



Free Crochet Pattern

# Spring Bloom C2C Blanket



Pattern # -

M23010 PC

Yarn -

Lion Brand® Pima Cotton

## SKILL LEVEL – INTERMEDIATE

### SIZE

About 32 x 41 in. (81.5 x 104 cm)

64 x 82 squares

### MATERIALS

- LION BRAND® PIMA COTTON (Art. #762)
  - #110 Blueprint 2 balls (A)
  - #099 Vintage 4 balls (B)
  - #178 Dragonfly 1 ball (C)
  - #159 Mineral Yellow 3 balls (D)
  - #140 Rose Taupe 1 ball (E)
- LION BRAND® crochet hook size G-6 (4 mm)
- LION BRAND® large-eyed blunt needle



### GAUGE

8 (chain 3, 3 dc) squares = about 4 in. (10 cm).

BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

### *Corner to Corner (C2C)*

**C2C** The Corner-to-Corner (C2C) technique of crocheting is made by starting in one corner of a Chart (typically the lower right corner) and following the Chart row by row diagonally to the other corner (typically the top left corner).

### *How to start your C2C Afghan*

**Row 1:** Starting in the lower right corner of the Chart. Chain 6. DC in 4th chain from hook. DC in last two chains. You now have a chain-3 space and a total of 3 DC stitches. This completes your first square and Row 1.

**Row 2:** Chain 6. DC in 4th chain from hook. DC in last two chains. Turn your work. At this point turning consists of just flipping over the first square. Slip stitch in the chain-3 space of the first square. Chain 3. Make 3 DC in the same chain-3 space. This completes your second two squares and Row 2.

**Increase Rows** The first part of the Chart is worked by making an increase at the beginning of each row. You will start each row by chaining 6, making a DC in the 4th chain from hook and then a DC in each of the remaining 2 chains, turn, and continue making squares as you have been doing (Slip stitch in chain-3 space then chain 3 and work 3 DC in the same chain-3 space).

**Increase and Decrease Rows** The second part of the Chart is worked by making increases on one edge and making decreases on the other edge.

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**How to Decrease at the Beginning of a Row** Slip stitch in the 3 double crochet stitches of last square made. Slip stitch in the chain-3 space of last square made. Chain 3. Make 3 DC in the same chain-3 space. Continue making squares as you have been doing (Slip stitch in chain-3 space then chain 3 and work 3 DC in the same chain-3 space).

**How to Decrease at the End of a Row** Make squares as you have been doing up to the last chain-3 space. Slip stitch in the last chain-3 space but do not work chain 3 and 3 DC in that last chain-3 space. Proceed with the next row.

**Decrease Rows** The third part of the Chart is worked by making decreases on both edges. At the beginning of each row, turn your work and slip stitch across the 3 DC's of the last square made. Slip stitch in the chain-3 space then chain 3 and work 3 DC in the same chain-3 space. Continue making squares as you have been doing (Slip stitch in chain-3 space then chain 3 and work 3 DC in the same chain-3 space). At the end of the row, end with a slip stitch in the last chain-3 space, do not work chain 3 and 3 DC in that last chain-3 space.

**How to Change Yarn Colors** To join a new color pull the new color yarn through as you slip stitch in the chain-3 space. Do not fasten off the old color. Leave the strand hanging and still attached to the ball.

By not cutting your yarn each time you change colors, you will have fewer yarn ends to weave in. Just keep the balls not being used on the wrong side of your work. Take the yarn strand and pull it up to your hook when you need to join that color back into your project.

When you start to have a lot of color changes, it helps to split up your balls of yarn by winding your yarn around multiple bobbins, spools, large clothespins or even chip clips! The designer used large clothespins and then clipped them to the blanket when not in use so the yarn didn't become tangled.

