CROCHET MANDALA: SUNSET MANDALA WALL HANGING

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Printable pattern, adapted in my own words from the free Annie Design Crochet "Summer Mandala" design listed in sources.txt. US crochet terms.

SKILL LEVEL

Easy (confident beginner)

MATERIALS

- 4 ply (fingering) cotton yarn, in the style of Scheepjes Cotton 8, in small amounts of six colors: burgundy, cream, dusty pink, mustard yellow, terracotta, and sage green. One color is used for each round.
- Crochet hook: 3.0 mm
- Yarn needle
- Scissors
- Embroidery hoop: 12 inches (30 cm)

GAUGE

Gauge is not crucial for this project. The mandala is blocked to size before it goes on the hoop. The source gives no gauge, and none has been invented here.

FINISHED SIZE

The finished circle is about 11 inches (28 cm) across with the stated yarn and hook, and it fits a 12 inch (30 cm) embroidery hoop with a little stretch. A heavier yarn and a larger hook make a larger circle, which needs a larger hoop.

ABBREVIATIONS

ch: chain

sl st: slip stitch

sc: single crochet

dc: double crochet

st: stitch

sp: space

beg: beginning

SPECIAL STITCHES

V-stitch (V-st): (1 dc, ch 1, 1 dc) in the same space or stitch.

Picot: ch 3, sl st into the first ch.

PATTERN NOTES

- Work in joined rounds. Change color for every round and fasten off at the end of each round.
- The beginning ch 3 counts as 1 dc. The beginning ch 4 counts as 1 dc and ch 1.
- Join each round with a slip stitch to the top of the beginning chain, unless the round says otherwise.
- The color for each round is: Round 1 burgundy, Round 2 cream, Round 3 dusty pink, Round 4 mustard yellow, Round 5 terracotta, Round 6 sage green, Round 7 cream, Round 8 dusty pink, Round 9 burgundy, Round 10 mustard yellow, Round 11 cream.

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Round 1: With burgundy, ch 4 and join with a sl st to the first ch to form a ring. Ch 3 (counts as 1 dc), work 15 dc into the ring, join with a sl st to the 3rd ch of the beg ch 3. Fasten off. (16 dc)

Round 2: With cream, join in any st. Ch 4 (counts as 1 dc and ch 1), work 1 dc and ch 1 in the next st; repeat around, join with a sl st to the 3rd ch of the beg ch 4. Fasten off. (16 dc, 16 ch-1 sp)

Round 3: With dusty pink, join in any ch-1 sp. Ch 3 (counts as 1 dc), 1 dc in the same sp, ch 1, work 2 dc and ch 1 in the next ch-1 sp; repeat around, join with a sl st to the 3rd ch of the beg ch 3. Fasten off. (32 dc, 16 ch-1 sp)

Round 4: With mustard yellow, join in any ch-1 sp. Ch 4 and 1 dc in the same sp (counts as the first V-st), ch 1, work a V-st and ch 1 in the next ch-1 sp; repeat around, join with a sl st to the 3rd ch of the beg ch 4. Fasten off. (16 V-st, 16 ch-1)

Round 5: With terracotta, join in the ch-1 of any V-st from Round 4. Ch 4 and 1 dc in the same sp (counts as the first V-st), ch 3, work a V-st and ch 3 in the ch-1 of the next V-st; repeat around, join with a sl st to the 3rd ch of the beg ch 4. Fasten off. (16 V-st, 16 ch-3)

Round 6: With sage green, join in the ch-1 of any V-st from Round 5. Ch 4 and 1 dc in the same sp (counts as the first V-st), ch 4, work a V-st and ch 4 in the ch-1 of the next V-st; repeat around, join with a sl st to the 3rd ch of the beg ch 4. Fasten off. (16 V-st, 16 ch-4)

Round 7: With cream, join in the ch-1 of any V-st from Round 6. Ch 4 and 1 dc in the same sp (counts as the first V-st), ch 1, work a V-st and ch 1 in the next ch-4 sp, then work a V-st and ch 1 in the ch-1 of the next V-st, and a V-st and ch 1 in the next ch-4 sp; repeat around, join with a sl st to the 3rd ch of the beg ch 4. Fasten off. (32 V-st, 32 ch-1)

Round 8: With dusty pink, join in the ch-1 of any V-st from Round 7. Ch 4 and 1 dc in the same sp (counts as the first V-st), ch 2, work a V-st and ch 2 in the ch-1 of the next V-st; repeat around, join with a sl st to the 3rd ch of the beg ch 4. Fasten off. (32 V-st, 32 ch-2)

Round 9: With burgundy, repeat Round 8. Fasten off. (32 V-st, 32 ch-2)

Round 10: With mustard yellow, join in the ch-1 of any V-st from Round 9. Ch 1, 1 sc in the same sp, ch 1, work (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in the ch-1 of the next V-st, ch 1, then work 1 sc in the ch-1 of the next V-st, ch 1, and (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in the ch-1 of the next V-st, ch 1; repeat around, join with a sl st to the first sc. Fasten off. (16 petals: 16 sc, 16 shells of 6 dc each)

Round 11: With cream, join to the top of the first dc made in Round 10. Ch 3 (counts as 1 dc), 1 dc in the next 2 sts, work (2 dc, picot, 2 dc) in the ch-2 sp, 1 dc in the next 3 sts, skip the next sc, then work 1 dc in the next 3 dc, (2 dc, picot, 2 dc) in the next ch-2 sp, 1 dc in the next 3 dc, and skip the next sc; repeat around, join with a sl st to the top of the beg ch 3. Fasten off. (16 petals: 160 dc, 16 picots)

FINISHING

- Fasten off and use a yarn needle to weave in all yarn ends.
- Block the mandala by pinning it into a flat circle and gently steam ironing it.
- Attach the mandala to the hoop: thread a yarn needle with cream yarn and attach the yarn to the top of one petal with a stitch. Loop the yarn over the hoop, then attach it to the next petal. Work your way around the mandala, attaching each of the 16 petals with a stitch and looping around the hoop each time. The crochet piece will stretch a little to fit the hoop.
- Hanging loop (original addition, not from the source): with cream yarn, ch 25 and join with a sl st to the first ch to form a loop. Fasten off and tie the loop firmly to the top of the hoop.
- Check the stitch counts as you work: Round 1 holds 16 dc, Round 3 holds 32 dc, Rounds 4 to 6 hold 16 V-sts each, Rounds 7 to 9 hold 32 V-sts each, Round 10 makes 16 petals, and Round 11 finishes 16 petals with a picot on each one.

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