A: Custard, B: Lighthouse, C: Beach, D: Ocean, E: Brighton Rock. Do not fasten off.
Round 7 Cont with Brighton Rock, ss in each of next 2 sts, ss in next ch-sp (corner), ch3 (counts as tr), (2tr, ch2, 3tr) in same ch-sp (corner), 3tr in each sp to next corner sp, *(3tr, ch2, 3tr) in corner ch-sp, 3tr in each sp to next corner ch-sp; rep from * to end, ss in top of beg ch-3.
Repeat Round 7 until Back measures 41cm square. **Fasten off**.

JOINING FRONT & BACK

Place together wrong sides of Front & Back. Join Ocean in any corner sp by placing hook through Front & Back, matching sps and making sts through both layers. Ch1 (does not count as st), 2dc in same sp, *1dc in each st to next corner, 2dc in corner sp; rep from * to last side. Insert cushion pad and cont to join like this to end, enclosing pad as you go, ss in top of first dc. **Fasten off**.

PETAL POWER

Hook your way to happiness with this colourful creation by Sara Huntington.

Flower blanket



YOU WILL NEED

- Rooster Almerino DK (50% alpaca, 50% merino, 50g/113m), 10 balls of Cherry (13), 4 balls of each: Beach (17), Brighton Rock (11), Custard (10), Damson (14), Gooseberry (07), Lighthouse (20), Lilac Sky (15), Pier (16), Smoothie (09), Starfish (18)
- A 3.5mm (US E/4) hook
- A 35mm pompom maker

For yarn stockists, contact Laughing Hens 01829 740903 www.laughinghens.com

TENSION

One motif measures 12x12cm (4.5x4.5in)

MEASUREMENTS

Finished blanket size is approx 180cm (71in) square

ABBREVIATIONS

For a full list, see page 130

NOTES

The blanket is made up of 145 motifs in five colours each.

Colour combinations are not specified other than the final round of each square motif, which should be worked in Cherry.

MOTIF (MAKE 145)

Make a magic loop.

Round 1 (RS) Ch3 (counts as htr and ch1), (htr into the loop, ch1) 7 times, ss to the second ch of the beginning ch-3. [8 ch-1 sps]

Round 2 2dc in each ch-sp around, ss to first dc, change yarn colour. [16 dc]

Round 3 Ch3, 4-tr cluster in st at base of ch (counts as 5-tr cluster), *skip dc, ch4, 5-tr cluster into the next dc; repeat from * 6 more times, ch4, ss into the top of the first 5-tr cluster, change yarn colour. [8 5-tr clusters, 8 ch-4 sps]

Round 4 Ss into the first ch-4 sp, ch1 (does not count as st), *2dc in ch-4 sp, 1dtr in skipped dc from Round 2, 2dc in same ch-4 sp, ch1; repeat from * in each ch-4 sp around, ss to the first dc. [16 dc, 8 dtr]

Round 5 Ch3 (counts as tr), tr in the next dc, *(tr, dtr, ch1, dtr, tr) into the next dtr (corner made), tr in the next 2 dc, tr in the next ch-1 sp, htr in the next 2 dc, ch1, htr in the next 2 dc, htr in ch-1 sp, tr in the next 2 dc; repeat from * three more times omitting the last 2 tr on the final repeat, ss to the top of the beginning ch-3, change yarn colour. [64 sts]

Round 6 Ch1 (does not count as st), dc in each st and ch-sp around, working (dc, ch1, dc) in each corner ch-1 sp, change to Cherry. [72 sts]



Flower blanket

Round 7 Ch1 (does not count as st), dc in each st around working 3dc in each ch-1 corner sp. **Fasten off**.

TO MAKE UP
Using Cherry and a dc seam, join the motifs in a diagonal formation as shown in the image on page 33, forming alternating rows of 9 and 8 motifs.

EDGING
Work in the round without closing off each round with a ss, around the outside edge of the blanket.

Use the stripe sequence of 3 rows of Cherry, 1 row in each of the other 10 colours, 3 rows Cherry, as follows:
Ch1 (does not count as st), dc in each st around, working dc3tog over the 3 sts of the 'V' where motifs join and 3dc into the st at the outer point of each corner.

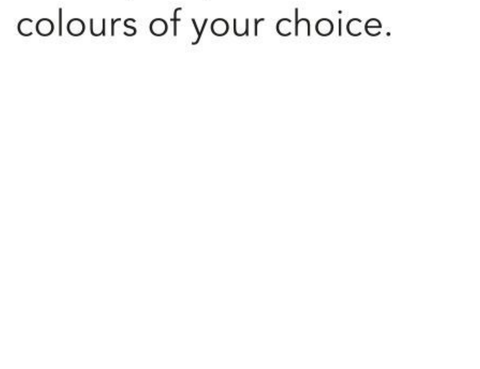
TO FINISH
Add a pompom to each corner in colours of your choice.



The zigzag rainbow border is worked in dc stitches using each of the 11 shades.



SIMPLE STEPS HOW TO WORK A DOUBLE CROCHET SEAM



1 First, make sure you fasten off, weave in ends and block pieces. Place pieces wrong sides together. With a slip knot on the hook, insert it into the far right stitch on both pieces, work a slip st.



2 Make 1ch (the t-ch for dc). Insert hook into the 2nd stitch of both layers and work a dc stitch. Work more dc stitches in this way along the edge, as far as you need to.

3 Fasten off, weave in ends, open out the seam and lightly press from the wrong side. You'll create a raised seam for a decorative effect on the right side (see above), using any colour of yarn.

4 In step 1, if you were to place your pieces with right sides together and work the seam, you'll create a more subtle effect on the right side (see above), with the raised seam on the wrong side.

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SUNNY SIDE UP

Play with kaleidoscope colours to make Debora Bradley's vivid bunting.

Bunting



YOU WILL NEED

- Stylecraft Classique Cotton (100% cotton, 100g/184m) 1 ball of each: White (3660), Azure (3671), Sunflower (3662), Tropical Jade (3676), Lavender (3673), Hot Pink (3668)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

For yarn stockists, contact Stylecraft 01535 609798 www.stylecraft-yarns.co.uk

MEASUREMENTS

Each square measures 10cm (4in) square

ABBREVIATIONS

2-tr cluster (Yrh, insert hook in space/st indicated, yrh and pull up loop, yrh and draw through 2 loops) twice, inserting the hook in the same space/st each time, yrh and draw through all loops on hook

3-tr cluster As above but work () 3 times

For a full list, see page 130

Mix and match the happiest and most vibrant of hues to make a bold string of bunting that will cheer up any room. Each starburst square begins its life as a circle, then treble clusters are worked in a different shade. The last two rounds are worked in a third colour. We've used white for the centre of each of our squares, but you could use any combination of the listed shades to make yours unique.

NOTES

Make as many of the motifs as you like to vary the length of the bunting. Each square uses three colours, Yarns A, B and C. We used White as Yarn A, but you can choose any colour combinations that you like.

SQUARE

With Yarn A, ch4, ss to the first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 (RS) Ch6 (counts as dtr and ch2), (dtr into the ring, ch2) 11 times, ss to the fourth ch of the beginning ch6.
Fasten off. [12 dtr, 12 ch-2 sp]

Round 2 Join Yarn B in any ch-2 sp, ch2, 2-tr cluster in the same ch-2 sp (counts as 3-tr cluster), ch3, (3-tr cluster, ch3) in each ch-2 sp around, ss to the top of the beginning 3-tr cluster.
Fasten off. [12 3-tr cluster, 12 ch-3 sp]

Round 3 Join Yarn C in any ch-3 sp, ch1 (does not count as st), (1dc, ch4) in each ch-3 sp around, ss to the first dc. [12 dc, 12 ch-4 sp]

Round 4 Ss into the first ch-4 sp, ch1, dc in the same ch-4 sp, *(5tr, ch3, 5tr) into the next ch-4 sp, dc into the next ch-4 sp, ch3**, dc into the next ch-4 sp; repeat from * 3 more times, ending the final repeat at **, ss to the first dc.
Fasten off and weave in ends.

STRING

With White, make a chain that is as long as you need and then ss back into each st all the way along the chain.
Fasten off and weave in end.

Thread the motifs onto the chain one by one through the top two of the corner ch-sps.



À LA CUISINE

Add a touch of gingham to your kitchen with granny square makes in strawberries and cream colours.

Kitchen set

DOUBLE, TREBLE | ARAN & 4PLY WEIGHT | 2.5, 4 & 5MM

YOU WILL NEED

CAFETIÈRE COSY

- Lily Sugar 'n Cream (100% cotton, 71g/109m), 1 ball of each: Country Red (01530), White (00001)
- A 5mm (US H/8) hook

PLACEMAT & COASTER

- DMC Petra 3 (100% cotton, 100g/280m), 2 balls of each: Yarn A Red (5321), Yarn B White (B5200) (This quantity is enough for 6 placemats and coasters)
- A 2.5mm (US B/1 or C/2) hook
- Tapestry needle

TEA TOWELS

- Lily Sugar 'n Cream (100% cotton, 71g/109m), 1 ball of each: Country Red (01530), White (00001)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook
- Teatowels of your choice

For yarn stockists for Lily Sugar 'n Cream, contact Wool Warehouse 0800 505 3300 www.woolwarehouse.co.uk

For yarn stockists for DMC, contact DMC 0116 275 4000 www.dmccreative.co.uk

MEASUREMENTS

Cosy measures 37x16cm (14½ x6¼in) when laid flat (fits a 12-cup cafetière)
Coaster measures 11cm (4¼in) square
Place mat measures 24x34cm (8½x13¼in)
Teatowel edging measures 46x7cm (18x2¾in)

ABBREVIATIONS

2-tr cluster (Yrh, insert hook in space indicated, yrh and pull up loop, yrh and draw through 2 loops) twice, inserting the hook in the same space each time, yrh and draw through all loops on hook

For a full list, see page 130

Bring a burst of colour to your kitchen this season with our set of bright and cheery accessories. Keep your coffee warm with a snug cafetière cosy, then lay your table with matching place mats and coasters – how cute is that granny square patch pocket for stashing your cutlery? There are also three different teatowel edgings for you to use to pretty up a plain teatowel. Washing up has never looked so good.



You can easily adapt the pattern to make the cosy fit any size of cafetière that you use.

CAFETIÈRE COSY

Debora Bradley's stylish, summery cosy will keep your coffee piping hot.

NOTES

For this cosy, you'll need to make 21 squares. If you want your cosy to fit a smaller cafetière, you'll need to adjust the number of squares accordingly.

SQUARE

Using Yarn A, make a magic loop.
Round 1 (RS) Ch3 (counts as tr), 2tr into loop, (ch2, 3tr into loop) 3 times, ch2, ss to top of beg ch-3 to join. **Fasten off**. [4 ch-3 sp]
Round 2 Join Yarn B in any ch-2 sp, ch3 (counts as tr), (tr, ch2, 2tr) in same sp, *tr in each of next 3 tr, (2tr, ch2, 2tr) in next ch-2 sp; repeat from * twice more, tr in each of next 3 tr, ss to top of beg ch-3 to join. **Fasten off**.

Make 10 squares using White as Yarn A and Country Red as Yarn B.
Make 3 squares using Country Red as Yarn A and Yarn B.
Make 8 squares using White as Yarn A and Yarn B.
Using the diagram on page 40, join the squares using the red yarn and a dc seam.

EDGING

Round 1 (RS) Join the red yarn in any st around edge of cafetière cosy, ch1 (does not counts as st), dc in same st and each st around working 3dc into each corner, ss to top of first dc to join. **Fasten off**.

TIES (MAKE 6)

Ch35, leaving long tails at both ends. Weave in one end of each tie. Position three ties along each edge of the cosy so one pair will sit above the handle, one in the middle of the handle and the final pair underneath the handle. Using the tail ends, secure the ties to the cosy by working stitches onto the wrong side.

PLACE MAT & COASTER

Set things straight with this place mat and coaster set by Hannah Cross.

COASTER

For each coaster, make 4 squares. Make 1 square in Yarn A, 1 square in Yarn B, and 2 squares with Round 1 in Yarn A and Round 2 in Yarn B.

Ch4, ss into first ch to join into a ring.
Round 1 (RS) Ch3 (counts as tr), 2tr into ring, ch3, (3tr into ring, ch3) 3 times, ss to top of beg ch-3. [4 ch-3 sp]
Round 2 Join or ss to a ch-3 sp, ch3 (counts as tr), (2tr, ch3, 3tr) into same sp, *ch1, (3tr, ch3, 3tr) into next ch-3 sp; repeat from * twice more, ch1, ss to top of beg ch-3.
Fasten off.

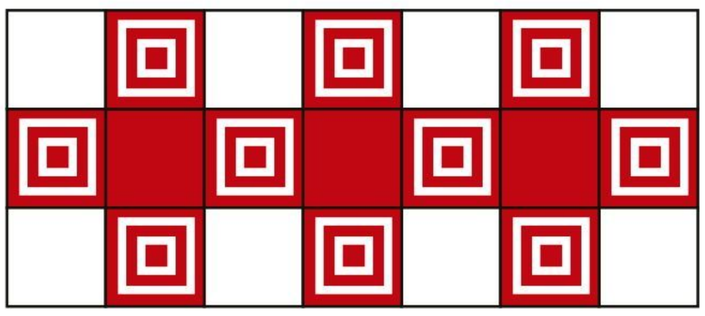
Lay these out as shown in the diagram on page 40 and sew together with RS facing using Yarn A.

EDGING

Round 1 (RS) Join Yarn A into any

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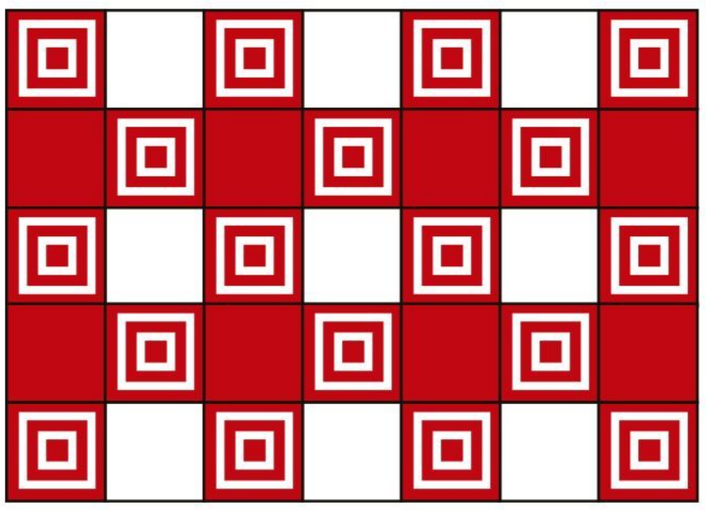
Cafetière cosy

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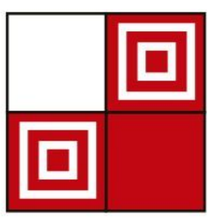
Plain red square

Plain white square

Mixed red and white square



Placemat



Coaster

corner sp, ch1 (does not count as st), 5dc in each corner, 1dc in each st around, ss to first dc.
Round 2 Ch1 (does not count as st), *2dc, ch3, ss in st at base of ch; repeat from * around, ss to first dc to join.
Fasten off.

PLACE MAT

For each place mat, make 35 squares following the pattern for the Coaster. Make 8 squares in Yarn A, 9 squares in Yarn B, and 18 squares with Round 1 in Yarn A and Round 2 in Yarn B.
Lay them out as shown in the diagram (left) and sew together with RS facing using Yarn A. Work an edging in Yarn A as given for the Coaster.

CUTLERY POCKET

Using Yarn B, work Rounds 1 and 2 as given for the Coaster.

Round 3 Join or ss to corner sp and work (3tr, ch2, 3tr, ch1) in each corner sp, replacing first tr of the round with ch3, and (3tr, ch1) in each side ch-sp.

Round 4 Rep the last round.

Round 5 Ch1 (does not count as stitch), dc into each stitch and chain around, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**.

Sew the pocket to the place mat along 3 sides.

TEA TOWEL EDGINGS

A simple way to brighten your kitchen – hook Lucy Croft's towel edgings.



EDGE 1 (WHITE EDGE ON GINGHAM)

Make 7 Granny Squares (see pattern below) using White as Yarn A and Country Red as Yarn B.

EDGE 2 (RED WAFFLE TEA TOWEL)

Make 7 Flower Squares (see pattern below) using White as Yarn A and Country Red as Yarn B.

EDGE 3 (RED EDGE ON GINGHAM)

Make 4 Granny Squares and 3 Flower Squares using Country Red as Yarn A and White as Yarn B.

FLOWER SQUARE PATTERN

Using Yarn A, make a magic loop.

Round 1 (RS) Ch3 (counts as tr), 11tr into loop, ss to top of beg ch-3 to join. **Fasten off**. [12 tr]

Round 2 Join Yarn B between any 2 tr, ch3 (counts as tr), working in the spaces between tr of previous round: tr between same 2 tr, 2-tr cluster in next space, 2tr in next space, ch2, *2tr in next space, 2-tr cluster in next space, 2tr in next space, ch2; repeat from * twice more, ss to top of beg ch-3 to join. **Fasten off**. [4 ch-2 sp]

Round 3 (RS) Join Yarn A in any ch-2 corner sp, ch1 (does not count as st), *(dc, ch2, dc) in same sp, ch2, skip next 2 tr, dc in 2-tr cluster, ch2, skip next 2 tr; repeat from * 3 more times, ss to first dc to join. **Fasten off**.

GRANNY SQUARE PATTERN

Using Yarn A, make a magic loop.

Round 1 (RS) Ch3 (counts as tr), tr into loop, (ch2, 2tr into loop) 3 times, ch2, ss to top of beg ch-3 to join. **Fasten off**. [4 ch-2 sp]

Round 2 Join Yarn B in any ch-2 sp, ch3 (counts as tr), (tr, ch2, 2tr) in same sp, *ch1, skip 2 tr, (2tr, ch2, 2tr) in next ch-2 sp; repeat from * twice more, ch1, ss to top of beg ch-3 to join. **Fasten off**. [4 ch-2 sp, 4 ch-1 sp]

Round 3 Join Yarn A in any ch-2 corner sp, ch1 (does not count as st), *(dc, ch2, dc) in same sp, ch2, skip next 2-tr, dc in ch-1 sp, ch2, skip next 2-tr; repeat from * 3 more times, ss to first dc to join. **Fasten off**.

ALL EDGINGS

Using a tapestry needle and Yarn A, sew the squares together into a line, alternating square patterns for Edge 3. Work a row of half treble along the top of the strip, as follows:

Using Yarn A, join yarn in ch-2 sp in right-hand top corner of strip of squares, ch2 (counts as htr), *(htr in dc, htr in next 2 ch) twice, htr in dc, htr in corner ch-2 sp, htr in corner ch-2 sp of next square; repeat from * across omitting final htr. **Fasten off**. [63 htr]

TO FINISH

Weave in all ends.

Pin edging through htr row to the edge of the tea towel, making sure the edges are aligned.

Using a matching thread, sew the edging to the hem of the tea towel.

Block lightly.

FAIR AND SQUARE

Go bright and breezy with Ruth Maddock's beautiful two tone top.



Camisole top



DOUBLE, TREBLE | 4PLY WEIGHT | 3.5MM HOOK

YOU WILL NEED

- DMC Petra 3 (100% cotton, 100g/280m)
  Yarn A White (B5200)
  Yarn B Red (5321)
  For measurements and yarn quantities, see table
- A 3.5mm (US E/4) hook
- 0.5m of 1cm elastic

For yarn stockists, contact DMC 0116 275 4000 www.dmccreative.co.uk

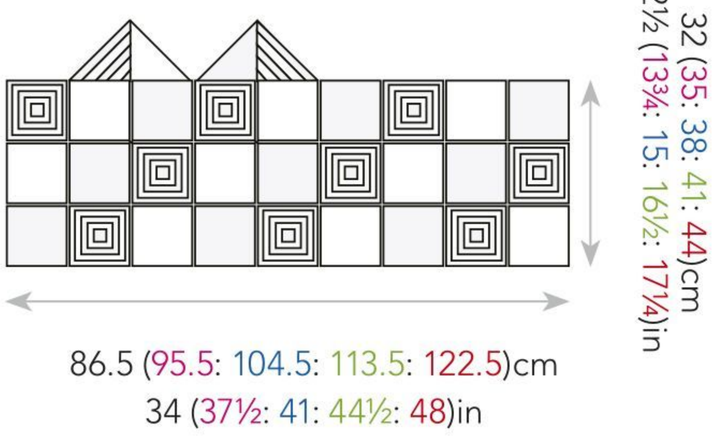
TENSION

Using 3.5mm hook each square should measure:
Small 9.5cm square
Medium 10.5cm square
Large 11.5cm square
X Large 12.5cm square
2X Large 13.5cm square

ABBREVIATIONS

tr3tog (Yrh, insert hook in next stitch, yrh and pull up loop, yrh and draw through 2 loops) 3 times, yrh and draw through all loops on hook.

For a full list, see page 130



Pillar box red and pure white look so fresh for spring and summer. Ruth Maddock's pretty camisole top is made up of granny squares and clever triangles, with elastic added here and there to ensure a perfect fit. Fab.

NOTES

Finished measurement of this garment is determined by working squares of a certain size, so it is important to make sure that your squares match the measurement stated for your size. Change hook size if necessary to get the required tension.
Seaming will add a little extra to the total width of the joined squares, so this has been accounted for in calculating the total bust size, but the elastic at the back of the garment is forgiving, so it doesn't matter if your joined square piece is slightly larger than the given measurements. Each size uses a different number of rounds in the square pattern; these are listed below the Basic Square pattern.
Fasten off and weave in ends when changing colour in a square, and after finishing each square.

BASIC SQUARE PATTERN

Make a magic loop.
Round 1 (RS) Ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), working into loop, (3tr, ch2) 3 times, 2tr, ss in 3rd ch of beg ch-5. [4 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp]
Round 2 Ss into first corner ch-sp, ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), 3tr in same place as ss, *ch1, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in next corner ch-sp; rep from * twice more, ch1, 2tr in same place as 1st ss, ss in 3rd ch of beg ch-5. [8 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp, 4 side ch-1 sp]
Round 3 Ss into first corner ch-sp, ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), 3tr in same place as ss, *ch1, 3tr in next side ch-sp, ch1, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in corner ch-sp; rep from * twice more, ch1, 3tr in next side ch-sp, ch1, 2tr in corner ch-sp, ss in 3rd ch of beg ch-5. [12 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp, 8 side ch-1 sp]
Round 4 Ss into first corner ch-sp, ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), 3tr in same place as ss, ch1, work (3tr, ch1) in each ch-1 sp around, and (3tr, ch2, 3tr, ch1) in each ch-2 sp around to last ch-2 sp, 2tr in last ch-2 sp, ss in 3rd ch of beg ch-5.
Cont working each foll round as Round 4, for as many rounds as are stated below for the size you are making.

Dc Round (only used for the sizes stated below)
Replace treble sts with dc sts as foll:
Ss into first corner ch-sp, ch3 (counts as dc and ch2), 3dc in same place as ss, ch1, work (3dc, ch1) in each ch-1 sp around, and (3dc, ch2, 3dc, ch1) in each ch-2 sp around to last ch-2 sp, 2dc in last ch-2 sp, ss in 1st ch of beg ch-3.

For Size S, make 4 rounds of Basic Pattern, followed by 1 Dc Round.
For Size M, make 5 rounds of Basic Pattern.
For Size L, make 5 rounds of Basic Pattern followed by 1 Dc Round.
For Size XL, make 6 rounds of Basic Pattern.
For Size 2XL, make 6 rounds of Basic Pattern followed by 1 Dc Round.

For all sizes:
Make 9 squares using Yarn A only.
Make 9 squares using Yarn B only.
Make 9 squares alternating between Yarn A and Yarn B for each round, starting with Yarn B.

SIZE		S	M	L	XL	2XL
TO FIT BUST	cm	76-81	86-91	96-102	107-112	117
	in	30-32	34-36	38-40	42-44	46
ACTUAL BUST	cm	86.5	95.5	104.5	113.5	122.5
	in	34	37½	41	44½	48
SIDE SEAM	cm	32	35	38	41	44
	in	12½	13¾	15	16	17¼
YARN A	100g	1	2	2	3	3
YARN B	100g	1	2	2	3	3

Camisole top



Delicate straps balance out the bold colours while elastic helps the top to fit perfectly.



The flattering V-shaped neckline is created with a pair of clever granny triangles.

BASIC TRIANGLE PATTERN
Make a magic loop.
Row 1 (RS) Ch3 (counts as tr), 2tr into loop, ch2, 3tr into loop, turn. [6 tr, ch-2 sp]
Row 2 Ch3 (counts as tr), 2tr into st at base of ch, ch1, (3tr, ch2, 3tr, ch1) in ch-2 sp, 3tr in last tr, turn. [12 tr, 2 ch-1 sp, ch-2 sp]
Row 3 Ch3 (counts as tr), 2tr into st at base of ch, ch1, (3tr, ch1) in ch-1 sp, (3tr, ch2, 3tr, ch1) in ch-2 sp, (3tr, ch1) in ch-1 sp, 3tr in last tr, turn. [16 tr, 4 ch-1 sp, ch-2 sp]
Row 4 Ch3 (counts as tr), 2tr into st at base of ch, ch1, work (3tr, ch1) in each ch-1 sp and (3tr, ch2, 3tr, ch1) in ch-2 sp across to last tr, 3tr in last tr, turn.
Cont working each foll row as Row 4, for as many rows as are stated below for the size you are making.

Dc Row (only used for sizes stated below)
Replace tr sts with dc sts as follows:
Ch2 (counts as 1 dc), 2dc into st at base of ch, ch1, work (3dc, ch1) in each ch-1 sp and (3dc, ch2, 3dc, ch1) in ch-2 sp across to last tr, 3dc in last tr, turn.

For Size S, make 4 rows of Basic Patt followed by 1 Dc Row.
For Size M, make 5 rows of Basic Patt.
For Size L, make 5 rows of Basic Patt followed by 1 Dc Row.
For Size XL, make 6 rows of Basic Patt.
For Size 2XL, make 6 rows of Basic Patt followed by 1 dc Row.

For all sizes:
Make 1 triangle in Yarn A only.
Make 1 triangle in Yarn B only.
Make 2 triangles alternating between Yarn A and Yarn B for each row, starting with Yarn B.

TO MAKE UP
Sew all squares and triangles tog, placing them as shown in diagram.
When sewing, match all sts correctly, leave side seam open.

Pin out as shown in diagram and press on WS according to ball band.
Sew side seam in same manner as before.

EDGING AT HEM
Rejoin Yarn B at the bottom of side seam with RS facing, ch3 (counts as tr), work 1tr in each st and in each seam around, ss to top of beg ch-3.
Next round Ch3 (counts as tr), tr in each st to end, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

EDGING AT NECK
Rejoin Yarn B at top of side seam with RS facing, ready to work across back, ch3 (counts as tr), work 1tr in each st and in each seam across to last st before first triangle is joined, *tr3tog over last st, seam, and first st of triangle, tr in each st to point of triangle, 5tr in point of triangle, tr in each st to last st of triangle; rep from *, tr3tog over last st, seam and first st of edging, tr in each st and seam to end, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

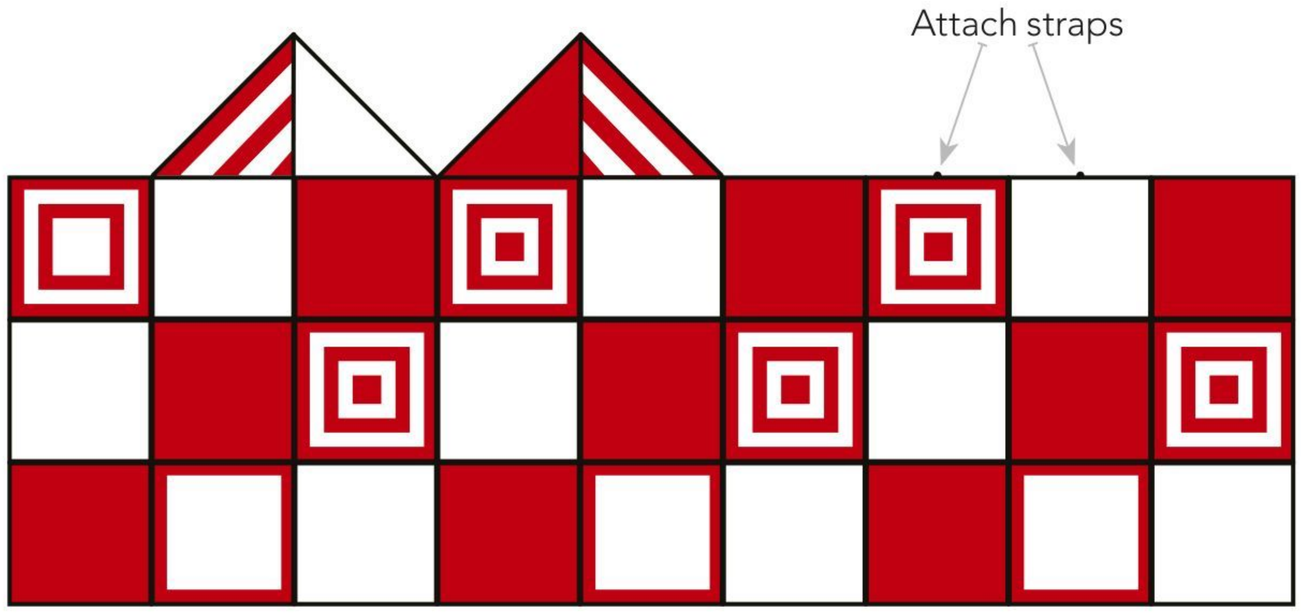
ELASTIC CASING
This is worked along the WS of edging row across top of 5 squares that make up the Back.
Rejoin Yarn B on the WS at top of side seam, ready to work across the Back.
*Ch4, skip 2 sts, ss to base of next st, ch4, skip 2 sts, ss to top of next st; rep from * along top of Back 5 squares.
Thread elastic through casing, pull up to fit and sew each end of the elastic firmly to your work.

STRAPS
FRONT
Rejoin Yarn A with ss to top of triangle point, ch40 (45: 50: 55: 60). **Fasten off**.
Repeat with Yarn B.
Work a second strap to match.

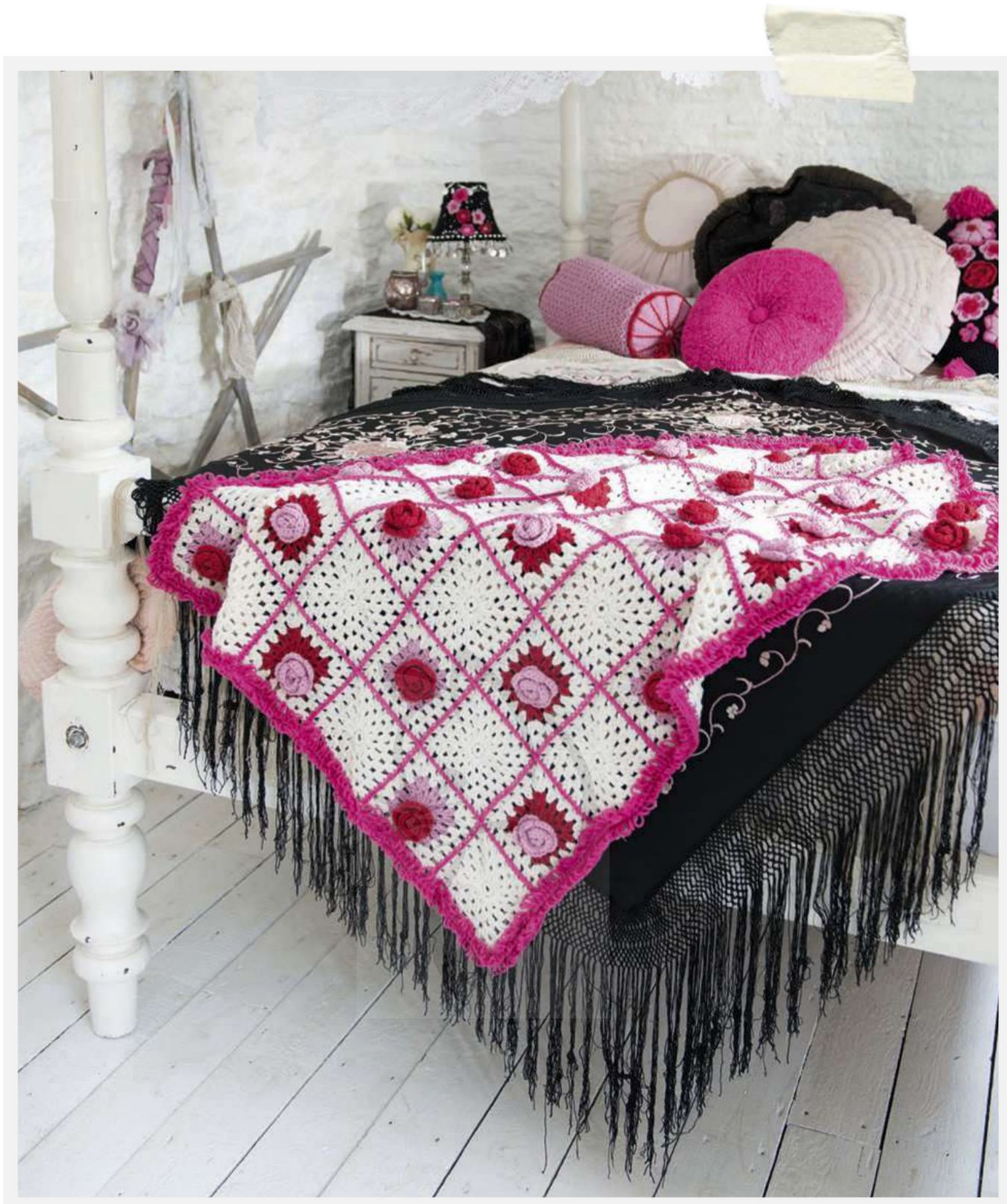
BACK
Rejoin Yarn A with ss to centre of back square, as shown in diagram, ch60 (65: 70: 75: 80). **Fasten off**.
Repeat with Yarn B.
Work a second strap to match.

Tie front and back straps together to fit and knot into place.
Make large knots at the end of each ch strap and weave in ends.

PLACEMENT OF SQUARES



Rose blanket



PRETTY IN PINK

Not your ordinary granny square blanket – Hannah Cross's design is blooming with crocheted roses.

Rose blanket



YOU WILL NEED

- DROPS Merino Extra Fine (100% wool, 50g/105m), 8 balls of Yarn A Off White (01), 2 balls of Yarn B Red (11), 2 balls of Yarn C Pink (25), 5 balls of Yarn D Cerise (17)
- A 5mm (US H/8) hook
- Tapestry needle

For yarn stockists, contact DROPS Design www.garnstudio.com

TENSION

Each square measures 13cm and each flower measures 6cm across

MEASUREMENTS

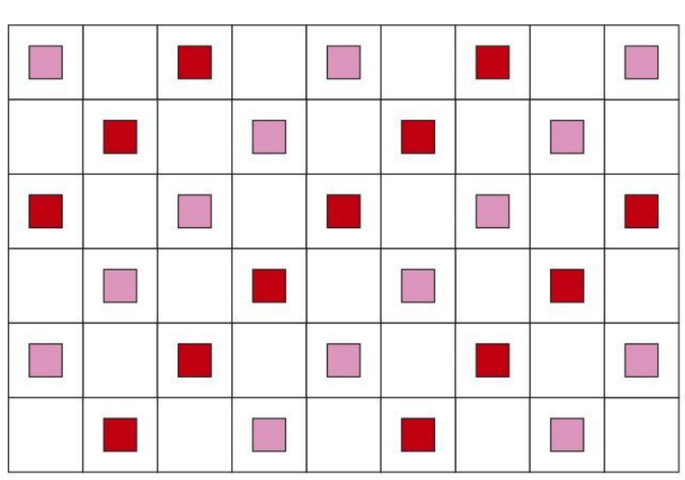
The finished blanket measures 115x80cm (45¼x31½in)

ABBREVIATIONS

Loop stitch Wrap yarn from front to back over index finger to form big loop, insert hook in next st, use hook to grab strand of yarn from behind index finger, draw yarn through st (2 loops on hook), yrh, pull yarn through 2 loops, drop loop.

For a full list, see page 130

KEY



Plain square

Pink square

Red square

Calm your spirits, whatever the weather, by lying in your very own, crocheted floral meadow. There's no better way to relax.

NOTES

You need to make 27 plain squares, 14 pink squares and 13 red squares.

PLAIN SQUARE

Using Yarn A, ch4, join with a ss into first ch to make a ring.

Round 1 (RS) Ch1 (does not count as st), 8dc into ring, ss in first dc to join.

Round 2 Ch3 (counts as tr), 1tr in same st, *ch1, (2tr, ch2, 2tr) in next dc, ch1, 2tr in next dc; repeat from * twice more, ch1, (2tr, ch2, 2tr) in next dc, ch1, ss in top of beg ch-3 to join.

Round 3 Ss in next tr, ss in next ch-1 sp, ch3 (counts as tr), 1tr in same ch-1 sp, *ch1, (2tr, ch2, 2tr) in corner ch-2 sp, **ch1, 2tr in next ch-sp**; repeat from ** to ** to corner ch-2 sp; repeat all from * twice more, ch1, (2tr, ch2, 2tr) in corner ch-2 sp; repeat from ** to ** across to beg ch-3, ch1, ss in top of beg ch-3 to join.

Rounds 4 and 5 Repeat Round 3.

Fasten off.

RED SQUARE

Using Yarn B, work as for Rounds 1-3 of plain square. **Fasten off**.

Round 4 Join Yarn A in next ch-1 sp, ch3 (counts as tr), 1tr in same ch-1 sp, continue as for Round 3 of plain square from * around.

Round 5 Repeat Round 3 of plain square. **Fasten off**.

PINK SQUARE

Work as given for Red Square, starting with Yarn C and changing to Yarn A in Round 4.

FLOWERS

Make 14 in red and 13 in pink.

The flowers are made using a strip of crochet fabric, which is coiled up and sewn at the base.

Ch21.

Row 1 (RS) 1dc in 3rd ch from hook, *ch1, skip 1 ch, (1dc, ch1, 1dc) in next ch; repeat from * to end, turn.

Row 2 Ch3 (counts as tr), 4tr in 1st ch-sp, *1dc in next ch-sp, 5tr in next ch-sp; repeat from * to end.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail.

Roll up each strip into a flower shape and using the long tail and a tapestry needle, work a few stitches through the base of the flower to secure.

Sew each pink flower to a red square and vice versa.

JOIN THE SQUARES

The granny squares are joined with a double crochet seam to the RS of the throw to add texture and give a firm seam. If you prefer, you can weave, backstitch or slip stitch them together.

Arrange the squares according to the diagram.

Work a horizontal seam to join all the squares of the bottom 2 rows, as folls:

Take 2 adjoining squares from the bottom corner of the blanket and with WS facing each other, join Yarn D through both squares in a corner ch-2 sp. Ch1, 2dc in same sp, 1dc in each st and sp across working all sts through both squares, 1dc in corner ch-2 sp, do not fasten off.

Continue with the next 2 adjacent squares, working 1dc into each corner ch-2 sp and 1dc into each st and sp across. Repeat until you have joined the bottom 2 rows, working 2dc into the final corner ch-2 sp. **Fasten off**.

Join the other 4 rows using the same method as above.

Turn your blanket to work the seams in the other direction. Work as for previous seams, omitting the dcs in the corner ch-2 sps – instead, work a ch to go over the top of the seam running in the other direction.

LOOP STITCH EDGING

Round 1 (RS) Using Yarn D, join in any corner sp of the blanket. Ch1 (does not count as st), 3dc in corner sp, 1dc in each st around working 3dc into each corner, ss in first dc to join.

Round 2 Ch1 (does not count as st), 1dc in back loop of each st around working 3dc in each corner st, ss in first dc to join.

Turn the blanket over so the WS is facing.

Ch1 (does not count as st), work a loop stitch into the back loop of each st in Round 2, ss to first st to join. **Fasten off**.

Join yarn in the back loop of any corner st of Round 1, work a loop st into the back loop of each st in Round 1, ss to first st to join. **Fasten off**.



KEEP IT SIMPLE

Ilaria Caliri's scrummy merino scarf is cleverly made by linking together granny squares.

