



Free Crochet Pattern
Lion Brand® Vanna's Choice®
Circle of Flowers Mandala Afghan
Pattern Number: L60044
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SKILL LEVEL – Intermediate

SIZE

About 50 in. (127 cm) diameter

MATERIALS

- Lion Brand® Vanna's Choice® (Art. #860)
 - 158 Mustard 1 ball (A)
 - 112 Raspberry 1 ball (B)
 - 301 Rose Mist 1 ball (C)
 - 098 Fisherman 1 ball (D)
 - 101 Pink 1 ball (E)
 - 171 Fern 1 ball (F)
 - 176 Peacock 1 ball (G)
 - 108 Dusty Blue 1 ball (H)
 - 111 Sky Blue 1 ball (I)
 - 109 Colonial Blue 1 ball (J)
- Lion Brand® crochet hook size J-10 (6 mm)
- Lion Brand® stitch markers
- Lion Brand® large-eyed blunt needle



GAUGE

Rnds 1-6 of Center Flower = about 7 1/2 in. (19 cm) diameter.
BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

STITCH EXPLANATIONS

beg 2-dc CI (beginning 2 double crochet cluster) Ch 3, yarn over, insert hook in indicated st and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook (2 loops rem on hook); yarn over and draw through rem 2 loops on hook.

2-dc CI (2 double crochet cluster) Yarn over, insert hook in indicated st and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook (2 loops rem on hook), yarn over, insert hook in *same* st and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

beg 3-dc CI (beginning 3 double crochet cluster) Ch 3, yarn over, insert hook in indicated st and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook (2 loops rem on hook); yarn over, insert hook in *same* st and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

3-dc CI (3 double crochet cluster) Yarn over, insert hook in indicated st, yarn over and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook (2 loops rem on hook), (yarn over, insert hook in *same* st, yarn over and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook) twice; yarn over and draw through all 4 loops on hook.

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NOTES

1. Afghan is worked in sections: Center Flower, Middle Rings, Triangle Points, and Outer Flowers.
2. Center Flower is worked in joined rnds with RS always facing. Middle Rings are worked in joined and turned rnds. 12 Triangle Points are worked back and forth in rows.
3. 12 Outer Flowers are worked separately and crocheted to Afghan.
4. A border is worked around the outside edge of the Afghan.
5. Yarn color is changed frequently to create bands of color.
6. To change yarn color, fasten off the old color and join new color as instructed.
7. Stitch diagrams are provided to clarify construction.

AFGHAN

Center Flower

Note: In this section work all rnds with the RS always facing. Do NOT turn work at beginning of rnds.

With A, ch 6; join with sl st in first ch to make a ring.

Rnd 1 (RS): Ch 3 (counts as first dc), work 11 more dc in ring; join with sl st in top of beg ch – you will have 12 dc in this rnd. Fasten off.

Rnd 2: From RS, join B with sc in any sp between sts, *ch 1, sc in next sp between sts; rep from * around, ch 1; join with sl st in first sc – 12 sc and 12 ch-1 sps. Fasten off.

Rnd 3: From RS, draw up a loop of C in any ch-1 sp, work beg 3-dc Cl in same ch-1 sp, *ch 2, 3-dc Cl in next ch-1 sp; rep from * around, ch 2; join with sl st in top of beg 3-dc Cl – 12 Cl and 12 ch-2 sps. Fasten off.

Rnd 4: From RS, draw up a loop of D in any ch-2 sp, (beg 2-dc Cl, ch 1, 2-dc Cl) in same ch-2 sp, *ch 1, (2-dc Cl, ch 1, 2-dc Cl) in next ch-2 sp; rep from * around, ch 1; join with sl st in top of beg 2-dc Cl – 24 Cl and 24 ch-1 sps. Fasten off.

Rnd 5: From RS, join E with sc in any ch-1 sp, sc in same ch-1 sp, *ch 1, 2 sc in next ch-1 sp; rep from * around, ch 1; join with sl st in first sc – Twenty-four 2-sc groups and 24 ch-1 sps. Fasten off.

