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# Ho ho ho, Merry CROCHETMAS

In this new Fun Crochet Magazine issue, we will start crafting for the best  
holiday of the year: Christmas! The perfect time to snuggle up by the fireplace  
and start new projects. And luckily, we've collected the most amazing patterns  
for you in this issue!

Get inspired and get started with **Christmas sparrows**, **crocheted  
Christmas baubles**, and brighten up your Christmas tree with **festive  
accessories**. Of course, lights are also part of Christmas, so create a nice  
atmosphere in your home with the crocheted **Christmas lights**! Are you still  
looking for gifts to put under the Christmas tree? What about **squeeze coin  
purses** and a warm cardigan? Or give a **bottle of wine in a crocheted Santa  
Claus sleeve**. Very original!

Is the classic Christmas tree a bit boring? Try an alternative, such as  
a **Christmas tree cushion** or a **crocheted tree including tree-topper  
and garlands**. To jazz up Christmas dinner, crochet a  
beautiful **table runner** with golden details. And we've  
also thought of pretty (wall) hangings. Get going with  
Christmas stars, mistletoe and a tapestry with reindeer!

Have fun working on these amazing crochet projects!

Ashja Bosboom-Fetvacian (publisher)  
& Marion Boeckhout (editor)







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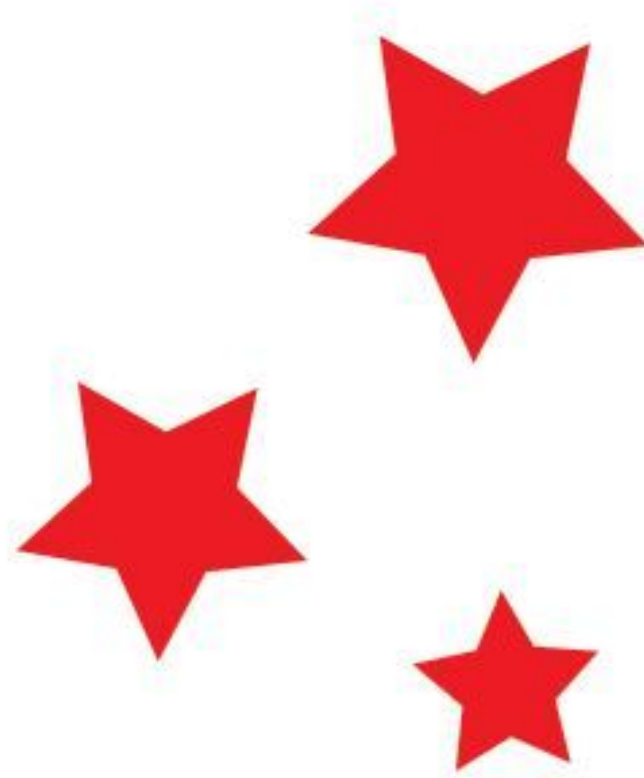


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## KEY TO SYMBOLS

A short overview of what you can expect to find with the articles.



The **pattern** in this article contains additional step-by-step instructions or diagrams. Are you a subscriber? You can download the diagrams via the online issue.



This pattern comes with an online video tutorial demonstrating the technique used. It's a quick and easy way to learn more about the **technique** - how convenient is that?! Visit [aandehaak.nl/videos](http://aandehaak.nl/videos).



The number of balls of yarn indicate how difficult something is to make. This also depends on your own pace and level, of course, but it's nice to know what you're getting yourself into beforehand!





# MEET THE MAKERS...



Get ready for Christmas with a cute Santa gnome, designed by **Maja Nowicka**.



**Susy Terheggen** made a festive table runner with golden accents and pine cone motive.



**Diana Limpens** is always early preparing for Christmas, she decorates her home with homemade Christmas lights and a nutcracker.



Alternative Christmas trees are back in fashion, so try out **Helene Smits'** design. A small but super fun alternative.



Make a delicious bottle of wine even more enjoyable by crocheting an amazing gift wrapping around it, a design by **Dorine Brokling**.



**Marjan Gouda** suggests to add a little extra to the gifts under the tree by packing them according to the Furoshiki method. Sustainable!



No ugly Christmas sweater but a lovely, cheerful cardigan in Norwegian style made by **Roelke Kup**. Warm and cozy!



You can bring Christmas vibes to your home with **Christine Emaar's** mini-folding screen and mistletoe Christmas star.



Want a substitute for the classic Christmas tree? Try **Hedy Kunst's** creation, a Christmas tree cushion.



The cute birds with Christmas hats by **Cees van Tol** will brighten up your tree. Or use them as decoration for extra Christmas cheer!



Great as a gift, but also for your own use of course. You can keep yourself busy on cold days with these cute squeeze coin purses by **Kristina de Barse**.



**Corrie Wittenberg** crocheted a nice wall hanging with a reindeer pixel pattern, perfect for Christmas.



Make your own Christmas baubles with **Anneke Kooistra's** lovely versions and add some color to your tree.





