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Crochet a Gorgeous Mandala Floor Rug

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What You'll Be Creating

In this tutorial we'll be making a beautiful crochet rug, made from T-shirt yarn. The pattern uses US terms and stitches include slip stitch (sl st); double crochet (dc); chain (ch); increase (inc) and a magic ring.

Supplies





- T-shirt yarn (also called Zpagetti) in two colours that complement each other. You'll need about three cones of yarn in total.
- A crochet hook in a size suitable for t-shirt yarn. I'm using a 15mm hook.
- A large darning needle for sewing in the ends.
- A pair of scissors.

1. Crochet Round One

Step 1

Using the main colour yarn, make a magic ring and secure with a stitch. Chain 3 (counting as one dc), then crochet 11 double crochets in the ring.



Step 2

Pull the ring closed. Join with a slip stitch in the third chain of the first ch 3.





2. Crochet Round Two

Chain 3 (counting as 1 dc), work another dc in the same stitch, then work 2dc in each stitch around. Join with a slip stitch in the top ch of the starting ch3.



3. Crochet Round Three

Chain 3 (counting as 1 dc), work 2dc in the next stitch, then *1dc, 2dc* around. Join with a slip stitch in the top ch of the starting ch3.





4. Crochet Round Four

Chain 3 (counting as 1 dc), chain 2, skip a stitch, then *1dc, ch2, sk 1 st* around. Join with a slip stitch in the top ch of the starting ch3.



5. Crochet Round Five

Chain 3 (counting as 1 dc), work 2 dc in the ch2 space, work 1dc in the underlying dc, then *inc, 1dc in dc* around. Join with a slip stitch in the top ch of the starting ch3.





6. Crochet Round Six

Change colour. Chain 3 (counting as 1 dc), work 1 dc in the next stitch, work 2dc in the next stitch, then *2dc, inc* around. Join with a slip stitch in the top ch of the starting ch3.





7. Crochet Round Seven

Chain 3 (counting as 1 dc), chain 2, skip a stitch, then *1dc, ch2, sk 1 st* around. Join with a slip stitch in the top ch of the starting ch3.



8. Crochet Round Eight

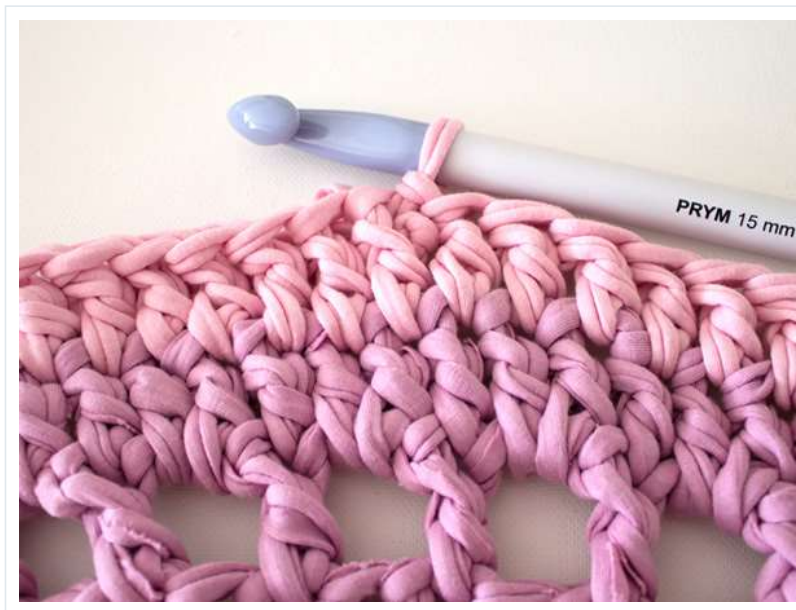
Chain 3 (counting as 1 dc), work 2 dc in the ch2 space, work a dc in the underlying dc, then *inc, 1 dc in dc* around. Join with a slip stitch in the top ch of the starting ch3.





9. Crochet Round Nine

Change colour. Chain 3 (counting as 1 dc), work a dc in the next stitch, then *1 dc* around. Join with a slip stitch in the top ch of the starting ch3.