Rnd 6: From RS, draw up a loop of B in any ch-1 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in same ch-1 sp, 3 dc in each rem ch-1 sp around; join with sl st in top of beg ch – Twenty-four 3-dc groups. Fasten off.

Rnd 7: From RS, join A with sc in any st, *ch 1, sk next st, sc in next st; rep from * to last st, ch 1, sk last st; join with sl st in first sc – 36 sc and 36 ch-1 sps. Do not fasten off.

Rnd 8: With A, (sl st, 2 sc) in first ch-1 sp, *ch 1, 2 sc in next ch-1 sp; rep from * around, ch 1; join with sl st in first sc – Thirty-six 2-sc groups and 36 ch-1 sps. Fasten off.

Rnd 9: From RS, join F with sc in first st of any 2-sc group, sc in next st, *ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, sc in next 2 sts; rep from * to last ch-1 sp, ch 1, sk last ch-1 sp; join with sl st in first sc.

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Rnd 10: With F, ch 3 (counts as first dc), dc in next st, *ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next 2 sts; rep from * to last ch-1 sp, ch 1, sk last ch-1 sp; join with sl st in top of beg ch – Thirty-six 2-dc groups and 36 ch-1 sps. Do not fasten off.

Middle Rings

Notes:

1. In this section, turn the work at the beginning of each rnd.
2. Each rnd begins in a specific way. Be sure to read the instructions carefully for working the first st in each rnd!

Rnd 11 (WS): With F, ch 1, turn, sc in same ch as joining sl st, *ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, sc in next 2 sts; rep from * to last ch-1 sp, ch 1, sk last ch-1 sp, sc in last st; join with sl st in first sc – Thirty-six 2-sc groups and 36 ch-1 sps.

Fasten off.

Rnd 12 (RS): From RS, draw up a loop of G in first sc of any 2-sc group, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next st, *ch 2, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next 2 sts; rep from * to last ch-1 sp, ch 2, sk last ch-1 sp; join with sl st in top of beg ch – Thirty-six 2-dc groups and 36 ch-2 sps.

Rnd 13: With G, ch 1, turn, sc in same ch as joining sl st, *ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, sc in next 2 sts; rep from * to last ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk last ch-2 sp, sc in last st; join with sl st in first sc – Thirty-six 2-sc groups and 36 ch-2 sps.

Rnd 14: With G, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, dc in first st, *ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, dc in next 2 sts; rep from * to last ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk last ch-2 sp; join with sl st in top of beg ch – Thirty-six 2-dc groups and 36 ch-2 sps.

Rnd 15: With G, ch 1, turn, sc in same ch as joining sl st, *ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st; rep from * to last ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk last ch-2 sp, 2 sc in last st; join with sl st in first sc – Thirty-six 3-sc-groups and 36 ch-2 sps.

Fasten off.

Rnd 16: From RS, draw up a loop of H in first sc of any 3-sc group, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 2 sts, *ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, dc in next 3 sts; rep from * to last ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk last ch-2 sp; join with sl st in top of beg ch – Thirty-six 3-dc groups and 36 ch-2 sps.

Rnd 17: With H, ch 1, turn, sc in same ch as joining sl st, *ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, sc in next 3 sts; rep from * to last ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk last ch-2 sp, sc in last 2 sts; join with sl st in first sc – Thirty-six 3-sc groups and 36 ch-2 sps.

Rnd 18: With H, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, dc in first 2 sts, *ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, dc in next 3 sts; rep from * around, ch 2, sk last ch-2 sp; join with sl st in top of beg ch.

Rnd 19: With H, ch 1, turn, sc in same ch as joining sl st, *ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st; rep from * to last ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk last ch-2 sp, sc in next st, 2 sc in last st; join with sl st in first sc – Thirty-six 4-sc groups and 36 ch-2 sps.