Bright scarf



EASY-PEASY TO MAKE | DK WEIGHT | 5MM HOOK

YOU WILL NEED

- DMC Woolly (100% merino wool, 50g/125m),
  1 ball of Yarn A shade 73
  2 balls of each: Yarn B shade 72, Yarn C shade 77
  3 balls of Yarn D shade 54
- A 5mm (H/8) hook

For yarn stockists, contact DMC 0116 275 4000 www.dmccreative.co.uk

MEASUREMENTS

One square motif measures approx 14x14cm (5½x5½in)
Finished scarf measures approx 14x210cm (5½x47in)

ABBREVIATIONS

For a full list, see page 130

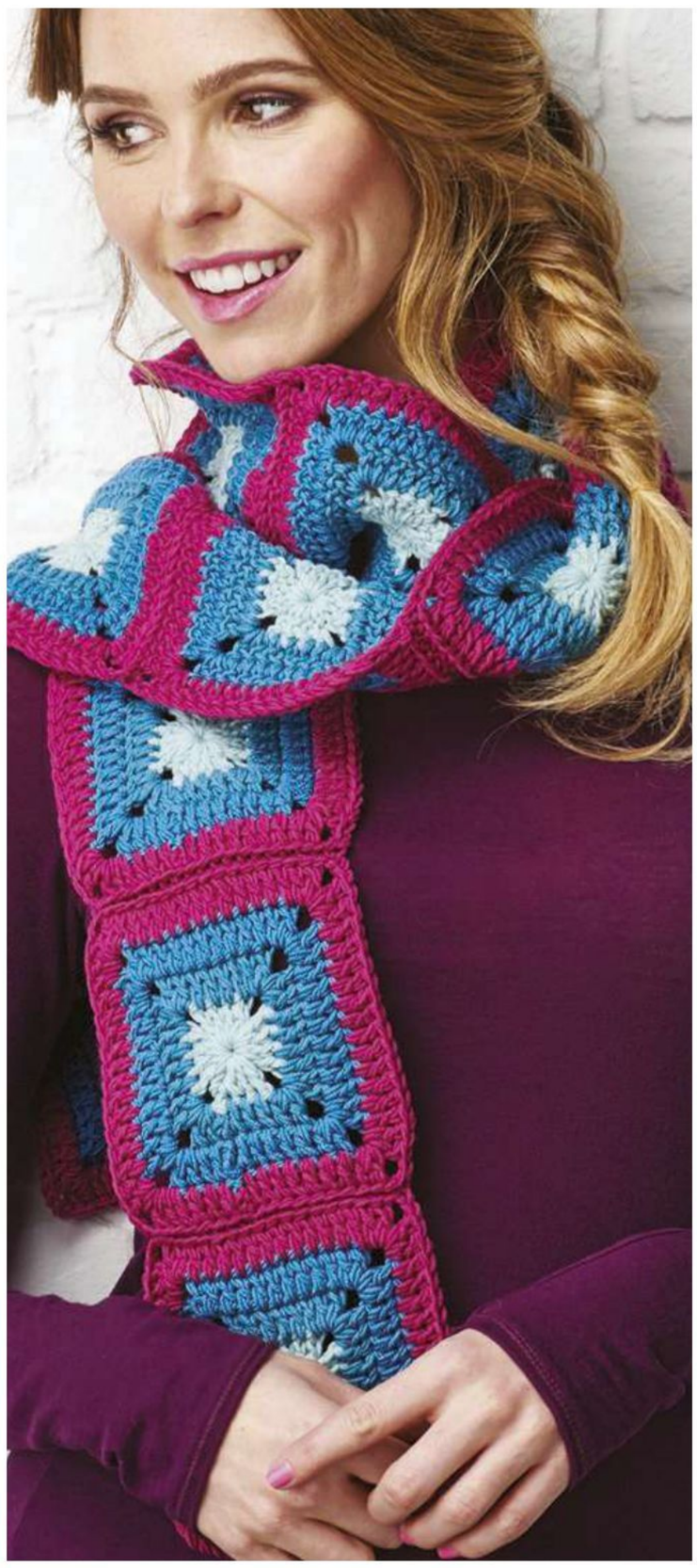
What better way to show your love of granny squares than by turning a handful of them into a cheery scarf? This charming design is worked in bright, punchy shades, and once you've created the squares needed, simply sew them together with slip stitch. DMC Woolly is a scrumptious 100% Australian merino yarn, and it will crochet up into a wonderfully soft scarf that's just heaven against your skin. Get hooking.

SQUARE (MAKE 15)

Using Yarn A, make a magic loop.
Round 1 (RS) Ch3 (counts as first tr), 3tr, ch3, (4tr, ch3) 3 times into the loop, ss in third ch of beg ch. [4 4-tr groups, 4 corner ch-3 spaces]
Fasten off Yarn A, join Yarn B.
Round 2 Ch3 (counts as first tr), tr in each of next 3 tr, *(2tr, ch3, 2tr) into corner ch-sp, tr in each of next 4 tr; rep from * twice more, (2tr, ch3, 2tr) into corner ch-sp, ss in third ch of beg ch. [4 8-tr groups, 4 corner ch-3 spaces]
Fasten off Yarn B, join Yarn C.
Round 3 Ch3 (counts as first tr), tr in each of next 5 tr, *(2tr, ch3, 2tr) into corner ch-sp, tr in each of next 8 tr; rep from * twice more, (2tr, ch3, 2tr) into corner ch-sp, tr in each of next 2 tr, ss in third ch of beg ch. [4 12-tr groups, 4 corner ch-3 spaces]
Fasten off Yarn C, join Yarn D.
Round 4 Ch3 (counts as first tr), tr in each of next 7 tr, *(2tr, ch3, 2tr) into corner ch-sp, tr in each of next 12 tr; rep from * twice more, (2tr, ch3, 2tr) into corner ch-sp, tr in each of next 4 tr, ss in third ch of beg ch. [4 16-tr groups, 4 corner ch-3 spaces]
Fasten off and weave in ends.

TO MAKE UP

Join the squares using Yarn D and a slip stitch seam, as follows: Place two squares together, right sides facing, and slip stitch together along one edge, through the back loop only of each stitch. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



Weaving in the yarn ends as you go will save you a lot of hassle when you're finishing off.





ON THE TILES

Inspired by the streets of Morocco, Jennifer May's trio of wall hangings creates a wonderful splash of colour.





YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Baby Cotton Soft (100% cotton, 50g/125m), 2 balls of each: White (001), Royal Blue Blue (038), Sky Blue (033), Berry (012)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook
- Tapestry needle

For yarn stockists, contact Deramores 0845 519 4573 www.deramores.com

MEASUREMENTS

Each tile measures 21cm (8¼in) square

ABBREVIATIONS

Ch-3 picot ch3, ss through both loops of st at base of ch-3.
Ch-6 picot as ch-3 picot, but ch6.
For a full list, see page 130

Mosaic tiles give a real flavour of Morocco and you can get the look with only a hook and some yarn. They also double as mats, trivets or pretty potholders, too.

MOROCCAN TILE 1

Using White, make a magic loop.
Round 1 (RS) Ch1 (does not count as st throughout), 8dc into the loop, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**. [8 dc]
Round 2 Using Sky Blue, join yarn in any st, 2dc into each st, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**. [16 dc]
Round 3 Using Berry, join yarn in any st, ch1, (2dc, ch-3 picot) 8 times, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**. [8 dc, 8 picots]
Round 4 Using White, join yarn in dc before picot with a ss, ch5, skip picot and next dc, (ss in next dc, ch5, skip picot and next dc) 7 times, ss to first st. **Fasten off**. [8 ss, 8 ch-5 sp]
Round 5 Using Sky Blue, join yarn in 3rd ch of any ch-5, ch1, *(dc, ch1, dc) into 3rd ch of ch-5, ch3; rep from * 7 more times, ss to first dc. [16 dc, 8 ch-1 sp, 8 ch-3 sp]
Round 6 Ss into ch1-sp, ch1, *(dc, ch2, dc) in ch-1 sp, skip next dc, dc in back loop of next 3 ch, skip dc; rep from * 7 more times, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**. [40 dc, 8 ch-2 sp]
Round 7 Using White, join yarn in any ch-2 sp, ch1, *(dc, ch2, dc) in ch-2 sp, 3dc, ch-3 picot, 2dc; rep from * 7 more times, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**. [56 dc, 8 ch-2 sp, 8 picots]
Round 8 Using Berry, join yarn in any ch-2 sp, ch4 (counts as htr and ch2), htr in same ch-2 sp, dc in next 3 dc, ch5, skip dc and picot, dc in next 3 dc, *(htr, ch2, htr) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 3 dc, ch5, skip dc and picot, dc in next 3 dc; rep from * 6 more times, ss to 2nd ch of beg ch-4. **Fasten off**. [16 htr, 48 dc, 8 ch-5 sp, 8 ch-2 sp]
Round 9 Using Sky Blue, join yarn in any ch-2 sp, ch1, *(dc, ch2, dc) in ch-2 sp, ch4, dc in ch-5 sp, ch4; rep from * 7 more times, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**. [24 dc, 8 ch-2 sp, 8 ch-5 sp]
Round 10 Using Royal Blue, join yarn in any ch-2 sp, *ss in ch-2 sp, ttr in 3rd ch of ch-5 from Round 4 between the 2 dc sts, ss in same ch-2 sp, ch4, skip next dc, ss in next dc, ch4; rep from * 7 more times, ss to first st. [8 ttr, 16 ch-4 sp]
In the following round, replace the first htr with ch2:
Round 11 *Working in between the 2 ss from Round 10, (htr, ch1, tr, ch1, htr) in ch-2 sp from Round 9, 3dc in ch-4 sp, ch2, 3dc in next ch-4 sp; rep from * 7 more times, ss to top of beg ch-2. **Fasten off**. [24 dc, 16 htr, 8 tr, 8 ch-2 sp, 16 ch-1 sp]
In foll round, replace first tr with ch3:
Round 12 Using White, join yarn in any ch-2 sp, *(tr, ch1, htr, ch1, tr) in ch-2 sp, ch1, (tr, htr) in ch-1 sp, ch2, (htr, tr) in next ch-1 sp, ch1; rep from * 7 more times, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**. [32 tr, 24 htr, 8 ch-2 sp, 32 ch-1 sp]
In foll round, replace first htr with ch2:
Round 13 Using Berry, join yarn in any ch-2 sp, *(2htr, ch2, 2htr, ch1) in ch-2 sp, (dc in next ch-1 sp, ch1) 4 times; rep from * 7 more times, ss to top of beg ch-2, turn, do not fasten off.
Round 14 With WS facing, ss back into last (ch, dc, ch) of previous round. *Ch5, skip ch-1 sp, ss into next ch-1 sp, turn back to RS. (Ch1, htr into ch-5 sp) 3 times, ch-3 picot, (htr into ch-5 sp, ch1) 3 times, ss to next dc. **Fasten off**.
You have now made 1 'corner' on one side of the eight-sided shape. Skip the next side and rejoin the yarn with WS facing into the 2nd ch-1 sp of the next side; rep from * 3 more times, so that you have 4 evenly spaced 'corners'.
Round 15 Using Sky Blue, join yarn in any ch-2 sp from Round 13, after one of the 'corners'. Ch1, *(2dc, ch2) in ch-2 sp, (htr in next ch1 sp, ch1) 4 times, htr in next ch-1 sp, ch2, (2dc, ch2) in ch-2 sp, dtr in next ch-1 sp from Round 13, ch4, (dc, ch2, dc) in ch-3 picot at top of corner, ch4, dtr in ch-1 sp before 2htr of Round 13, ch2; rep from * 3 more times, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**. [(4 ch-1 sp, 5 ch-2 sp, 2 ch-4 sp) per side]
Round 16 Using White, join yarn in ch-2 sp at corner, *ch2 (counts as htr), (htr, ch2, 2htr) in ch-2 sp, 4htr in ch-4 sp, 2htr in next ch-2 sp, htr between next 2 dc, 2htr in ch-2 sp, (2htr in next ch-1 sp) 4 times, 2htr in ch-2 sp, htr between next 2 dc, 2htr in ch-2 sp, 4htr in ch-4 sp; rep from * 3 more times replacing beg ch-2 with htr, ss to top of beg ch-2. **Fasten off**. [30 htr per side, 4 ch-2 sp]
Round 17 Using Royal Blue, join yarn in any ch-2 sp, ch1, *(dc, ch2, dc) in ch-2 sp, dc in each st to next corner; rep from * 3 more times, ss to first dc. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.

MOROCCAN TILE 2
Using Royal Blue, make a magic loop.
Round 1 (RS) Ch3 (counts as tr), 15tr into loop, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**. [16 sts]
Round 2 Using White, join yarn in any st, ch1 (does not count as st throughout), *(dc, ch6, dc) in next st, ch2, skip next st; rep from * 7 more times, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**. [16 dc, 8 ch-6 sp, 8 ch-2 sp]
Round 3 Using Sky Blue, join yarn in any ch-6 sp, ch1, (2dc in ch-6 sp, ch1, 2tr in ch-2 sp, ch1) 8 times, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**. [16 tr, 16 dc, 16 ch-1 sp]
Round 4 Using White, join yarn between any pair of dc sts, ch1, *(2dc, ch2, 2dc) between dc pair, ch4, skip 4 sts; rep from * 7 more times, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**. [32 dc, 8 ch-2 sp, 8 ch-4 sp]
Round 5 Using Berry, join yarn in any ch-2 sp, *ch2 (counts as htr), (1htr, ch2, 2htr) in ch-2 sp, ch2, dc in ch-4 sp, ch2; rep from * 7 more times, replacing beg ch-2 with htr, ss to beg st. **Fasten off**. [32 htr, 8 dc, 24 ch-2 sp]
Round 6 Using White, join yarn in any ch-2 sp between 2-htr pairs, ch1, *(2dc, ch4, 2dc) in ch2-sp between 2-htr pair, ch2, skip ch-2 sp, tr in next ch2-sp, tr in skipped ch-2 sp (these 2 sts form criss-cross), ch2; rep from * 7 more times, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**. [32 dc, 8 pairs of criss-cross tr, 16 ch-2 sp, 8 ch-4 sp]
Round 7 Using Royal Blue, join yarn in any ch-2 sp before criss-cross, ch1, (2dc in next ch-2 sp, ch2, 2dc in next ch2-sp, ch4) 8 times, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**. [32 dc, 8 ch-2 sp, 8 ch-4 sp]
Round 8 Using Sky Blue, join yarn in any dc after ch-4, ch1, (dc in next 2 dc, ch2, dc in next 2 dc, ch4) 8 times, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**. [32 dc, 8 ch-2 sp, 8 ch-4 sp]
Round 9 Using White, join yarn in any ch-2 sp, *ch3 (counts as tr), (1tr, ch2, 2tr) in ch-2 sp (corner made), ch3, (2dc, ch2, 2dc) in ch-4 sp from Round 6, working in front of Rounds 7 and 8, ch3, 2dc in next ch-2 sp from Round 8, ch3, (2dc, ch2, 2dc) in ch-4 sp from Round 6, working in front of Rounds 7 and 8, ch3; rep from * 3 more times, replacing beg ch-3 with tr, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**. [40 dc, 16 tr, 12 ch-2 sp, 16 ch-3 sp]
Round 10 Using Berry, join yarn in any corner ch-sp, *ch2 (counts as htr), (1htr, ch2, 2htr) in corner ch-sp, ch1, 3htr in ch-3 sp, ch1, dc in ch-2 sp, ch1, (3dc in next ch-3 sp, ch1) twice, dc in ch-2 sp, ch1, 3htr in ch-2 sp, ch1; rep from * 3 more times, replacing beg ch-2 with htr, ss to top of beg ch-2. [(10 htr, 8 dc, 7 ch-1 sp, 1 ch-2 sp) per side]
Round 11 Cont with Berry, ch1, dc in back loop of each st and ch around, but work 2dc in one st in the centre of each side, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**. [112 dc]
Round 12 Using White, join yarn in one of the 2nd corner sts, ch1, (28dc, ch2) 4 times, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**. [112 dc, 4 ch-2 sp]
Round 13 Using Sky Blue, join yarn in any ch-2 sp, *ch2 (counts as htr), 1htr in ch-2 sp, (ch2, skip 2 sts, htr in next 2 sts) 7 times, ch4; rep from * 3 more times, replacing beg ch-2 with htr, ss to top of beg ch-2. **Fasten off**. [16 htr, 7 ch-2 sp, 1 ch-4 sp per side]
Round 14 Using Royal Blue, join yarn in first htr in corner, ch1, *(dc in next 2 htr, tr in next 2 skipped dc from Round 12, working in front of ch-2 from Round 13) 7 times, dc in next 2 htr, 2tr in corner ch-sp of Round 12 before Sky Blue sts worked in Round 13, ch2; rep from * 3 more times, ss to first dc. [(32 sts, ch-2 sp) per side]
Round 15 Cont with Royal Blue, ch1, dc in each st all round, (2dc, ch1, 2dc) at corners over Sky Blue and Royal Blue ch, ss to first dc.
Fasten off and weave in ends.

MOROCCAN TILE 3
Using White, make a magic loop.
Round 1 (RS) Ch3 (counts as tr), 15tr into loop, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**. [16 tr]
Round 2 Using Sky Blue, join yarn in any st, ch1, (2dc in next st, dc in next st, ch-3 picot) 8 times, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**. [24 dc, 8 picots]
Round 3 Using Berry, join yarn in any dc before a picot, *(ss, ch2, tr) in dc before picot, (tr, ch1, dtr, ch-3 picot, ch1, tr) in picot, skip next dc, (tr, ch2, ss) in next dc, ch2; rep from * 7 more times, ss to first st. **Fasten off**. [8 petals, 8 ch-2 sp]
Round 4 Using White, join yarn in any picot, (ss in picot, ch3, dtr in ch-2 sp, ch3) 8 times, ss to first st. [64 sts]
Round 5 Ch1 (does not count as st throughout), dc in bl of all sts and ch around, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**. [64 sts]
Round 6 Using Sky Blue, join yarn in any st directly above picot from Round 3, ss in same st, ch4, skip 3 sts, (ss in next st, ch4, skip 3 sts) 15 times, ss to first st. **Fasten off**. [16 ss, 16 ch-4 sp]
Round 7 Using Royal Blue, join yarn in any ss with a ss, ch5, (ss in next ss, ch5) 15 times, ss to beg st. **Fasten off**. [16 ss, 16 ch-4 sp]
Round 8 Using Berry, join yarn in any ss, ch1, dc in same st, ch-6 picot, ch5 (dc in next ss, ch-6 picot, ch5) 15 times, ss to first dc. [16 dc, 16 picot, 16 ch-5 sp]
Round 9 Ss into ch-6 picot, ch1, ss in each of 3 ch to top of picot, ch1, (3dc in picot, ch2, dc in 3rd ch of ch-5 sp, ch2) 16 times, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**.
Round 10 Using White, join yarn in first dc of any 3-dc group, *ch3 (counts as tr in first dc), (tr, ch2, tr) in next dc, tr in next dc (to form corner), ch4, skip next dc, htr in next 3 dc, ch4, skip next dc, dc in next 3 dc, ch4, skip next dc, htr in next 3 dc, ch4, skip next dc; rep from * 3 more times, replacing beg ch-3 with tr, ss to top of beg ch-3.
[(6htr, 3dc, 4 ch-4 sp) per side, 4 corner groups]
Round 11 *Ch3 (counts as tr in first tr of corner), 2tr in next tr, ch2, 2tr in next tr, tr in next tr, ch4, htr in next 3 htr, ch4, dc in next 3 dc, ch4, htr in next 3 htr, ch4; rep from * 3 more times, replacing beg ch-3 with tr, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**. [(6htr, 3dc, 4 ch-4 sp) per side, 4 corner groups]
Round 12 Using Royal Blue, join yarn in any corner ch-2 sp, ch1, *(dc, ch2, dc) in ch-2 sp, (dc in each of next 3 sts, ch1, ttr in dc from Round 9, ch1, skip ch-4 sp) 4 times, dc in next 3 tr; rep from * 3 more times, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**. [124 sts]
Round 13 Using Sky Blue, join yarn in any corner ch-2 sp, ch1, *dc in corner ch-2 sp, dtr in corner ch-2 sp from Round 10, dc in corner ch-2 sp of current Round, dc in each st and ch to next corner ch-2 sp; rep from * 3 more times, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**. [120 sts]
Round 14 Using Berry, join yarn in any corner dtr, ch1, *(dc, ch1, dc) in dtr, dc in each st to next corner dtr; rep from * 3 more times, ss to first dc.
Fasten off and weave in ends.

A WARM WELCOME

Hook Jenny Phin's classic granny squares to make a geometric canvas for your home.

Wall art

DOUBLE TREBLE | 4PLY WEIGHT | 3MM HOOK

YOU WILL NEED

- Knit Picks Palette 4ply (100% wool, 50g/211m), 1 ball each of Yarn A White, 1 ball each of Yarns B and C Rouge, Fuchsia, Clarity, Sky and Whirlpool
- A 3mm (US C/2 or D/3 hook)
- 36cm (14¼in) square canvas
- Cotton fabric large enough to cover canvas

For yarn stockists, contact Great British Yarns www.greatbritishyarns.co.uk

MEASUREMENTS

Finished canvas is 38cm (15in) square
Each square measures 12cm (4¾in) using a 3mm hook

ABBREVIATIONS

For a full list, see page 130

Play with your favourite colours and introduce granny square goodness into your home with Jenny's design, created using double treble stitches. If you fancy some other hues, Knit Picks Palette has well over 150 colours that cover all the shades on the colour wheel, plus complementary neutrals, so whatever the style of your home décor, you can be sure to find a yarn to match it. Result.

NOTE

Each square is made using three shades of yarn: Yarns B and C are the two shades at the centre of each square.
Use any combination of the B and C yarns listed.
Yarn A is the final round of every square.

SQUARE (MAKE 9)

Using Yarn B, ch6, ss to first ch to join into a ring.
Round 1 (RS) Ch6 (counts as dtr and ch2), (5dtr into the ring, ch2) 3 times, 4dtr into ring, ss in fourth ch of beg ch-6. [20 dtr, 4 ch-2 sp]
Round 2 Ss into ch-2 sp, ch7 (counts as dc and ch6), (1dc in next ch-2 sp, ch6) 3 times, ss in first ch. [4 dc, 4 ch-6 sp]
Round 3 Ss into ch-6 sp, ch4 (counts as dtr), (4dtr, ch2, 5dtr) in same ch-6 sp, *(5dtr, ch2, 5dtr) into next ch-6 sp; rep from * twice more, ss to top of beg ch-4. [40 dtr, 4 ch-2 sp]
Fasten off.
Round 4 Join Yarn C in any ch-2 sp. Ch6 (counts as dtr and ch2), 5dtr in same ch-2 sp, *skip 5 dtr, 1dtr in space before next 5-dtr group, 3tr in dc from Round 2, 1dtr in same space before next 5-dtr group**, (5dtr, ch2, 5dtr) in next ch-2 sp; rep from * 3 more times ending final repeat at **, 4dtr in next ch-2 sp, ss to fourth ch of beg ch-6, **Fasten off**. [4 groups of (10 dtr, ch-2 sp), 4 groups of (2 dtr, 3 tr)]
Round 5 Join Yarn A in any ch-2 sp. Ch6 (counts as dtr and ch2), 5dtr in same ch-2 sp, *(5dtr in space between next 2 groups) twice**, (5dtr, ch2, 5dtr) in next ch-2 sp; repeat from * 3 more times ending final repeat at **, 4dtr in next ch-2 sp, ss to fourth ch of beg ch-6. **Fasten off**.



Take time to make sure your seams are neat – after all, they'll be on display!

TO FINISH

With Yarn A, sew squares together in a 3x3 grid.
Rejoin Yarn A in a ch-2 sp at one corner. Ch4 (counts as dtr), dtr evenly around with 4dtr in each corner sp, 2dtr in each side ch-2 sp and 1dtr in each join of squares, ss to top of beg ch-4.
Fasten off, weave in ends and block.

Stretch squares over canvas and sew across the back using long stitches from one side of the canvas to the other. Pull stitches taut as you work.

BRIGHTON PLAID

With its riot of colours, nobody puts Cécile Balladino's granny square blanket in the corner.



Multicoloured blanket



TREBLE, DOUBLE TR | SINGLE PLY WEIGHT | 3MM HOOK

YOU WILL NEED

- Madelinetosh Unicorn Tails, (100% superwash merino wool, 14g/47m), one skein of each: Antique Lace, Antler, Big Sur, Button Jar Blue, Cathedral, Celadon, Charcoal, Coquette, Cousteau, Dirty Panther, Dust Bowl, Edison Bulb, Fathom, Firewood, Flash Dance, Glazed Pecan, Ink, Jade, Magnolia Leaf, Mandala, Neon Peach, Onyx, Pop Rocks, Rain Water, Tart, Torchere, Whiskey Barrel, Worn Denim
- Madelinetosh Merino Light, (100% superwash merino wool, 100g/384m), one skein of each: Antler, Composition Book Grey, Fragrant, 2 skeins of Silver Fox
- A 3mm (US C/2 or D/3) hook

For yarn stockists, contact Loop 020 7288 1160 www.loopknittingshop.com

MEASUREMENTS

Centre squares: 9cm (3½in) sq
Tiny squares: 4cm (1½in) sq
Popcorn squares: 10cm (4in) sq
Puff squares: 8cm (3in) sq
Finished blanket: 100x100cm (39½x39½in)

ABBREVIATIONS

See the start of the pattern for special stitches
For a full list, see page 130

SPECIAL STITCHES

Popcorn stitch (PC) Work 4 tr sts in same space. Carefully drop loop from hook. Insert hook from front to back under top 2 loops of first tr of group. Grab the dropped loop with your hook and pull through.

Puff stitch (PS) Yrh, (insert hook into indicated place, yrh, draw up a loop) 3 times in same place (7 loops on hook), yrh, draw through all 7 loops.

C **SECTION 1: CENTRE SQUARES (MAKE 16)**

Choose a different complementary colour for each of Rounds 1-4 and Composition Book Grey (32) for Round 5.
Ch6, ss to first ch to make a ring.

Round 1 (RS) Ch2, tr into ring (counts as tr2tog), (ch1, tr2tog) 5 times, ch1, ss into top of first tr2tog.
[6 tr2tog, 6 ch-1 sps]

Round 2 Ss into first ch-1 sp, ch2, tr in same sp (counts as tr2tog), (ch1, tr2tog, ch1) in same sp, (tr2tog, ch1, tr2tog, ch1) in each ch-1 sp around, ss into top of first tr2tog. [12 tr2tog, 12 ch-1 sps]

Round 3 Ch3 (counts as tr), 2tr into first ch-1 sp, ch1, (3tr, ch1) in each ch-1 sp around, ss into top of beg ch-3. [12 tr groups, 12 ch-1 sps]

Round 4 Work as Round 3.

Round 5 Ss into first ch-sp, ch4 (counts as a dtr), (2dtr, ch2, 3dtr) in first ch-1 sp (corner made), *(ch1, 3tr into next ch-1 sp) twice, (ch1, 3dtr, ch2, 3dtr) into next ch-1 sp; rep from * twice more, ch1, (3tr into next ch-1 sp, ch1) twice, ss into top of beg ch-4. **Fasten off**.

Join the motifs as you go into a 4x4 motif square by replacing 1 chain from each ch-sp in Round 5 with a ss into the corresponding ch-sp on the next motif.

SECTION 2 (3 ROUNDS)

Round 1 (RS) Using Silver Fox (26), join yarn to any ch-1 sp, ch3 (counts as tr), 2tr in same ch-1 sp, ch1, (3tr, ch1) in each ch-1 sp around and work (3tr, ch2, 3tr, ch1) in each corner, ss into top of beg ch-3.



Multicoloured blanket

Round 2 Using Antler (2), rep Round 1.
Round 3 Using Silver Fox (26), rep Round 1. [21 ch-sps along each side plus 4 corner ch-sps] **Fasten off**.

SECTION 3: TINY GRANNY SQUARES (MAKE 104)
Choose contrasting colours for Round 1 and Fragrant (33) for Round 2.
Ch6, ss to first ch to make a ring.
Round 1 (RS) Ch3 (counts as tr), 2tr into ring, (ch2, 3tr into ring) 3 times, ch2, ss into top of beg ch-3. [4 ch-2 sps]
Round 2 Join Fragrant (33) in any ch-sp, ch3 (counts as tr), (2tr, ch2, 3tr, ch1) in same ch-sp (first corner), (3tr, ch2, 3tr, ch1) in each remaining ch-sp, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Join the motifs as you go into a border 2 motifs wide around the central square, replacing 1 ch from each ch-sp in Round 2 with a ss into the corresponding ch-sp on the next motif.

SECTION 4: POPCORN SQUARES (MAKE 24)
Choose the same complementary colour for Rounds 1 and 4, another shade for Round 2 and Antler (31) for Rounds 3 and 5.
Ch6, ss to first ch to make a ring.
Round 1 (RS) Ch3 (counts as tr), 15tr into ring, ss to top of beg ch-3. [16 sts]
Round 2 Ch4 (counts as tr, ch1), (tr, ch1) in each st around, ss into third ch of beg ch-4. [16 ch-1 sps]
Round 3 PC into first ch-1 sp, ch2, (PC, ch2) in each ch-1 sp around, ss into the top of the first PC to join.
Round 4 Ch4 (counts as dtr), (2dtr, ch2, 3dtr) in first ch-1 sp (corner made), *(ch1, 3tr into next ch-1 sp) 3 times, (ch1, 3dtr, ch2, 3dtr) into next ch-1 sp; rep from * 3 more times omitting corner group on last repeat, ch1, ss into top of beg ch-4.
Round 5 Ch3 (counts as tr), (2tr, ch2, 3tr) in first ch-1 sp (corner made), *(ch1, 3tr into next ch-1 sp) 4 times, (ch1, 3tr, ch2, 3tr) into next ch-2 sp; rep from * 3 more times omitting corner group on last rep, ch1, ss into top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Join the motifs as you go into a border 1 motif wide, replacing 1 chain from each ch-sp in Round 5 with a ss into the corresponding ch-sp on the next motif.


The blanket is worked from the centre outwards, joining motifs as you go.

SECTION 5 (2 ROUNDS)
Working as given for Section 2, work 2 rounds using Fragrant (33). **Fasten off**.

SECTION 6: PUFF SQUARES (MAKE 44)
Work Round 1 in Antler (31), choose contrasting colours for Rounds 2 and 3, then work Round 4 in Grey (32).
Ch6, ss to first ch to make a ring.
Round 1 (RS) Ch3 (counts as tr), 15tr into ring, ss to top of beg ch-3. [16 sts]
Round 2 Join yarn between any tr st, PS in same place, ch1, (PS between next 2 tr, ch1) to end of round, ss into top of first PS to join. [16 PS, 16 ch-sps]
Round 3 Join yarn into any ch-1 sp, ch3 (counts as tr), tr in same space, ch1, (2tr, ch1) in each ch-1 sp around, ss into top of beg ch-3. [16 tr groups, 16 ch-1 sps]
Round 4 Join yarn in any ch-1 sp, ch4 (counts as dtr), (2dtr, ch2, 3dtr) in first ch-1 sp (corner made), *(ch1, 3tr into next ch-1 sp) 3 times, (ch1, 3dtr, ch2, 3dtr) into next ch-1 sp; rep from * 3 more times omitting corner group on last repeat, ch1, ss into top of beg ch-4. **Fasten off**.

SECTION 7: TINY SQUARES BORDER (MAKE 124)
Using a different colour for each round and random combinations throughout, work a border 1 motif wide, as given for Section 3. **Fasten off**.

TO FINISH
Using Silver Fox (26), work around the outside edge of the blanket with a dc in each tr, a dc into the join between motifs and 3dc in each corner ch-2 sp. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



SHE'S A STAR

Add a colour pop to your wardrobe with
Sara Huntington's reversible skirt.

Skirt



DOUBLE, TREBLE | DK WEIGHT | 3.5MM HOOK

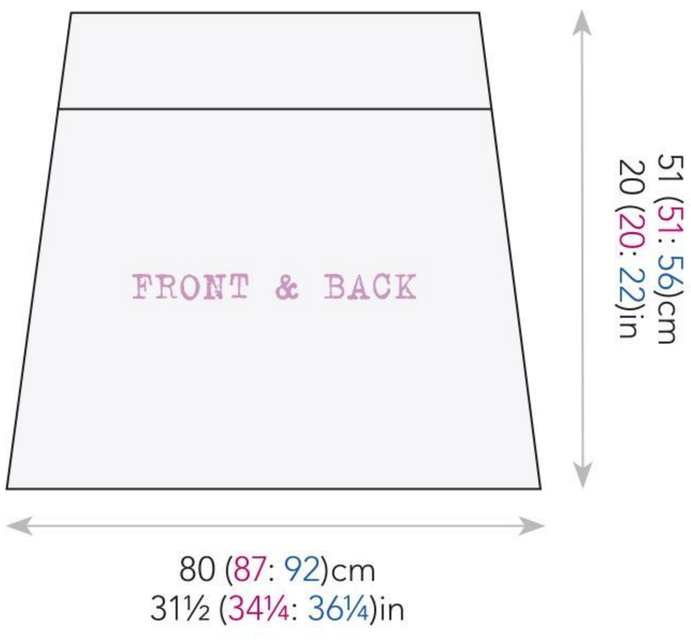
YOU WILL NEED

- Debbie Bliss Rialto DK (100% wool, 50g/105m), Yarn A Black (03) (see table below for yarn quantities), 1 ball of each: Fuchsia (34), Gold (45), Burnt Orange (43), Basil (53), Teal (20), Sea (80)
- A 3.5mm (US E/4) hook
- 2 black buttons, approx 1.5cm (½in) in diameter
- Stitch marker

For yarn stockists, contact Designer Yarns 01535 664222 www.designeryarns.uk.com

TENSION

Each motif measures 5.5x5.5cm (2x2in). Change your hook size, if necessary, to achieve this tension because it is critical to the finished size of the skirt
14sts and 22 rows to measure 10x10cm (4x4in) over dc using a 3.5mm hook



MOTIF

The motif is reversible with a 'star' on one side and a 'flower' on the other, but is worked with the star side facing. Each motif is made using Yarn A as the main colour, and an accent colour chosen from one of the other shades.

Using an accent colour and 3.5mm hook, make a magic loop.
Round 1 Ch1 (does not count as st), (dc, ch1) 8 times into loop, ss to first dc to join. [8 dc, 8 ch-1 sp]
Round 2 Ch1 (does not count as st), dc in st at base of ch, ch2, skip ch-1 sp, *dc in next dc, ch2, skip ch-1 sp; rep from * around, ss in first dc to join.
[8 dc, 8 ch-2 sp] **Fasten off**.
Round 3 Join Yarn A in first st, ch1 (does not count as st), dc in st at base of ch, *dtr in next skipped ch-1 sp of Rnd 1, dc in next dc; rep from * around omitting last dc, ss to first dc to join.
[8 dc, 8 dtr]
Round 4 Ch1 (does not count as st), (2dc, ch2, 2dc) in st at base of ch, dc in next 3 sts, *(2dc, ch2, 2dc) in next dc, dc in next 3 sts; rep from * twice more, ss to first dc to join. **Fasten off** and weave in ends neatly so skirt can be reversible.

TO ASSEMBLE

Make 144 (152: 180) motifs in a variety of colours, always using Yarn A for outer rnds. Position motifs into a large rectangle (8x18: 8x19: 9x20) of squares until you are pleased with the colour arrangement. Join into a rectangle and then join side seam. Join motifs by oversewing them tog using black yarn.

WAISTBAND

Join Yarn A at edge of any motif along top edge of skirt, ch1 (does not count as st) dc around the top of skirt working 8 dc along the edge of each motif, ss to first dc to join. [144: 152: 160 dc]
Place marker in first st of Round and move up as you go.

Sizes 8-10 and 12-14 only
Round 1 Ch1 (does not count as st), *(34: 74) dc, dc2tog; rep from * around, ss to first dc to join. [140: 150 sts]

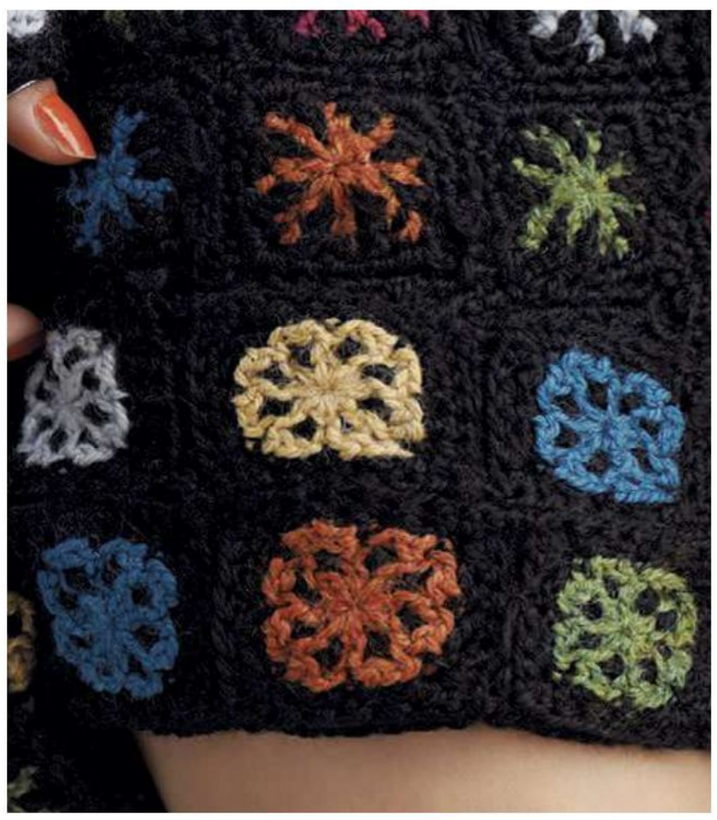
Size 16-18 only
Round 1 Ch1 (does not count as st), dc in each st around, ss to first dc to join. [160 sts]

All sizes
Rounds 2-4 Ch1 (does not count as st), dc in each st around, ss to first dc to join. [140 (150: 160) sts]
Round 5 Ch1 (does not count as st), *dc in next 12 (13: 14) sts, dc2tog; rep from * around, ss to first dc to join. [130 (140: 150) sts]
Rounds 6-8 Rep Rounds 2-4.
Round 9 Ch1 (does not count as st), *dc in next 11 (12: 13) sts, dc2tog; rep from * around, ss to first dc to join. [120 (130: 140) sts]
Rounds 10-12 Rep Rounds 2-4.
Round 13 Ch1 (does not count as st), *dc in next 10 (11: 12) sts, dc2tog; rep from * around, ss to first dc to join. [110 (120: 130) sts]

SIZE		8-10	12-14	16-18
ACTUAL WAIST	cm	80	87	92
	in	31½	34¼	36¼
LENGTH	cm	51	51	56
	in	20	20	22
NUMBER OF MOTIFS		144	152	180
ARRANGEMENT OF MOTIFS	Length x width	8 x 18	8 x 19	9 x 20
YARN A	50g	8	8	9

To make this pattern easier to follow, we've colour-coded the sizing instructions – simply follow the relevant column.

Skirt



Sizes 8-10 and 12-14 only
Round 14 Ch1 (does not count as st), dc in each st around, ss to first dc to join. [110: 120 sts]

Size 16-18 only
Round 14 Ch1 (does not count as st), *dc in next 24 sts, dc2tog; rep from * around, ss to first dc to join. [125 sts]

All sizes
Waistband is now split to create an opening and is worked in rows.
Row 15 Ch1 (does not count as st), dc in each st around, do not ss to join, turn. [110 (120: 125) sts]
Rows 16-22 Ch1 (does not count as st), dc in each st across, turn.
Do not fasten off.

BUTTONHOLE FLAP
Rotate waistband to work along the ends of Rows 15-22.
Row 1 Ch1 (does not count as st), work 1dc into each row end, turn. [8 dc]
Rows 2-4 Ch1 (does not count as st), 1dc in each st, turn.
Row 5 Ch1 (does not count as st), 1dc in 3 dc, ch2, skip 2 dc, 1dc in next 3 dc, turn.
Row 6 Ch1 (does not count as st), 1dc in 3 dc, 2dc in ch-2 sp, 1dc in next 3 dc, turn. [8 dc]
Row 7 Ch1 (does not count as st), work 1dc in each st, turn. [8 dc]
Fasten off and weave in ends.

Sew two buttons onto the opposite side of the waistband, to line up with the buttonholes.



FLORAL FRENZY

Match this slouchy bag with pretty mitts for a touch of granny chic.

Bag and gloves



YOU WILL NEED

FOR THE BAG

- Debbie Bliss Rialto DK (100% wool, 50g/105m), 1 ball of each: Black (03), Fuchsia (34), Gold (45), Burnt Orange (43), Basil (53), Teal (20), Sea (80)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

FOR THE GLOVES

- Debbie Bliss Rialto DK (100% wool, 50g/105m), 2 balls of Black (03), 1 ball of each: Fuchsia (34), Gold (45), Burnt Orange (43), Basil (53), Teal (20), Sea (80)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

For yarn stockists, contact Designer Yarns 01535 664222 www.designeryarns.uk.com

TENSION

Tension is not important for the bag.
Each square for the gloves measures 5cm using a 4mm hook

MEASUREMENTS

Finished bag measures 42x31cm (16½x12¼in) without handles
Mitt can be made up in two sizes to make a 19cm (7½in) or 21cm (8¼in) diameter mitt. See notes

ABBREVIATIONS

For a full list, see page 130

Wear your squares this season! The bag has some seriously tasty texture and, as well as giving it a retro feel, the black really makes the colours pop. The fingerless mitts will keep hands warm but leave your fingers free for crocheting. Perfect.

FLOWERY HANDBAG

This gloriously floral handbag by Hannah Cross will be your new fave.

SQUARES (MAKE 17)

Choose any combination of colours for Yarns A and B, with last 2 rounds in Black.