# Crochet!

## LET'S GET STARTED

Crochet is super fun! But how do you actually make all these wonderful creations? We've listed all the basics and techniques just for you, so you can get started right away. Before you know it, you'll be hooked...

### ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

These are the most commonly used abbreviations and symbols:

|             |                                                           |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
|             | round 1, etc.                                             |
| ○ = ch      | chain                                                     |
| X = sc      | single crochet                                            |
| ● = sl st   | slip stitch                                               |
| MR          | magic ring                                                |
| next        | next                                                      |
| dec         | decrease                                                  |
| inc         | increase                                                  |
| tog         | together                                                  |
| skip        | skip                                                      |
| T = esc     | extended single crochet                                   |
| T = dc      | double crochet                                            |
| T = hdc     | half double crochet                                       |
| ⊖ = cl      | cluster                                                   |
| T = tr      | treble crochet                                            |
| T = dtr     | double treble crochet                                     |
| [ ]         | work everything between the brackets into the same stitch |
| RS          | right side                                                |
| WS          | wrong side                                                |
| FL          | front loop                                                |
| BL          | back loop                                                 |
| post stitch | post stitch                                               |
| FPdc        | Front Post double crochet                                 |
| BPdc        | Back Post double crochet                                  |
| FPEdc       | Front Post Extended double crochet                        |

### Stitches used

Would you like to learn more about the most commonly used stitches and techniques?

At [aandehaak.nl/basis](http://aandehaak.nl/basis) we explain how to do things like crochet a chain, single crochet, slip stitch or double crochet, but also how you can set up a magic ring and decrease and increase as you're working. The step-by-step instructions include drawings and videos to help you on your way. **Take a look at [aandehaak.nl/basis](http://aandehaak.nl/basis).**

**Note: videos are in Dutch**

Learn different techniques via [aandehaak.nl/basis](http://aandehaak.nl/basis)