Rnd 20: With H, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, dc in first 3 sts, *ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, dc in next 4 sts; rep from * to last ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk last ch-2 sp; join with sl st in top of beg ch – Thirty-six 4-dc groups and 36 ch-2 sps.

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Rnd 21: With H, ch 1, turn, sc in same ch as joining sl st, *ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, sc in next 4 sts; rep from * to last ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk last ch-2 sp, sc in last 3 sts; join with sl st in first sc – Thirty-six 4-sc groups and 36 ch-2 sps.

Fasten off.

Rnd 22: From RS, draw up a loop of I in first sc of any 4-sc group, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 3 sts, *ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, dc in next 4 sts; rep from * to last ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk last ch-2 sp; join with sl st in top of beg ch – Thirty-six 4-dc groups and 36 ch-2 sps.

Rnd 23: With I, rep Rnd 21.

Rnd 24: With I, rep Rnd 20.

Rnd 25: With I, ch 1, turn, sc in same ch as joining sl st, *ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, sc in next 2 sts, ch 1, sc in next 2 sts; rep from * to last ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk last ch-2 sp, sc in next 2 sts, ch 1, sc in last st; join with sl st in first sc – Seventy-two 2-sc groups, 36 ch-2 sps, and 36 ch-1 sps.

Rnd 26: With I, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, dc in first st, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next 2 sts, *ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, dc in next 2 sts, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next 2 sts; rep from * to last ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk last ch-2 sp; join with sl st in top of beg ch – Seventy-two 2-dc groups, 36 ch-2 sps, and 36 ch-1 sps.

Rnd 27: With I, ch 1, turn, sc in same ch as joining sl st, ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, sc in next 2 sts, *ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, sc in next 2 sts, ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, sc in next 2 sts; rep from * to last ch-1 sp, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, sc in last st; join with sl st in first sc – Seventy-two 2-sc groups, 36 ch-2 sps, and 36 ch-1 sps.

Rnd 28: With I, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, dc in first st, ch 2, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next 2 sts, *ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, dc in next 2 sts, ch 2, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next 2 sts; rep from * to last ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk last ch-2 sp; join with sl st in top of beg ch – Seventy-two 2-dc groups and 72 ch-2 sps.

Fasten off.

Rnd 29: From WS, join H with sc in any st, work sc in each st and 2 sc in each ch-2 sp around; join with sl st in first sc – 288 sc.

Fasten off.

Triangle Points

Place a marker in any st of Rnd 29, *sk the next 23 sts, place a marker in the next st; rep from * until a total of 12 markers have been placed, with 23 sts between each of the marked sts.

First Triangle

Row 1 (RS): From RS, join J with a sl st in 4th sc before any one of the marked sts, sk next 3 sts, (tr, 4 dc, ch 5, 4 dc, tr) in marked st, sk next 3 sts, sl st in next st – 2 tr, 8 dc, 2 sl sts, and 1 ch-5 sp.

Row 2: Ch 4 (counts as tr), do not turn, sk next 3 sts of last rnd of Afghan, sl st in next st, TURN, 2 dc in first tr of Row 1, dc in next 4 sts, (2 dc, ch 5, 2 dc) in ch-5 sp, dc in next 4 sts, (2 dc, tr) in last tr, sk next 3 sts of last rnd of Afghan, sl st in next st.

Fasten off.

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Second-Twelfth Triangles

Work as for First Triangle.

Note that you will have 7 unworked sts of Rnd 29 between each of the Triangles. Remove markers.

Edging Rnd: From RS, join J with a sl st in first st following ch-5 sp of any triangle point, ch 1, beg in same st as joining, *sc in next 9 sts (working last sc in top of beg ch-4), 3 dc in sl st, dc in next 3 sts of last rnd of Afghan, 2 dc in next st, dc in next 3 sts, 3 dc in first sl st of next triangle point, sc in next 9 sts to ch-5 sp, 5 sc in ch-5 sp; rep from * around; join with sl st in first sc – 444 sc. Fasten off.