With Yarn A, ch6, ss in first chain to make a ring.
Round 1 (RS) Ch3 (counts as tr), 3tr into ring, turn [4 tr], ch3 (counts as tr), tr into st at base of ch, tr in next 2 tr, tr in top of beg ch-3, turn [5 tr] (this makes a petal), ch3, *working behind and to the left of petal already made: 4tr into ring, turn [4 tr], ch3 (counts as tr), tr into st at base of ch, tr in next 3 tr, turn [5 tr], ch3; rep from * 6 more times, join with ss to top of beg ch-3 at start of round.
Fasten off. [8 petals]
Round 2 Working behind petals of Rnd 1, join Yarn B to any ch-3 sp with RS facing, ch3 (counts as tr), (2tr, ch3, 3tr) in same sp, 3tr in next ch-3 sp, *(3tr, ch3, 3tr) in next ch-3 sp, 3tr in next ch-3 sp; rep from * twice more, ss in top of beg ch-3, change to Yarn A. [9 tr on each side, 4 ch-3 corner sp]
Round 3 Ch1 (does not count as st), dc in each tr around, 3dc in each corner sp, ss in first dc. **Fasten off**. [48 dc]
Round 4 Working in the back loop only for sts of this rnd, join Black in central st of one of corners, ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), 1tr in st at base of ch, 1tr in each st around, (1tr, ch2, 1tr) in each corner, ss in 3rd ch of beg ch-5.
[52 tr, 4 ch-2 sp]
Round 5 Ch2 (counts as htr), 5htr in each corner ch-2 sp, htr in every other st around, ss in 2nd of beg ch-2.
Fasten off.

TO JOIN THE SQUARES

When you have made the 17 squares, organise them as shown in the diagram (right). Join squares WS tog with a dc seam in Black. Fold joined square piece across the centre as shown by the fold line on the diagram. Join the seams on the outside edge: join each of the edge 'V' shapes marked with a green line, and join the 'A' edges to one another and the 'B' edges to one another.

HANDLES (MAKE 2)

Using Black, ch101.
Row 1 (RS) Dc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch to end, turn. [100 sts]
Row 2 Ch1 (does not count as st), 1dc in back loop only of each st, turn.
Row 3 Ch1 (does not count as st), 1dc in front loop only of each st, turn.
Row 4 As Row 2.
Row 5 Ch1 (does not count as st), 1dc through both the rem loop of foundation ch and front loop of next Row 4 st along, to join handle into a tube. **Fasten off**.
Sew each handle to each point, as shown on the diagram below.

GRANNY GAUNTLETS

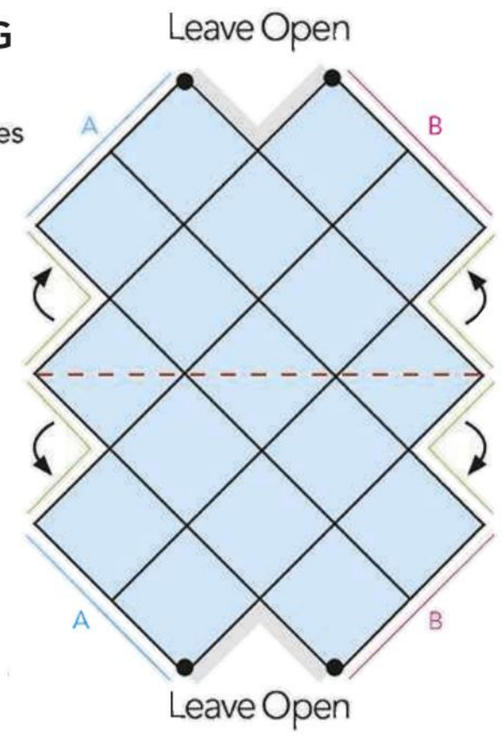
Make Anne Egan's easy-peasy fingerless mitts with mini squares.

NOTES

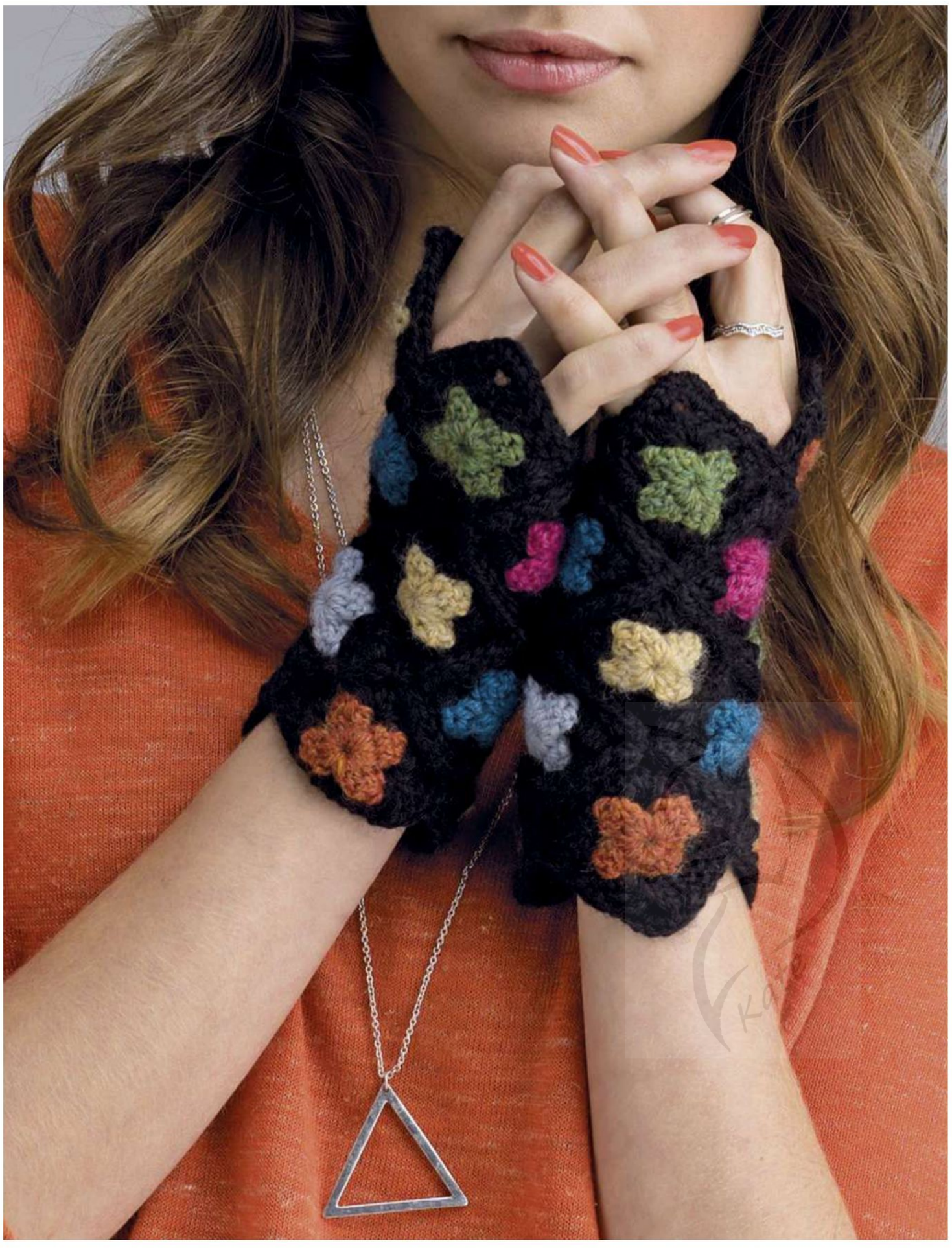
Squares are made and then joined as shown in diagram (see page 62). A special square is included to act as a thumbhole. Thumb is made by joining 2 squares and sewing into thumbhole. Bottom edge of completed mitt is then strengthened with a round of dc. To make smaller mitt, follow pattern below but join squares by placing them WS tog and joining with a ss seam.
To make larger mitt, join squares by

HANDBAG

Key
- Join handles
- – – – Fold



Bag and gloves



sewing them tog through the outer loop only of each st along the edge. Make 6 each with Yarn A as Sea, Gold, Basil and Burnt Orange; make 4 each with Teal and Fuchsia as Yarn A.

SQUARES

With Yarn A, ch4, ss into first ch to make a ring.
Round 1 (WS) Ch3 (counts as tr), 2tr into ring, (ch2, 3tr into ring) 3 times, ch2, ss into top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**, turn. [4 ch-2 sp and 4 3-tr groups]
Round 2 (RS) Join Black in any ch-2 sp, ch3 (counts as tr), (2tr, ch2, 3tr) in same ch-2 sp, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in each of next 3 ch-2 sp, ss in top of beg ch-3.
Fasten off and weave in ends.

THUMBHOLE SQUARE (MAKE 2)

With Black, ch20, ss into first ch to make a ring.
Round 1 (RS) Ch3, (2tr, ch2, 3tr) in same ch as ss, *skip 4 ch, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in next ch; rep from * twice more, ss in top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**. Weave in ends.

TO MAKE UP

Join squares as shown in the diagram below. Make a tube by matching points P1 and P2 into valleys V1 and V2, and join edges of squares.
Place 2 thumb squares tog and join along top and bottom to form ring, then join around bottom of thumbhole seam. Rep for other mitt.
Dc evenly around each cuff edge of the mitt, working 5dc in the ch-sp of each 'point' and dc4tog evenly across each 'valley' join. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.

GLOVES

BACK TO BLACK

Catch the monochrome trend with Becky Garratt's sweet scarf.



Monochrome scarf



YOU WILL NEED

- Sirdar Country Style DK (40% nylon, 30% wool, 30% acrylic, 50g/155m), 4 balls of Cream (411), 3 balls of Black (417), 1 ball of Cherry (402)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

For yarn stockists, contact Sirdar 01924 231682 www.sirdar.co.uk

MEASUREMENTS

Finished scarf measures 22x244cm (8½x96in)

TENSION

Each motif measures 9cm (3½in) square using a 4mm hook

ABBREVIATIONS

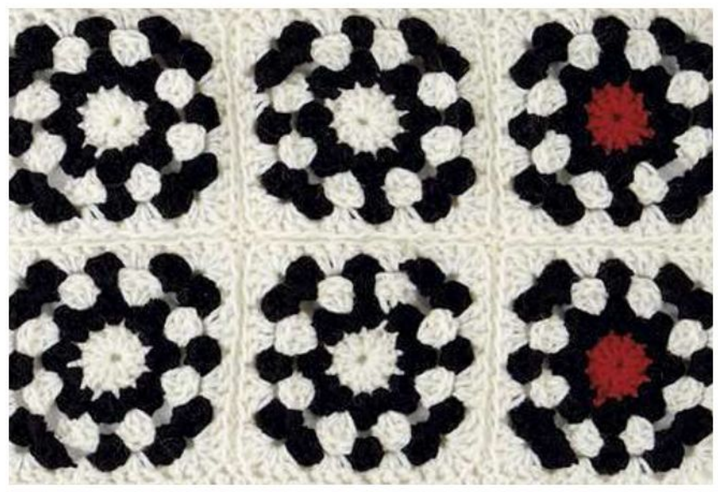
For a full list, see page 130

Put your treble stitches to good granny use with this simply stylish scarf. Black and white will never go out of fashion, and a splash of riotous red is the perfect bright accent colour for this monochrome make.

SQUARES (MAKE 48)

For 44 squares, start with Cream for the first round, Black for the second round, and continue alternating Cream and Black in each round.
For 4 squares, work as for the other 44 but replace the first round with Cherry.

Ch4, ss to first ch to join.
Round 1 (RS) Ch3 (counts as first tr throughout), 11tr into ring, ss to the top of the beg ch-3 to join, turn. [12 tr]
Round 2 (WS) Ch3, tr in st at the base of ch, 2tr in each st around, ss to the top of the beginning ch-3, turn. [24 tr]
Round 3 Ch3, 2tr in st at the base of ch, ch1, skip 2 tr, 3tr in space before the next tr, ch2, skip 3 tr, 3tr in space before the next tr, *ch1, skip 3 tr, 3tr in space before the next tr, ch2, skip 3 tr, 3tr in space before the next tr; repeat from * twice more, omitting final 3 tr on the last repeat, ss to the top of the beginning ch-3, turn. [8 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-2 sp, 4 ch-1 sp]



The placement of the three different colours creates a punchy, graphic effect.

Round 4 Ch3, (2tr, ch1, 3tr) in corner ch-2 sp, *3tr in ch-1 sp, (3tr, ch1, 3tr) in corner ch-2 sp; repeat from * twice more, 3tr in ch-1 sp, ss to the top of the beginning ch-3, turn. [12 3-tr groups, 4 corner ch-1 sp]
Round 5 Ch3, 2tr in the space before the first 3-tr group, skip 3 tr, 3tr in space before the next 3-tr group, (3tr, ch1, 3tr) in ch-1 sp, *(skip 3 tr, 3tr in space before the next 3-tr group) twice, (3tr, ch1, 3tr) in ch-1 sp; repeat from * twice more, ss to the top of the beginning ch-3.
Fasten off and weave in ends.

Join the squares together in 24 rows of 2 squares each, by whipstitching the seams.

BORDER

Join Cream to any stitch around the edge.
Round 1 (RS) Ch2 (counts as htr), htr evenly around the edge with 2htr in each corner, ss to the top of the beginning ch-2, change to Black.
Round 2 Ch2 (counts as htr), htr in each st around, with 2htr in each of the 2 corner sts at each corner, ss to the top of the beginning ch-2.
Fasten off and weave in ends.







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SQUARES LIBRARY

Explore the versatility of the granny square with this collection of 36 patterns and matching charts.







1

BASIC GRANNY

Learn how to hook the original granny design to start off your library of squares.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Rose (001)
  Yarn B Violet (020)
  Yarn C Pistachio (086)
  Yarn D Magenta (013)

For yarn stockists, contact Deramores 0845 519 4573 www.deramores.com

ABBREVIATIONS

For a full list, see page 130

NOTE

If you prefer to work from a chart, see page 102

C SQUARE

With Yarn A, ch4, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 Ch3 (counts as tr), 2tr into ring, (ch2, 3tr into ring) 3 times, ch2, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 2 Join Yarn B in any ch-sp with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), (2tr, ch2, 3tr) into same ch-sp, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in each of next 3 ch-2 sps around, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 3 Join Yarn C in next corner ch-sp with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), (2tr, ch2, 3tr) into same ch-sp, *skip 3 tr, 3tr into sp before next group of 3-tr, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) into next ch-2 sp; rep from * twice more skip 3 tr, 3tr into sp before next group of 3-tr, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 4 Join Yarn D in next corner ch-sp with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), (2tr, ch2, 3tr) into same ch-sp, *(skip 3 tr, 3tr into sp before next group of 3-tr) twice, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in next ch-2 sp; rep from * twice more, (skip 3 tr, 3tr into sp before next group of 3-tr) twice, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



2

GRANNY AISLA

Aisla is very partial to accompanying her afternoon cuppa with a party ring or two.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Rose (001)
  Yarn B Taupe (089)
  Yarn C Fuchsia (014)
  Yarn D Cobalt Blue (032)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

For yarn stockists, contact Deramores 0845 519 4573 www.deramores.com

ABBREVIATIONS

2-tr cluster (Yrh, insert hook in space indicated, yrh and pull up loop, yrh and draw through 2 loops) twice, inserting the hook in the same space each time, yrh and draw through all loops on hook.
3-tr cluster As above, working () 3 times.
For a full list, see page 130

NOTE

If you prefer to work from a chart, see page 102

C SQUARE

Using Yarn A, ch8, ss to first ch to join into a ring.
Round 1 Ch1, (does not count as st), 16dc into ring, ss into first ch. **Fasten off**.
Round 2 Join Yarn B in any st. Ch3 (counts as tr), 2-tr cluster in same st, *ch2, skip 1 dc, 3-tr cluster into next dc; rep from * 6 more times, ch2, ss into top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.
Round 3 Join Yarn C into first ch-2 sp, ch3, 3tr into same sp, * ch3, 4tr into next ch-2 sp; rep from * 6 more times, ch3, ss into top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.
Round 4 Join Yarn D into first ch-3 sp, (ch3 [counts as tr], 4tr, ch2, 5tr) into the same sp, *5tr into next ch-sp, (5tr, ch2, 5tr) into next ch-sp; rep from * 2 more times, 5tr into next ch-sp, ss into top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



3

GRANNY ARDITH

Since setting up a Snapchat profile, Ardith has loved talking to crocheters all over the world.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Cobalt Blue (032)
  Yarn B Silver (003)
  Yarn C Plum (021)
  Yarn D Hay (065)
  Yarn E Fuchsia (014)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

For yarn stockists, contact Deramores 0845 519 4573 www.deramores.com

ABBREVIATIONS

For a full list, see page 130

NOTE

If you prefer to work from a chart, see page 102

C SQUARE

With Yarn A, ch5, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 Ch3 (counts as tr), 2tr into ring, (ch1, 3tr into ring) 3 times, ch1, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 2 Join Yarn B in a corner ch-1 sp with a ss. *(1dc, ch3, 1dc) into corner ch-1 sp to make corner, ch3, skip 3 tr; rep from * 3 more times, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**.

Round 3 Join Yarn C in a corner ch-3 sp with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), 2tr into corner ch-sp, ch1, 3tr into same corner ch-sp, *3tr into next ch-3 sp, (3tr, ch1, 3tr) into next corner sp; rep from * twice more, 3tr into next ch-3 sp, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 4 Join Yarn D in a corner ch-1 sp with a ss. *(1dc, ch3, 1dc) into corner ch-1 sp to make corner, (ch3, skip 3 tr, 1dc between last 3-tr group and next 3-tr group) twice, ch3, skip 3tr; rep from * 3 more times, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**.

Round 5 Join Yarn E in a corner ch-3 sp with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), 2tr into corner ch-sp, ch1, 3tr into same corner ch-sp, *(3tr into next ch-3 sp) 3 times, (3tr, ch1, 3tr) into next corner sp; rep from * twice more, (3tr into next ch-3 sp) 3 times, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



4

GRANNY AUDREY

Just like her silver screen namesake, Audrey always dresses impeccably, often with a fetching hat.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Pumpkin (087)
  Yarn B Beige (091)
  Yarn C Pistachio (086)
  Yarn D Plum (021)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

For yarn stockists, contact Deramores 0845 519 4573 www.deramores.com

ABBREVIATIONS

For a full list, see page 130

NOTE

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C SQUARE

With Yarn A, ch6, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 Ch6 (counts as tr, ch3), (1tr into ring, ch3) 7 times, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 2 Join Yarn B in any ch-3 sp with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), 3tr in same ch-3 sp, ch2, (4tr into next ch-3 sp, ch2) 7 times, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 3 Join Yarn C in any ch-2 sp with a ss. Ch5 (counts as tr, ch2), (6tr into next ch-2 sp, ch2) 7 times, 5tr into next ch-2 sp, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 4 Join Yarn D in any ch-2 sp with a ss. Ch1 (does not count as st), dc in same ch-2 sp, *ch3, dc in centre of 6-tr group (in sp between 3rd and 4th tr), ch3, dc in next ch-2 sp, ch3, (2tr, ch3, 2tr) in centre of next 6-tr group (in sp between 3rd and 4th tr), ch3, dc in next ch-2 sp; rep from * twice, ch3, dc in centre of 6-tr group (in sp between 3rd and 4th tr), ch3, dc in next ch-2 sp, ch3, (2tr, ch3, 2tr) in centre of next 6tr group (in sp between 3rd and 4th tr), ch3, ss to first dc. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



5

GRANNY BARBARA

Barbara has just discovered Netflix and the joys of watching back-to-back episodes of *Gossip Girl*.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Banana (063)
  Yarn B Beige (091)
  Yarn C Pumpkin (087)
  Yarn D Turquoise (033)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

For yarn stockists, contact Deramores 0845 519 4573 www.deramores.com

ABBREVIATIONS

2-tr cluster (Yrh, insert hook in space/st indicated, yrh and pull up loop, yrh and draw through 2 loops) twice, inserting the hook in the same space/st each time, yrh and draw through all loops on hook.
3-tr cluster As above, working () 3 times.
For a full list, see page 130

NOTE

If you prefer to work from a chart, see page 102

C SQUARE

With Yarn A, ch6, ss to first ch to join into a ring.
Round 1 Ch3 (counts as tr), 2-tr cluster into ring, (ch2, 3-tr cluster into ring) 7 times, ch2, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.
Round 2 Join Yarn B in next ch-2 sp with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), 2tr in same ch-2 sp, *ch2, (3-tr cluster, ch3, 3-tr cluster) in corner ch-2 sp, ch2, 3tr in next ch-2 sp; rep from * twice more, ch2, (3-tr cluster, ch3, 3-tr cluster) in corner ch-2 sp, ch2, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.
Round 3 Join Yarn C in next ch-2 sp with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), tr in same ch-2 sp, *ch2, (3-tr cluster, ch3, 3-tr cluster) in corner ch-3 sp, ch2, 2tr in next ch-2 sp, tr in each of next 3 tr, 2tr in next ch-2 sp; rep from * twice more, ch2, (3-tr cluster, ch3, 3-tr cluster) in corner ch-3 sp, ch2, 2tr in next ch-2 sp, tr in each of next 3 tr, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.
Round 4 Join Yarn D in next ch-2 sp with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), tr in same ch-2 sp, *ch2, (3-tr cluster, ch3, 3-tr cluster) in corner ch-3 sp, ch2, 2tr in next ch-2 sp, tr in each of next 7 tr, 2tr in next ch-2 sp; rep from * twice more, ch2, (3-tr cluster, ch3, 3-tr cluster) in corner ch-3 sp, ch2, 2tr in next ch-2 sp, tr in each of next 7 tr, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



6

GRANNY BERYL

Now she's retired, Beryl loves to spend time growing peonies in her sunny back garden.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Red (002)
  Yarn B Cherry (004)
  Yarn C Rose (001)
  Yarn D Pale Blue (027)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

For yarn stockists, contact Deramores 0845 519 4573 www.deramores.com

ABBREVIATIONS

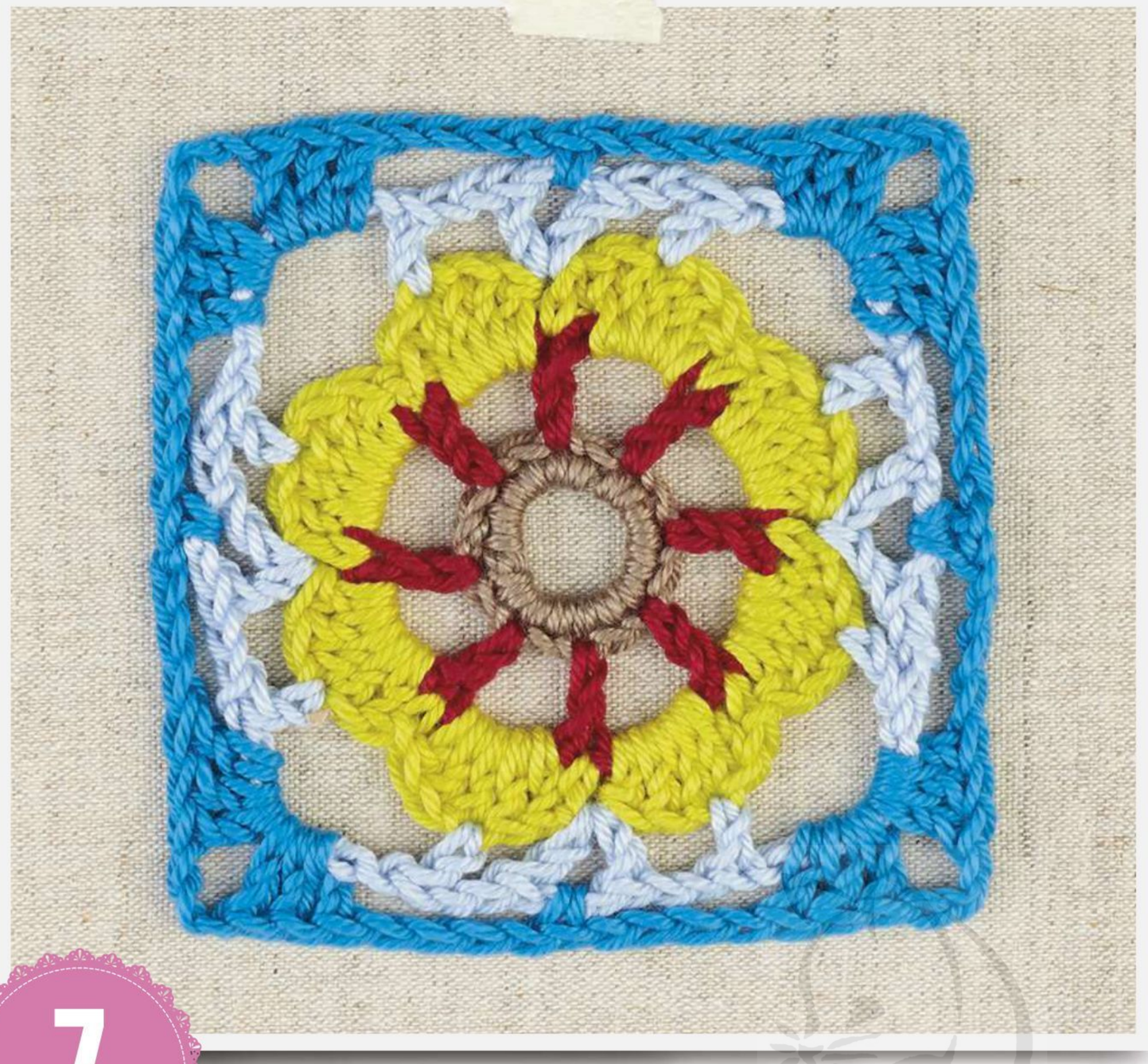
2-tr cluster (Yrh, insert hook in space/st indicated, yrh and pull up loop, yrh and draw through 2 loops) twice, inserting the hook in the same space/st each time, yrh and draw through all loops on hook.
3-tr/4-tr cluster As above, working () 3/4 times.
For a full list, see page 130

NOTE

If you prefer to work from a chart, see page 102

C SQUARE

With Yarn A, ch10, ss into first ch to join into a ring.
Round 1 Ch2 (counts as first half of 2-tr cluster), tr into the ring, ch2, (2-tr cluster, ch2) 11 times, ss to top of first cluster to join. **Fasten off**.
Round 2 Join Yarn B in any ch-2 sp, ch2 (counts as part of cluster), 3-tr cluster into the same ch-2 sp, ch3, (4-tr cluster into the next ch-2 sp, ch3) 11 times, ss to top of first cluster to join. **Fasten off**.
Round 3 Join Yarn C in top of any cluster, ch5 (counts as htr, ch3), *skip next ch-3 sp, (3-tr cluster, ch2, 3-tr cluster, ch5, 3-tr cluster, ch2, 3-tr cluster) into next ch-3 sp, ch3, skip next ch-3 sp, htr into top of next cluster, ch3; repeat from * three more times, omitting the last htr and ch3, ss to the second ch of the beginning ch-5 to join. **Fasten off**.
Round 4 Join Yarn D in any htr, ch1 (does not count as st), dc in top of htr, dc evenly around with 1dc for every ch in each ch-sp and 1dc in top of each cluster and each htr, ss to first dc to join. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



7

GRANNY BESSIE

Bessie has a weakness for high heels, with over fifty brightly-coloured pairs in her wardrobe.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Taupe (089)
  Yarn B Cherry (004)
  Yarn C Pistachio (086)
  Yarn D Light Blue (027)
  Yarn E Turquoise (033)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

For yarn stockists, contact Deramores 0845 519 4573 www.deramores.com

ABBREVIATIONS

For a full list, see page 130

NOTE

If you prefer to work from a chart, see page 102

C SQUARE

With Yarn A, ch8, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 Ch1 (does not count as st), 16dc in the ring, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**.

Round 2 Join Yarn B in any dc, ch6 (counts as tr, ch3), (skip next dc, tr in next dc, ch3) 7 times, ss in third ch of beg ch-6. **Fasten off.**

Round 3 Join Yarn C in any tr, ch1, dc in same tr, 5tr in next ch-3 sp, (dc in next tr, 5tr in next ch-3 sp) 7 times, ss in the first dc. **Fasten off.**

Round 4 Join Yarn D in any dc, ch5 (counts as tr, ch2), tr in same dc, ch2, tr in centre tr of next petal, ch6, tr in centre tr of next petal, ch2, *(tr, ch2, tr) in next dc, ch2, tr in centre tr of next petal, ch6, tr in centre tr of next petal, ch2; repeat from * twice more, ss in third ch of the beg ch-5. **Fasten off**.

Round 5 Join Yarn E in first ch-2 sp, ch1, dc in same ch-2 sp, ch4, (3tr, ch3, 3tr) in next ch-6 sp, ch4, skip next ch-2 sp, *dc in next ch-2 sp, ch4, (3tr, ch3, 3tr) in next ch-6 sp, ch4, skip next ch-2 sp; repeat from * twice more, ss to top of the first dc. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



8

GRANNY BETTY

You can always be sure of a slice of homemade cake when you pop round to Betty's for tea.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Fuchsia (014)
  Yarn B Turquoise (033)
  Yarn C Plum (021)
  Yarn D Banana (063)
  Yarn E Pumpkin (087)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

For yarn stockists, contact Deramores 0845 519 4573 www.deramores.com

ABBREVIATIONS

For a full list, see page 130

NOTE

If you prefer to work from a chart, see page 102

C SQUARE

Using Yarn A, make a magic loop.
Round 1 (RS) Ch3 (counts as tr), 11tr into loop, ss to the top of beg ch-3 to join. **Fasten off**.
Round 2 Join Yarn B with a ss in any tr, *ch3, 5tr into next tr, ch3, ss into each of the next 2 tr; repeat from * twice more, ch3, 5tr into next tr, ch3, ss into next tr. **Fasten off**.
Round 3 Join Yarn C in the centre tr of any 5-tr group, ch3 (counts as tr), 4tr into the same tr, ch3, skip 2 tr and ch-3, tr into space between 2 tr of Round 1 (below 2 ss of Round 2), ch3, skip ch-3 and 2 tr, *5tr into next tr, ch3, skip 2 tr and ch-3, tr into space between 2 tr of Round 1 (below 2 ss of Round 2), ch3, skip ch-3 and 2 tr; repeat from * twice more, ss to top of beg ch-3 to join. **Fasten off**.
Round 4 Working into the back loops only, join Yarn D in the first tr of any 5-tr group, *skip next tr, 7tr into next tr, skip next tr, ss to next tr, skip ch-3, 7tr into next tr, skip ch-3, ss to next tr; repeat from * 3 more times. **Fasten off**.
Round 5 Working into back loops only, join Yarn E in 4th tr of any corner 7-tr group, ch3 (counts as tr), 4tr into same tr, *tr into next 2-tr, ch3, tr into 3rd tr of next 7-tr group, tr into next 2 tr, ch3, tr into 2nd tr of next corner 7-tr group, tr into next tr, 5tr into next tr; repeat from * twice more, tr into next 2 tr, ch3, tr into 3rd tr of next 7-tr group, tr into next 2 tr, ch3, tr into 2nd tr of next corner 7-tr group, tr into next tr, ss to top of beg ch-3 to join. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



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GRANNY CONSTANCE

On Saturday evenings Constance loves to listen to funk and soul and dance around her kitchen.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Silver (003)
  Yarn B Turquoise (033)
  Yarn C Cardinal (084)
  Yarn D Berry (018)
  Yarn E Pistachio (086)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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ABBREVIATIONS

2-dtr cluster (Yrh twice, insert hook in space/st indicated, yrh and pull up loop, [yrh and draw through 2 loops] twice) 2 times, inserting the hook in the same space/st each time, yrh and draw through all loops on hook.

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NOTE

If you prefer to work from a chart, see page 102

C SQUARE

With Yarn A, ch7, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 Ch1 (does not count as st), 12dc into the ring, ss to first dc to join. **Fasten off**.

Round 2 Join Yarn B in any dc, ch2 (counts as half of first tr2tog), tr in next dc, ch3, (tr2tog, in same dc and next dc, ch3) 11 times, ss to top of first tr2tog to join. **Fasten off**.

Round 3 Join Yarn C in any ch-3 sp, Ch5 (counts as dc, ch4), (2-dtr cluster in fourth ch from hook, dc in next ch-3 sp, ch4) 11 times, 2-dtr cluster in fourth ch from hook, ss to first ch of beg ch-5 to join. **Fasten off**.

Round 4 Join Yarn D in any dc, ch7 (counts as tr and ch4), (tr in next dc, ch4) 11 times, ss to third ch of beg ch-7 to join. **Fasten off**.

Round 5 Join Yarn E in any ch-4 sp, ch1 (does not count as st), *(5dc in next ch-4 sp) twice, (3dc, ch2, 3dc) in next ch-4 sp; repeat from * 3 more times, ss to first dc to join. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



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GRANNY DOREEN

Doreen's favourite time of year is Hallowe'en and her jack o'lanterns are the envy of the street.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Hay (065)
  Yarn B Cobalt Blue (032)
  Yarn C Pumpkin (087)
  Yarn D Beige (091)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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ABBREVIATIONS

3-tr cluster (Yrh, insert hook in space/st indicated, yrh and pull up loop, yrh and draw through 2 loops) 3 times, inserting the hook in the same space/st each time, yrh and draw through all loops on hook.
4-tr cluster As above, working () 4 times.
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NOTE

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C SQUARE

With Yarn A, ch8, ss to first ch to join into a ring.
Round 1 Ch3 (counts as tr), 3-tr cluster into ring, *ch4, 4-tr cluster into ring; rep from * twice more, ch4, ss to top of 3-tr cluster. **Fasten off**.
Round 2 Join Yarn B in any ch-4 corner sp with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), (2tr, ch3, 3tr) in same corner sp, *tr into top of next cluster, (3tr, ch3, 3tr) in next corner sp; rep from * twice more, tr in top of first cluster, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.
Round 3 Join Yarn C in any ch-3 corner sp with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), (tr, ch3, 2tr) in same ch-3 corner sp, *tr in each of next 7 tr, (2tr, ch3, 2tr) in next ch-3 corner sp; rep from * twice more, tr in each of next 7 tr, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.
Round 4 Join Yarn D in a corner ch-sp with a ss. Ch1 (does not count as st), dc in each st around working 2dc in each corner ch-sp, ss to first dc. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



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GRANNY DORIS

Her favourite film star used to be Clark Gable, but Doris has recently become a Ryan Gosling fan.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Red (002)
  Yarn B Banana (063)
  Yarn C Mauve (017)
  Yarn D Light Blue (027)
  Yarn E Turquoise (033)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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ABBREVIATIONS

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NOTE

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C SQUARE

With Yarn A, ch4, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 Ch3 (counts as tr), 11tr into ring, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 2 Join Yarn B in any st with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), tr into back loop of same st, *(tr into front loop, tr into back loop) of same st; rep from * 9 more times, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 3 Join Yarn C in any st with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), (tr, ch2, 2tr) into same st, *tr into each of next 5 tr, (2tr, ch2, 2tr) into next tr to form corner; rep from * twice more, tr into each of next 5 tr, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 4 Join Yarn D in any corner ch-2 sp with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), (tr, ch2, 2tr) into same sp, *tr into each of next 9 tr, (2tr, ch2, 2tr) into next ch-sp to form corner; rep from * twice more, tr into each of next 9 tr, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 5 Join Yarn E in a corner ch-sp with a ss. Ch1 (does not count as st), dc evenly around with 1 dc in each st and 2dc in each ch-2 sp. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



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GRANNY EDNA

Edna used to play first violin for the LSO, and delights her neighbours with impromptu concerts.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Pistachio (086)
  Yarn B Red (002)
  Yarn C Banana (063)
  Yarn D Cobalt Blue (032)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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ABBREVIATIONS

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NOTE

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C SQUARE

With Yarn A, ch4, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 Ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), (3tr into ring, ch2) 3 times, 2tr into ring, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 2 Join Yarn B in any corner sp with a ss. Ch7 (counts as tr and ch4), 2tr into same corner sp, *tr in each of next 3 tr, (2tr, ch4, 2tr) into corner sp; rep from * twice more,tr in each of next 3 tr, tr in corner sp, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 3 Join Yarn C in any corner sp with a ss. Ch7 (counts as tr and ch4), 2tr into same corner sp, *tr in each of next 7 tr, (2tr, ch4, 2tr) into corner sp; rep from * twice more, tr in each of next 7 tr, tr in corner sp, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 4 Join Yarn D in any corner sp with a ss. Ch7 (counts as tr and ch4), 2tr into same corner sp, *tr in each of next 11 tr, (2tr, ch4, 2tr) into corner sp; rep from * twice more, tr in each of next 11 tr, tr in corner sp, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



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GRANNY ELLEN

Ellen's idea of bliss is to curl up for the afternoon in her favourite armchair with a good book.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Beige (091)
  Yarn B Plum (021)
  Yarn C Pistachio (086)
  Yarn D Turquoise (033)
  Yarn E Pumpkin (087)
  Yarn F Black (090)
  Yarn G Light Blue (027)
  Yarn H Violet (020)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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ABBREVIATIONS

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NOTE

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C SQUARE

With Yarn A, ch10, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 Ch1 (does not count as st), 24 dc into ring, ss to first dc to join. **Fasten off**.

Round 2 Join Yarn B in any st with a ss. Ch1 (does not count as st), dc in same dc, *ch8, skip 5dc, dc in next dc; rep from * twice more, ch8, ss to first dc to join. **Fasten off**.

Round 3 Join Yarn C in any dc with a ss. Ch1 (does not count as dc), dc in same dc, *9dc in next ch-8 sp, dc in next dc; rep from * twice, 9dc in next ch-8 sp, ss to first dc to join. **Fasten off**.

Round 4 Join Yarn D in next dc with a ss. Ch1 (does not count as dc), dc in same dc, *dc in each of next 4dc, (dc, ch1, dc) in next dc to form corner, dc in each of next 5dc; rep from * twice more, dc in each of next 4dc, (dc, ch1, dc) in next dc to form corner, dc in each of next 4dc, ss to first dc to join. **Fasten off**.

Round 5 Join Yarn E in any corner ch-1 sp with a ss. Ch6 (counts as tr, ch3), tr in same ch-1 sp, *ch1, skip next 2 dc, tr in next dc, (ch1, skip next dc, tr in next dc) 3 times, ch1, skip next 2 dc, (tr, ch3, tr) in corner ch-1 sp; rep from * twice more, ch1, skip next 2 dc, tr in next dc, (ch1, skip next dc, tr in next dc) 3 times, ch1, ss to 3rd ch of beg ch-6. **Fasten off**.

Round 6 Join Yarn F in any corner ch-3 sp with a ss. Ch1 (does not count as st), *(dc, ch1, dc) in corner ch-3 sp, (dc in next tr, dc in next ch-1 sp) 5 times, dc in next tr; rep from * three more times, ss to first dc to join. **Fasten off**.

Round 7 Join Yarn G in any corner ch-1 sp with a ss. Ch5 (counts as tr, ch2), tr in same ch-1 sp, *ch1, tr in next dc, (ch1, skip next dc, tr in next dc) 6 times, ch1, (tr, ch2, tr) in corner ch-1 sp; rep from * twice more, ch1, tr in next dc, (ch1, skip next dc, tr in next dc) 6 times, ch1, ss to 3rd ch of beg ch-5. **Fasten off**.

Round 8 Join Yarn H in any corner ch-2 sp with a ss. Ch1 (does not count as st), *(dc, ch1, dc) in corner ch-2 sp, (dc in next tr, dc in next ch-1 sp) 8 times, dc in next tr; rep from * three more times, ss to first dc to join. **Fasten off**.



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GRANNY EMILY

Emily has always dreamed of travelling the world, and has just booked a six week cruise in the Pacific.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Violet (020)
  Yarn B Hay (065)
  Yarn C Red (002)
  Yarn D Light Blue (027)
  Yarn E Mauve (017)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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ABBREVIATIONS

2-ttr cluster (Yrh 3 times, insert hook in sp, yrh and pull up loop, [yrh and draw through 2 loops] 3 times) twice, inserting hook in same sp each time, yrh and draw through all loops on hook.

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NOTE

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C SQUARE

With Yarn A, ch8, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 Ch5 (counts as ttr), ttr into ring, ch1, (2-ttr cluster into ring, ch1) 15 times, ss to top of beg ch-5. **Fasten off**.

Round 2 Join Yarn B in any ch-1 sp with a ss. Ch1 (does not count as st), dc into same ch-1 sp, *ch3, dc in next ch-1 sp, ch3, (2tr, ch3, 2tr) in next ch-1 sp, (ch3, dc in next ch-1 sp) twice; rep from * twice more, ch3, dc in next ch-1 sp, ch3, (2tr, ch3, 2tr) in next ch-1 sp, ch3, dc in next ch-1 sp, ch3, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**.