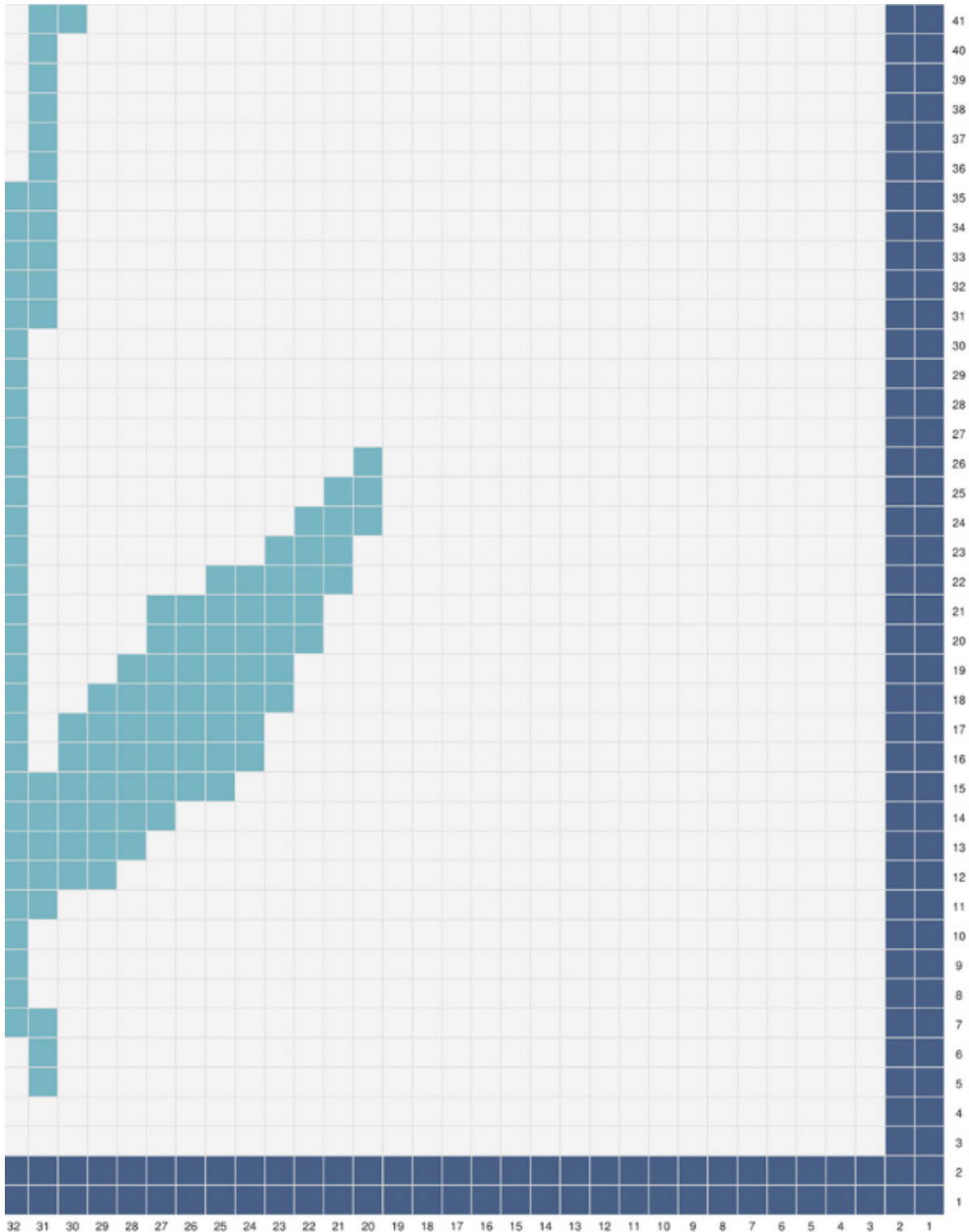
## ***How to Read the Chart***

Print out the 4 Charts and tape them together to form one large Chart. Start in the lower right corner and mark off each square as you go. Each square in this C2C Chart = chain 3 + 3 DC. The first square in the corner is Row 1. You will work diagonally back and forth (down one row and back up the next). So, Row 2 of the Chart will be read diagonally from left to right and Row 3 from right to left.