10. Crochet Round Ten

Chain 3 (counting as 1 dc), chain 2, skip a stitch, then *1dc, ch2, sk 1 st* around. Join with a slip stitch in the top ch of the starting ch3.





11. Crochet Round Eleven

Chain 3 (counting as 1 dc), work 1dc in ch2 space, work 1dc in underlying dc, work 2dc in the ch2 space, then *1dc in dc, 1dc in ch2 sp, 1dc in dc, inc* around. Join with a slip stitch in the top ch of the starting ch3.



12. Crochet Round Twelve

Change colour. Chain 3 (counting as 1 dc), work 1dc in the next stitch, then *1dc* around. Join with a slip stitch in the top ch of the starting ch3.





13. Crochet Round Thirteen

Chain 3 (counting as 1 dc), chain 2, skip a stitch, then *1dc, ch2, sk 1 st* around. Join with a slip stitch in the top ch of the starting ch3.



14. Crochet Round Fourteen

Chain 3 (counting as 1 dc), work 1dc in ch2 space, work 1dc in underlying dc, work 2dc in the ch2 space, then *1dc in dc, 1dc in ch2 sp, 1dc in dc, inc* around. Join with a slip stitch in the top ch of the starting ch3.





15. Crochet Round Fifteen

Change colour. Chain 3 (counting as 1 dc), work 1dc in the next stitch, then *1dc* around. Join with a slip stitch in the top ch of the starting ch3.



16. Crochet Round Sixteen

Chain 3 (counting as 1 dc), chain 2, skip a stitch, then *1dc, ch2, sk 1 st* around. Join with a slip stitch in the top ch of the starting ch3.





17. Crochet Round Seventeen

Chain 3 (counting as 1 dc), work 1dc in ch2 space, work 1dc in underlying dc, work 1dc in ch2 space, work 1dc in underlying dc, work 2dc in the ch2 space, then *1dc in dc, 1dc in ch2 sp, 1dc in dc, 1dc in ch2 sp, 1dc in dc, inc* around. Join with a slip stitch in the top ch of the starting ch3.



18. Crochet Round Eighteen

Chain 1, work a sc in the same stitch, skip two stitches, work 6dc in next stitch, skip two stitches, then *1sc, sk 2 st, 6dc, sk 2 st* around. Join with a slip stitch in the first sc of the round. Fasten off.





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19. Finish the Rug

Flip over your rug and using your large darning needle, sew in all the ends. You can easily do this by weaving the tails under the dc's of the rounds. Cut the yarn ends after you've sewed them in, and turn your rug back over.

Well Done. You're Finished.

The rug may ripple a bit, but because of the stretchy nature of the yarn it will straighten out over time.





You can wash it with regular detergents. All that there is left to do for you now is enjoy your beautiful rug!





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**GrannyJo** • 4 years ago

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**Chellsea Leanne Hernandez** → GrannyJo • 3 years agoGo to printfriendly.com and put in this page url and you can make in print friendly :)

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**Daphna Maman** → Chellsea Leanne Hernandez • 2 years ago

Thanks alot!!!

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**Jennifer Balding** → Chellsea Leanne Hernandez • 3 years ago

thank you!! you can even delete the images to make it shorter :)

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**Zeli** • 3 years ago

Awesome tutorial and amazing blog!!!

but Jeee I messed up with the increase thing :/

could you please help me understand what should i do in the following line:

1dc in dc, 1dc in ch2 sp, 1dc in dc, inc

Does that mean:

1dc in dc, 1dc in ch2 sp, 1dc in dc, 2dc in ch2 sp??

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**Jess** → Zeli • 3 years ago

Any answer to this question? I'm having the same dilemma, thanks!

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**Julie** → Jess • 3 years ago

Help!!! I'm stuck on row 5 too

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**Jess** → Julie • 3 years ago

Julie I figured out what she means, Zeli had it right ^^ *1dc in underlying dc, 2dc in ch2 space* around in rounds 5 and 8. Then *1dc in underlying dc, 1dc in ch2 sp, 1dc in dc, 2dc in ch2 space* around for rounds 11 & 14. Then only 1dc in underlying dc and 1dc in every ch2 space in round 17. Hope that helps!

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**Julie** → Jess • 3 years ago

Thanks Jess this info was really helpful, can't wait to continue

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**Sherry** → Jess • 3 years ago

But where is the 1dc in dc

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**Jess** → Sherry • 3 years ago

What do you mean?