Round 3 Join Yarn C in next ch-3 sp with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), 2tr in same ch-3 sp, *ch2, skip next ch-3 sp, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in next ch-3 sp, ch2, skip next ch-3 sp, 3tr in next ch-3 sp, ch2, 3tr in next ch-3 sp; rep from * twice more, ch2, skip next ch-3 sp, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in next ch-3 sp, ch2, skip next ch-3 sp, 3tr in next ch-3 sp, ch2, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off.**

Round 4 Join Yarn D in next ch-2 sp. Ch3 (counts as tr), 2tr in same ch-2 sp, *ch2, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) into corner ch-2 sp, (ch2, 3tr in next ch-2 sp) 3 times; rep from * twice more, ch2, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) into corner ch-2 sp, (ch2, 3tr in next ch-2 sp) 2 times, ch2, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 5 Join Yarn E in next ch-2 sp. Ch3 (counts as tr), 2tr in same ch-2 sp, *(3tr, ch2, 3tr) in corner ch-2 sp, (3tr in next ch-2 sp) 4 times; rep from * twice more, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in corner ch-2 sp, (3tr in next ch-2 sp) 3 times, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



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GRANNY ENID

Enid has a weakness for chocolate-covered Turkish delight, especially the rose flavour.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Rose (001)
  Yarn B Fuchsia (014)
  Yarn C Red (002)
  Yarn D Beige (091)
  Yarn E Mauve (017)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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NOTE

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C SQUARE

With Yarn A, make a magic loop.
Round 1 Ch3 (counts as first tr), 11tr into loop, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.
Round 2 Join Yarn B in top of beg ch-3 with a ss. Ch1 (does not count as st), 2dc into same st, 1tr into next st, 2tr into each of next 8 sts, 1tr into next st, 2dc into last st, ss between last st and first st of round. **Fasten off**.
Round 3 Join Yarn C in ss of prev rnd with a ss. Ch1 (does not count as st), dc in first dc, (htr, tr) in next dc, 2tr in each of next 2 tr, 2htr in next tr, 1dc in each of next 5 tr, (htr, tr) in next tr, (tr, htr) in next tr, dc in each of next 5 tr, 2htr in next tr, 2tr in each of next 2 tr, (tr, htr) in next dc, dc in last dc, ss into ss of prev round. **Fasten off**.
Round 4 Join Yarn D in first tr of Rnd 3. Ch3 (counts as tr), tr in st at base of ch, ch2, skip 1 st, 2tr in next st, ch4, (2tr in next st, ch2, skip 1 st) 3 times, (2dtr in next st, ch2, skip 1 st) twice, 2tr in each of next 2 sts, ch2, skip 1 st, (2dtr in next st, ch2, skip 1 st) twice, (2tr in next st, ch2, skip 1 st) twice, 2tr in next st, ch4, 2tr in next st, ch2, skip 1 st, 2tr in next st, skip 2 sts, 2dtr in ss from Round 2, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.
Round 5 Join Yarn E in top of beg ch-3 with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), tr in next st, 2tr in ch-2 sp, tr in each of next 2 sts, (2tr, ch2, 2tr) in ch-4 sp, work a tr in each st and 2tr in each ch-2 sp until a further 12tr have been worked, (tr, 2dtr, ch2, 2ttr) in next ch-2 sp, 1dtr in each of next 2 dtr, (2ttr, ch2, 2dtr, tr) in next ch-2 sp, work a tr in each st and 2tr in each ch-2 sp until a further 12 tr have been worked, 1dtr in each of next 2 dtr, (2ttr, ch2, 2dtr, tr) in next ch-2 sp, work a tr in each st and 2tr in each ch-2 sp until a further 12 tr have been worked, (2tr, ch2, 2tr) in ch-4 sp, work a tr in each st and 2tr in each ch-2 sp until a further 8 tr have been worked, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



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GRANNY HAZEL

Hazel starts her Christmas crafting around May as she likes to allow plenty of time for each project.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Pistachio (086)
  Yarn B Fuchsia (014)
  Yarn C Rose (001)
  Yarn D Cobalt Blue (032)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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ABBREVIATIONS

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NOTE

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C SQUARE

With Yarn A, ch6, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 Ch3 (counts as tr throughout), 2tr into ring, ch3, (3tr into ring, ch3) three times, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 2 Join Yarn B in any corner ch-3 sp with a ss. Ch3, (2tr, ch1, 3tr) into same ch-3 sp, ch2, *(3tr, ch1, 3tr) into next ch-3 sp, ch2; rep from * twice more, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 3 Join Yarn C in any corner ch-1 sp with a ss. Ch3, (2tr, ch1, 3tr) into same sp, *ch2, (tr, ch2, tr) into next ch-2 sp, ch2, (3tr, ch1, 3tr) into next ch-1 sp; rep from * twice more, ch2, (tr, ch2, tr) into next ch-2 sp, ch2, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 4 Join Yarn D in any corner ch-1 sp with a ss. Ch3, (2tr, ch1, 3tr) into same sp, *ch3, skip next ch-2 sp, (tr, ch3, tr) into next ch-2 sp, ch3, skip next ch-2 sp, (3tr, ch1, 3tr) into next ch-1 sp; rep from * twice more, ch3, skip next ch-2 sp, (tr, ch3, tr) into next ch-2 sp, ch3, ss to top of beg ch-3.

Fasten off and weave in ends.



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GRANNY HILDA

When guests come over, Hilda likes to open up her china cabinet and use the fancy teacups.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Red (002)
  Yarn B Turquoise (033)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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ABBREVIATIONS

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NOTE

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C SQUARE

Using Yarn A, ch8, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 *Ch3 (counts as tr), tr into next ch, ch3 (counts as tr), ss into next ch; repeat from * three more times. **Fasten off**.

Round 2 Join Yarn B in the top of beg ch-3, *ch3 (counts as tr), tr into next tr, ch3 (counts as tr), ss into next ch, ch5, ss to top of next ch-3; repeat from * three more times. **Fasten off.**

Round 3 Join Yarn A in the top of beg ch-3, *ch3 (counts as tr), tr into next tr, ch3 (counts as tr), ss into next ch, ch2, (tr, ch5, tr) into 3rd ch of ch-5 sp, ch2, ss to top of next ch-3; repeat from * three more times. **Fasten off**.

Round 4 Join Yarn B in the top of beg ch-3, *ch3 (counts as tr), tr into next tr, ch3 (counts as tr), ss into next ch, ch2, tr into next tr, ch2, (tr, ch5, tr) into 3rd ch of ch-5 sp, ch2, tr into next tr, ch2, ss to top of next ch-3; repeat from * three more times. **Fasten off**.

Round 5 Join Yarn A in the top of beg ch-3, *ss to next tr, ss to next ch, (tr in ch-2 sp, tr in next tr) twice, tr in ch-5 sp, (tr, ch5, tr) in 3rd ch of same ch-5 sp, tr in same ch-5 sp, (tr in next tr, tr in ch-2 sp) twice, ss to top of next ch-3; repeat from * three more times working final ss in first ss. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



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GRANNY IDA

Ida only reads Mills and Boons, and has passed on this love of romance novels to her great niece.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Violet (020)
  Yarn B Light Blue (027)
  Yarn C Curry (061)
  Yarn D Aqua (095)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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NOTE

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C SQUARE

Using Yarn A, ch4, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 Ch3 (counts as tr throughout), 9tr into the ring, ss into top of first tr to join.

Round 2 Ch3, tr into st at base of ch-3, 2tr into next tr and each tr around, ss to top of beg ch-3 to join. **Fasten off**.

Round 3 Join Yarn B in top of beg ch-3 of previous round, ch3, 4tr in st at base of ch-3, tr in next 4 tr, *5tr in next tr, tr in next 4 tr; repeat from * twice more, ss to top of beg ch-3 to join. **Fasten off**.

Round 4 Join Yarn C in centre tr of any 5-tr corner group, ch3, 4tr in st at base of ch-3, tr in next 8 tr, *5tr in next tr, tr in next 8 tr; repeat from * twice more, ss to top of beg ch-3 to join. **Fasten off**.

Round 5 Join Yarn D in centre tr of any 5-tr corner group, ch3, 4tr in st at base of ch-3, tr in next 12 tr, *5tr in next tr, tr in next 12 tr; repeat from * twice more, ss to top of beg ch-3 to join. **Fasten off**.

Using Yarn A, make a 2.5cm pompom and sew to centre of the square.



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GRANNY IRENE

If you delve into Irene's handbag, you'll always find a bag of chocolate limes nestled in a secret pocket.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Taupe (069)
  Yarn B Pistachio (086)
  Yarn C Pumpkin (087)
  Yarn D Red (002)
  Yarn E Fuchsia (014)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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NOTE

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C SQUARE

Using Yarn A, ch6, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 Ch3 (counts as tr throughout), 3tr into ring, ch3, (4tr into ring, ch3) 3 times, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 2 Join Yarn B in top of beg ch-3 with a ss. Ch5 (counts as tr and ch2 throughout), skip 2 tr, tr in next tr, *(2tr, ch3, 2tr) in next ch-3 sp, tr in next tr, ch2, skip 2 tr, tr in next tr; rep from * twice more, (2tr, ch3, 2tr) in next ch-3 sp, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 3 Join Yarn C in top of beg ch-3 with a ss. Ch5, *tr in each of next 3 tr, (2tr, ch3, 2tr) in ch-3 corner sp, tr in each of next 3 tr, ch2; rep from * twice more, tr in each of next 3 tr, (2tr, ch3, 2tr) in ch-3 corner sp, tr in each of next 2 tr, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 4 Join Yarn D in top of beg ch-3 with a ss. Ch5, *tr in each of next 5 tr, (2tr, ch3, 2tr) in ch-3 corner sp, tr in each of next 5 tr, ch2; rep from * twice more, tr in each of next 5 tr, (2tr, ch3, 2tr) in ch-3 corner sp, tr in each of next 4 tr, ss to top of beg ch-3. Fasten off.

Round 5 Join Yarn E in top of beg ch-3 with a ss. Ch3, tr in each st around, working 2tr in each ch-2 sp and 3 tr in each ch-3 sp. Ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



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GRANNY IRIS

Iris still sends handwritten notes to family members and has an enviable stationery collection.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Taupe (069)
  Yarn B Light Blue (027)
  Yarn C Plum (021)
  Yarn D Pumpkin (087)
  Yarn E Cobalt Blue (032)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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NOTE

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C SQUARE

With Yarn A, ch6, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 Ch3 (counts as tr), 15tr into ring, ss to top of beg ch-3.

Round 2 Ch5 (counts as tr, ch2), (1tr into next tr, ch2) 15 times, ss to third ch of beg ch-5. **Fasten off**.

Round 3 Join Yarn B in any ch-sp with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), (tr, ch3, 2tr) into same sp, *(ch2, dc into next ch-sp) 3 times, ch2, (2tr, ch3, 2tr) into next sp; rep from * twice more, (ch2, dc into next ch-sp) 3 times, ch2, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 4 Join Yarn C in a corner ch-sp with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), (tr, ch2, 2tr) into same sp, *(ch2, dc into next ch-sp) 4 times, ch2 (2tr, ch2, 2tr) into next ch-sp; rep from * twice more, (ch2, dc into next ch-sp) 4 times, ch2, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 5 Join Yarn D in a corner ch-sp with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), (tr, ch2, 2tr) into same sp, *(ch1, 2tr in next ch-2 sp) 5 times, ch1, (2tr, ch2, 2tr) into next ch-sp; rep from * twice more, (ch1, 2tr in next ch-2 sp) 5 times, ch1, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 6 Join Yarn E in a corner ch-sp with a ss. Ch1 (does not count as st), dc evenly around with 1dc in each st and each ch-1 sp, and 2dc in each ch-2 sp, ss to first dc to join. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



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GRANNY JEMIMA

Her birthstone is amethyst, so Jemima has a house full of purple-hued items.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Violet (020)
  Yarn B Pumpkin (087)
  Yarn C Plum (021)
  Yarn D Silver (003)
  Yarn E Red (002)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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ABBREVIATIONS

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NOTE

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C SQUARE

With Yarn A, ch6, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 Ch3 (counts as tr), 15tr into ring, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 2 Join Yarn B in any stitch with a ss. Ch4 (counts as tr, ch1), (tr in next tr, ch1) 15 times, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 3 Join Yarn C in any stitch with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), (2tr in next ch-1 sp, tr in next tr) 15 times, 2tr in next ch-1 sp, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 4 Join Yarn D in any stitch with a ss. Ch1 (does not count as st), dc in same st, *ch3, skip 2 tr, dc in next tr, ch2, skip 2 tr, dc in next tr, ch5, skip 2 tr, dc in next tr, ch2, skip 2 tr, dc in next tr; repeat from * twice more, ch3, skip 2 tr, dc in next tr, ch2, skip 2 tr, dc in next tr, ch5, skip 2 tr, dc in next tr, ch2, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**.

Round 5 Join Yarn E in next ch-3 sp with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), 4tr in same ch-3 sp, *dc in next ch-2 sp, (5tr, ch3, 5tr) in next ch-5 sp, dc in next ch-2 sp, 5tr in next ch-3 sp; repeat from * twice more, dc in next ch-2 sp, (5tr, ch3, 5tr) in next ch-5 sp, dc in next ch-2 sp, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



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GRANNY JOAN

Joan was at Woodstock in '69, but one of her regrets is never making it to Glastonbury.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Grass Green (066)
  Yarn B Light Blue (027)
  Yarn C Pumpkin (087)
  Yarn D Silver (003)
  Yarn E Red (002)
  Yarn F Pistachio (086)
  Yarn G Cobalt Blue (032)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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ABBREVIATIONS

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NOTE

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C SQUARE

Using Yarn A, ch6, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 Ch2 (counts as htr), 15htr into ring, ss to top of beg ch-2. Fasten off.

Round 2 Join Yarn B in any stitch. Ch2 (counts as htr), htr in next htr, (ch1, htr in each of next 2 htr) 7 times, ch1, ss to top of beg ch-2. **Fasten off**.

Round 3 Join Yarn C in any ch-1 sp. Ch1 (does not count as st), *(dc, 2htr, tr, ch1, tr, 2htr, dc) in ch-1 sp (this forms a corner), ss in sp between next 2 htr, (dc, 2htr, dc) in next ch-1 sp, ss in sp between next 2 htr; rep from * 3 more times. **Fasten off**.

Round 4 Join Yarn D in final ss of Round 3. Ch2 (counts as htr), ch4, *(htr, ch1, htr) in next corner ch-1 sp, ch4, (htr inserting hook into same sp as ss in Round 3, ch4) twice; rep from * twice more, (htr, ch1, htr) in next corner ch-1 sp, ch4, htr inserting hook into same sp as ss in Round 3, ch4, ss to top of beg ch-2. **Fasten off**.

Round 5 Join Yarn E in final ss of Round 4. Ch1 (counts as dc), ch2, tr in ch-4 sp, ch2, dc in htr, ch2, *(tr, ch1, tr) in next corner ch-sp, ch2, (dc in next htr, ch2, tr in next ch-4 sp, ch2) 3 times, dc in next htr, ch2; rep from * twice more; (tr, ch1, tr) in next corner ch-sp, ch2, (dc in next htr, ch2, tr in next ch-4 sp, ch2) twice, ss to beg ch-1. **Fasten off**.

Round 6 Join Yarn F in top of next tr. Ch1 (counts as dc), ch3, (dc into next tr, ch3) around, ss to beg ch-1. **Fasten off**.

Round 7 Join Yarn G in any dc. Ch1 (does not count as st), dc into each ch and dc, working (2dc, ch1, 2dc) in each corner ch-3 sp, ss to first dc to join. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



23

GRANNY JOYCE

Joyce has always had pet rabbits and currently shares her home with a very fluffy English Angora.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Mauve (17)
  Yarn B Pumpkin (087)
  Yarn C Light Blue (027)
  Yarn D Hay (065)
  Yarn E Red (002)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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ABBREVIATIONS

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NOTE

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C SQUARE

Using Yarn A, ch4, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 Ch5 (counts as tr and ch2), (tr into ring, ch2) 7 times, ss to third ch of beg ch-5. **Fasten off**.

Round 2 Join Yarn B in any ch-2 sp with a ss. Ch3, 2tr into same ch-2 sp, ch1, (3tr in next ch-2 sp, ch1) 7 times, ss to the top of the beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.
[8 3-tr groups, 8 ch-1 sp]

Round 3 Join Yarn C in any ch-1 sp with a ss. Ch9 (counts as tr and ch6), *3tr in next ch-1 sp, ch2, 3tr in next ch-1 sp, ch6; rep from * twice more, 3tr in next ch-1 sp, ch2, 2tr in next ch-1 sp, ss to third ch of beg ch-9. **Fasten off**.

Round 4 Join Yarn D in any ch-6 sp with a ss. Ch3, (2tr, ch2, 3tr) into same ch-6 sp, *tr in each of next 3 tr, 3tr in ch-2 sp, tr in each of next 3 tr, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) in next ch-6 sp; rep from * twice more, tr in each of next 3 tr, 3tr in ch-2 sp, tr in each of next 3 tr, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 5 Join Yarn E in any st with a ss. Ch3, tr in each st around, working 3tr in each ch-2 sp, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



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GRANNY JUNE

The tomatoes on June's allotment are always admired by the other gardeners.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Turquoise (033)
  Yarn B Banana (063)
  Yarn C Cherry (004)
  Yarn D Pistachio (086)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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ABBREVIATIONS

Dtr2tog 2dtr into ring until 1 loop of each stitch remains on hook, yrh and draw through all 3 loops on hook.
3-tr cluster (Yrh, insert hook in space/st indicated, yrh and pull up loop, yrh and draw through 2 loops) 3 times, inserting the hook in the same space/st each time, yrh and draw through all loops on hook.
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NOTE

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C SQUARE

With Yarn A, ch10, ss to first ch to join into a ring.
Round 1 Ch4 (counts as dtr), dtr into ring, ch2, (dtr2tog into ring, ch2) 11 times, ss to top of beg ch-4. **Fasten off**.
Round 2 Join Yarn B in any ch-2 sp with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), tr2tog in same ch-sp, ch3, (3-tr cluster in next ch-sp, ch3) 11 times, ss to top of first tr2tog. **Fasten off**.
Round 3 Join Yarn C in any 3-tr cluster with a ss. Ch5 (counts as htr, ch3), *skip next ch-3 sp, (3-tr cluster, ch2, 3-tr cluster, ch4, 3-tr cluster, ch2, 3-tr cluster) into next ch-3 sp, ch3, skip next ch-3 sp, htr in top of next 3-tr cluster, ch3; rep from * twice more, skip next ch-3 sp, (3-tr cluster, ch2, 3-tr cluster, ch4, 3-tr cluster, ch2, 3-tr cluster) into next ch-3 sp, ch3, ss to second ch of beg ch5. **Fasten off.**
Round 4 Join Yarn D in top of any htr with a ss. Ch1 (does not count as st), dc into same place as last ss, dc in each st and ch around, ss to first dc.
Fasten off and weave in ends.



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GRANNY MABEL

Mabel goes to a tea dance every week so she can take to the floor for her favourite Viennese waltz.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Beige (091)
  Yarn B Red (002)
  Yarn C Banana (063)
  Yarn D Plum (021)
  Yarn E Hay (065)
  Yarn E Turquoise (033)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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ABBREVIATIONS

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NOTE

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C SQUARE

With Yarn A, ch6, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 Ch3 (counts as tr), 2tr into ring, ch2, (3tr into ring, ch2) three times, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 2 Join Yarn B in any corner ch-2 sp with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), (2tr, ch2, 3tr) into same ch-2 sp, *ch2, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) into next ch-2 sp; rep from * twice more, ch2, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 3 Join Yarn C in any corner ch-2 sp with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), (2tr, ch2, 3tr) into same ch-2 sp, *tr in each of next 3 tr, 2tr in next ch-2 sp, tr in each of next 3 tr, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) into corner ch-2 sp; rep from * twice more, tr in each of next 3 tr, 2tr in next ch-2 sp, tr in each of next 3 tr, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 4 Join Yarn D in any corner ch-2 sp with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), (2tr, ch2, 3tr) into same ch-2 sp, *skip next 3 tr, 3tr in next tr, skip next 2 tr, 3tr in next tr, skip next 3 tr, 3tr in next tr, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) into next ch-2 sp; rep from * twice more, skip next 3 tr, 3tr in next tr, skip next 2 tr, 3tr in next tr, skip next 3 tr, 3tr in next tr, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 5 Join Yarn E in any corner ch-2 sp with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), (tr, ch2, 2tr) into same ch-2 sp, *tr in each of next 15 tr, (2tr, ch2, 2tr) into next ch-2 sp; rep from * twice more, tr in each of next 15 tr, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 6 Join Yarn F in any corner ch-2 sp with a ss. Ch1 (does not count as st), dc in each stitch around, working 2dc in each corner ch-2 sp, ss to first dc to join. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



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GRANNY MARGOT

One of the scents that Margot loves most is the smell of summer rain on hot pavements.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Dark Jeans (085)
  Yarn B Pumpkin (087)
  Yarn C Taupe (089)
  Yarn D Red (002)
  Yarn E Purple (018)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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ABBREVIATIONS

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NOTE

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C SQUARE

With Yarn A, ch6, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 Ch3 (counts as tr), 11tr into ring, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 2 Join Yarn B in top of beg ch-3 with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), tr in st at base of ch-3, 2tr in each tr around, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 3 Join Yarn C in top of beg ch-3 with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), 5tr between first 2 tr to form corner, ch8, sk next 6 tr, 6tr between 7th and 8th tr, ch8, sk next 6 tr, 6tr between 13th and 14th tr, ch8, sk next 6 tr, 6tr between 19th and 20th tr, ch8, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 4 Join Yarn D between 3rd and 4th tr of any corner group with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), 7tr between 3rd and 4th tr of same corner group, *5tr in next ch-8 sp, 8tr between 3rd and 4th tr of next corner group; rep from * twice more, 5tr in next ch-8 sp, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 5 Join Yarn E between 4th and 5th tr of any corner group with a ss. Ch4 (counts as tr and ch1), tr between 4th and 5th tr of same corner group, *ch6, sk next 4tr, tr in each of next 5 tr, ch6, sk next 4 tr, (tr, ch1, tr) between 4th and 5th tr of next corner group; rep from * twice more, ch6, sk next 4 tr, tr in each of next 5 tr, ch6, sk next 4 tr, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



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GRANNY MARJORIE

If she gets to choose the film, Marjorie always opts for a black and white wartime classic.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Rose (001)
  Yarn B Turquoise (033)
  Yarn C Silver (003)
  Yarn D Plum (021)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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ABBREVIATIONS

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NOTE

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C SQUARE

With Yarn A, ch8, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 Ch6 (counts as tr, ch3), (tr into ring, ch3) 7 times, ss to top of beg ch-3.

Round 2 Ch1 (does not count as a st throughout), (dc, htr, 3tr, htr, dc) into each ch-3 sp around, ss to first dc. [8 clusters] **Fasten off**.

Round 3 Join Yarn B in central tr of any cluster with a ss. Ch1, *dc in central tr of cluster, ch2, skip next 3 sts, (tr, ch3, tr) in sp between clusters, ch2, skip next 3 sts, dc in central tr of next cluster, ch6, skip next 6 sts; rep from * 3 more times, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**.

Round 4 Join Yarn C in any ch-3 sp with a ss. Ch1, dc in ch-3 sp, *ch4, (3tr, ch3, 3tr) in corner ch-6 sp, ch4, dc in next ch-3 sp; rep from * twice more, ch4, (3tr, ch3, 3tr) in corner ch-6 sp, ch4, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**.

Round 5 Join Yarn D in any dc with a ss. Ch1, *dc in dc, ch4, ss in 4th ch from hook (picot made), ch4, skip next ch-4 sp, tr in each of next 3 tr, ch2, ch4, ss in 4th ch from hook (picot made), ch2, skip next ch-3 sp, tr in each of next 3 tr, ch4, skip next ch-4 sp; rep from * 3 more times, ss to first dc. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



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GRANNY MAUDIE

Her skills sharpened by years of evenings in the casino, you take on Maudie at poker at your peril.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Hay (065)
  Yarn B Purple (018)
  Yarn C Beige (091)
  Yarn D Mauve (017)
  Yarn E Pumpkin (087)
  Yarn F Taupe (089)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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ABBREVIATIONS

3-dtr cluster (Yrh twice, insert hook in space/st indicated, yrh and pull up loop, [yrh and draw through 2 loops] twice) 3 times, inserting the hook in the same space/st each time, yrh and draw through all loops on hook.

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NOTE

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C SQUARE

With Yarn A, ch6, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 Ch4 (counts as tr, ch1), (tr into ring, ch1) 7 times, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 2 Join Yarn B in any tr with a ss. Ch5 (counts as tr, ch2), *tr into next ch-1 sp, ch2, tr in next tr, ch2; rep from * 6 more times, tr into next ch-1 sp, ch2, ss to 3rd ch of beg ch-5. **Fasten off**.

Round 3 Join Yarn C in any st with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), *2tr in next ch-2 sp, tr in next tr; rep from * 14 times, 2tr in next ch-2 sp, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 4 Join Yarn D in any st with a ss. Ch6 (counts as tr, ch3), *skip 2 tr, tr in next tr, ch3; rep from * around, ss to 3rd ch of beg ch-6. **Fasten off**.

Round 5 Join Yarn E in next ch-3 sp. Ch3 (counts as tr), 2tr in same ch-3 sp, *ch1, 3tr in next ch-3 sp, ch1, 3tr in next ch-3 sp, ch2, (3-dtr cluster, ch3, 3-dtr cluster, ch3, 3-dtr cluster) in next ch-3 sp, ch2, 3tr in next ch-3 sp; rep from * twice more, ch1, 3tr in next ch-3 sp, ch1, 3tr in next ch-3 sp, ch2, (3-dtr cluster, ch3, 3-dtr cluster, ch3, 3-dtr cluster) in next ch-3 sp, ch2, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 6 Join Yarn F in next ch-1 sp. Ch3 (counts as tr), 2tr in same ch-1 sp, *ch3, 3tr in next ch-1 sp, ch3, 3tr in next ch-2 sp, ch3, (3-dtr cluster, ch3, 3-dtr cluster) in next ch-3 sp, ch3, (3-dtr cluster, ch3, 3-dtr cluster) in next ch-3 sp, ch3, 3tr in next ch-2 sp, ch3, 3tr in next ch-1 sp; rep from * twice more, ch3, 3tr in next ch-1 sp, ch3, 3tr in next ch-2 sp, ch3, (3-dtr cluster, ch3, 3-dtr cluster) in next ch-3 sp, ch3, (3-dtr cluster, ch3, 3-dtr cluster) in next ch-3 sp, ch3, 3tr in next ch-2 sp, ch3, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



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GRANNY MYRTLE

A real water baby, Myrtle loves to have a paddle in the sea, whatever the weather.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Cobalt Blue (032)
  Yarn B Banana (063)
  Yarn C Turquoise (033)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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ABBREVIATIONS

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NOTE

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C SQUARE

Using Yarn A, ch5, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 Ch3 (counts as tr), 2tr into ring, ch5, (3tr into ring, ch5) 3 times, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 2 Join Yarn B in top of beg ch-3 with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), tr in each of next 2 tr, (tr, ch7, tr) in ch-5 sp, *tr in each of next 3 tr, (tr, ch7, tr) in ch-5 sp; rep from * twice more, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 3 Join Yarn C in top of beg ch-3 with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), tr in each of next 3 tr, (4tr, ch2, 4tr) in ch-7 sp, *tr in each of next 5tr, (4tr, ch2, 4tr) in ch-7 sp; rep from * twice more, tr in last tr, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



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GRANNY NANCY

Nancy is a chilli fiend and grows a fine crop of Scotch bonnets and habaneros for cooking with.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Pumpkin (087)
  Yarn B Red (002)
  Yarn C Rose (001)
  Yarn D Hay (065)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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NOTE

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C SQUARE

With Yarn A, ch6, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 Ch3 (counts as tr), (tr, ch1, 2tr, ch3, tr) 4 times into ring, omitting last tr, ss to top of beg ch-3 to join. **Fasten off**.

Round 2 Join Yarn B in any ch-3 sp, ch4 (counts as tr, ch1), (tr, ch3, tr, ch1, tr) in same ch-3 sp, *ch2, dc in next ch-1 sp, ch2, (tr, ch1, tr, ch3, tr, ch1, tr) in next ch-3 sp; repeat from * twice more, ch2, dc in next ch-1 sp, ch2, ss to 3rd ch of beg ch-4 to join. **Fasten off**.

Round 3 Join Yarn C in any dc, ch3 (counts as tr), (tr, ch3, 2tr) in same dc, ch1, dc in next ch-1 sp, ch3, tr in next ch-3 sp, ch3, dc in next ch-1 sp, ch1, * (2tr, ch3, 2tr) in next dc, ch1, dc in next ch-1 sp, ch3, tr in next ch-3 sp, ch3, dc in next ch-1 sp, ch1; repeat from * twice more, ss to top of beg ch-3 to join. **Fasten off**.

Round 4 Join Yarn D in first ch-3 sp, ch3 (counts as tr), (tr, ch2, 2tr, ch3, 2tr, ch2, 2tr) in same ch-3 sp, ch3, skip (2tr, ch-1 sp, dc, ch-3 sp), dc in next tr, ch3, skip (ch-3 sp, dc, ch-1 sp, 2tr), *(2tr, ch2, 2tr, ch3, 2tr, ch2, 2tr) in next ch-3 sp, ch3, skip (2tr, ch-1 sp, dc, ch-3 sp), dc in next tr, ch3, skip (ch-3 sp, dc, ch-1 sp, 2tr); repeat from * twice more, ss to top of beg ch-3 to join. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



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GRANNY PAT

Pat's favourite drink is coffee, so she's just treated herself to an Italian espresso machine.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Cherry (004)
  Yarn B Banana (063)
  Yarn C Mauve (017)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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NOTE

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C SQUARE

With Yarn A, ch4, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 Ch1 (does not count as st), (dc into ring, ch10) 8 times, ss to first dc. **Fasten off**.

Round 2 Join Yarn B at top of any ch-10 sp with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), 2tr into same sp, *(3tr, ch2, 3tr) into next sp for corner, 3tr into next sp; rep from * twice more, (3tr, ch2, 3tr) into next sp, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 3 Join Yarn C in a corner ch-2 sp with a ss. Ch3 (counts as tr), 2tr into same ch-sp, *tr into each of next 9 tr, 3tr into next ch-2 sp; rep from * twice more, tr into each of next 9 tr, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



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GRANNY PHYLLIS

Phyllis likes to sing to her houseplants, as she's convinced that this makes them bloom more.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Banana (063)
  Yarn B Rose (001)
  Yarn C Red (002)
  Yarn D Taupe (089)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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NOTE

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C SQUARE

With Yarn A, ch6, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 Ch4 (counts as dtr), 23dtr into ring, ss to top of beg ch-4. **Fasten off**.

Round 2 Join Yarn B in any dtr, *ch3, 3tr in same st, ch3, ss to same st (1 petal made), skip next st, ss into next 2 sts; repeat from * 7 more times. **Fasten off**.

Round 3 Join Yarn C in any ss between petals, ch1 (does not count as st), dc in same st, *ch4, take ch behind next petal, dc in ss before next petal, ch3, take ch behind next petal, dc in ss before next petal; repeat from * 3 more times omitting last dc, ss to first dc to join, do not fasten off.

Round 4 Ss to first ch-4 sp, ch3, (3tr, ch2, 4tr) in same ch-4 sp (corner made), 3tr in next ch-3 sp, *(4tr, ch2, 4tr) in next ch-4 sp (corner made), 3tr in next ch-3 sp; repeat from * twice more, ss to top of beg ch-3 to join. **Fasten off**.

Round 5 Join Yarn D in any ch-2 sp, ch3 (counts as tr), (tr, ch2, 2tr) in same ch-2 sp, tr in next 11 tr, *(2tr, ch2, 2tr) in next ch-2 sp, tr in next 11 tr; repeat from * twice more, ss to top of beg ch-3 to join. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



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GRANNY ROSEMARY

It's well known in the family that Rosemary always cheats when she's playing crazy golf.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Rose (001)
  Yarn B Beige (091)
  Yarn C Fuchsia (014)
  Yarn D Taupe (089)
  Yarn E Cardinal (084)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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ABBREVIATIONS

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NOTE

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C SQUARE

Using Yarn A, ch4, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 Ch3 (counts as tr), 15tr into ring, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 2 Join Yarn B in any st with a ss. Ch3, 2tr in st at base of ch, *ch2, skip 1 tr, tr in next tr, ch2, skip 1 tr, 3tr in next tr; rep from * twice more, ch2, skip 1 tr, tr in next tr, ch2, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 3 Join Yarn C in top of beg ch-3 with a ss. Ch3, 5tr in next tr, tr in next tr, *ch2, tr in next tr, ch2, tr in next tr, 5tr in next tr, tr in next tr; rep from * twice more, ch2, tr in next tr, ch2, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 4 Join Yarn D in top of beg ch-3 with a ss. Ch3, tr in each of next 2 tr, 5tr in next tr, tr in each of next 3 tr, *ch2, tr in next tr, ch2, tr in each of next 3 tr, 5tr in next tr, tr in each of next 3 tr; rep from * twice more, ch2, tr in next tr, ch2, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.

Round 5 Join Yarn E in any st with a ss. Ch3, tr in each st around, working 2 tr in each ch-2 sp and (2tr, ch1, 2tr) in each corner st. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



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GRANNY THELMA

Thelma took up tap dancing last year and is particularly proud of her shuffle ball heel.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Silver (003)
  Yarn B Hay (065)
  Yarn C Turquoise (033)
  Yarn D Red (002)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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ABBREVIATIONS

ttr6tog *yrh 3 times, insert hook into next st, yrh, pull yarn through st only, (yrh, pull through 2 loops) 3 times, repeat from * 5 more times then yrh, pull through all 7 loops on hook.
ttr7tog *yrh 3 times, insert hook into next st, yrh, pull yarn through st only, (yrh, pull through 2 loops) 3 times, repeat from * 6 more times then yrh, pull through all 8 loops on hook.
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C SQUARE

Using Yarn A, make a magic loop.
Round 1 Ch1 (does not count as st), 4dc into loop, ss to top of beginning dc to join. **Fasten off**.
Round 2 Join Yarn B with a ss in any dc. Ch1 (does not count as st), dc into same st, (ch2, dc into next st) 3 times, ch2, ss to first dc to join. **Fasten off**.
Round 3 Join Yarn C with a ss in any dc. Ch5 (counts as ttr), 6ttr into same dc, (ch4, skip ch-2 sp, 7ttr into next dc) 3 times, ch4, skip ch-2 sp, ss to top of beginning ch-5 to join. **Fasten off**.
Round 4 Join Yarn D with a ss in top of beg ch-5. Ch5 (counts as ttr), ttr6tog over next 6 ttr, *ch6, 3tr into next ch-4 sp, ch6, ttr7tog over next 7 ttr, ch2, ss into 2nd ch from hook; rep from * twice more, ch6, 3tr into next ch-4 sp, ch6, ss to top of beg ch-5, ch2, ss into second ch from hook. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.



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GRANNY VALERIE

Valerie practises yoga every morning in her living room and can still put her leg behind her head.

C SQUARE

Using Yarn A, make a magic loop.

Round 1 Ch3, 2-tr cluster into loop, ch3, (3-tr cluster into loop, ch3) 4 times, ss to top of 2-tr cluster to join. Fasten off.

Round 2 Join Yarn B in any ch-3 sp with a ss, *ch3, 2dtr into same ch-3 sp, ch3, ss to third ch from the hook (picot made), 2dtr into same ch-3 sp, ch3, ss to same ch-3 sp, ss to next ch-3 sp; repeat from * 4 more times. Fasten off. [5 petals]

Round 3 Join Yarn C in picot point of any petal, ch11 (counts as dc, ch10), *dc into point of next petal, ch10; repeat from * 3 more times, ss to first ch to join. Fasten off.

Round 4 Join Yarn D in ss of round below. Ch8 (counts as tr, ch5), 16tr into next ch-10 sp, tr into next dc, ch5, 12tr into next ch-10 sp, tr into next dc, 4tr into next ch-10 sp, ch5, 8tr into same ch-10 sp, tr into next dc, 8tr into next ch-10 sp, ch5, 4tr into same ch-10 sp, tr into next dc, 11tr into next ch-10 sp, ss to third ch of beg ch-8. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK (100% cotton, 50g/130m), 1 ball of each:
  Yarn A Banana (063)
  Yarn B Pumpkin (087)
  Yarn C Mauve (017)
  Yarn D Cardinal (084)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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ABBREVIATIONS

2-tr cluster (yrh, insert hook in st indicated, yrh and pull up loop, yrh and draw through 2 loops) twice, inserting the hook in the same st each time, yrh and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

3-tr cluster As above, working () 3 times.

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GRANNY VIOLET

After a career as an accountant, Violet studied sculpture and regularly wins prizes at art shows.

YOU WILL NEED

- Rico Essentials Cotton DK
  - Yarn A Pistachio (086)
  - Yarn B Dark Jeans (085)
  - Yarn C Beige (091)
  - Yarn D Plum (021)
  - Yarn E Rose (001)
  - Yarn F Violet (020)
- A 4mm (US G/6) hook

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ABBREVIATIONS

Beg Puff st (Yrh, insert hook into sp, yrh and draw loop through) 3 times, yrh and draw through all loops on hook.
Puff st As above, working () 4 times.
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C SQUARE

With Yarn A, ch4, ss to first ch to join into a ring.
Round 1 Ch3 (counts as tr), 11tr into ring, ss to top of beg ch-3. **Fasten off**.
Round 2 Join Yarn B in any st with a ss. Ch3, beg puff st in st at base of ch-3, ch1, puff st in next st, ch1, puff st in next st, ch5, *(puff st in next st, ch1) three times, ch5; rep from * twice more, ss to top of first puff st. **Fasten off**.
Round 3 Join Yarn C in first ch-1 sp with a ss. Ch3, beg puff st in sp at base of ch-3, ch1, puff st into next ch-sp, ch2, *5tr into corner ch-5 sp, ch2, (puff st into next ch-1 sp, ch1) twice, ch1; rep from * twice more, 5tr into corner ch-5 sp, ch2, ss to top of first puff st. **Fasten off**.
Round 4 Join Yarn D in any ch-1 sp with a ss. Ch3, beg puff st in sp at base of ch-3, *ch3, (tr into next tr, ch1) twice, (tr, ch1, tr, ch1, tr) in corner tr, (ch1, tr into next tr) twice, ch3, puff st into next ch-1 sp; rep from * twice more, ch3, (tr in next tr, ch1) twice, (tr, ch1, tr, ch1, tr) in corner tr, (ch1, tr in next tr) twice, ch3, ss to top of first puff st. **Fasten off**.
Round 5 Join Yarn E in any st with a ss. Ch1 (does not count as a st), dc in each ch and st around, working 3dc into each corner tr, ss to first dc, fasten off.
Round 6 Join Yarn F in any st with a ss. Ch1 (does not count as a st), dc in each st around, ss to first dc. **Fasten off** and weave in ends.

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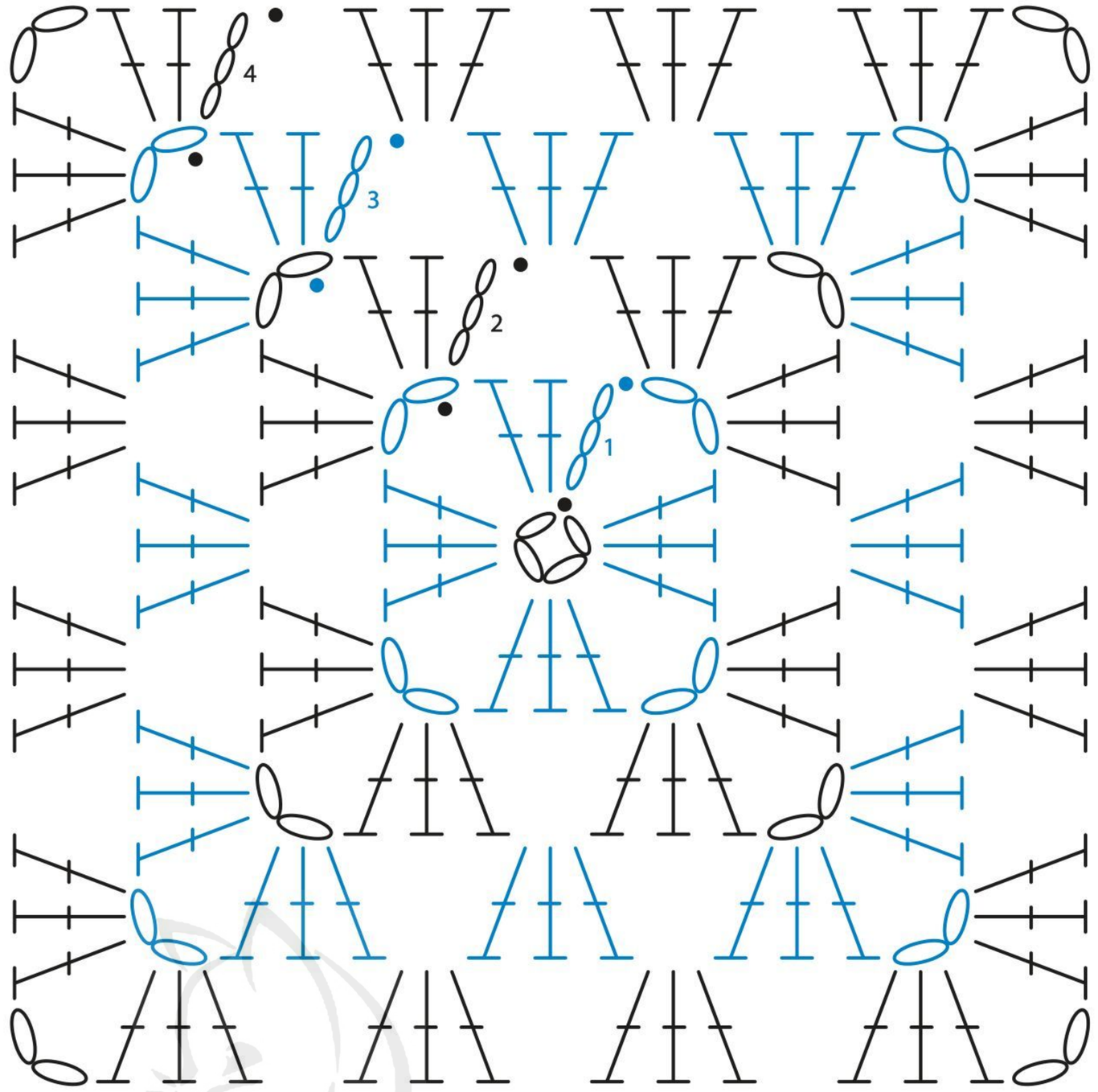


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BASIC GRANNY

Learn how to hook the original granny design to start off your library of squares.