OUTER FLOWERS (make 12)

Color Sequence 1 (make 1): Work 1 rnd each with A, B, C, D, E, B.

Color Sequence 2 (make 1): Work 1 rnd each with A, C, D, E, B, C.

Color Sequence 3 (make 1): Work 1 rnd each with A, D, E, B, C, D.

Color Sequence 4 (make 1): Work 1 rnd each with A, E, B, C, D, E.

Color Sequence 5 (make 2): Work 1 rnd each with A, D, E, C, B, D.

Color Sequence 6 (make 2): Work 1 rnd each with A, E, C, B, D, E.

Color Sequence 7 (make 2): Work 1 rnd each with A, C, B, D, E, C.

Color Sequence 8 (make 2): Work 1 rnd each with A, B, D, E, C, B.

With A, ch 6; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring.

Rnds 1-6: Work same as Rnds 1-6 of Center Flower, changing color each rnd following color sequence – you will have twenty-four 3-dc groups when Rnd 6 is completed.

Fasten off.

Rnds 7 and 8: With A, work same as Rnds 7 and 8 of Center Flower – Thirty-six 2-sc groups and 36 ch-1 sps in Rnd 8.

Fasten off.

Rnd 9: From RS, draw up a loop of F in first st of any 2-sc group, ch 2 (counts as hdc), hdc in next st, *ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, hdc in next 2 sts; rep from * to last ch-1 sp, ch 1, sk last ch-1 sp; join with sl st in first sc – Thirty-six 2-hdc groups and 36 ch-1 sps.

Fasten off.

Rnd 10: From RS, join G with sc in any st, sc in each st and ch-1 sp around – 108 sc.

Fasten off.

Join Outer Flowers to Afghan

Use B, C, D, or E as desired, to join each Flower to Afghan.

Join First Flower: From RS of Afghan, join yarn with a sl st in center sc of 5-sc group worked in ch-5 sp at tip of any triangle point on Afghan, ch 4, from RS, sl st in any st of Outer Flower, ch 4, sl st in same st of Afghan, ch 2, sk next 3 sts of Outer Flower, sl st in next st, ch 2, sk next st of Afghan, sl st in next st, *ch 2, sk

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next 2 sts of Outer Flower, sl st in next st, ch 2, sk next 2 sts of Afghan, sl st in next st; rep from * 10 more times, ch 2, sk next 2 sts of Outer Flower, sl st in next st, ch 2, sk next st of Afghan, sl st in next st (center st of 5-sc group), ch 4, sk next 3 sts of Outer Flower, sl st in next st, ch 4, sl st in same st of Afghan.
Fasten off.

Join Next Flower: From RS, join another color yarn with a sl st in last st worked into on Afghan (at tip of triangle point), ch 4, insert hook in last st worked into on previous Outer Flower AND any st of next Outer Flower, yarn over and draw through all loops on hook (joining the 2 Flowers together with sl st), ch 4, sl st in same st of Afghan (at tip of triangle point), ch 2, sk next 3 sts of Outer Flower, sl st in next st, ch 2, sk next st of Afghan, sl st in next st, *ch 2, sk next 2 sts of Outer Flower, sl st in next st, ch 2, sk next 2 sts of Afghan, sl st in next st; rep from * 10 more times, ch 2, sk next 2 sts of Outer Flower, sl st in next st, ch 2, sk next st of Afghan, sl st in next st (center st of 5-sc group), ch 4, sk next 3 sts of Outer Flower, sl st in next st, ch 4, sl st in same st of Afghan.
Fasten off.

Rep until all Outer Flowers have been joined to Afghan. When working last sl st into last Outer Flower, insert hook into st of last Outer Flower AND into first st worked into on first Outer Flower.

FINISHING

Border

Border is worked from left to right (right to left if you are left-handed) – in other words, you're working in the opposite direction from which sts are usually worked.