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**Sherry** → Jess • 3 years ago

Never mind I frogged if ... Thanks anyway that round confused me ... What is the "underlying stitch" and what were we supposed to repeat ... So in the end are we just doing "2 dc in ch sp and 1dc in dc" all around

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**Sarah Brown** → Jess • 3 years ago

Ok....helping you can help me too!

Row 6 a does it simply mean to do 2 dc in each stitch?

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**Jess** → Sarah Brown • 3 years ago

Sarah if you look at the picture it's *1dc, 1dc, 2dc*.

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Sarah Brown → Jess · 3 years ago

Thanks jess! I'm new to crocheting so I'm not used to reading a pattern that uses inc

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Jess → Sarah Brown · 3 years ago

I've been crocheting for 9 years and I got stuck too! It's not the best way to write a pattern but luckily she took great photos. Good luck :)

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Keren → Jess · 3 years ago

I agree! it also missing the stitches count which could help prevent mistakes

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Sarah Brown → Jess · 3 years ago

Hey jess. For row 17 is it definitely only 1 dc in each chain 2 space? I'm confused as it still says "inc" in this instruction but we don't seem to be doing 2 dc in any stitch?

Thanks in advance for your help again,

Sarah

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Kristin Colyar · 4 years ago

Hello! I'm going to be starting this pattern for a friend of mine sometime this week, but due to finances we cannot use the t-shirt yarn. Would this pattern work by using 2 strands of size 4 yarn??? Or maybe 3 strands???

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Leeloo → Kristin Colyar · 4 years ago

I am working on this by using 2 strands of size 4 yarn. So far it works well with my project.

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Lori Cicero · 4 years ago

Thank you for sharing the pattern for this beautiful rug! Can you tell me how wide it is?

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Babs → Lori Cicero · 4 years ago

When I made it it was about 5 feet

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iloveolesh · 3 years ago

Hi :-)

Could someone suggest -

how many kilo's of t-shirt yarn are needed for this project ?

or what is the diameter of the final rug ?

thanks!

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Kristin Abram · 4 years ago

Just finished making this. Thanks for the pattern! I made yarn from 5 twin size jersey sheets I found at the thrift store and went a couple of extra rounds (until I ran out of yarn). It turned out awesome!! You can see it here if you like: <http://pinterest.com/pin/41...>

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Alisa Lannon → Kristin Abram · 3 years ago

That looks really great. How many sheets of each color? How do you cut sheets to make a continuous skein?

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Kristin Abram → Alisa Lannon · 3 years ago

Thanks! I used a sheet set (top & fitted) of both the purple and the pink, and I used one of the green. I still have a bit of purple left over, but the pink and green are pretty much gone.

I attempted to explain how I cut the sheets here (feel free to ask questions if something is unclear!):

<http://k Abramkrafts.blogspot...>


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Alisa Lannon → Kristin Abram · 3 years ago


Thanks so much for the quick reply! I am going to hit the thrift store and see what I can come up with!


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 **ashli young** → Kristin Abram • 3 years ago
Wow, that looks awesome! Good job!
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 **creative mau** • 4 years ago
wow, lovely Wink!!!
pretty pretty and pretty !!
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 **Wink** → creative mau • 4 years ago
Thank you so much! :)
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 **Stephanie Krebs** • 4 years ago
This is really only 165 yards of yarn?! It's lovely & I am impressed.
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 **Nienke** • 2 years ago
Oh thank you so much for this pattern! I already made one and even my bf loves it ;) my fingers are itching to make a couple more! Thanks! Here's a picture of my room being happily furnished with a new rug thanks to you!