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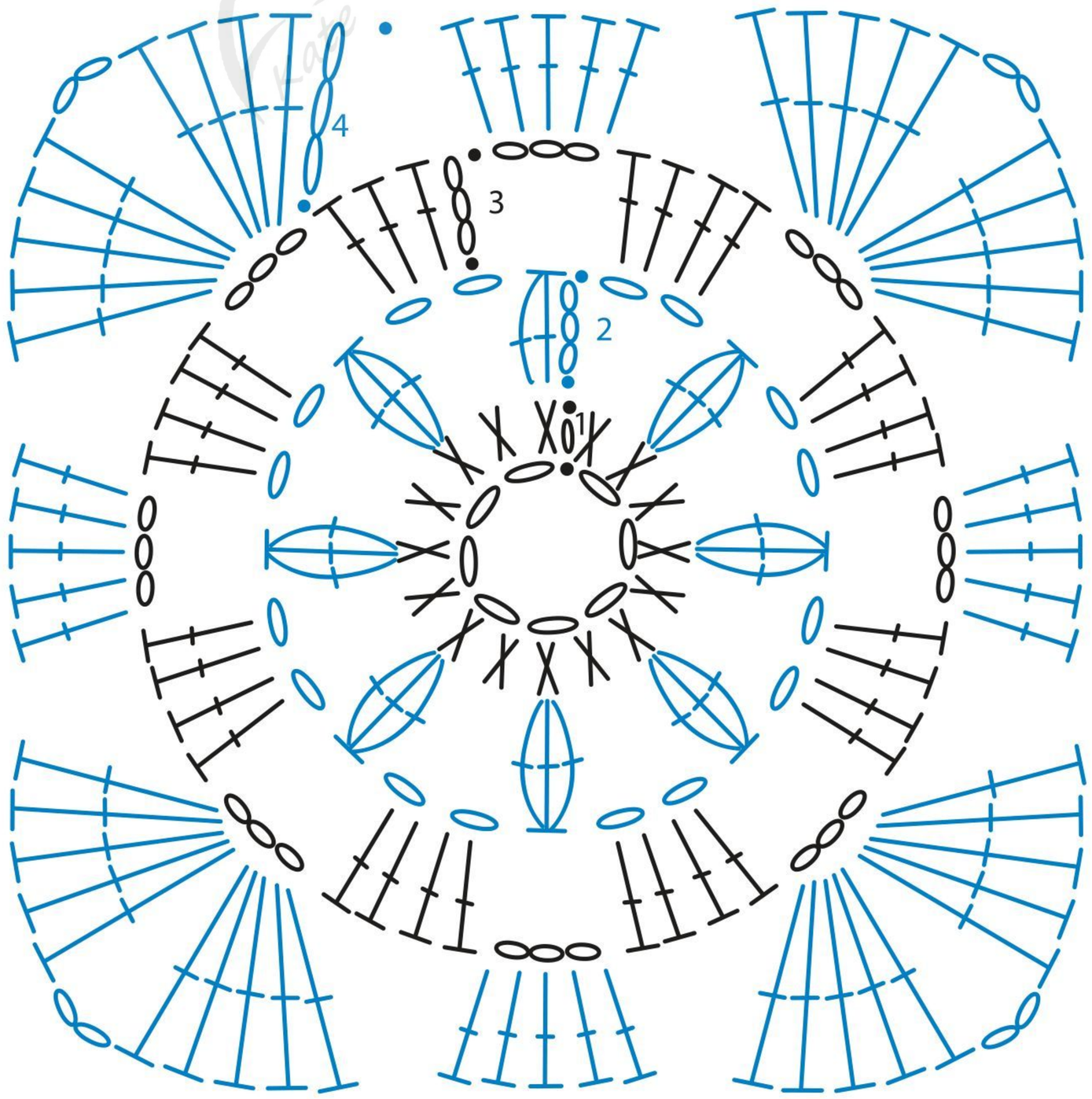


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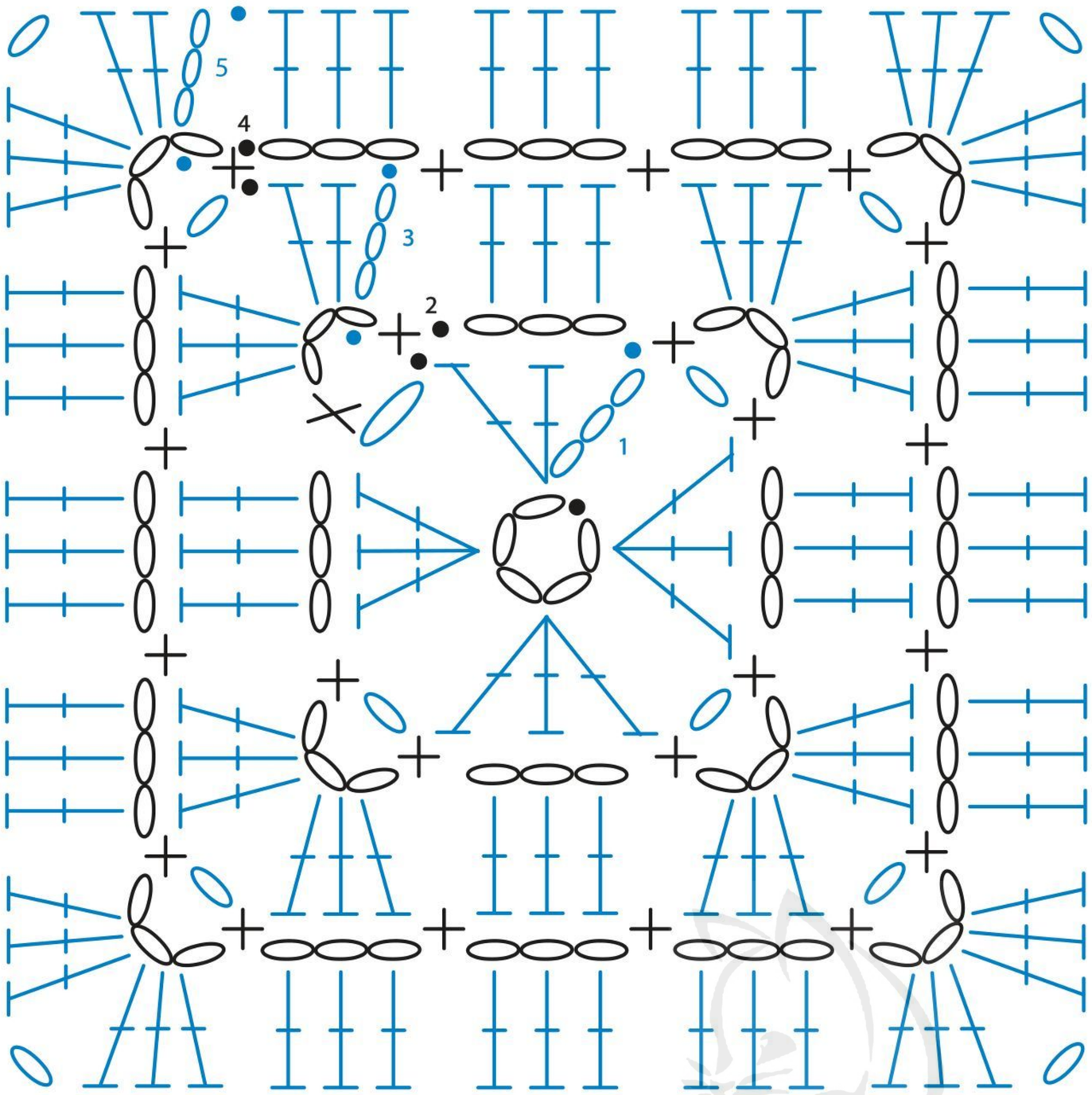
GRANNY AISLA

Aisla is very partial to accompanying her afternoon cuppa with a party ring or two.

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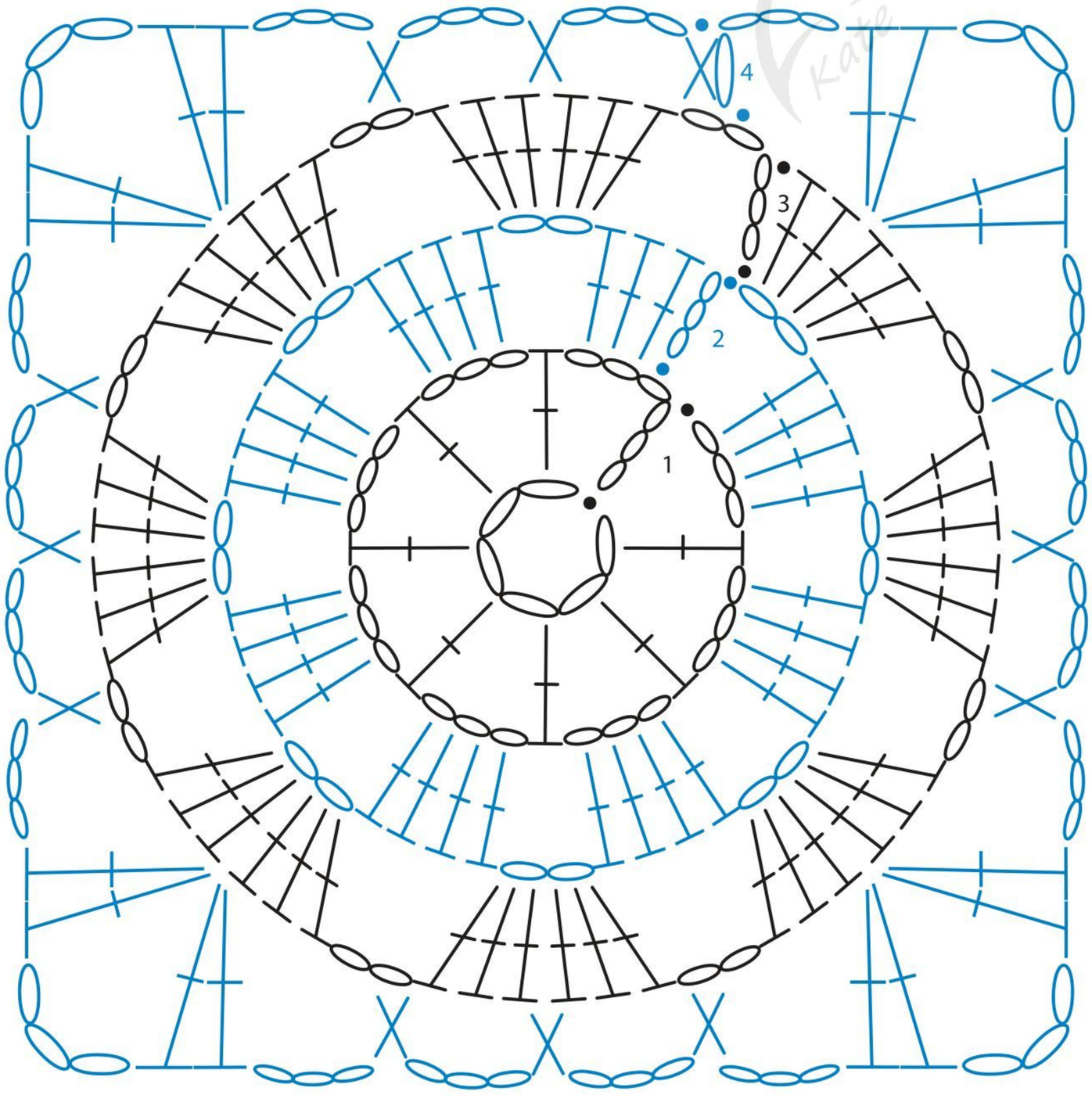


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GRANNY ARDITH

Since setting up a Snapchat profile, Ardith has loved talking to crocheters all over the world.

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GRANNY AUDREY

Just like her silver screen namesake, Audrey always dresses impeccably, often with a fetching hat.

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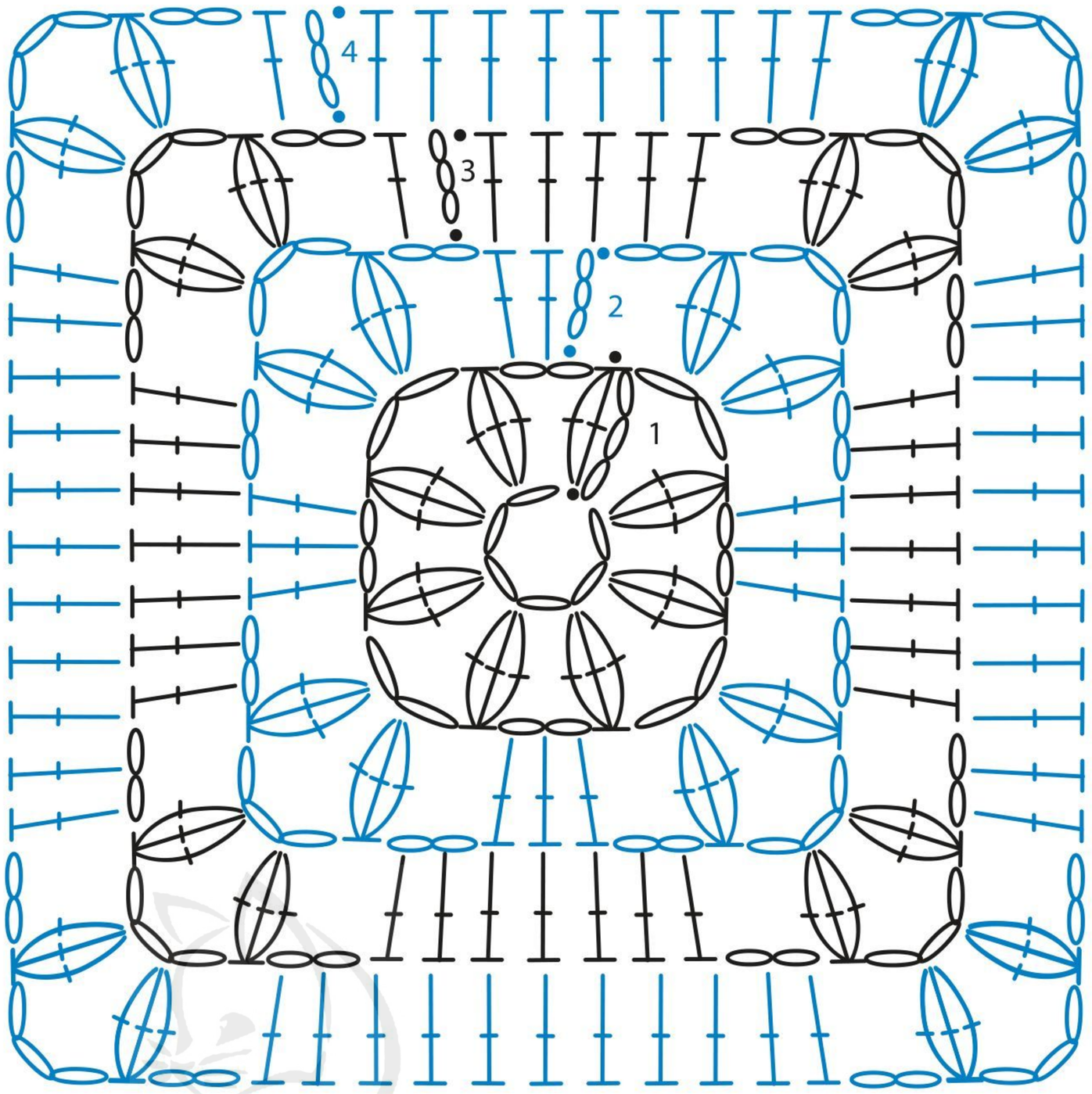


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GRANNY BARBARA

Barbara has just discovered Netflix and the joys of watching back-to-back episodes of *Gossip Girl*.

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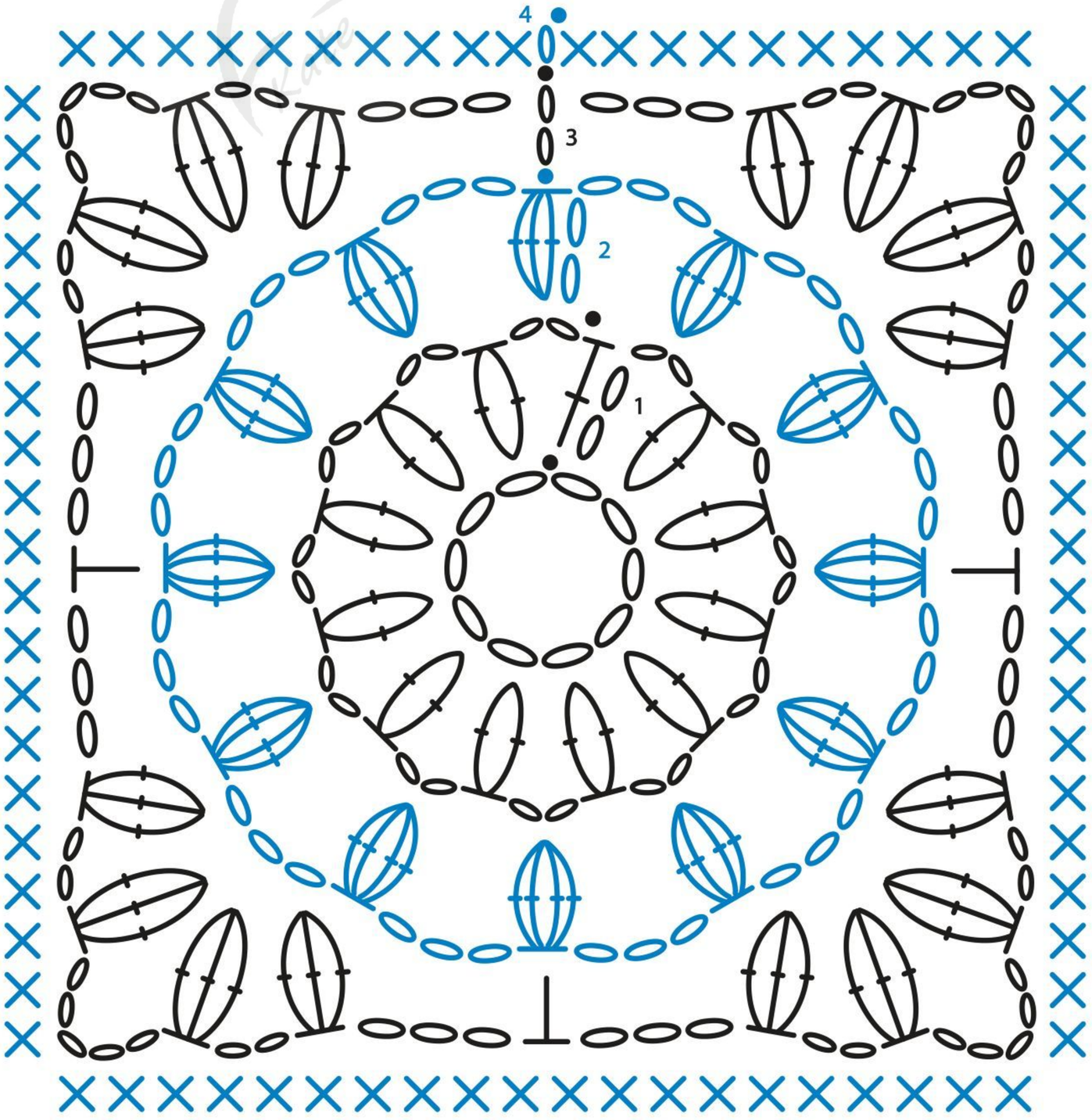


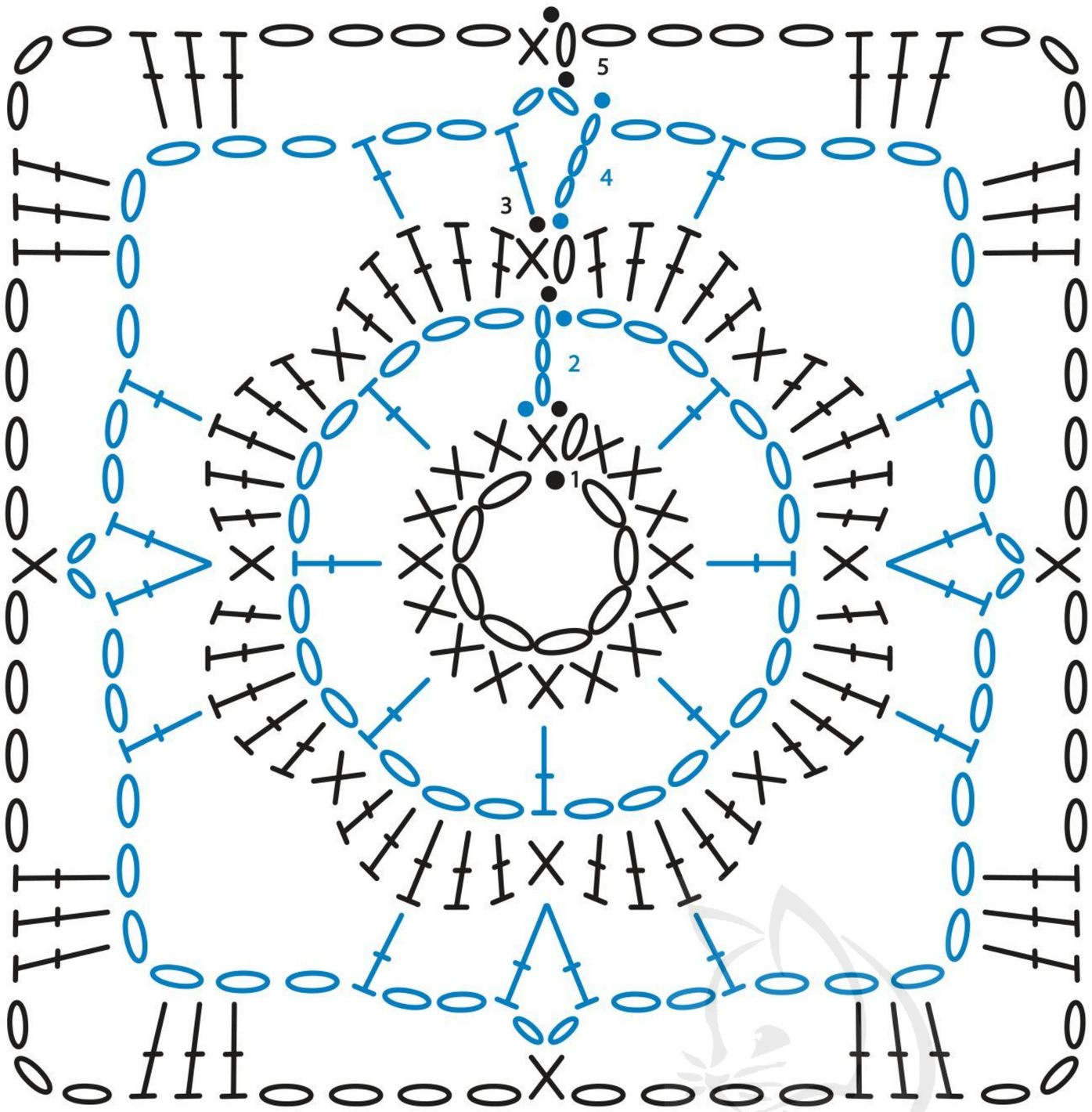
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GRANNY BERYL

Now she's retired, Beryl loves to spend time growing peonies in her sunny back garden.

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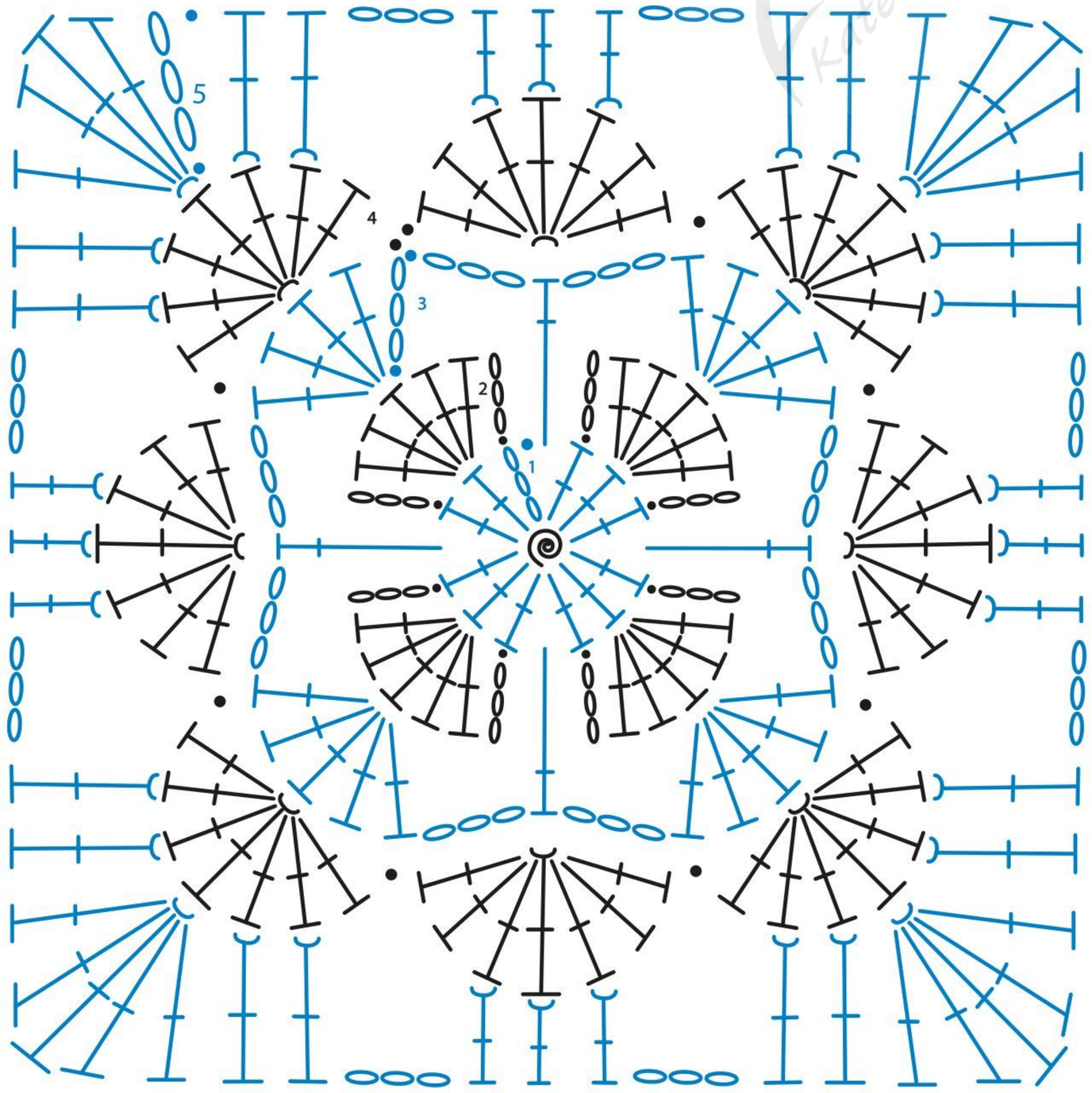


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GRANNY BESSIE

Bessie has a weakness for high heels, with over fifty brightly-coloured pairs in her wardrobe.

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GRANNY BETTY

You can always be sure of a slice of homemade cake when you pop round to Betty's for tea.

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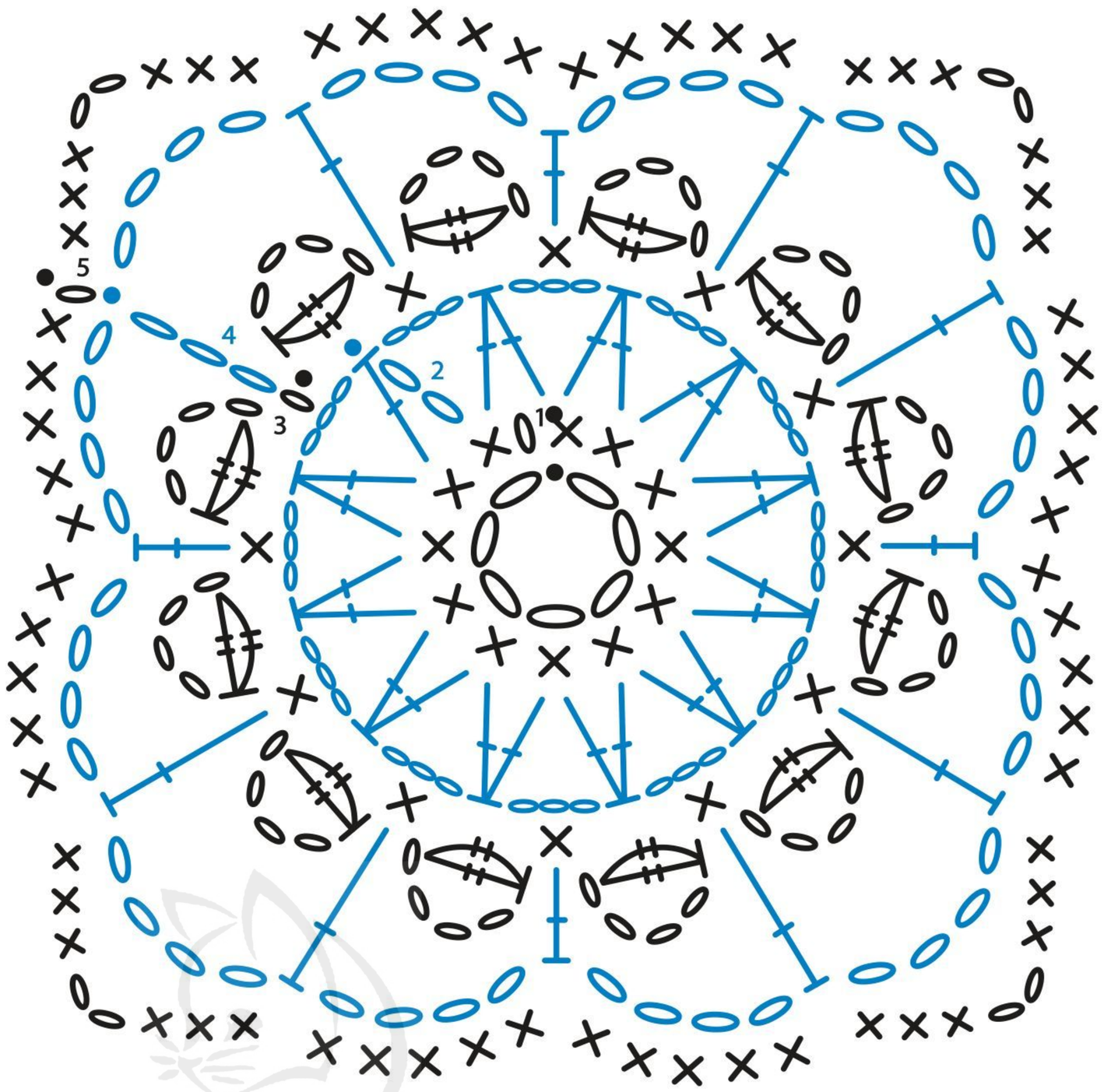


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GRANNY CONSTANCE

On Saturday evenings Constance loves to listen to funk and soul and dance around her kitchen.

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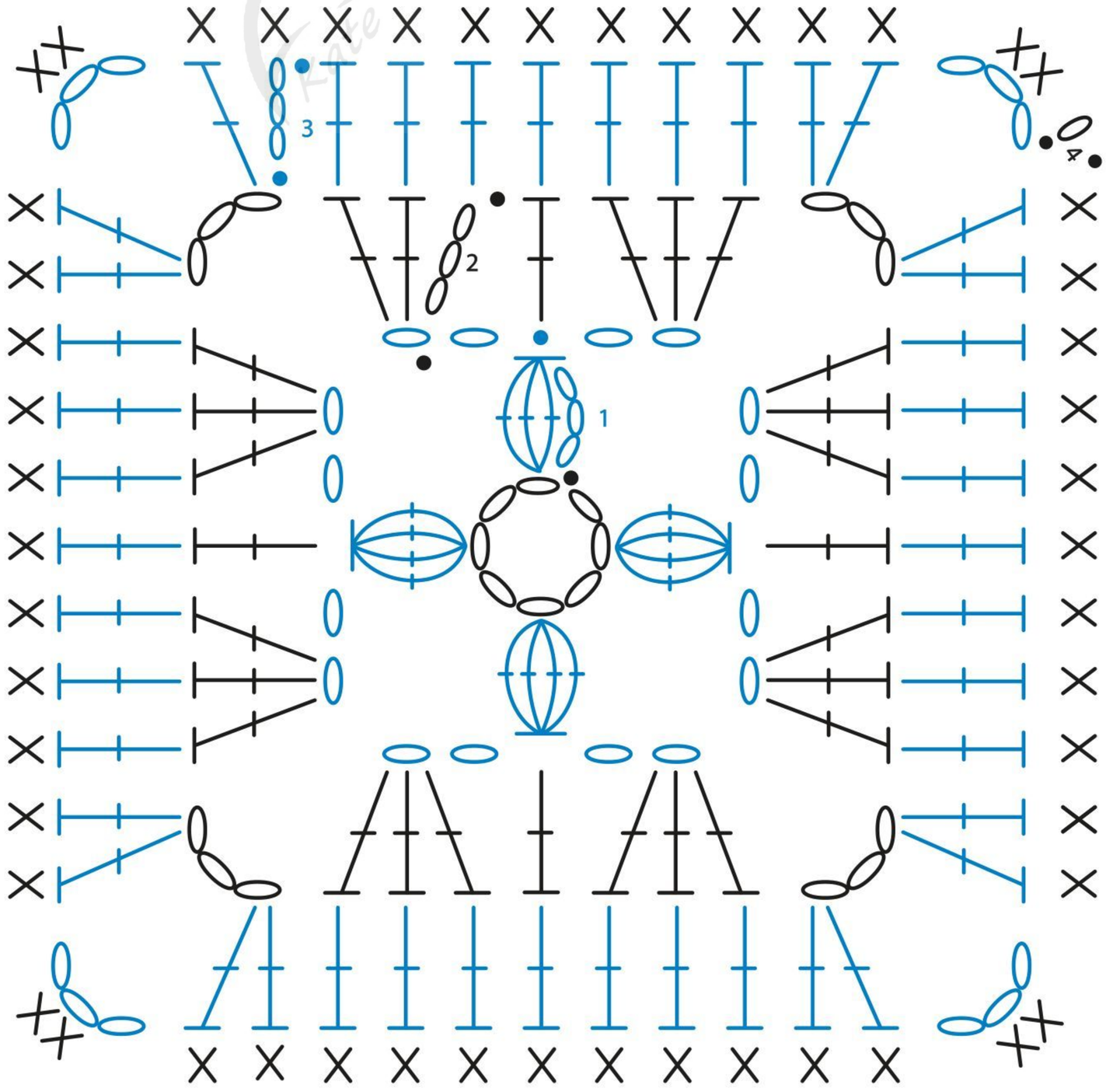


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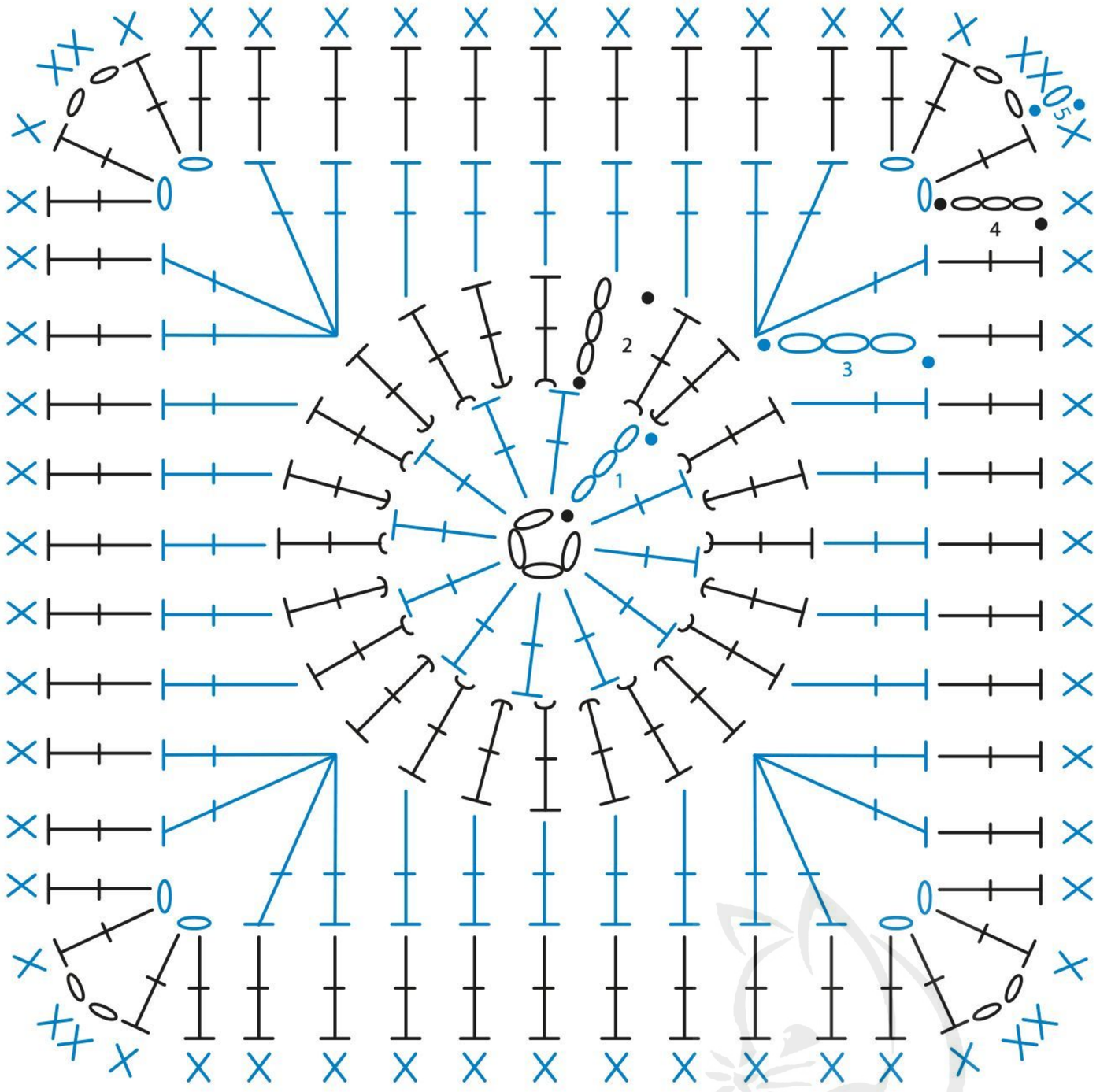
GRANNY DOREEN

Doreen's favourite time of year is Hallowe'en and her jack o'lanterns are the envy of the street.

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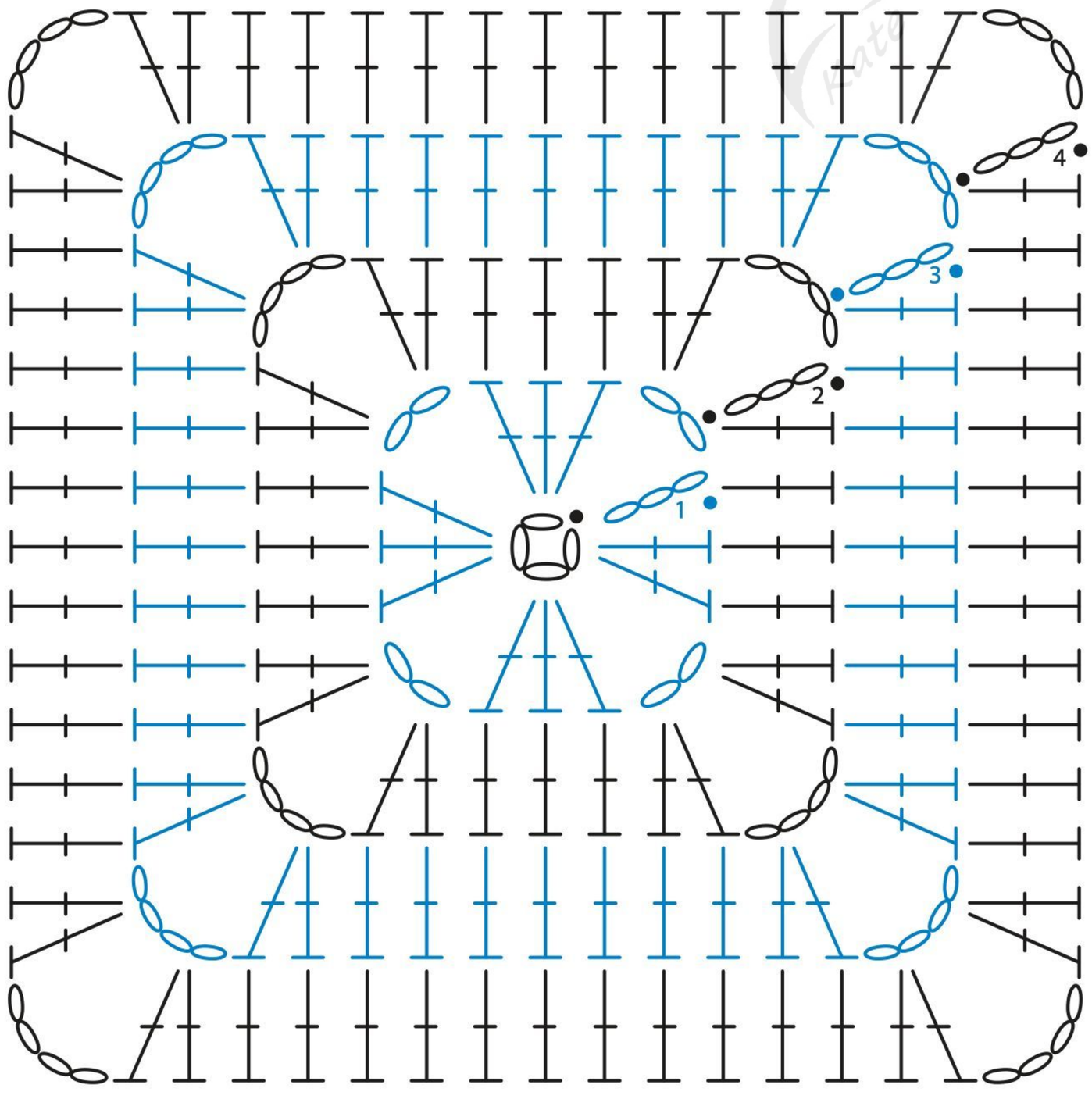


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GRANNY DORIS

Her favourite film star used to be Clark Gable, but Doris has recently become a Ryan Gosling fan.