# BLANKET

Work in C2C technique, changing yarn color following Chart until all 145 rows have been completed.

## *Lower Right*

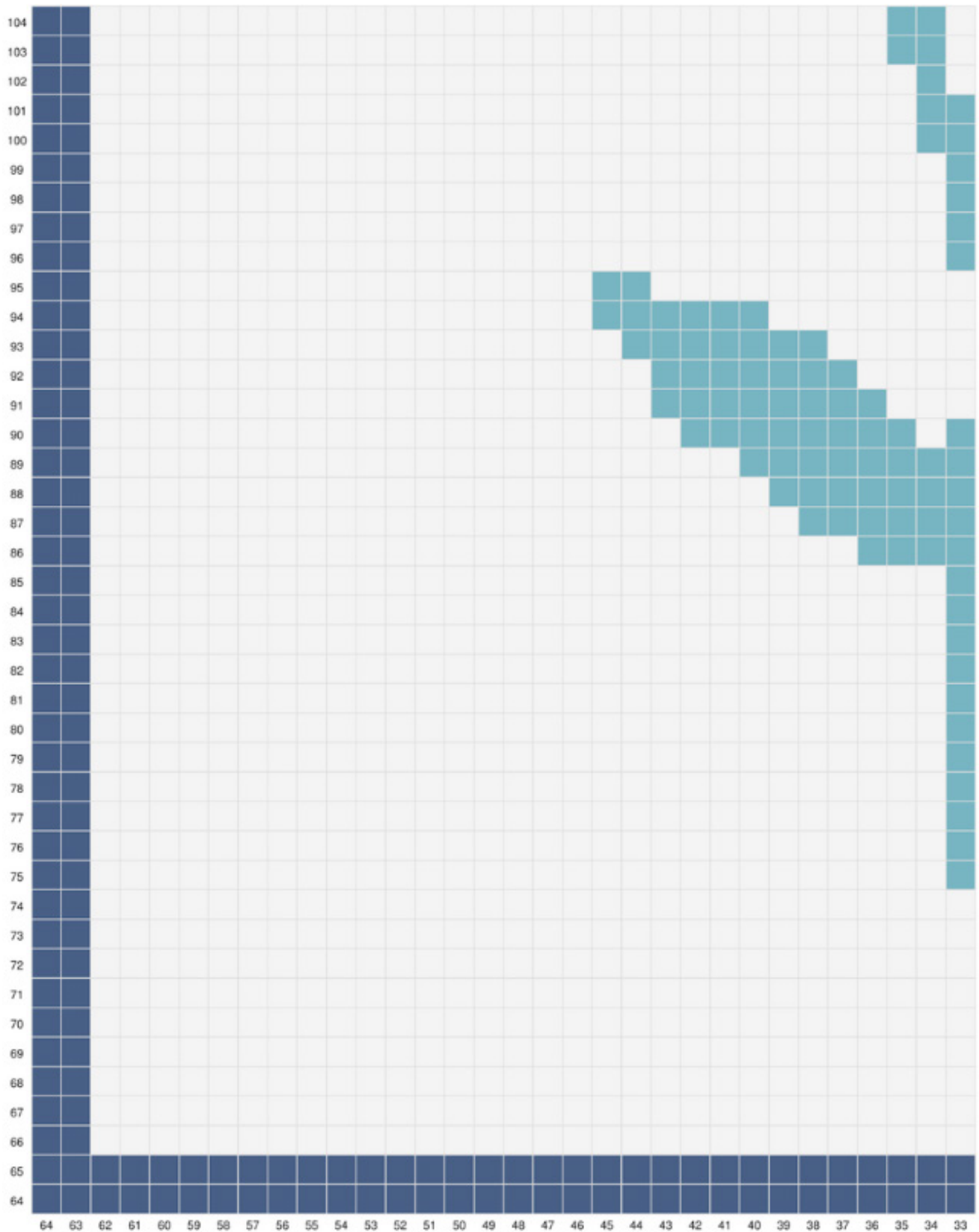


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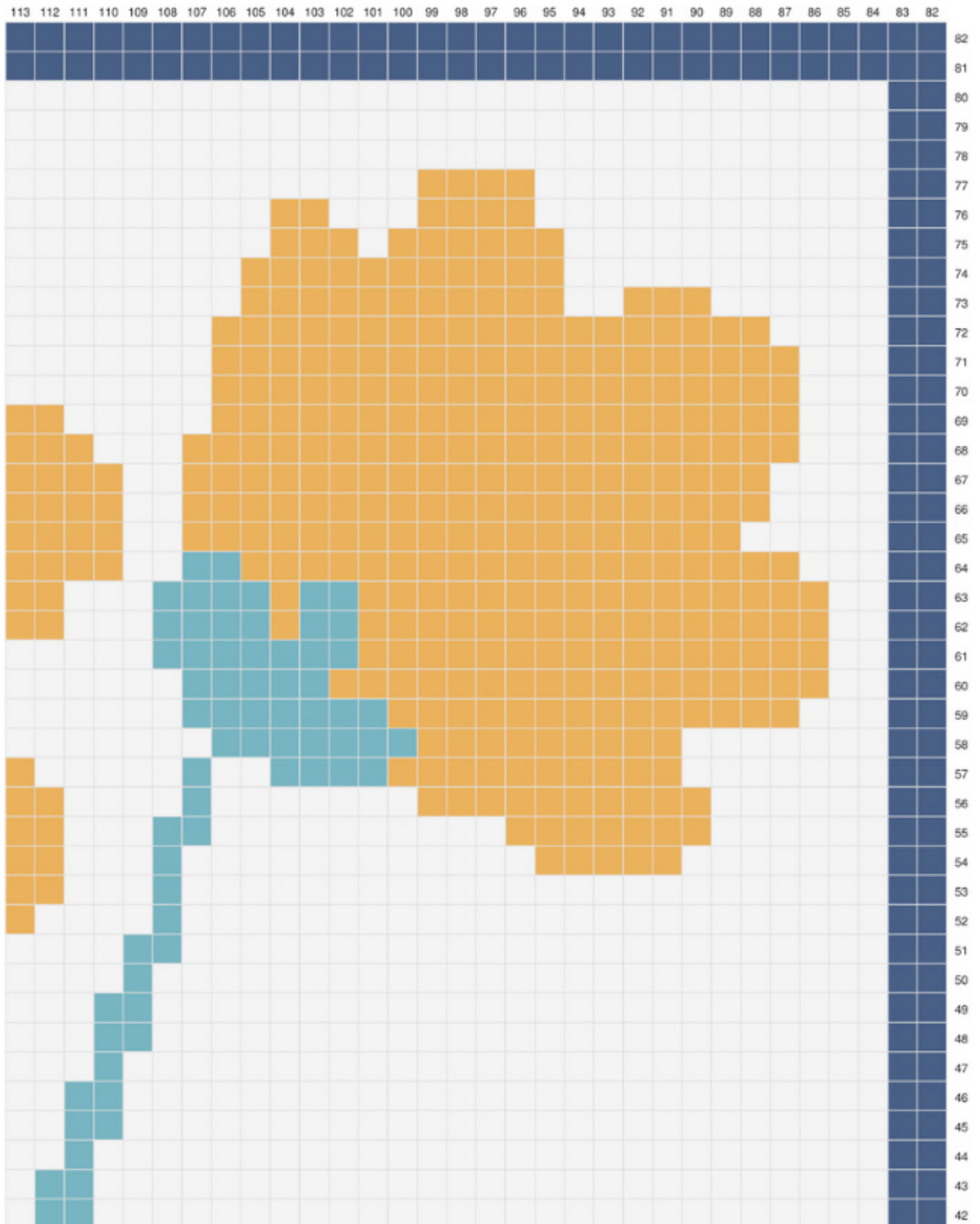