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 **Linda Lay** • 2 years ago
Hello I've replied to someone else's post who seems to be having the same problem as I am, but I wanted to make sure the post doesn't get lost. My rug is SO rippled!! Could this be because I've put too many stitches in somehow? Please let me know if you've had the same problem and please tell me it will become flat on its own! :-)
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 **Berber Leistra-Duizendstra** • 4 years ago
Thank you so much fot sharing this pattern.
Yesterday i finished my rug
<http://metsmaakgehaakt.blog...>
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 **Wanda K** • 4 years ago
Hi, I was given this web site by a friend who loves this rug, as I cannot look at something and make it without a pattern. I have been trying to locate a pattern for something I have seen, I wonder if I send you the photo, if you could make a pattern for it. I would gladly pay for the pattern. Thanks for your help.
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 **Wink** → Wanda K • 4 years ago
Have you done a search on Ravelry for the pattern?
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Wanda K → Wink · 4 years ago

Yes, I have. I cannot find it any where. I look on each crochet site I come across. The photo is from pinterest therefore it has no title named on it. Just the photo, beautiful as it is, with no name. How sad that I cannot find a pattern. I know it would probably be easier to locate a pattern for it if I knew the name of it. It is a toddler's skirt, hat and purse. So adorable! The items are show cased in an emerald green. Very adorable.

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Elaine DiSanto → Wanda K · 4 years ago

Can you post the link to the pin? I'm a whiz at finding stuff like that... with no info to go on other than the picture. I'd love tot ry!

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janiemasterson → Wanda K · 4 years ago

Hi Wanda, if you still need help let me know. I can figure out anything!! Been crocheting for many years.

I have plenty of free time.

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Karlene Browning → janiemasterson · 10 months ago

Could you tell me how to do row 8 PLEASE

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Wink → Wanda K · 4 years ago

Hmm... What about Craftsy? There are a lot of patterns for children's items on there! If you still can't find it, visit me on my Facebook page (link in my author bio) and I'll help you from there.

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rosie wilson · 4 years ago

how many chains is in the beginning chain and what is a magic ring

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colenemyers → rosie wilson · 4 years ago

go to you tube they have tutorials on the magic ring or magic circle,, I was amazed at all of the things they have on the tube

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Wink → rosie wilson · 4 years ago

There is no beginning chain. Google or Youtube how to make a magic ring :)

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Sonia Castrillon · 5 days ago

Hello. I need help understanding this pattern. I don't know what the underlying do is . And what does it mean to 1dc in dc.

This is my first time doi g a crochet project and although I read the understanding a pattern tutorial. I've done good so far til this point since I don't understand this round.

Chain 3 (counting as 1 dc), work 1dc in ch2 space, work 1dc in underlying dc, work 2dc in the ch2 space, then *1dc in dc, 1dc in ch2 sp, 1dc in dc, inc* around. Join with a slip stitch in the top ch of the starting ch3.

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Deb · 4 months ago

Mine seems to be going wrong somewhere near round 8 with the inc, dc in Underlying dc. It is going really frilly as if there are 2 many stitches. I have made 2 others previously and given up at this stage and made my own pattern up

It seems to go wrong somewhere in round 7 or 8

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Heba Youssef → Deb · 11 days ago

Are you still working on it, Deb?

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Susie M · 9 months ago

So glad I found this pattern, just beautiful, can't wait to make. Thank you so much for sharing it with us. I copied the URL to printfriendly.com and it converted the pattern exactly as you have it here, but I deleted all the pictures except a couple for reference and copied and pasted to a WORD doc to save for the future when I have time this winter to make this pattern. So glad I found it.

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WillloKeays · a year ago

For those looking for Stitch Counts .. this is what I came up with.

Round 1 - 12 Stitches

Round 2 - 24 Stitches

Round 3 - 36 Stitches

- Round 3 - 36 Stitches
- Round 4 - 18 arches
- Round 5 - 54 Stitches
- Round 6 - 54 Stitches
- Round 7 - 36 arches
- Round 8 - 108 Stitches
- Round 9 - 108 Stitches
- Round 10 - 56 arches
- Round 11 - 144 Stitches
- Round 12 - 144 Stitches
- Round 13 - 70 arches
- Round 14 - 180 Stitches
- Round 15 - 180 Stitches
- Round 16 - 90 arches
- Round 17 - 210 stitches
- Round 18 - 35 scallops

This will give you a 38" rug using Wool-Ease Thick & Quick Yarn. I'll be repeating the pattern rounds till I have a 60" rug.

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Kim Thomas → WilloKeays · a year ago

Thank you for adding the stitch count for us, but are you sure Round 6 is 54 stitches? It's an inc round... My stitch count is way out of whack after this round. I'm about to frog it for the third time.

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