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GRANNY EDNA

Edna used to play first violin for the LSO, and delights her neighbours with impromptu concerts.

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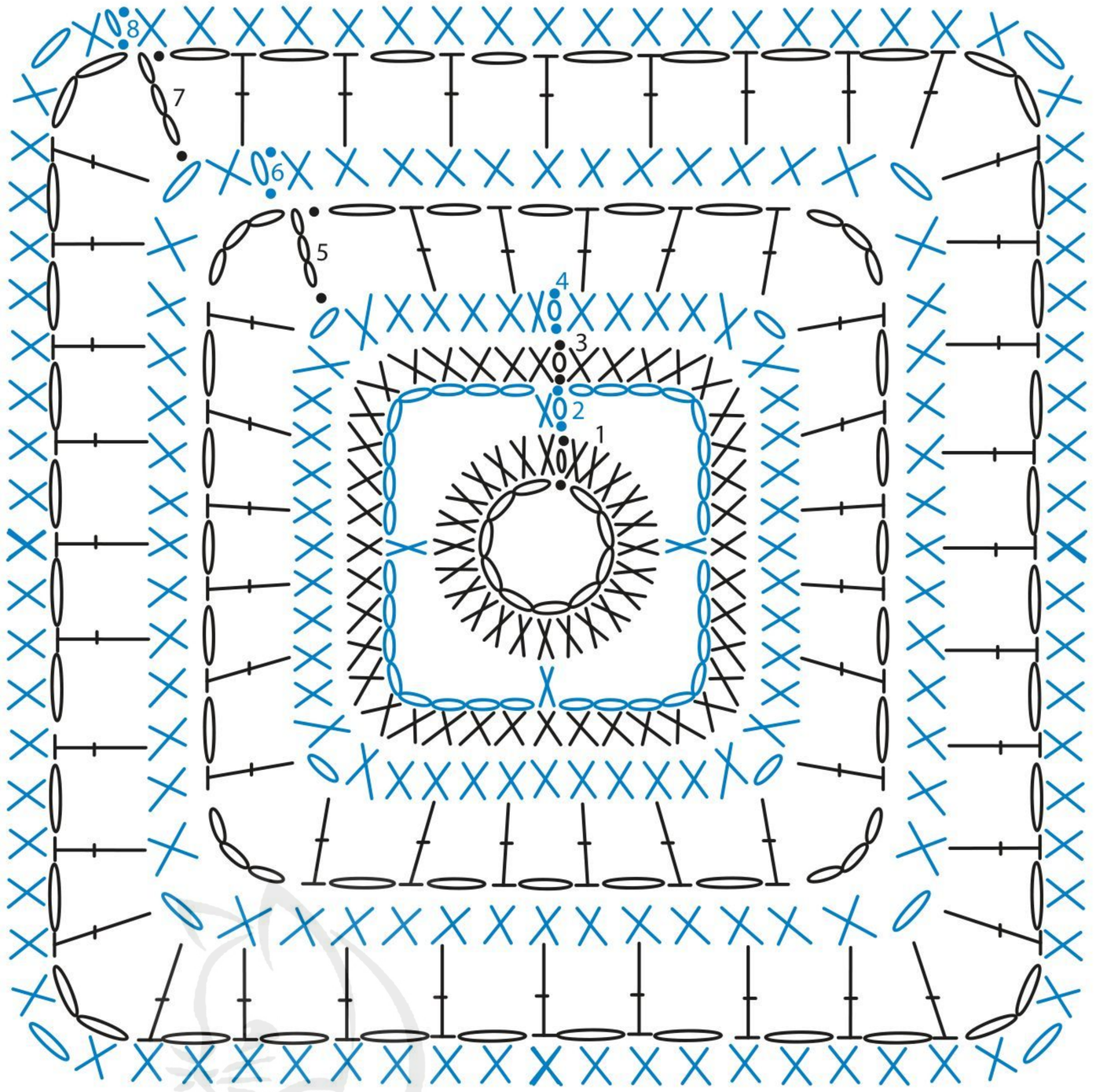


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GRANNY ELLEN

Ellen's idea of bliss
is to curl up for the afternoon
in her favourite armchair
with a good book.

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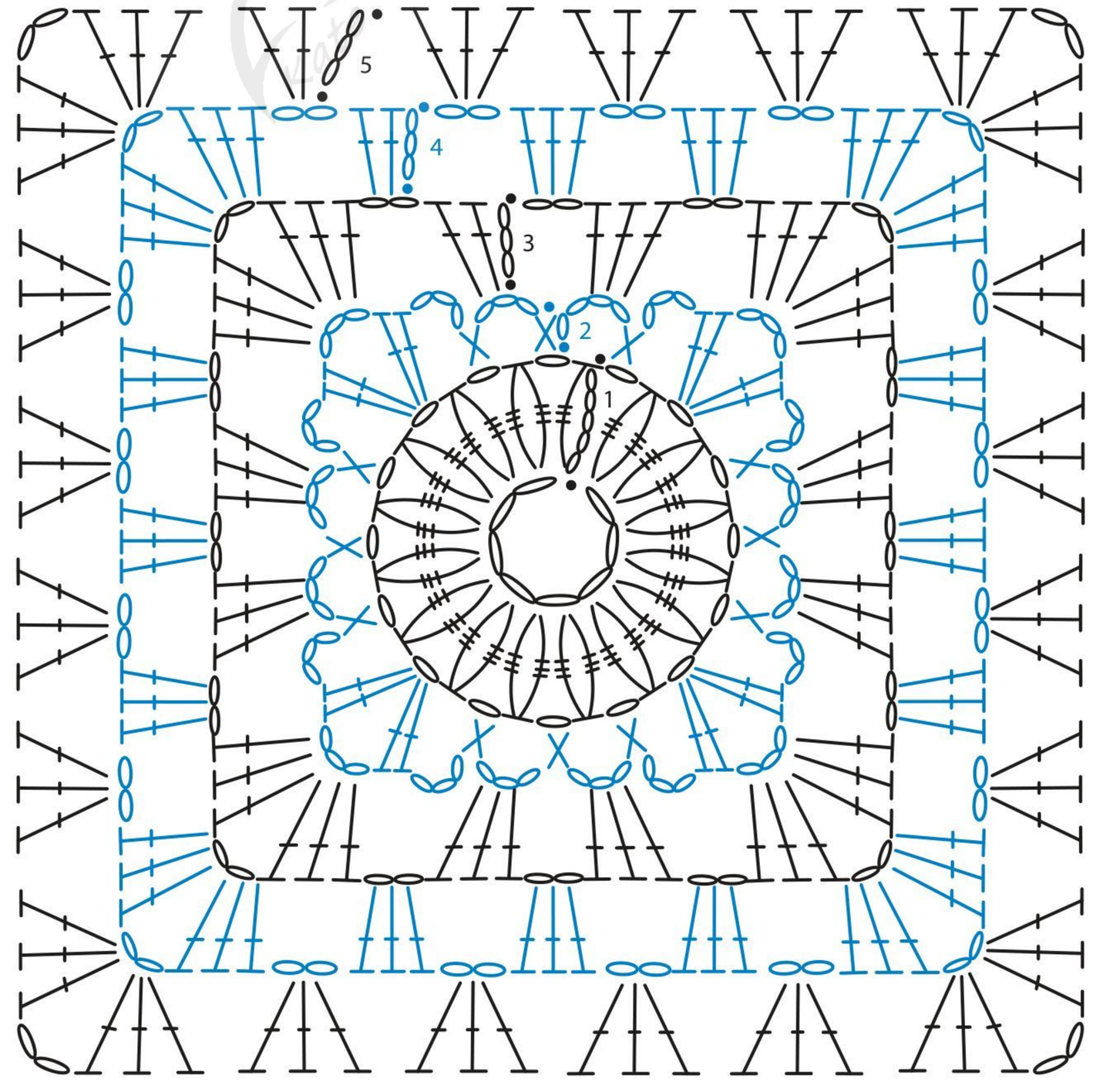


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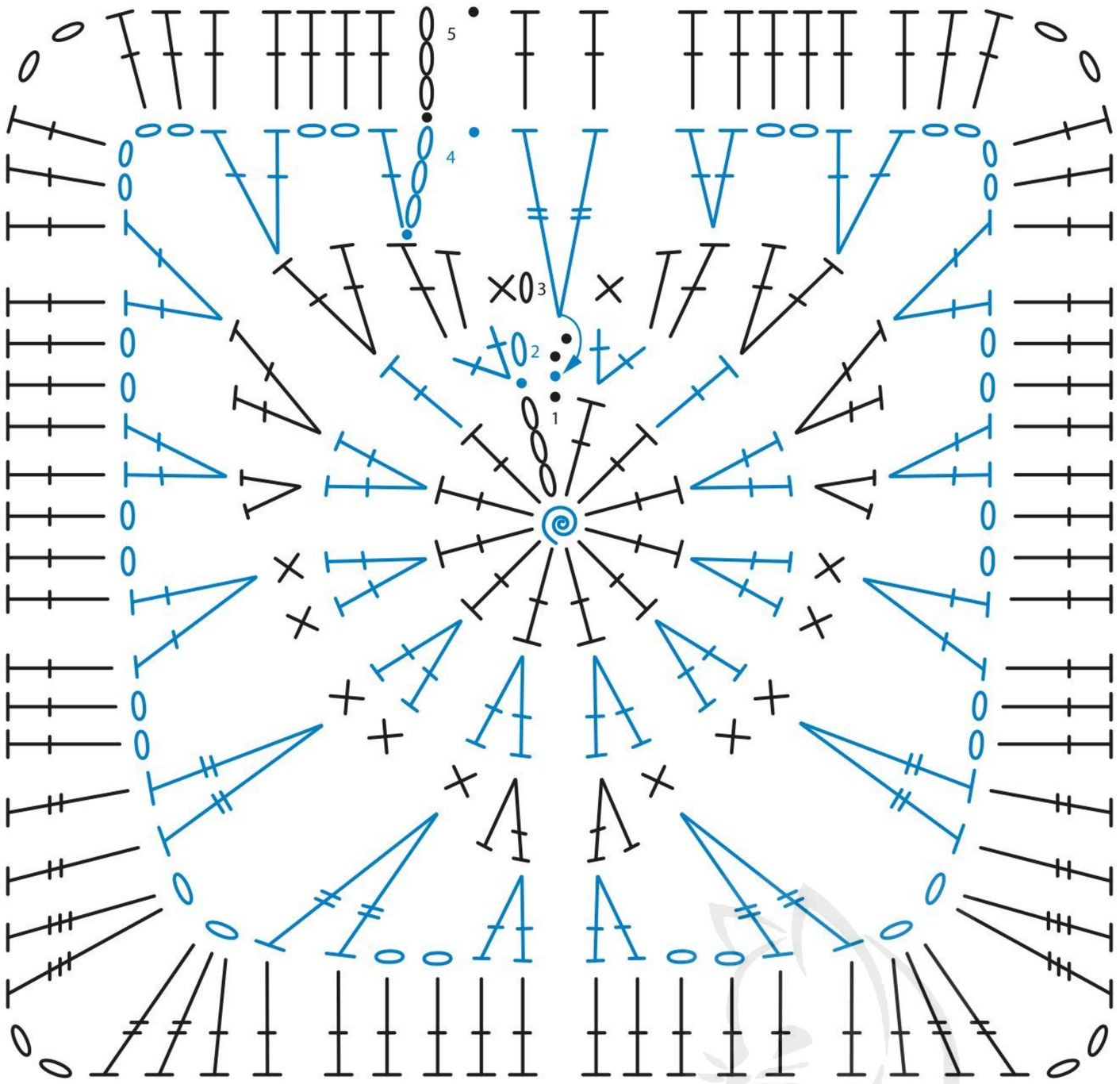
GRANNY EMILY

Emily has always dreamed of
travelling the world, and has
just booked a six week cruise
in the Pacific.

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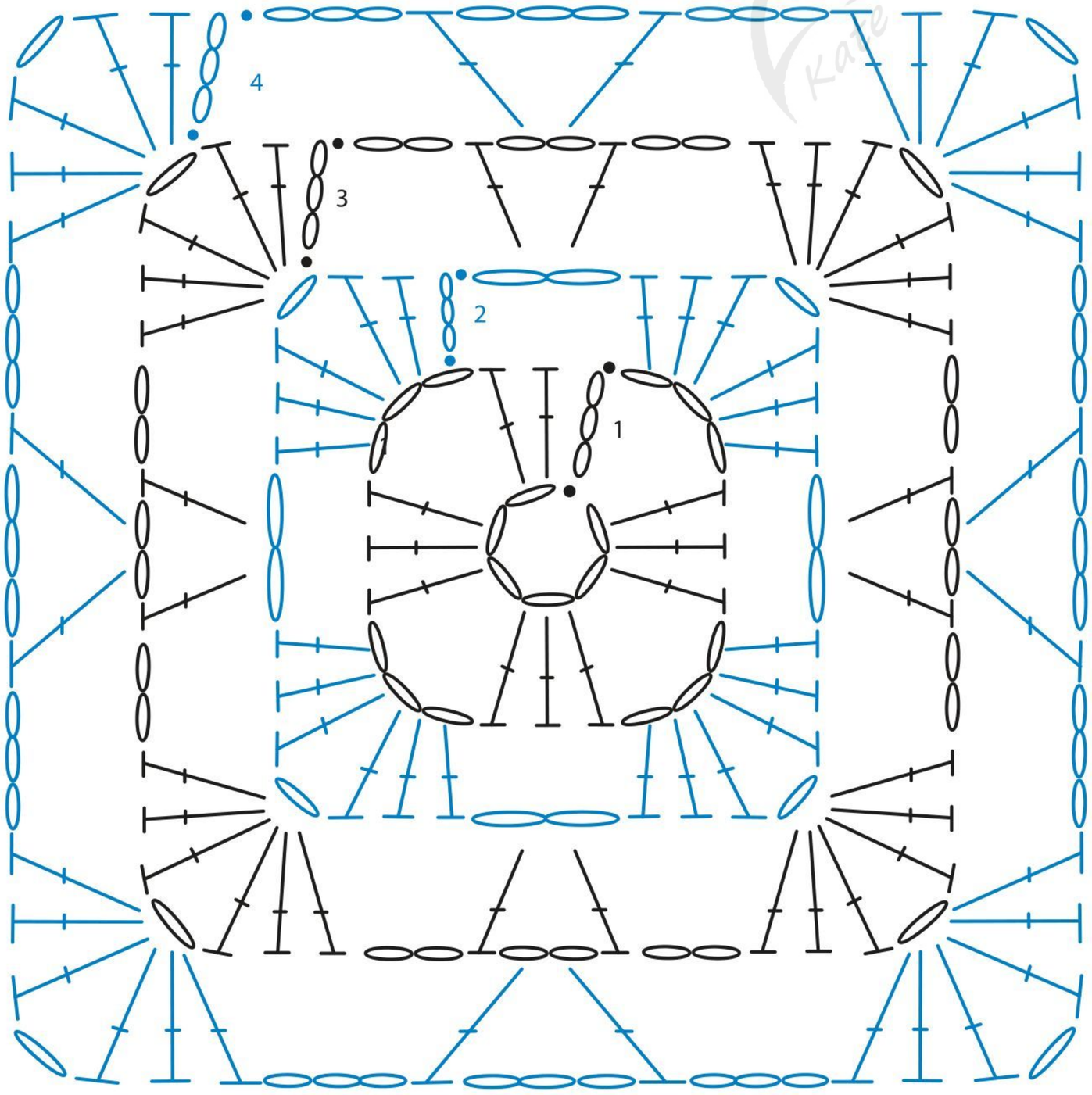


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GRANNY ENID

Enid has a weakness for chocolate-covered Turkish delight, especially the rose flavour.

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GRANNY HAZEL

Hazel starts her Christmas crafting around May as she likes to allow plenty of time for each project.

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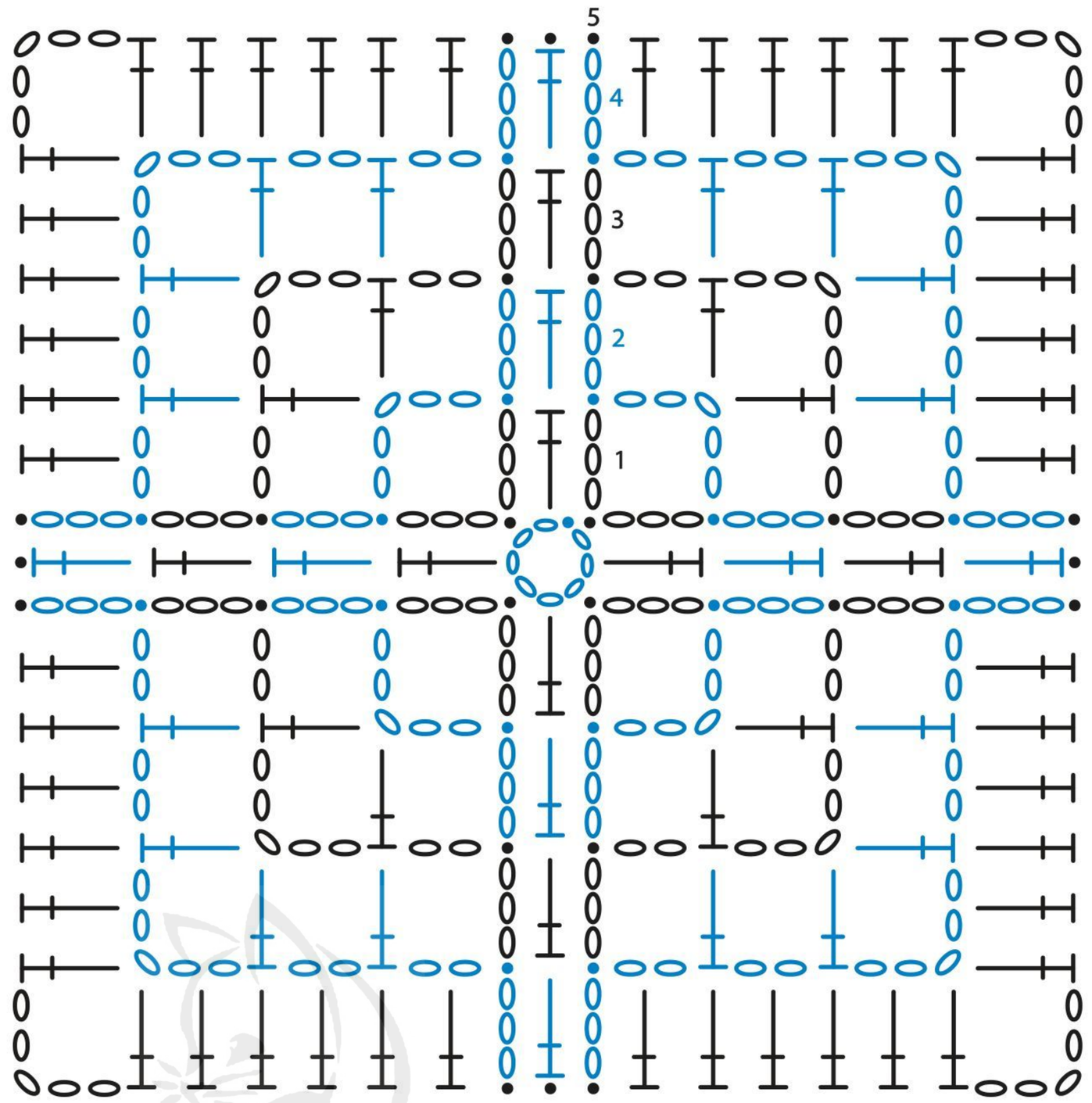


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GRANNY HILDA

When guests come over, Hilda likes to open up her china cabinet and use the fancy teacups.

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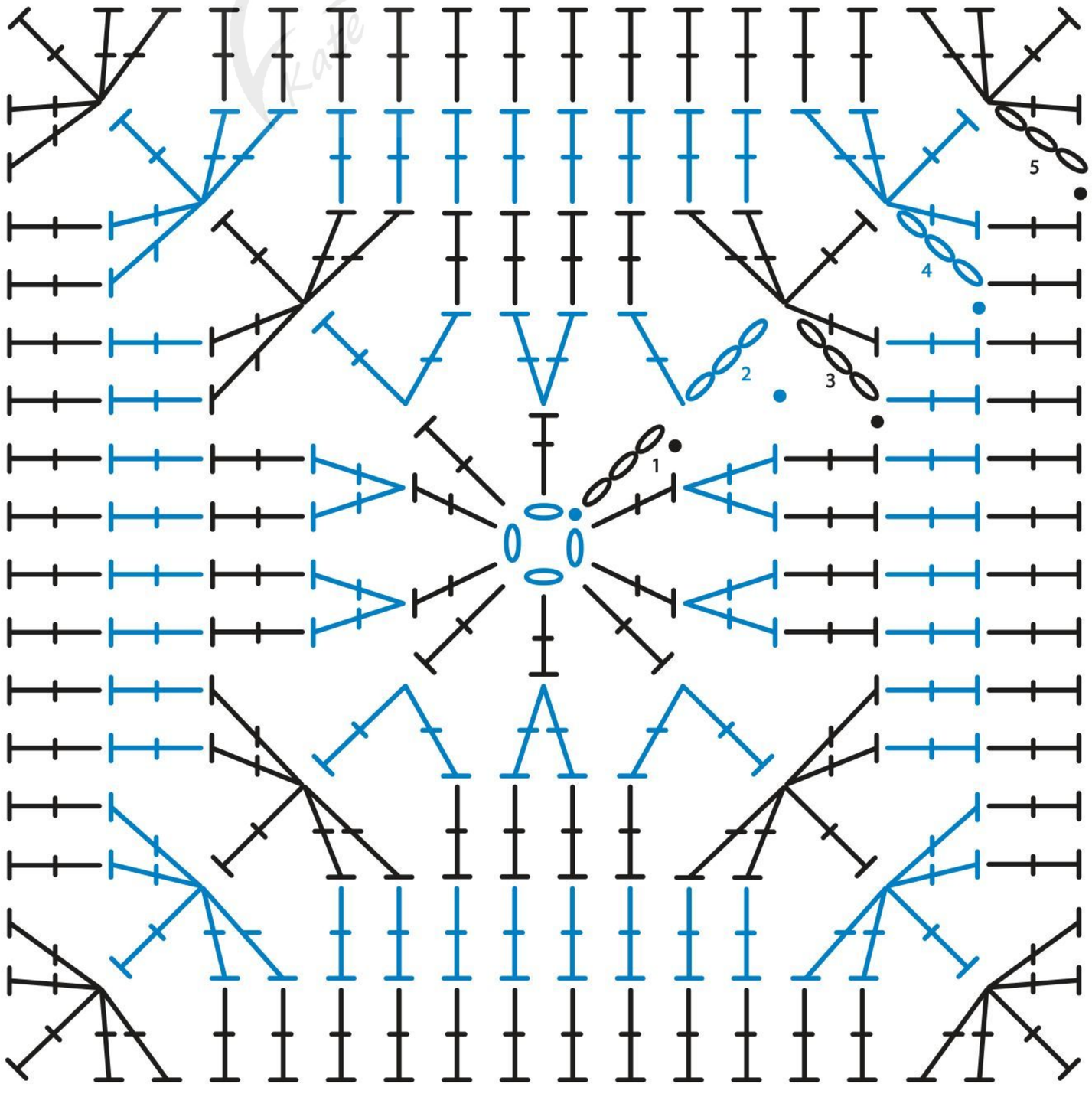


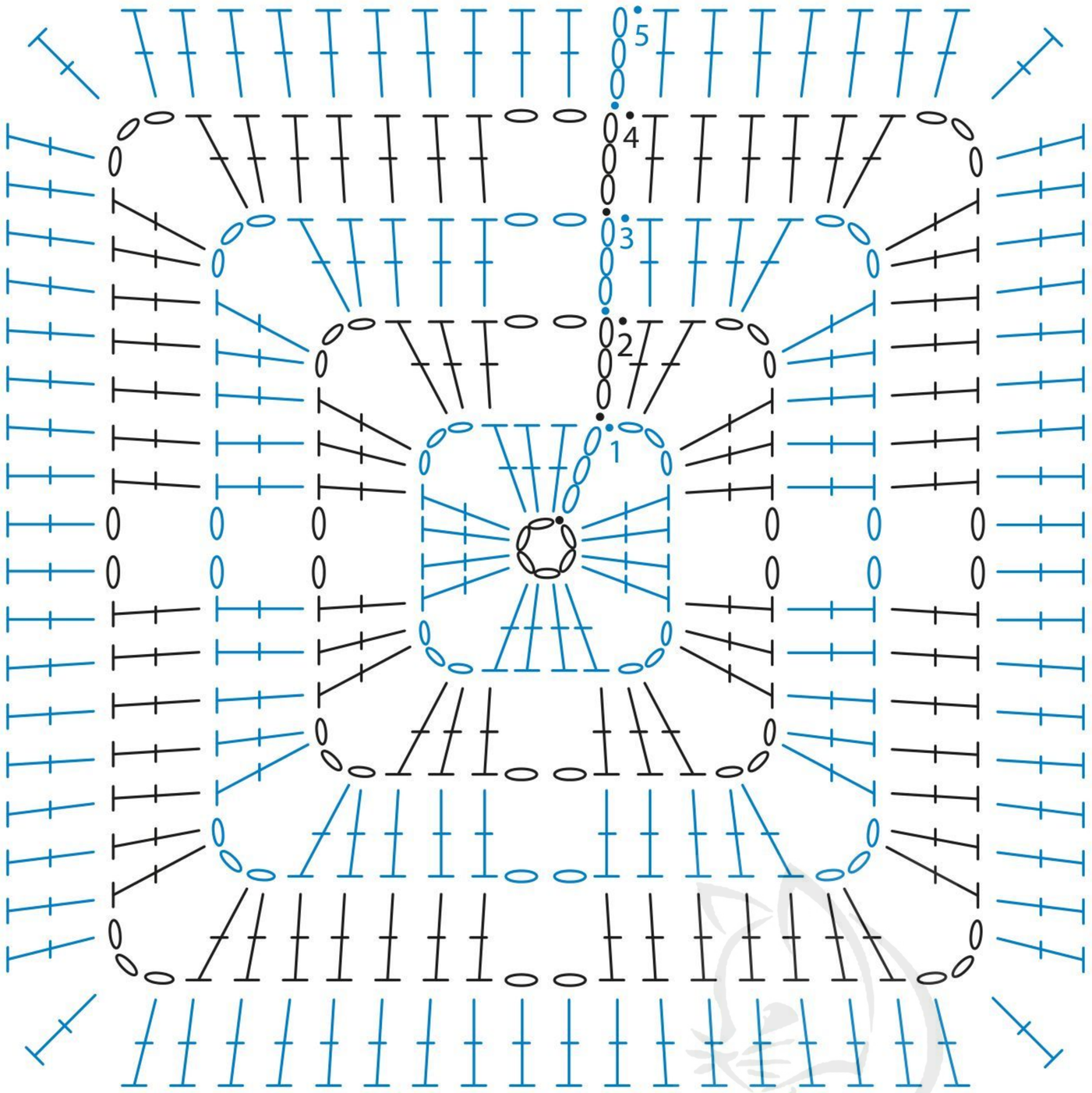
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GRANNY IDA

Ida only reads Mills and Boons, and has passed on this love of romance novels to her great niece.

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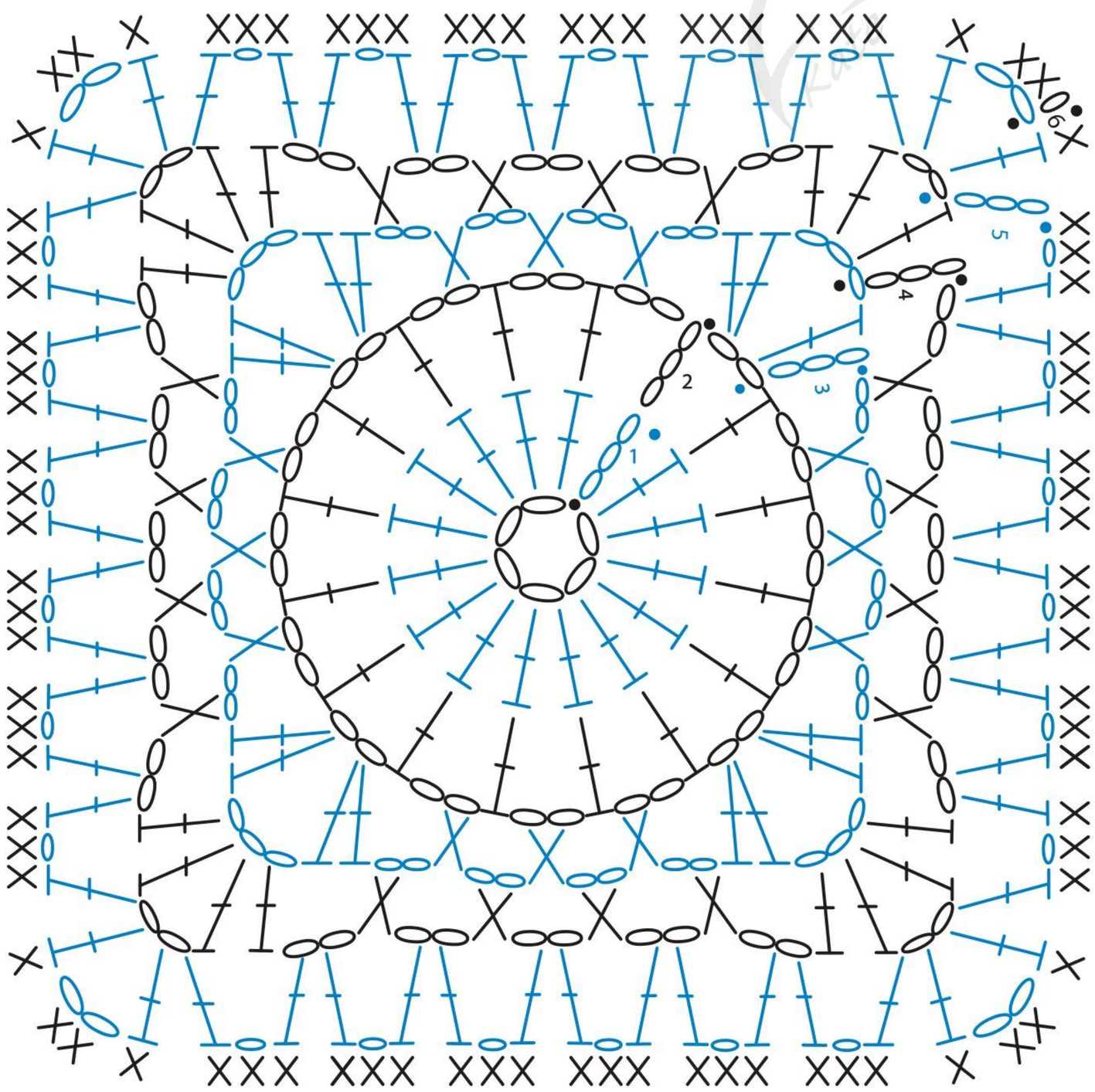


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GRANNY IRENE

If you delve into Irene's handbag, you'll always find a bag of chocolate limes nestled in a secret pocket.

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GRANNY IRIS

Iris still sends handwritten notes to family members and has an enviable stationery collection.

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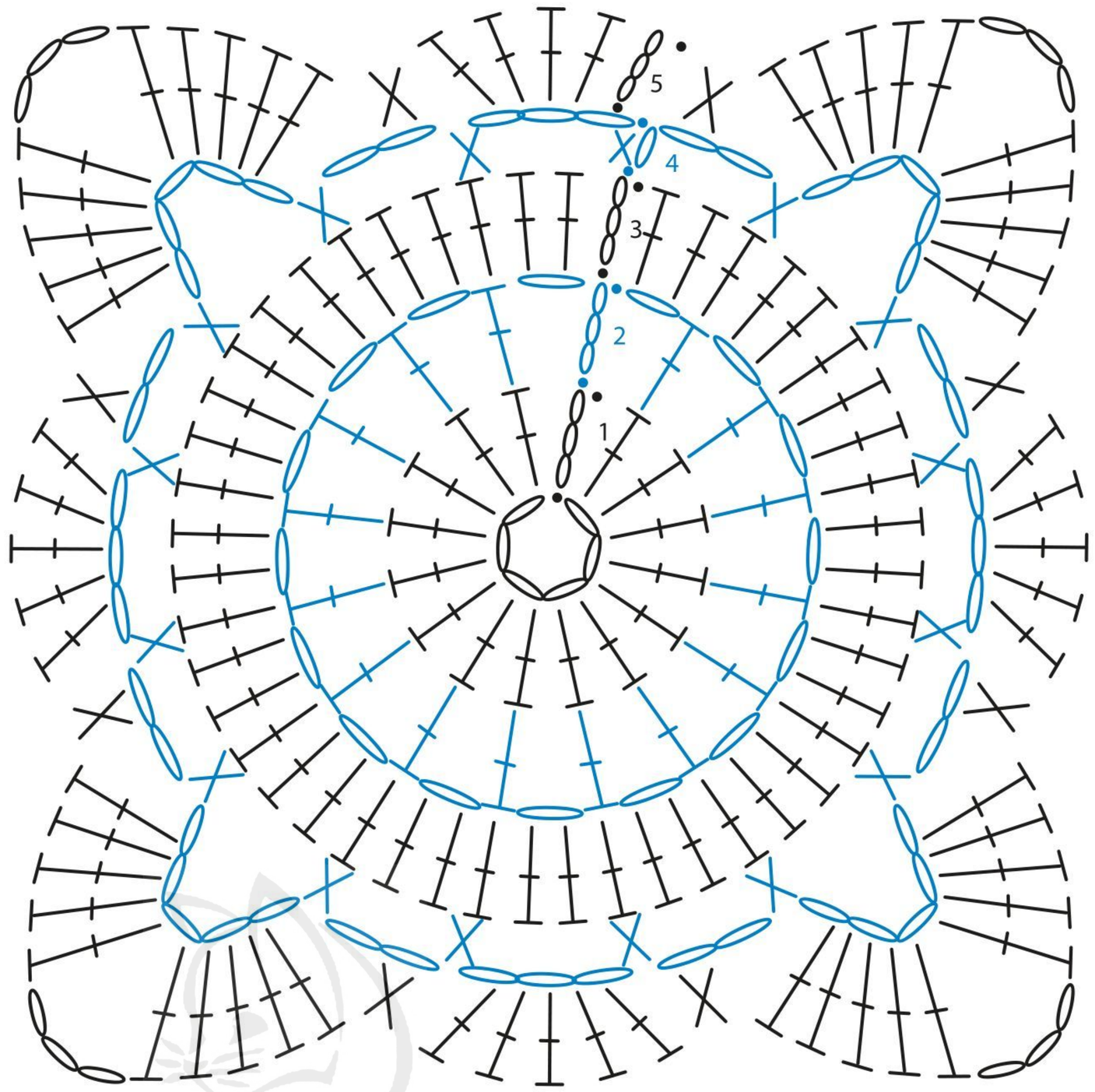


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GRANNY JEMIMA

Her birthstone is amethyst, so Jemima has a house full of purple-hued items.

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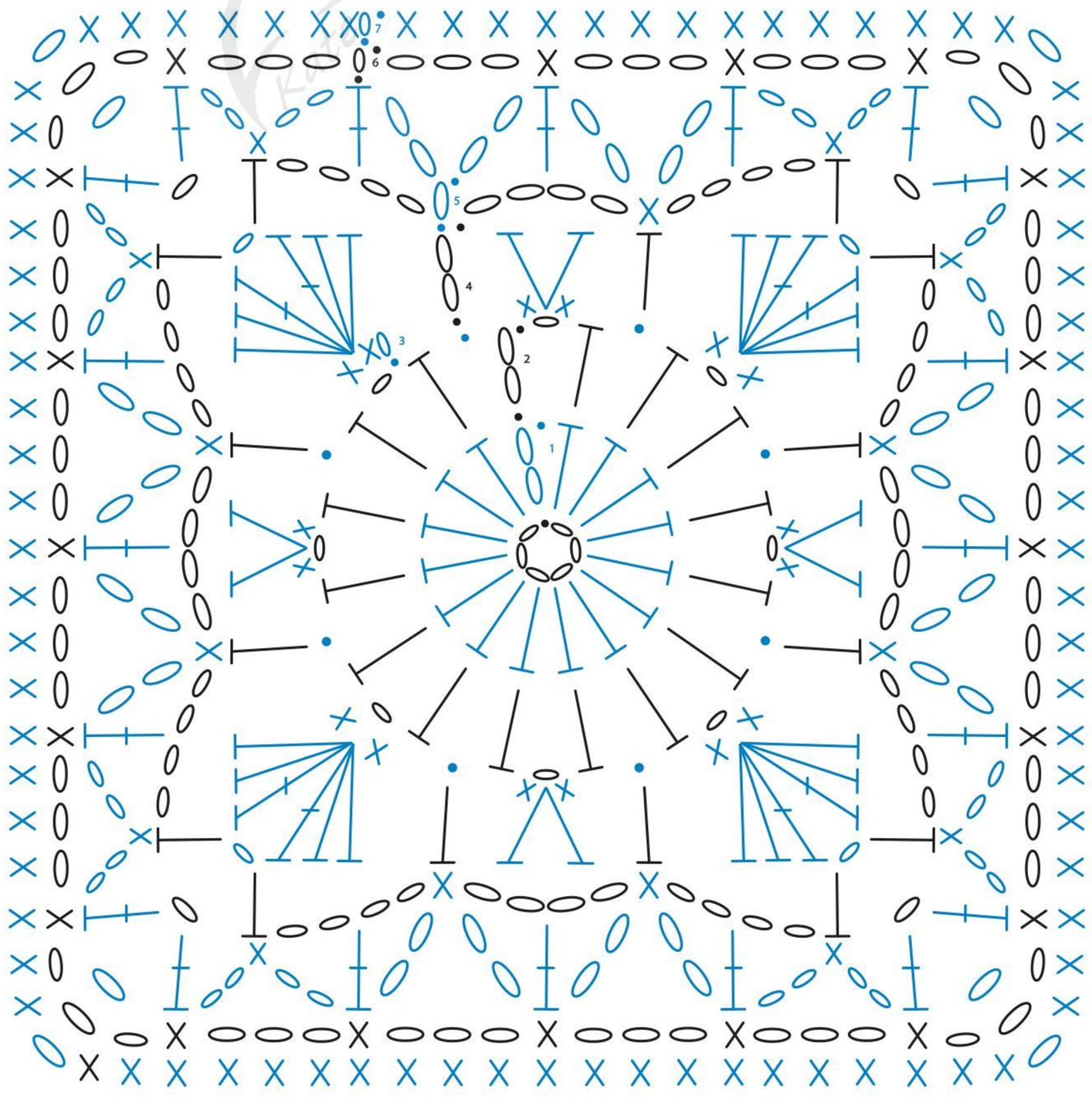


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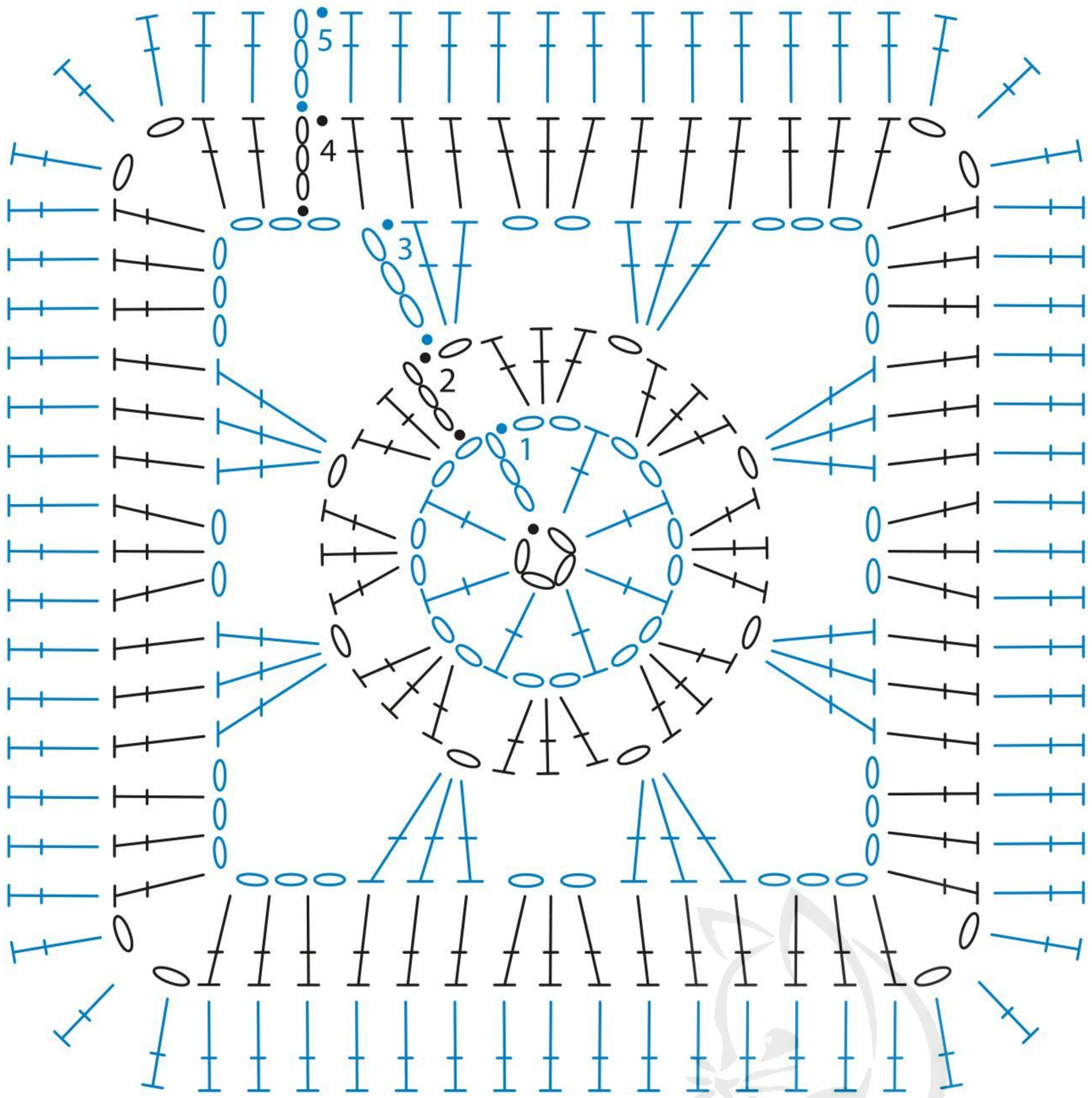
GRANNY JOAN

Joan was at Woodstock in '69, but one of her regrets is never making it to Glastonbury.