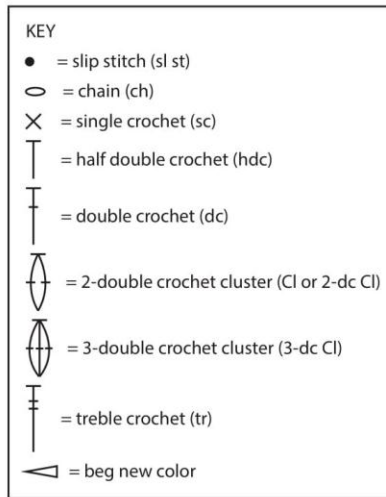
Rnd 1 (RS): From RS of any Outer Flower, sk 4 unworked sts from the last sl st worked into Outer Flower when Flower was joined to Afghan, join J with a sl st in next st, *(ch 3, sk next 2 sts, sl st in next st) 19 times, ch 2, sk last 4 unworked sts of current Outer Flower, sk next 4 unworked sts of next Outer Flower, sl st in next st; rep from * around working last sl st in first sl st.
Fasten off.

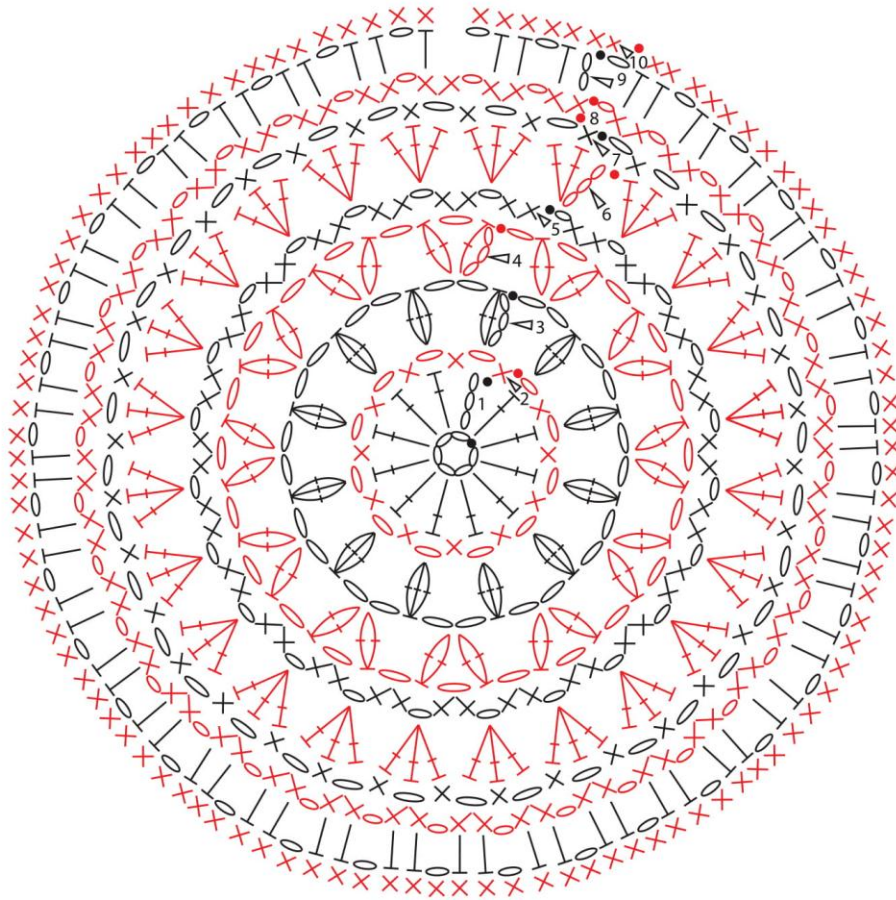