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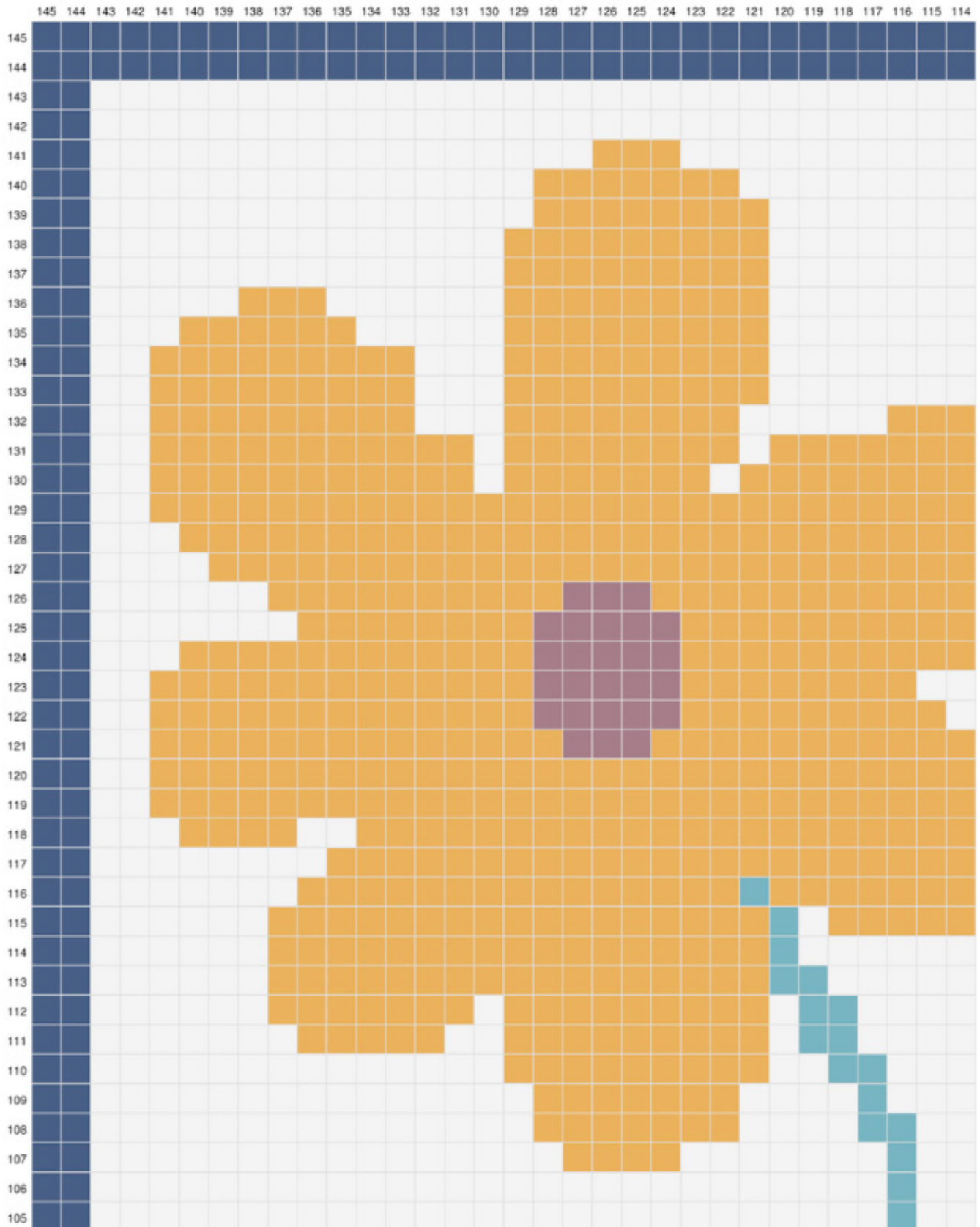


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## FINISHING

Weave in ends.

## ABBREVIATIONS

dc = double crochet



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