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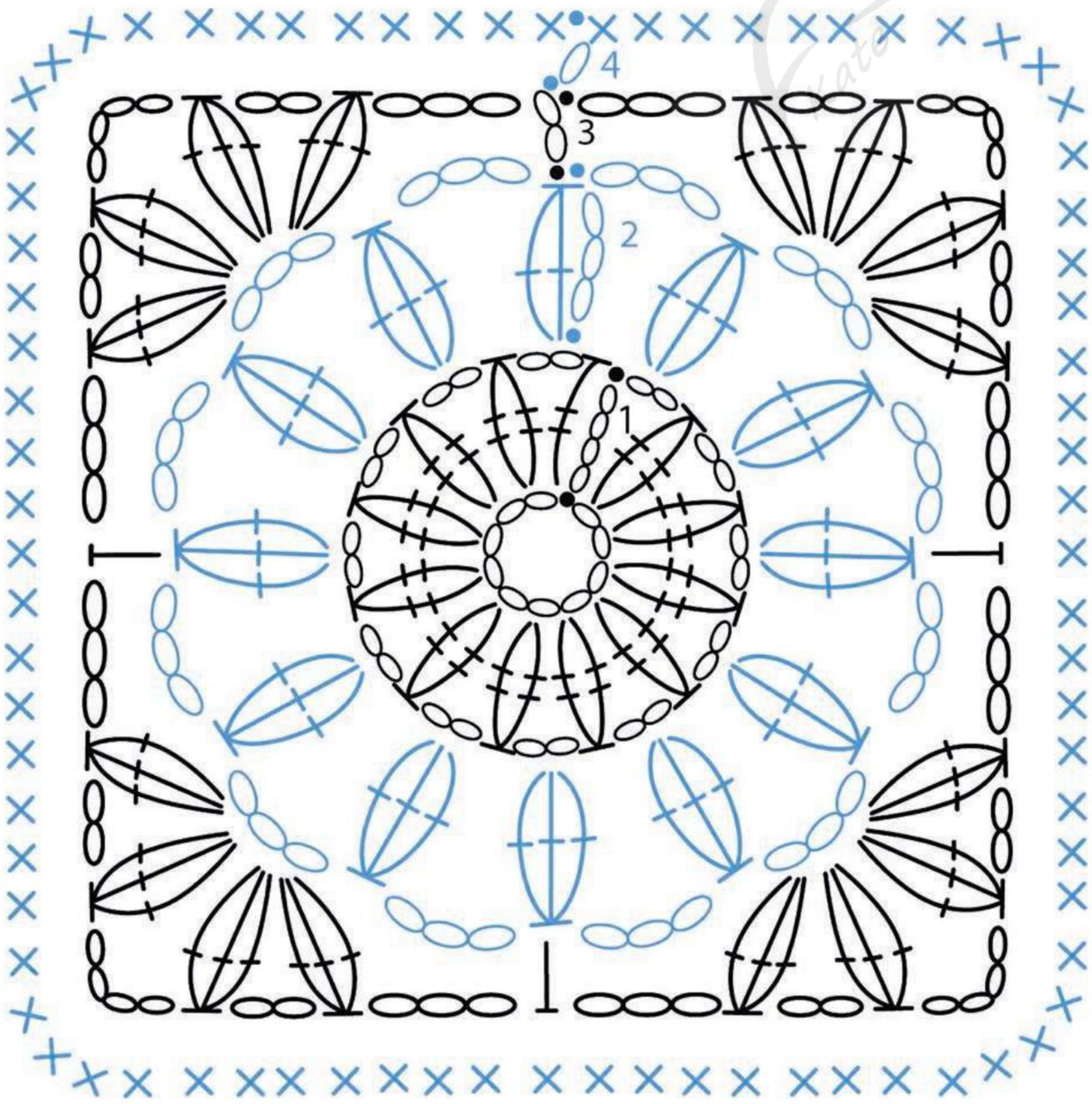


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GRANNY JOYCE

Joyce has always had pet rabbits and currently shares her home with a very fluffy English Angora.

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GRANNY JUNE

The tomatoes on June's allotment are always admired by the other gardeners.

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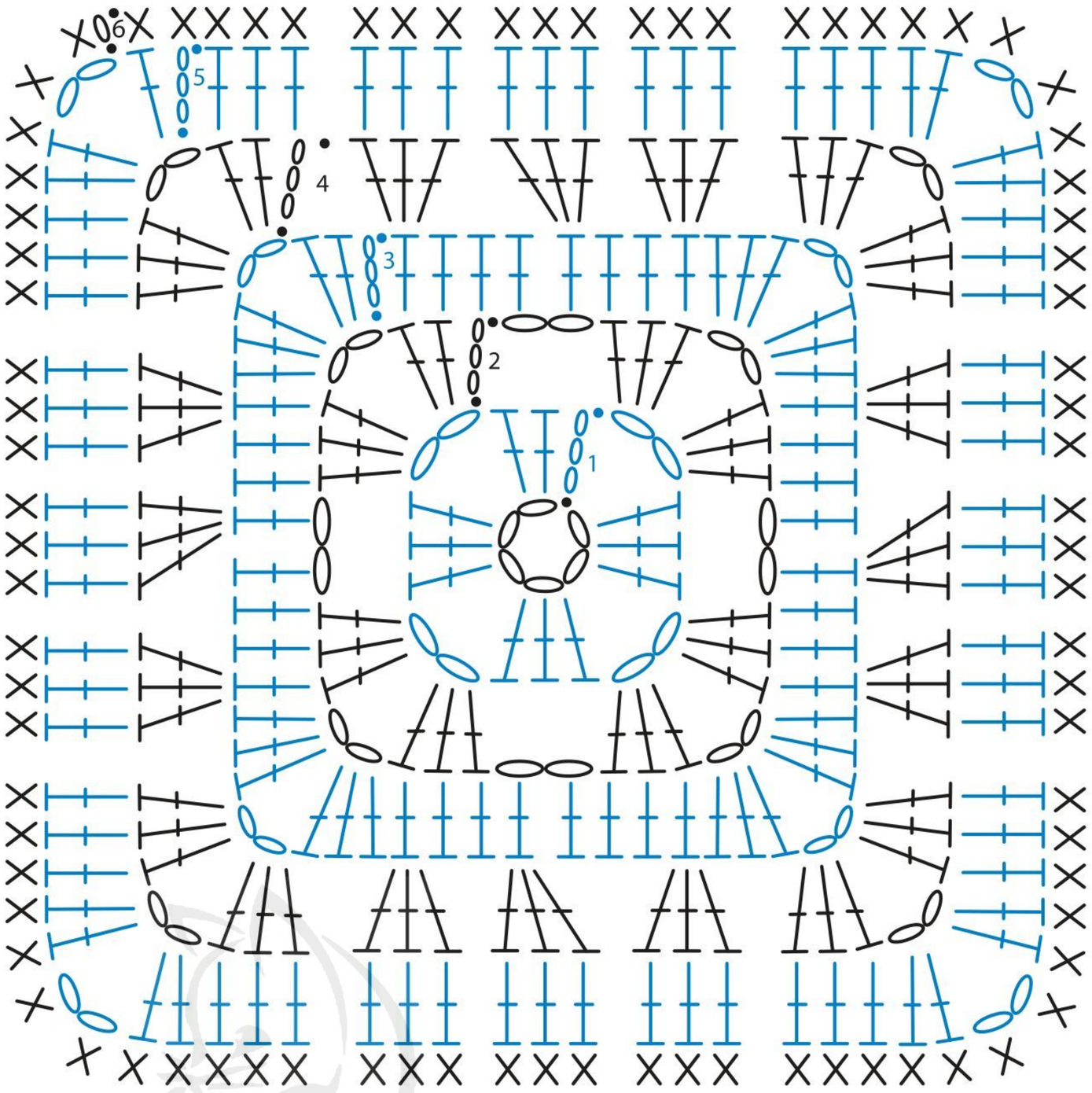


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GRANNY MABEL

Mabel goes to a tea dance every week so she can take to the floor for her favourite Viennese waltz.

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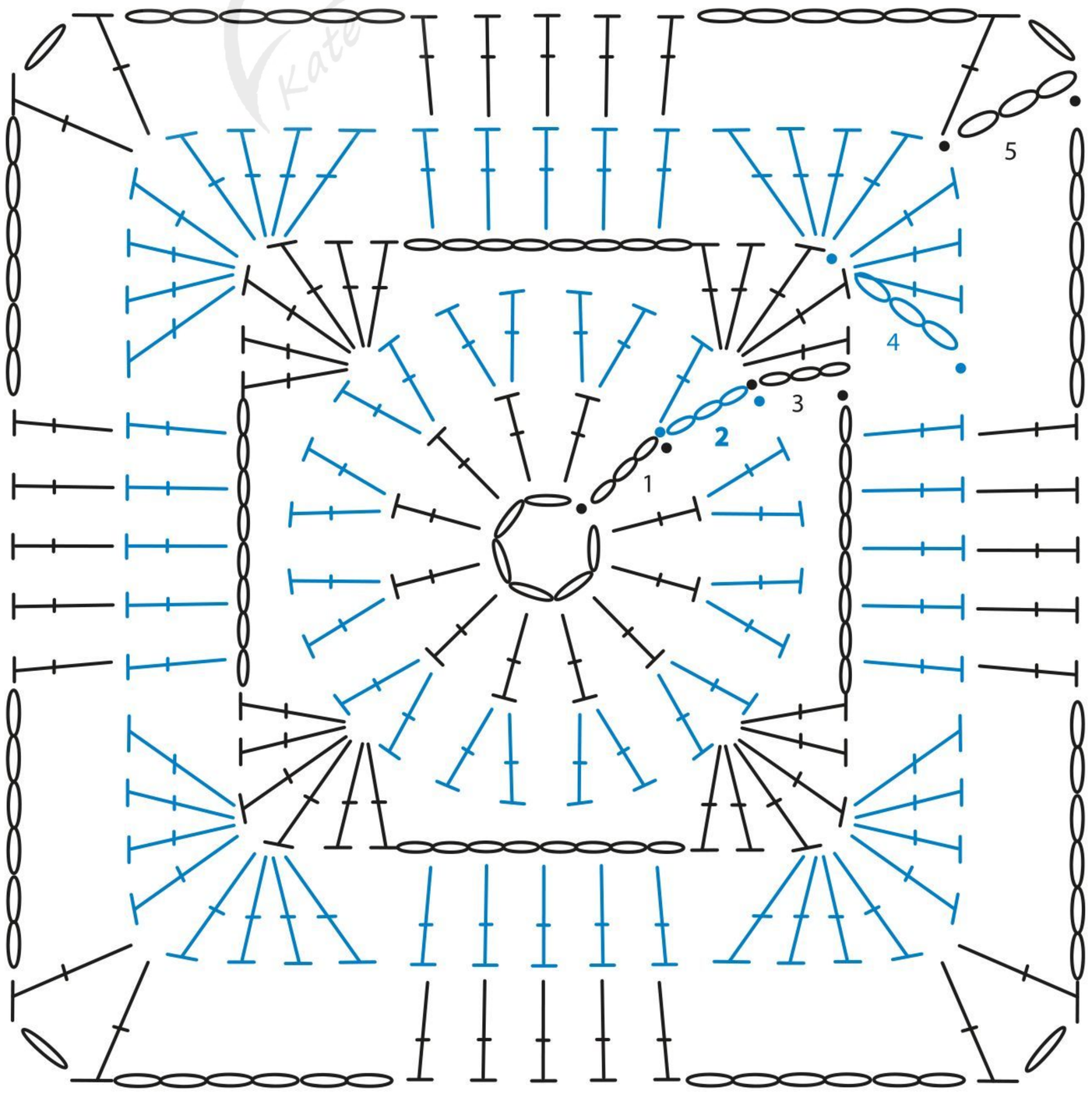


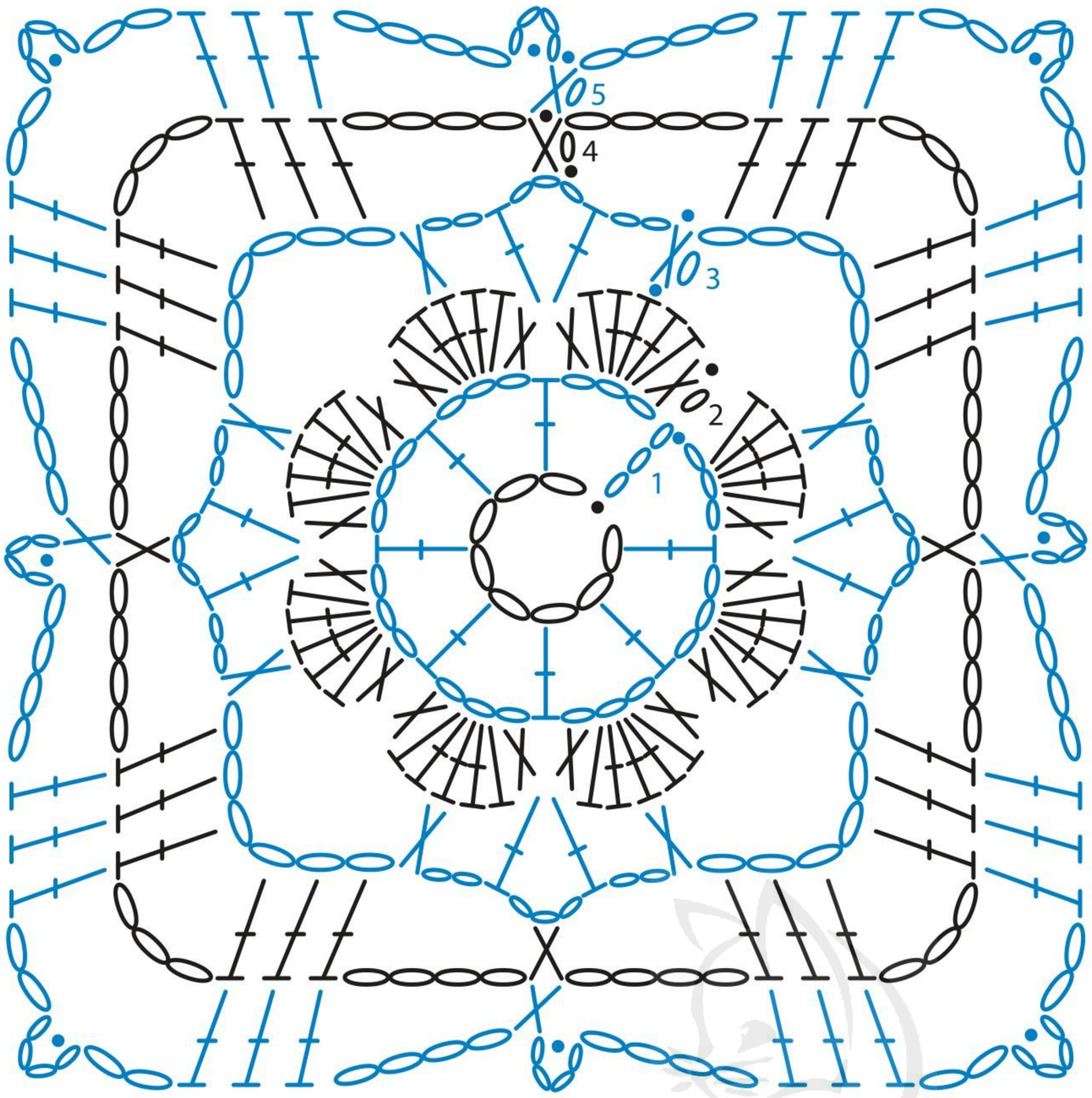
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GRANNY MARGOT

One of the scents that Margot loves most is the smell of summer rain on hot pavements.

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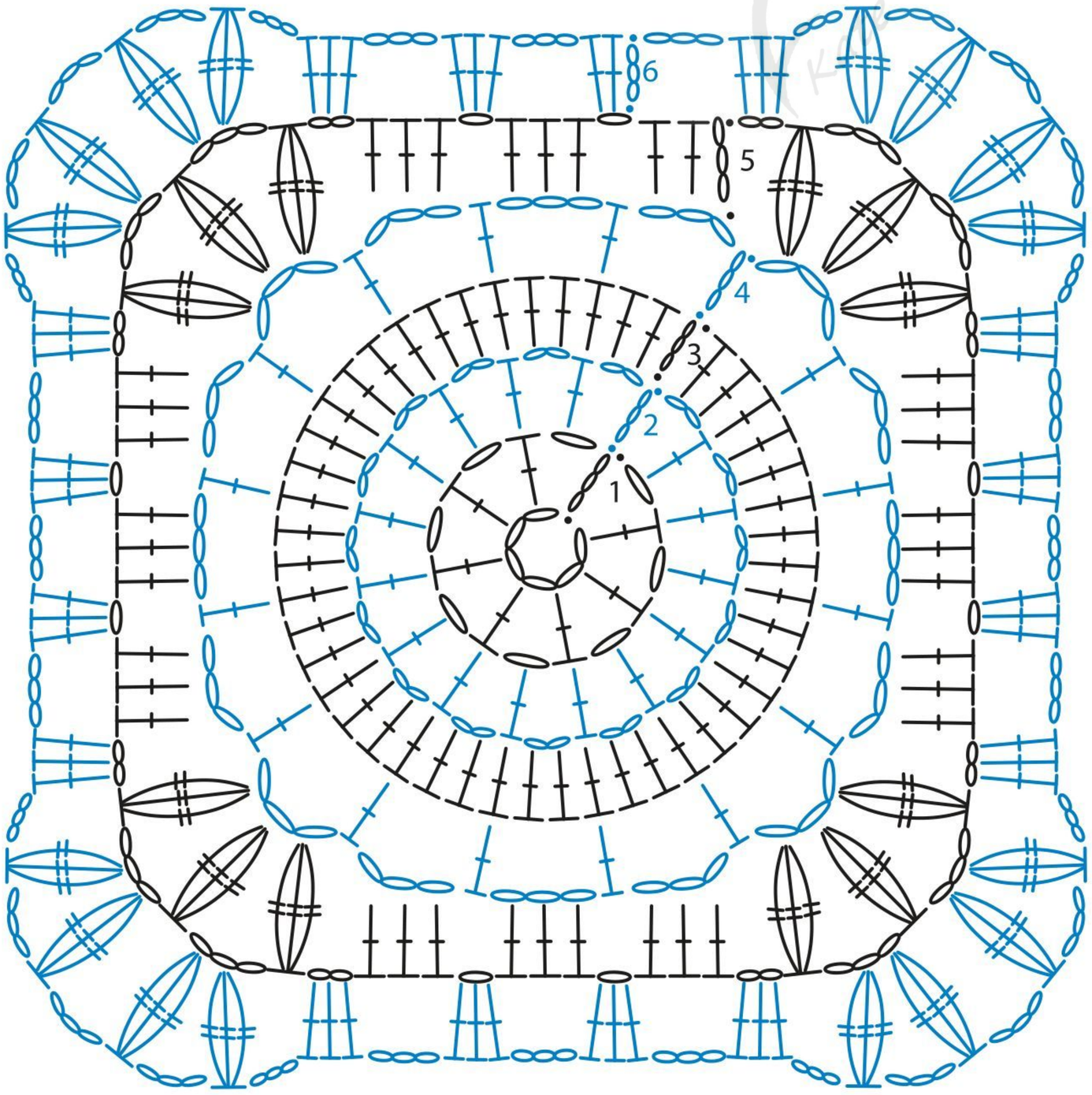


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GRANNY MARJORIE

If she gets to choose the film, Marjorie always opts for a black and white wartime classic.

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GRANNY MAUDIE

Her skills sharpened by years of evenings in the casino, you take on Maudie at poker at your peril.

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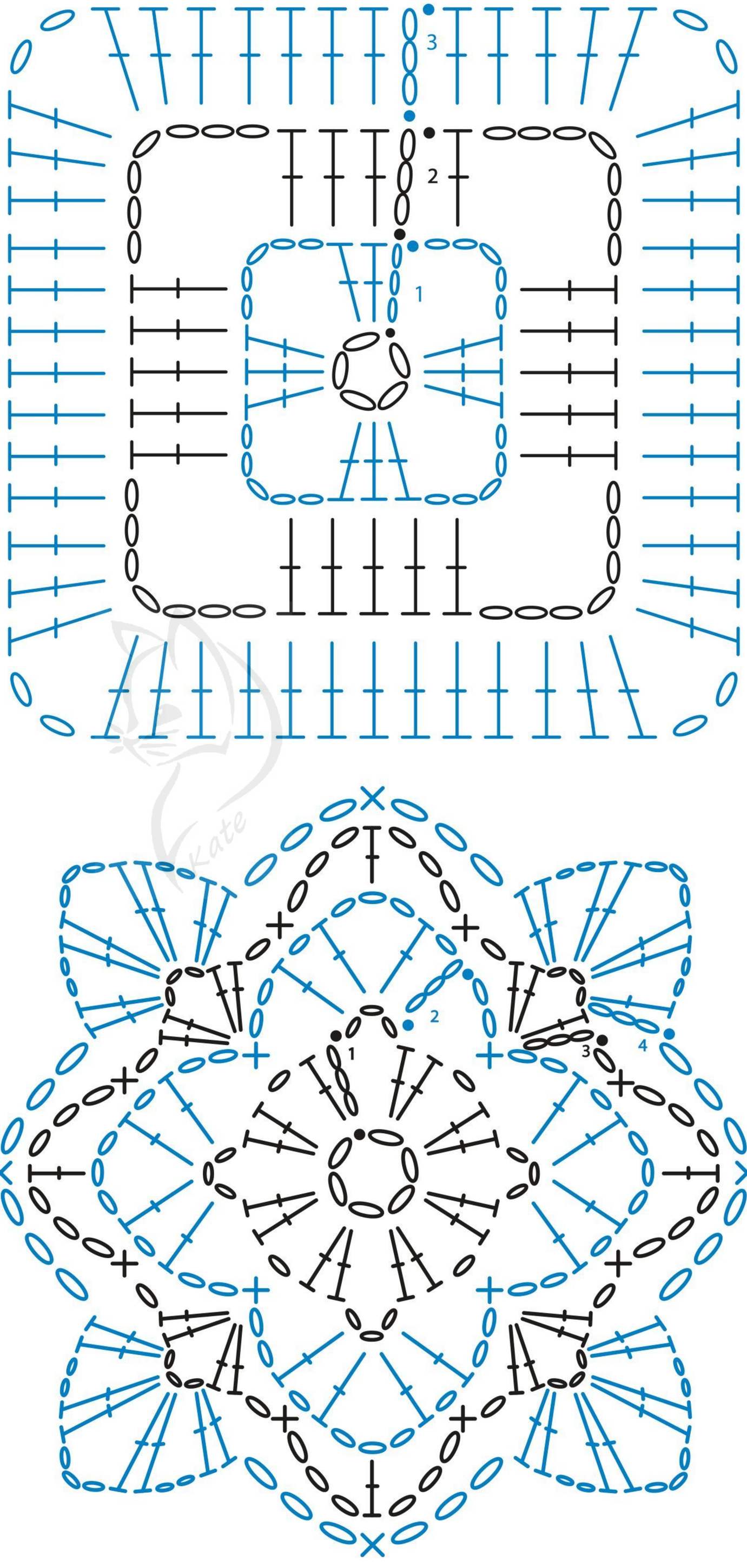


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GRANNY MYRTLE

A real water baby, Myrtle loves to have a paddle in the sea, whatever the weather.

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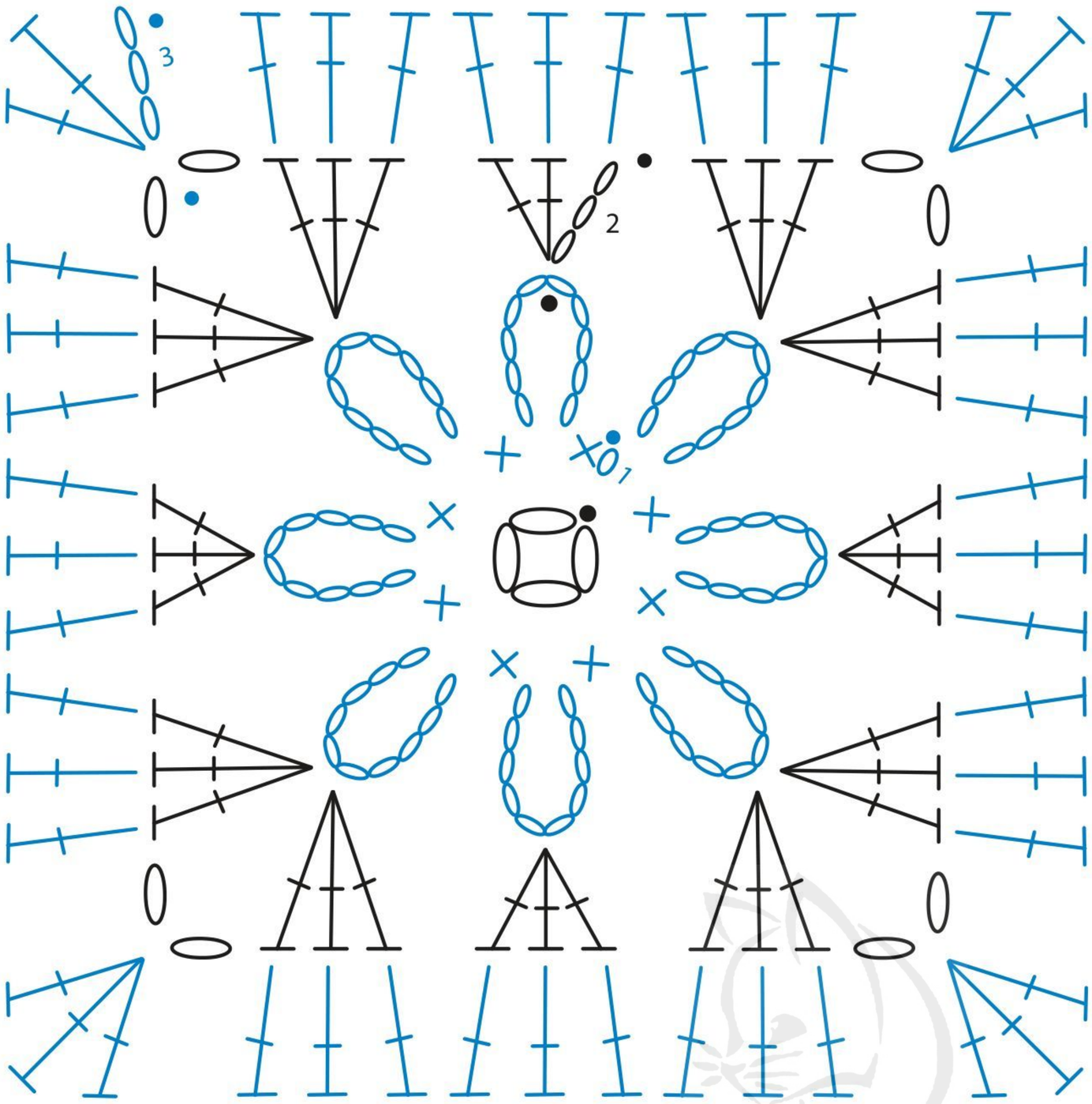
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GRANNY NANCY

Nancy is a chilli fiend and grows a fine crop of Scotch bonnets and habaneros for cooking with.

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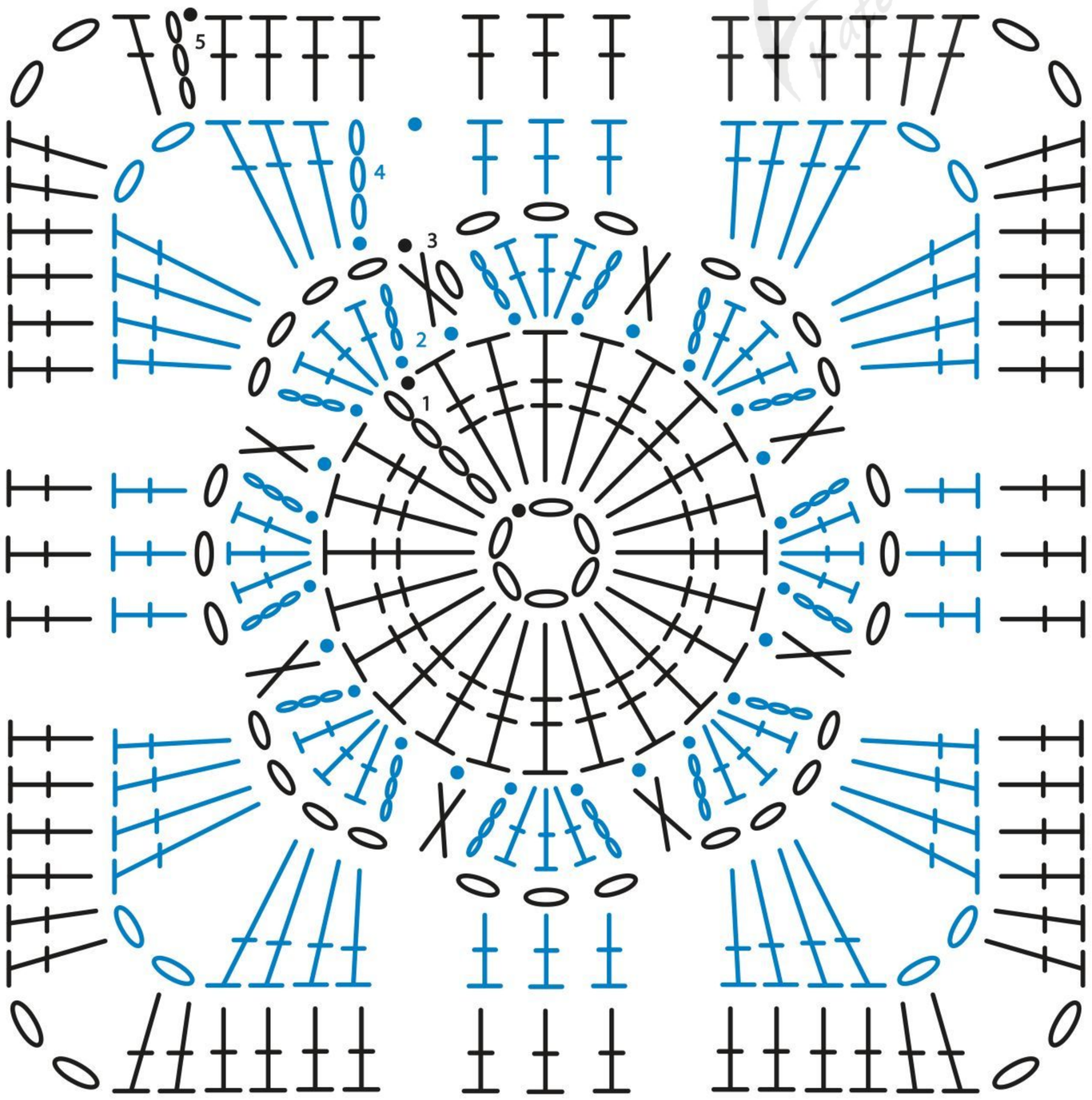


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GRANNY PAT

Pat's favourite drink is coffee, so she's just treated herself to an Italian espresso machine.

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GRANNY PHYLLIS

Phyllis likes to sing to her houseplants, as she's convinced that this makes them bloom more.

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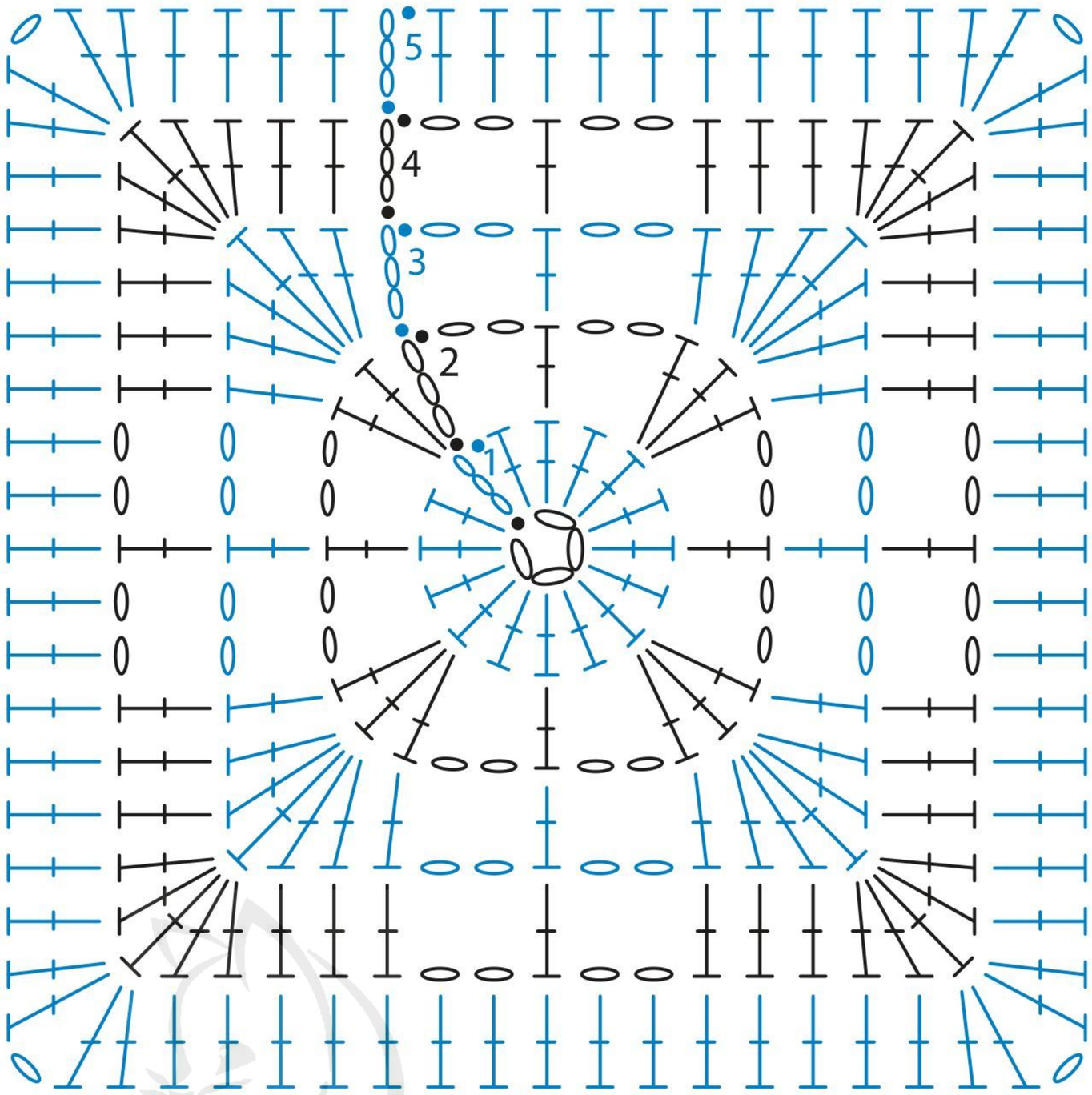


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GRANNY ROSEMARY

It's well known in the family that Rosemary always cheats when she's playing crazy golf.