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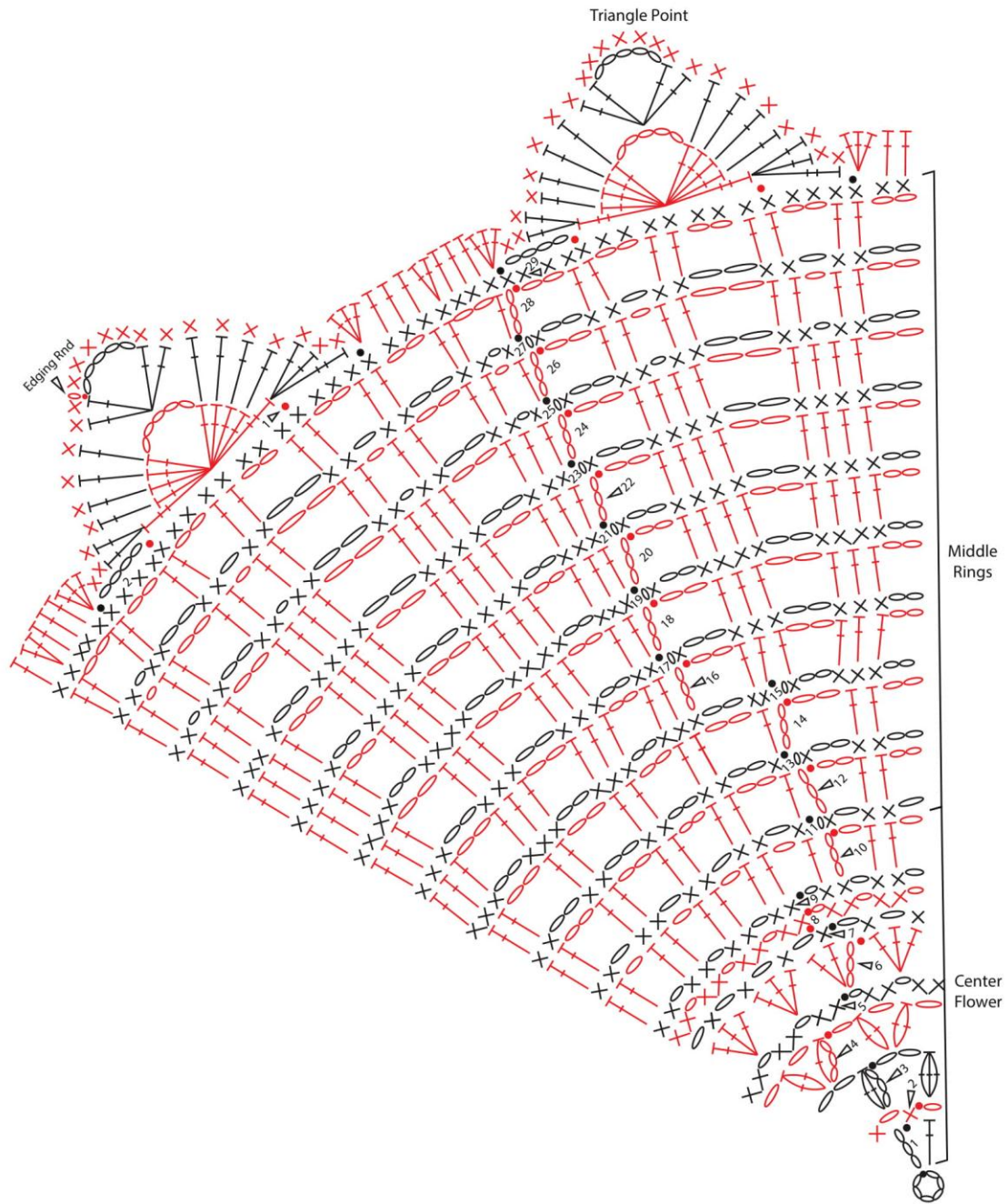
ABBREVIATIONS

beg = begin(ning)(s)
ch = chain
ch-sp(s) = space(s) previously made
dc = double crochet
hdc = half double crochet
rem = remain(ing)
rep = repeat
rnd(s) = round(s)
RS = right side
sc = single crochet
sk = skip
sp(s) = space(s)
sl st = slip stitch
st(s) = stitch(es)
tr = triple (treble) crochet
WS = wrong side

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