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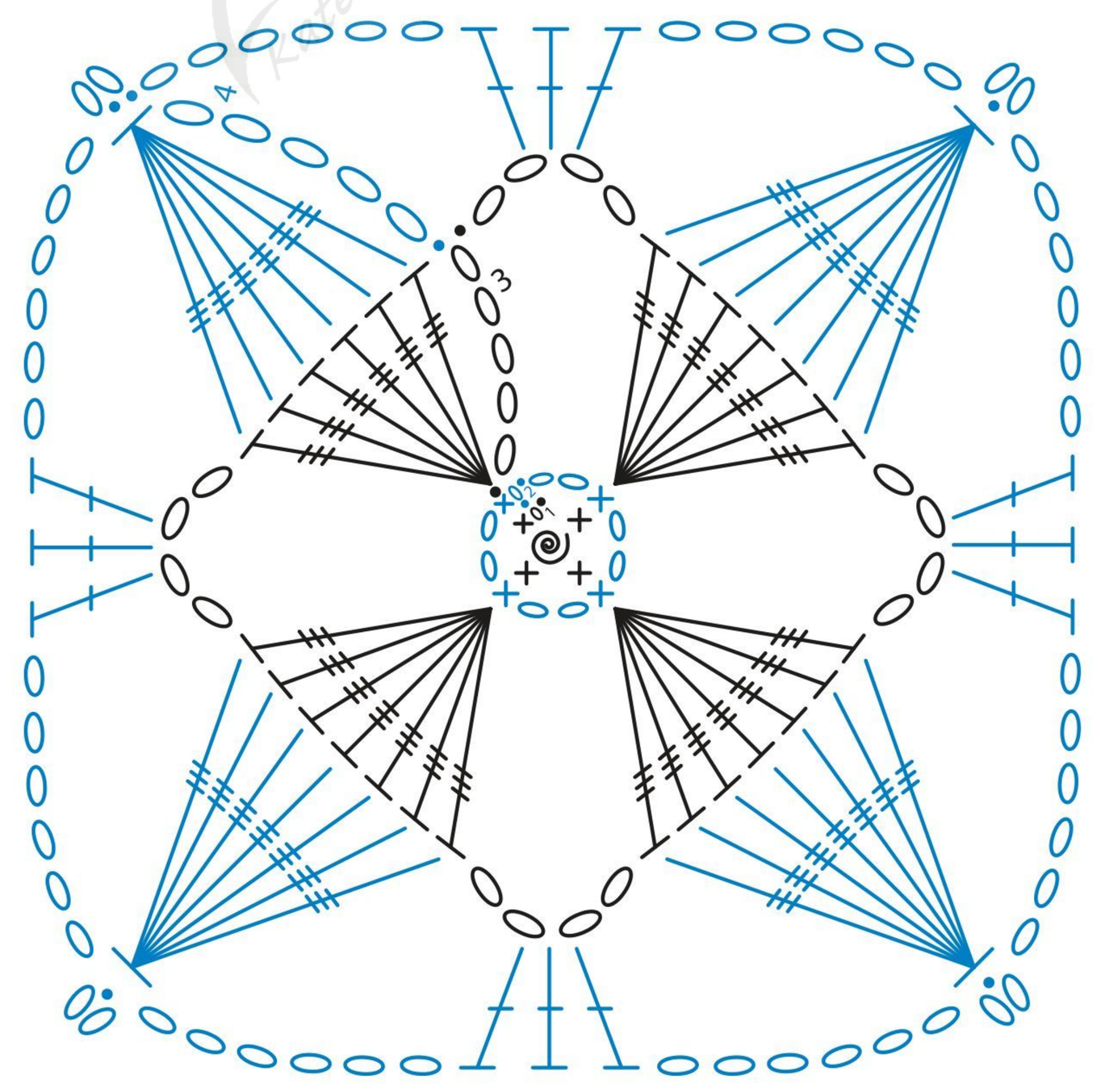


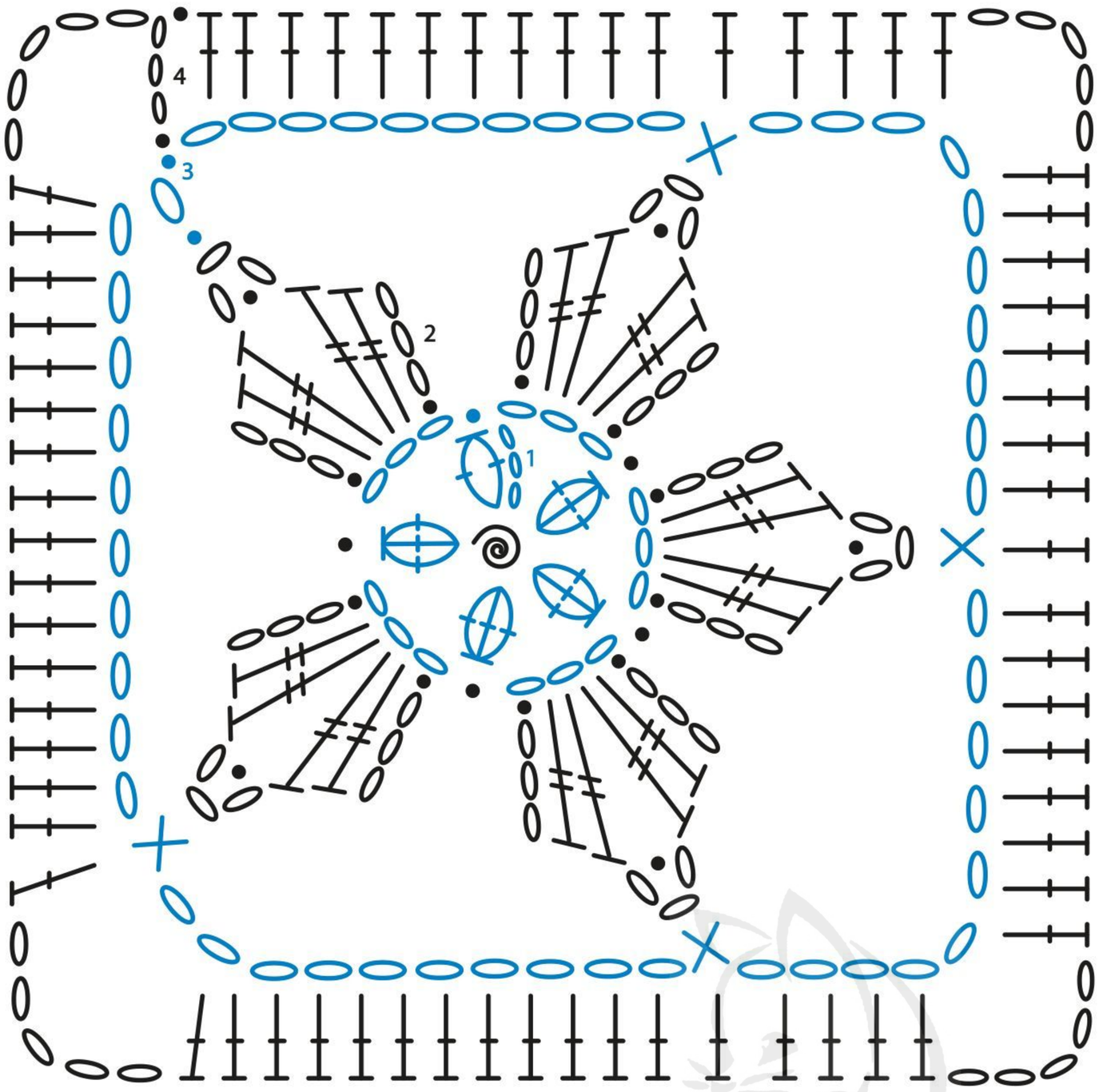
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GRANNY THELMA

Thelma took up tap dancing last year and is particularly proud of her shuffle ball heel.

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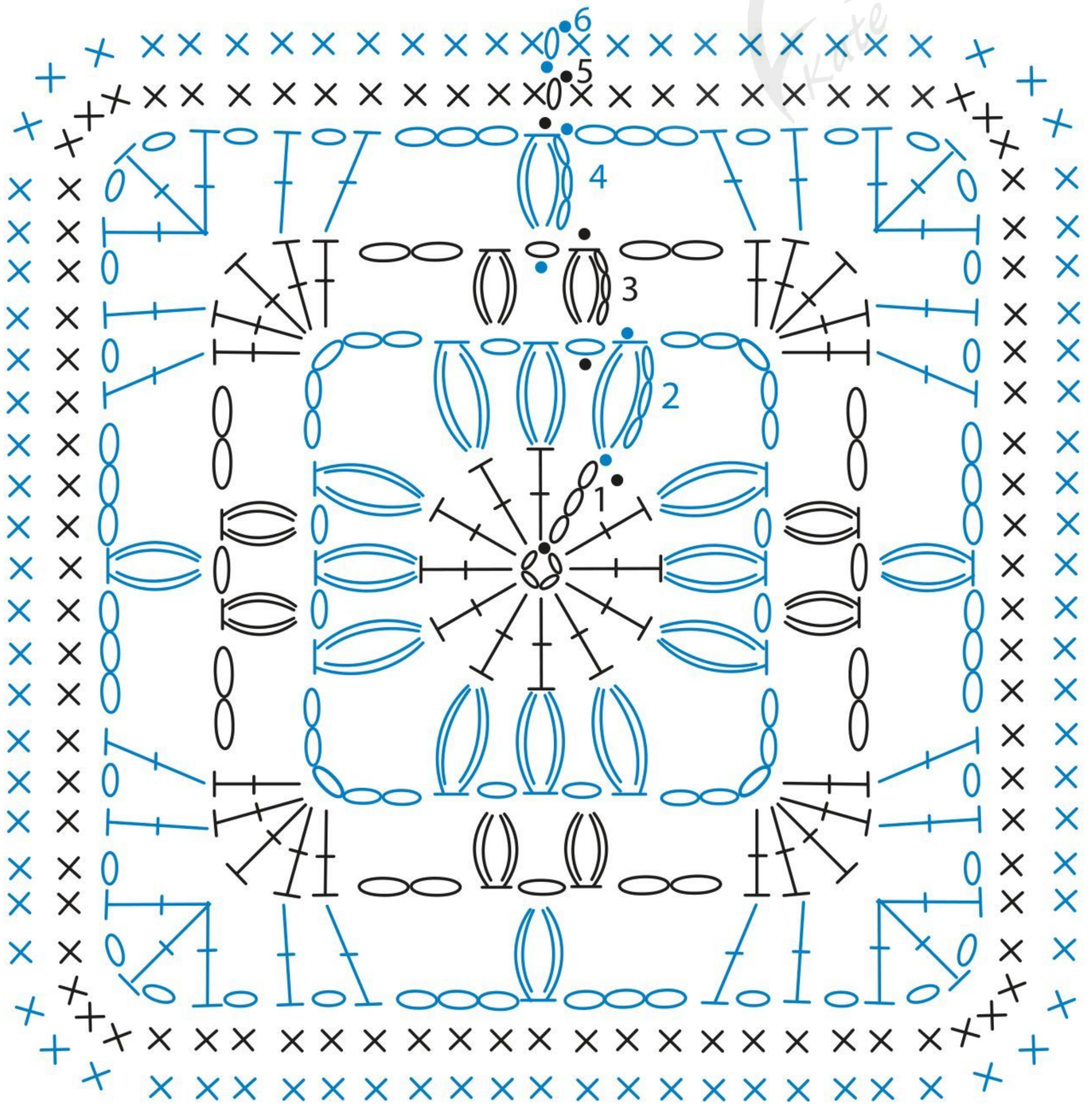


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GRANNY VALERIE

Valerie practises yoga every morning in her living room and can still put her leg behind her head.

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GRANNY VIOLET

After a career as an accountant, Violet studied sculpture and regularly wins prizes at art shows.

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Squares chart key






































Key

- Magic loop
- Slip stitch (ss)
- Chain (ch)
- Double crochet (dc)
- 2dc in one stitch
- Half treble crochet (htr)
- Treble crochet (tr)
- 2 treble crochet in one stitch
- Treble crochet in back loop/front loop only
- Double treble crochet (dtr)
- Triple treble crochet (ttr)
- 2-tr cluster
- 3-tr cluster
- 4-tr cluster
- 2-dtr cluster
- 3-dtr cluster
- 2-ttr cluster
- Puff st
- Beg Puff st

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THE GUIDE

Joining squares

Wondering how to put your granny squares together? We'll show you how easy it is to join your motifs while you work.

WHAT SORT OF JOINS COULD I DO?

We'll show you how to work these two simple joins.

Many granny square projects involve making motifs and then joining them together, which is fine if you like sewing seams. If not, there are plenty of nifty ways to join each square to the next one, saving you time and yarn – perfect for shawls, blankets, accessories and all sorts of other projects. We'll explain how to work two joining methods, which you can then practise on your projects .

The advantages of joining motifs as you go are huge, especially for those with an aversion to needle and thread – there will be little or no sewing or seaming later on, which means that when you finally fasten off, you really have finished. There will be no long hours spent joining motifs before you can sit back and enjoy your masterpiece. However, you need to bear in mind that if you're making a large blanket, this won't be the most portable project because you'll be watching the blanket grow as you crochet. The join-as-you-go method works really well for small items, such as cushion covers and scarves, or a big blanket that you're happy to work on at home.



FLAT BRAID JOIN

It's easy to create this pretty, braided join on any motifs, whether they're squares, hexagons or flower shapes.



GRANNY JOIN

Perfect for joining granny squares, the granny join uses simple slip stitches to connect your motifs together seamlessly.

WHAT SORT OF PATTERN SHOULD I USE?

Before you start, follow these top tips for joining success.

A lot of the projects in this book have instructions on how to join motifs as you go, which makes crocheting them a lot easier. Don't worry if your pattern doesn't include instructions on how to join as you go, though – it's usually quite easy to adapt a pattern to do this. A bit of experimentation will go a long way. For example, many granny squares have a final round of double crochet stitches. While these stitches might lend themselves nicely to seaming the edges together, this often leads to a more structured shape overall, which is not ideal if you're looking for beautiful drape from your crochet fabric, such as with a shawl.

Drape in crochet is often best achieved by holes – we don't mean errors you've made, we mean well-planned, lacy gaps that allow the garment to flow. The openings within a granny square, for example, help with this, but adding holes to the joining round further prevents the fabric from becoming too stiff. To achieve this, you can replace some double crochet stitches on the final round with chains and slip stitches, to create a frame of spaces around each motif. Try our two methods and then experiment to see what you can achieve.

You can produce a similar effect with almost any motif-based pattern. Try adding slip stitch joins on the final round of a pattern or add an extra round to gain your desired effect. It might take a few trials to get the look you want, but think of all the time you'll save on seaming!

HOW DO I WORK A FLAT BRAID JOIN?

Here's how to work a simple, narrow join for motifs.

The flat braid join is a fantastic way of joining as you go, with a relatively standard method that can be adapted for granny squares as well as many other sorts of crocheted floral and hexagonal motifs. It creates a beautiful, decorative band between each motif, so consider this join when planning your project – it works best when worked in one colour and it creates an edge whose width depends on the length of the chain spaces.

Take your completed motif and join your chosen yarn in any corner. Work (1dc, ch3, 1dc) into the corner, then *ch3 and 1dc into each chain space across to the next corner, then work (1dc, ch3, 1dc) into that corner space, and repeat from *. Work around the motif in this way, creating chain spaces on all edges. Fasten off and weave in the ends as you normally would. Depending on the style of motif you're working with, you may need to work into stitches rather than spaces but that's fine as long as your chains are evenly spaced and identical on all sides of your motif. You may find that a slightly longer or shorter chain between double crochet stitches works better for your motif. The longer the chain spaces, the wider and holier the join will be and the more flowing the end result – perfect for a shawl.

Begin the second motif in the same way as the first, working one side of chain spaces to the first corner, work 1dc into the corner and ch2. Now drop the working loop and insert your hook from front to back into the corner chain space of the first motif. Pick up the working loop again 1 and pull through the chain space. Ch1 2 and work another dc into the corner space of the second motif 3 4. Using the same principle, ch2, drop the working loop and insert hook from front to back into the next chain space on the first motif. Pick up the working loop again 5 and pull through the chain space. Ch1 and work another dc into the next chain space on the second motif 6. Work along the edge in this way until you reach the next corner, and repeat the process again, as you did for the first corner. Work around the remaining edges, creating chain spaces as you did for the first motif and fasten off. You will now have two joined motifs with a simple braided join and best of all: no seaming to do!

Keep repeating the process with all your motifs and you will end up with a project that has a decorative edge running around each motif. Some simple adjustments to the basic method means the flat braid is very versatile and can be used with many different motifs to produce varying results. Shorter chains will produce a sturdier join and work well with denser stitch patterns, while longer chains worked in the same yarn as a lacy motif will blend in and create a beautifully draping fabric.













HOW DO I WORK A GRANNY JOIN?

Here's how to work a simple join for granny motifs.

While the flat braid seam works well for granny squares, you might prefer a less decorative edge. The good news is that joining granny squares as you go is as easy as adding another round of treble groups to each square.

Complete one granny square to the desired size including the final round (which we've worked in a contrasting cream colour below), and weave away all those ends. Work your second square as far as the first corner of the last round (which we've worked in the same cream yarn), working 3 treble into the corner chain space 1. Instead of your usual chain 3 or chain 2 to create the corner space, you're going to join the corner of your second square to a corner of your first square using ch1, slip stitch join, ch1. To work the slip stitch join, insert your hook through the corner space of the first square from the front 2, pick up the yarn at the back 3, yrh and pull through to complete the slip stitch 4.

Continue the corner as normal by working 3 trebles in the same corner space of the second square. When working a standard granny square, you would work a chain space to separate your 3-treble clusters along the sides, but you'll replace the chains with slip stitch joins to the corresponding chain spaces of the second square. To do this, insert hook from front to back in next ch-sp 5, pick up yarn at back and pull through all loops 6.

Continue in this way across to the next corner, joining the chain spaces as you go and repeat the corner join. Once you've passed the corner, you can complete the rest of the final round as normal and fasten off. Crochet all subsequent squares in your first row using the same process and when you come to work along the second row of squares, you will need to join each square along two sides. This method works really quickly. For a more open effect with extra drape, simply replace the slip stitch with a loose double crochet.













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THE GUIDE

Crochet essentials

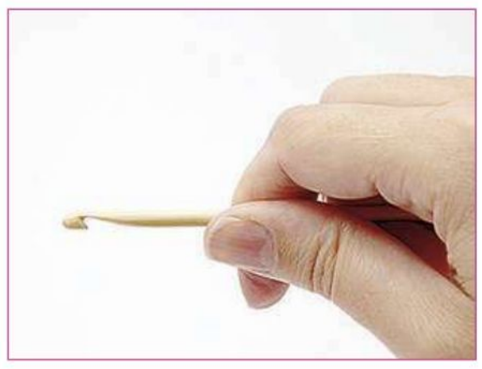
Over the next few pages, you'll find simple step-by-step guides to many useful stitches and techniques that you'll use every time you pick up a hook.

HOLDING THE HOOK

Try these methods and see which works best.



PENCIL METHOD
Hold the hook like a pencil, in your right hand (if you're right-handed), about 3-5cm from the hooked end. If your hook has a flat area, you'll find it comfortable to hold it here.



KNIFE METHOD
Hold the hook between your thumb and forefinger, about 3-5cm from the hooked end, resting the end of the hook against your palm. This will give you lots of control.

HOLDING THE YARN

Even tension results in even stitches.



METHOD ONE
Pass the ball end of the yarn between the little finger and third fingers of your left hand (if you are right-handed), then behind the third and middle fingers, over your index finger.



METHOD TWO
Loop the ball end of the yarn loosely around the little finger of your left hand, then take it over the third finger, behind the middle finger and over your index finger.

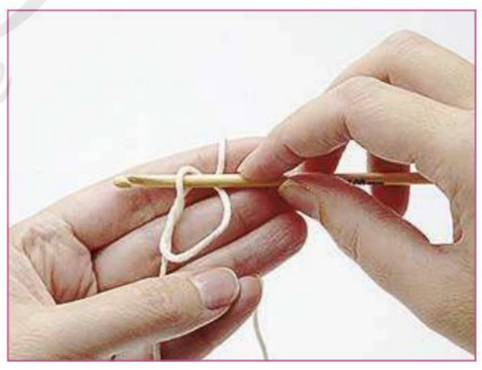
MAKING A SLIPKNOT The first loop on the hook.



1 Hold the tail of the ball of yarn in your left hand and drape the yarn clockwise over the top of it to form a circular loop.



2 Hold the loop between left thumb and forefinger, then insert the crochet hook through the centre of the loop from front to back.



3 Catch the ball end of the yarn with the hook and pull it back through the centre of the loop, taking the yarn through with it.

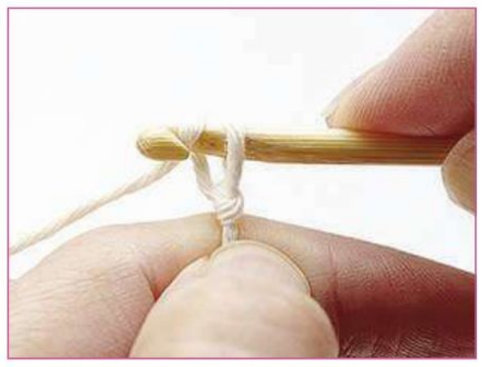


4 Pull both ends of the yarn to tighten the knot, then pull just the ball end to tighten the loop so it's close to the hook, but not touching it.

CHAIN STITCH Use this stitch to make your foundation chain.



1 Hold the hook in your right hand, and both the yarn end and the working yarn in your left hand. Move the hook under and over the yarn to wrap it around anticlockwise.



2 Pull the hook towards the slipknot, catching the yarn in the hook, and pulling it through the slipknot loop. This forms your first chain (ch) stitch. Repeat steps 1 and 2 to form a chain length.



3 This is what your row of chains will look like. Hold the chain with your left hand near the hook, to keep the tension. Keep going until you have the number of chains stated in your pattern.

How to count chains



Each chain or loop counts as one stitch. Never count your first slipknot or the loop on the hook (called the working loop). So that you can be accurate, make sure the chain is not twisted and that the front is facing you.

SLIP STITCH (ss)

This stitch has no height – often used to join rounds.



1 The slip stitch is used to join a length of chain into the round. Insert the hook from front to back into the first chain you worked. Wrap yarn round the hook (yrh) in an anticlockwise direction.



2 Pull the yarn through the chain stitch (as shown) and then the loop already on the hook to make a slip stitch. You can also work this stitch into each stitch along a row to form a neat edging.

WORKING IN ROWS

Follow these simple rules to construct crochet fabric.



1 The first row is made by working across the foundation chain from right to left. At the end of the chain or row, turn the work so that the yarn is behind the hook.



2 For the next row, first make the turning chain for the stitch you're about to work (see opposite). Now work the next stitch into the top of the stitches on your first row, missing the first stitch.

DOUBLE CROCHET (dc) US term: single crochet

One of the key stitches in crochet, doubles are simple, compact stitches that form a dense fabric.



1 To make a double crochet stitch, insert the hook under the top two loops of the next stitch on the previous row.



2 Wind the yarn around the hook (yrh).



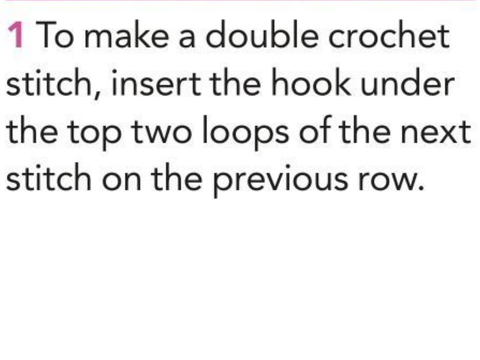
3 Pull the yarn through the stitch, giving you two loops on your crochet hook.



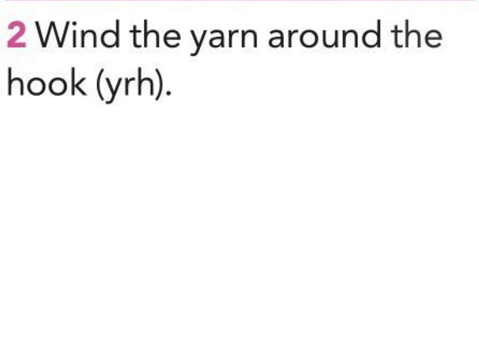
4 Yarn round hook again, then pull the yarn through both loops. There's your double crochet made and you'll have one loop left on the hook, ready to do the next stitch.

HALF TREBLE CROCHET (htr) US term: half double crochet

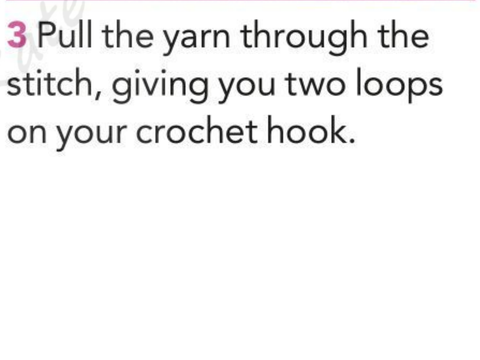
A handy stitch that's between double and treble crochet in size, and it looks slightly looser than double crochet.



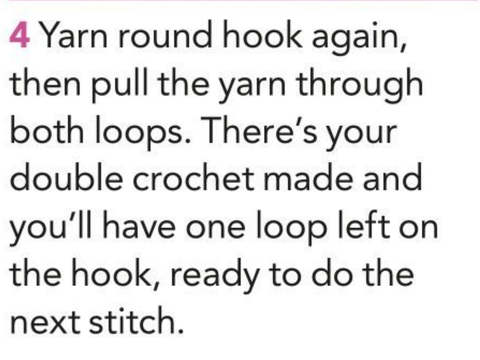
1 To make a half treble crochet stitch, work to where you want the htr and then wind the yarn round the hook (yrh).



2 Insert the hook under the top two loops of the next stitch in the previous row. Wrap yarn around the hook again (yrh).



3 Pull the yarn through the stitch only (3 loops on hook).



4 Yarn round hook again, pull the yarn through all 3 loops. You've made a half treble crochet. Continue working htr into next and following sts to the end of the row.

TREBLE CROCHET (tr) US term: double crochet

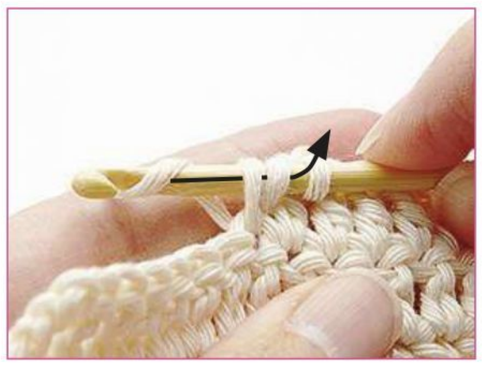
One of the most popular stitches in crochet, this simple stitch is twice as high as a double crochet stitch.



1 To work a treble crochet, start by winding yrh and then insert the hook under the top two loops of the stitch on the previous row.



2 Wrap the yarn around the hook (yrh) and pull the yarn through the stitch only.



3 You will now have 3 loops on the hook. Yrh again, and draw the yarn through just the first 2 loops on the hook.



4 You will now have 2 loops on the hook. Yrh again and draw the yarn through the remaining loops on the hook. Your treble crochet is complete.

DOUBLE TREBLE CROCHET (dtr)
US term: treble crochet

This is a stitch regularly used as an elongated version of the treble (described above). It's worked in a very similar way to the treble, as follows:

1 Make a foundation chain. Skip 4ch, *yrh twice, and insert the hook under the top loop of the next ch.

2 Yrh, pull the yarn through the ch loop only (4 loops on hook).

3 Yrh and pull the yarn through 2 loops only (3 loops on hook). Yrh and pull the yarn through 2 loops only (2 loops on hook).

4 Yrh and pull the yarn through the remaining 2 loops. Repeat from * to make more dtr sts.

5 To make the next row of dtr, turn work and ch4. This turning chain counts as the first dtr in a new row. Skip first st at the base of the t-ch, work 1dtr under the top two loops of the 2nd stitch in the previous row; continue to the end of the row.

TRIPLE TREBLE CROCHET (ttr)
US term: double treble crochet

This is one of the longest standard crochet stitches and is mainly used in fancy stitch patterns. It's taller than a double treble crochet stitch (described left) and is worked in a very similar way, as follows:

1 Make a foundation ch. Skip 5 ch, *yrh 3 times, insert hook under top loop of next ch.

2 Yrh, pull yarn through ch loop only (5 loops on hook).

3 † Yrh, draw loop through 2 loops only. Repeat from † 3 times more and your triple treble will be finished. Repeat from * to make more ttr sts.

4 To make the next row, turn work and ch5. This turning chain counts as the first triple treble in a new row. Skip first st at base of the t-ch. Work 1 triple treble, inserting hook under the top 2 loops of the 2nd st in the previous row; continue to the end of the row.

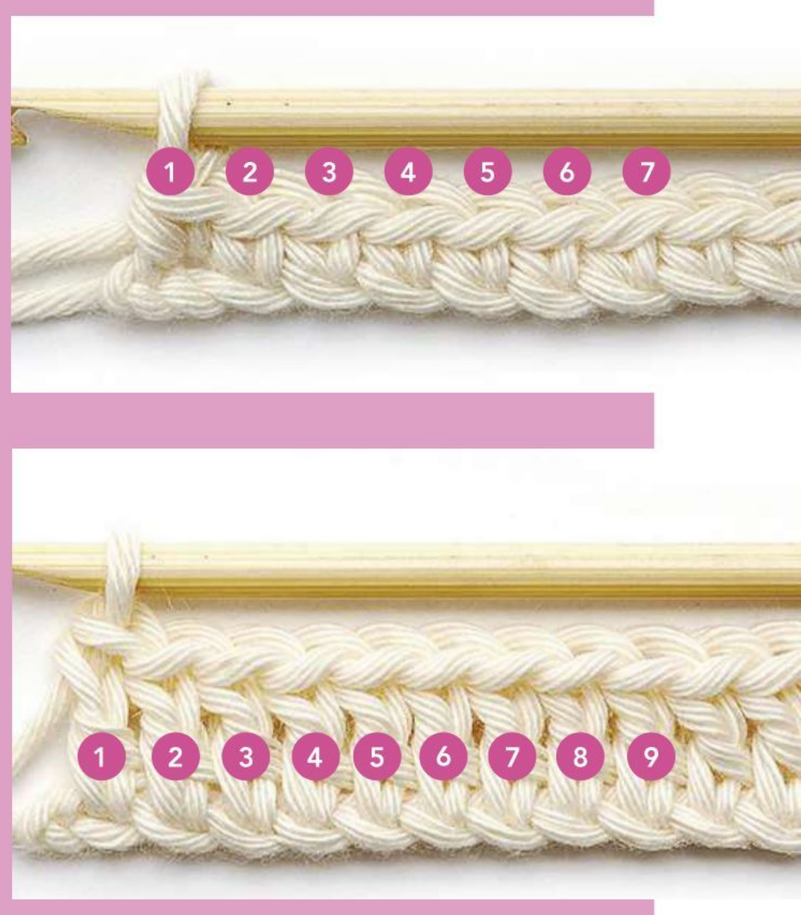
TURNING CHAIN (t-ch)
For an even finish, start each row with a turning chain.

In crochet, you need to add turning chains (t-chs) to the beginning of rows. The reason for this is to bring the hook up to the height of the stitches you're crocheting. Each basic stitch has its own number of chains. The table below tells you how many t-ch sts form the first stitch. *For dc, usually the turning chain does not count as a stitch, and the first stitch of the row is worked into the stitch at the base of the turning chain.

STITCH	Add to foundation chain before starting row	**Skip at start of foundation row (counts as first st)**	For turning chain (counts as first st)
Double crochet	1 ch	**1 ch***	1 ch*
Half treble	1 ch	**2 ch**	2 ch
Treble	2 ch	**3 ch**	3 ch
Double treble	3 ch	**4 ch**	4 ch
Triple treble	4 ch	**5 ch**	5 ch

How to count stitches
Check your work is correct.

Being able to count your stitches is very important and helps you to ensure that you're following a pattern correctly. It's a good idea to count your stitches at the end of every row. To count short stitches such as double crochet, look at the plaited tops (see above right). For taller stitches, count the upright 'stems' – each 'stem' is counted as a stitch (see right).



HOW TO CHANGE COLOUR

Create stripes and other colour effects.



1 Before you work the final yrh (yarn round hook) on the last stitch of a row in the old colour, drop the old yarn and pick up the new one with your hook.



2 Pull through a loop of the new yarn to finish the old stitch. The working loop will be in the new colour. Continue, keeping the old yarn at the wrong side.

INCREASING AND DECREASING

Shaping stitches are vital for making garments.



INCREASE To increase one stitch is very simple – work one stitch into the next stitch on the row below. When you've finished, work another stitch into the same stitch.



DECREASE For a quick decrease, just skip one stitch. For a neater look, work the first part of one stitch and then begin the next stitch. Finish both together.

SEWING SEAMS

You can join crochet seams by using a tapestry needle or a crochet hook, using one of these four methods.



1 Sewing with a tapestry needle is the regular and neat way to join seams. Place two pieces of crochet right sides together and oversew them as shown above, using a tapestry or yarn needle.



2 To slip stitch a seam, place the crochet pieces right sides together. *Insert hook into both edge stitches, yrh and pull through to complete 1 slip stitch; rep from * working into the next edge stitches, keeping work fairly loose.



3 For a dc seam, place the crochet pieces right sides together, or wrong sides together for a visible seam. Work as for slip stitch seam, using double crochet instead of slip stitch.

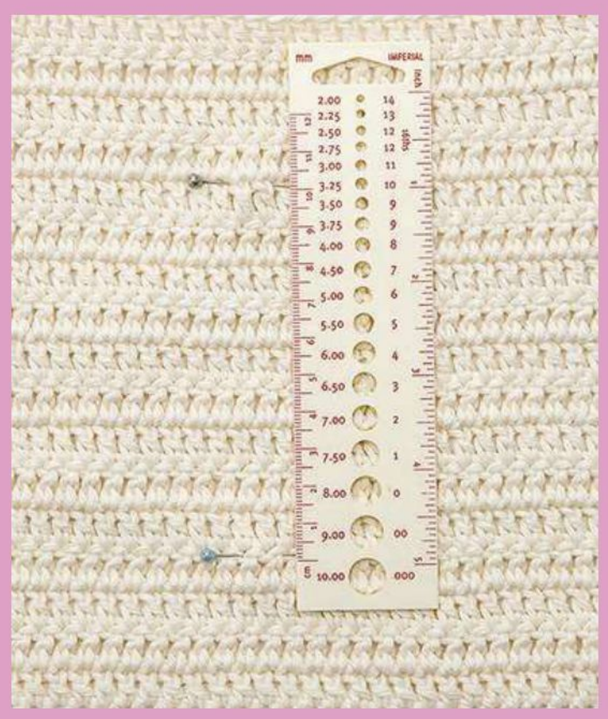


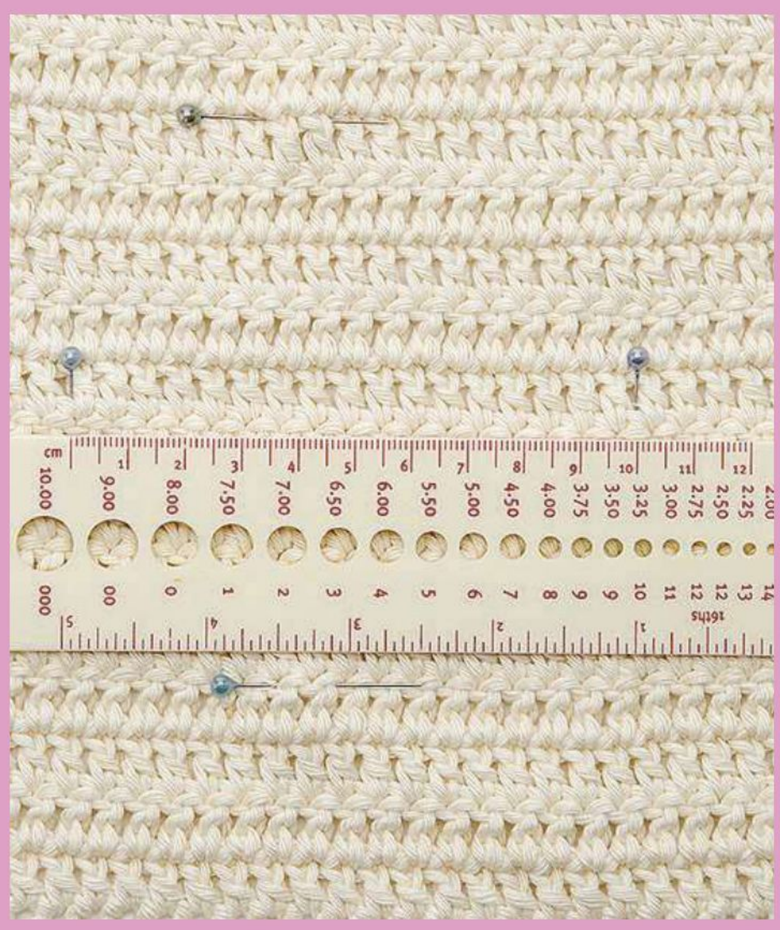
4 A useful variation on the dc seam, the dc and chain seam is used when less bulk and/or greater flexibility is needed. Work 1 double crochet and 1 chain alternately.

How to check your tension

Make and measure a swatch to check your tension.

Most crochet patterns state the tension required, in rows and stitches of a specific type. Make a swatch at least 15cm square and check that your tension matches. Place a ruler across the swatch and insert two pins, 10cm apart. Then place the ruler along a column of stitches and insert two pins 10cm apart. Count the stitches and rows between the pins – if you have less than the pattern, your tension is too loose so you need to use a smaller hook, but if you have too many, use a larger hook. It's usually better to match the stitches than rows, because you can always work more or fewer rows.





THE GUIDE

FOUNDATION RING

Create a foundation ring for working in the round.



1 Make a chain the length stated in the pattern instructions. Next, insert the crochet hook into the first chain. Close the ring with a slip stitch, working yrh…



2 …and pull yarn through 2 loops on hook. Now you're ready to start crocheting in the round, following the instructions given right.

WORKING STITCHES INTO A RING

To make circles, tubes and other shapes.



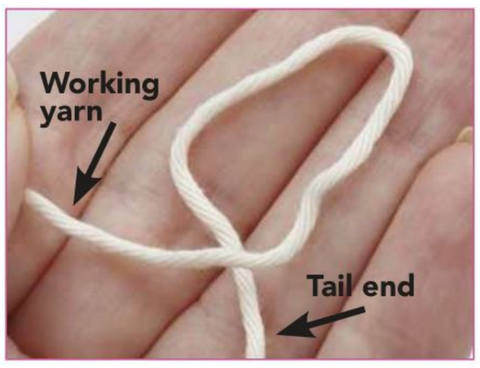
1 Make a foundation ring and work the t-ch (3ch for treble sts). Work a treble st as usual, but insert hook into centre of ring. For treble sts, yrh, insert hook into ring.



2 Finish the treble as usual (yrh, pull yarn through ring, yrh, pull yarn through first 2 loops, yrh, pull yarn through 2 loops). Work more sts into the ring as needed.

MAGIC LOOP

An alternative foundation ring for working in the round.



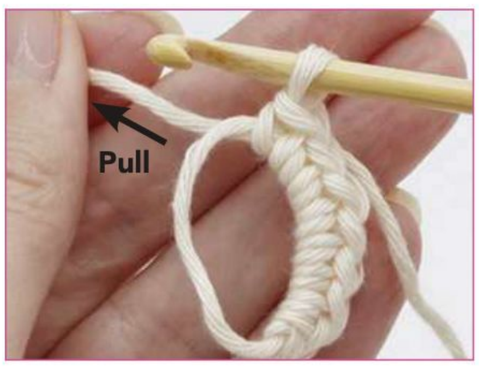
1 To start a Magic Loop, don't make a slipknot. Instead, make a loop with the yarn, leaving a tail around 10cm long. Make sure the tail end is under the working yarn.



2 Now insert your hook into the loop, from front to back. Wrap the working yarn around the hook and pull the yarn through the loop.



3 Make a t-ch for the sts you want to work (above, we made 1 t-ch for dc). Work your sts into the Magic Loop, over both the loop and the tail end (so two yarn strands).



4 Once you've worked the first round of stitches, simply pull the tail end of yarn to draw up the ring. Work a slip stitch to join the last and first sts to finish the first round (as instructed below).

JOINING ROUNDS

Finish off each round of crochet stitches nice and neatly by using a slip stitch.



1 To close a round of stitches, work a slip stitch into the top of the turning chain. To do this, insert the hook into the top stitch of the turning chain.



2 Then place the yarn round the hook. Pull the yarn through the turning chain stitch and through the original stitch on your hook.



3 You've slip stitched the round together! Before working another round, be sure to make the required turning chain. Always work rounds on the right side, unless you pattern instructs you otherwise.

Rounds or spirals

Check which technique to use.

Some patterns are worked in rounds that are joined together at the end of each round (see left). Other patterns are worked in a spiral so you don't need to join the rounds at the end, just keep going, working into the next stitch on the previous row. Amigurumi toys are often worked in a spiral like this.

Abbreviations

across	to end of the row
alt	alternate/alternating
approx	approximate(ly)
beg	beginning
bl	insert hook under back loop only
BPtr	Back Post treble: yrh, starting from the back, insert hook from back to front to back around post of st in row below, complete as treble st
ch(s)	chain/chain stitch(es)
ch-sp(s)	chain space(s)
ch-	refers to ch made previously, eg. ch-3
cl(s)	clusters
4-tr cl	(yrh, insert hook in sp/st, yrh & pull up loop, yrh & draw through 2 loops) 4 times, inserting hook in same sp/st, yrh & draw through all loops on hook
cont	continue
dc	double crochet
dc2tog	(insert hook in next st, yrh and draw a loop through) twice, yrh and draw through all 3 loops on hook
dec	decrease
dtr	double treble crochet
dtr2tog	work 2dtr together
fl	insert hook under front loop only
foll/folls	following/follows
FPtr	Front Post treble: work in opposite way to BPtr
htr	half treble
htr2tog	work 2htr together
in next	sts to be worked into the same stitch
inc	increase
LH	left hand
lp(s)	loop(s)
meas	measures
p or pc	picot
patt(s)	pattern(s)
pm	place marker
prev	previous
rem	remain(s)/remaining
rep	repeat
RH	right hand
rnd(s)	round(s)
RS	right side
sk	skip
sp(s)	space(s)
ss	slip stitch
st(s)	stitch(es)
tbl	through back loop
t-ch(s)	turning chain(s)
tog	together
tr	treble crochet
tr2tog	(yrh, insert hook in next st, yrh and pull up loop, yrh and draw through 2 loops) twice, yrh and draw through all loops on hook
ttr	triple treble crochet
WS	wrong side
yoh	yarn over hook
yrh	yarn round hook
*	work instructions immediately foll *, then rep as directed
[] or ()	work or repeat all instructions in the brackets as directed

HOW TO GET A PERFECT FINISH

To prevent your hard work unravelling once you've finished crocheting, fasten the end off carefully.



Complete the final stitch, then cut the yarn about 15cm from the work. Pull it through the last loop on the hook and pull to close the loop. Thread the yarn tail onto a tapestry needle and weave into the back of the work. Most crochet items don't need a lot of blocking, but cotton lace work usually does. To do this, carefully pin out the item with rust-proof pins, mist with a water spray and leave to dry naturally.

Crochet hook conversions

UK	METRIC	US
14	2mm	–
13	2.25mm	B/1
12	2.5mm	–
–	2.75mm	C/2
11	3mm	–
10	3.25mm	D/3
9	3.5mm	E/4
–	3.75mm	F/5
8	4mm	G/6
7	4.5mm	7
6	5mm	H/8
5	5.5mm	I/9
4	6mm	J/10
3	6.5mm	K/10½
2	7mm	–
0	8mm	L/11
00	9mm	M/13
000	10mm	N/15

Which hook do I use?

Hook size	UK yarn weight
2.5-3.5mm hook	4ply yarn
3.5-4.5mm hook	double knitting yarn
5-6mm hook	aran yarn
7mm and bigger	chunky yarn

UK/US conversions

UK		US	
chain	ch	chain	ch
slip stitch	ss	slip stitch	ss
double crochet	dc	single crochet	sc
half treble	htr	half double	hdc
treble	tr	double	dc
double treble	dtr	treble	tr
triple treble	ttr	double treble	dtr

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