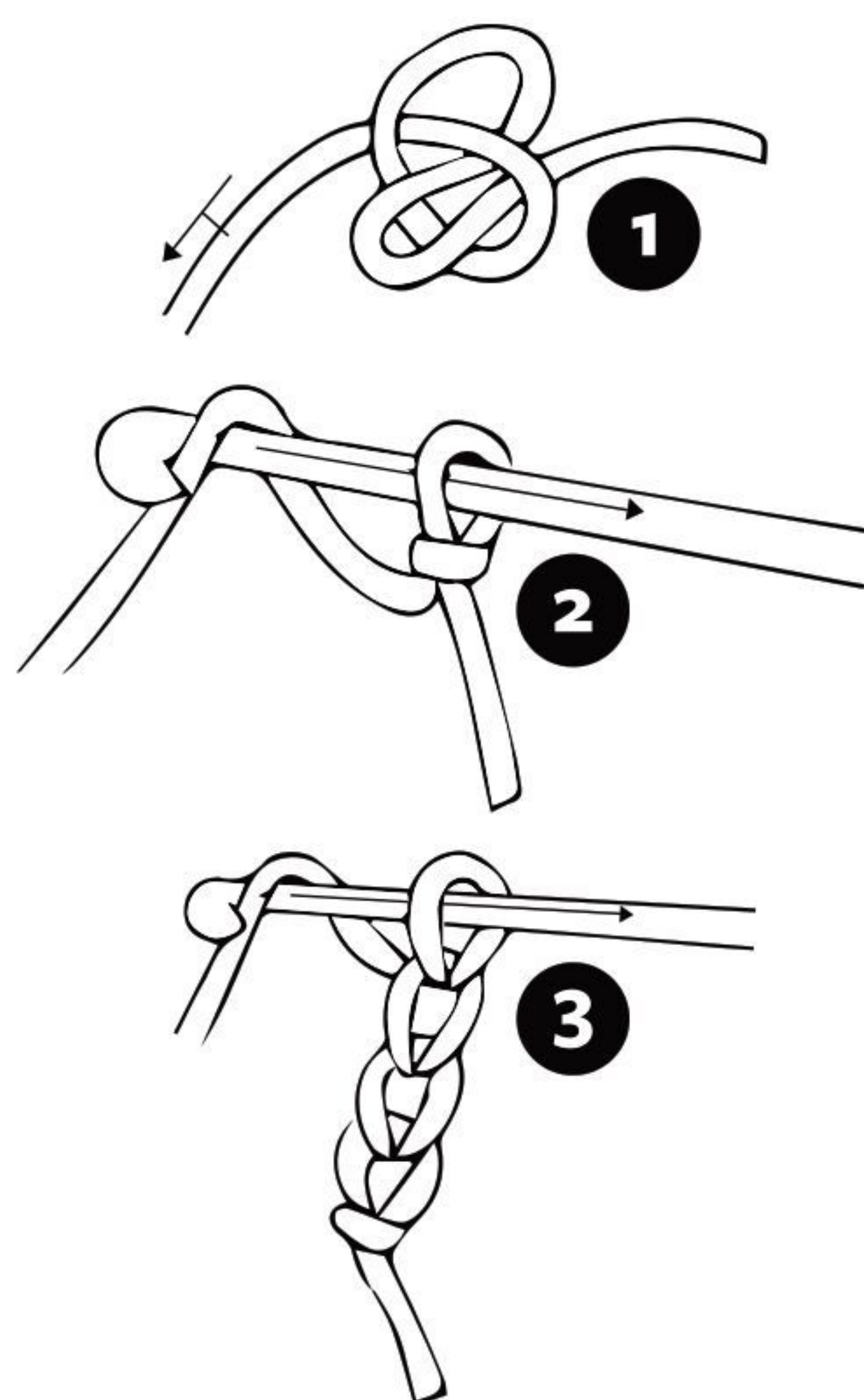


With instruction videos!

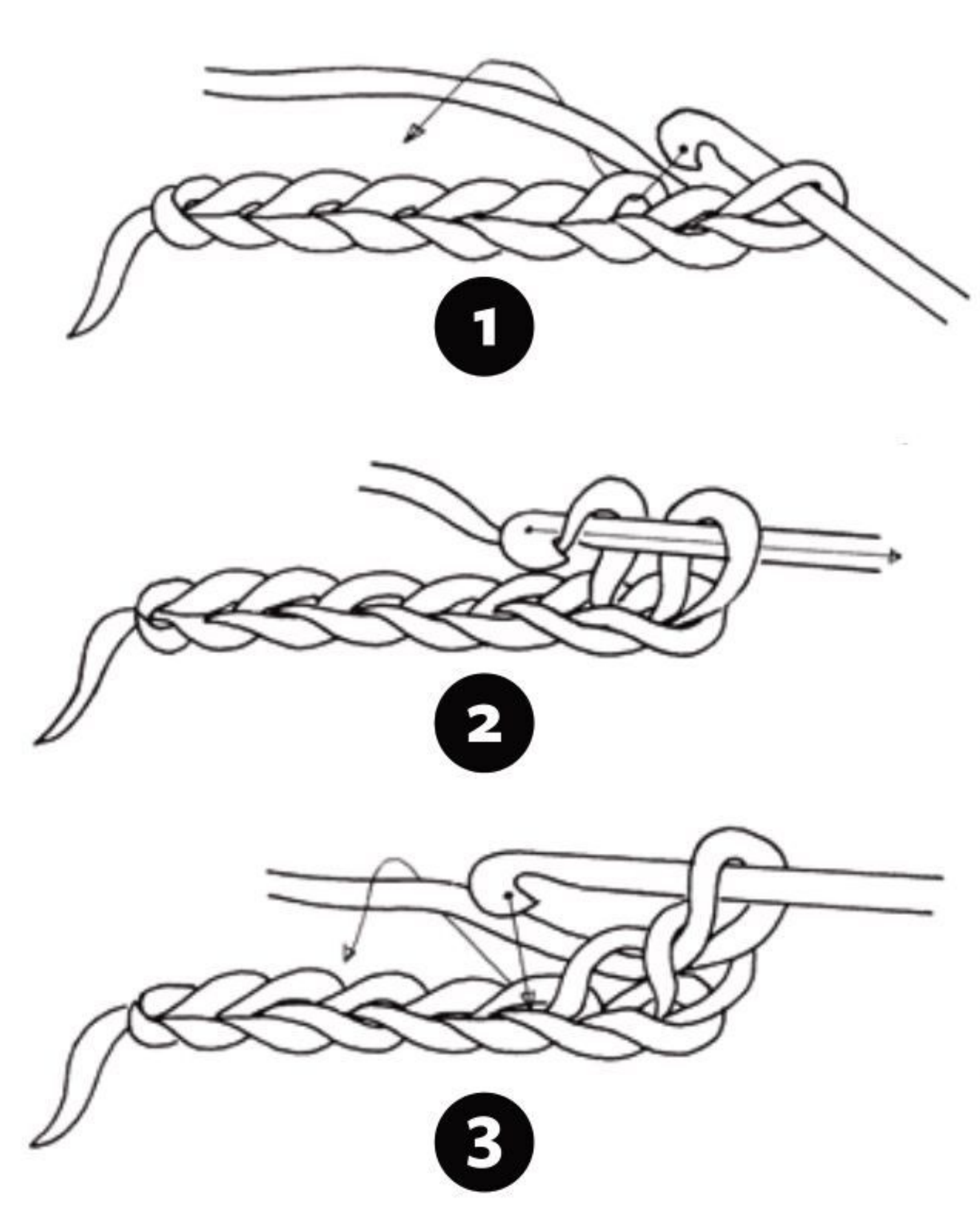


**TIP!** Scan the QR code

### CHAIN



### SLIP STITCH (SL ST)



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FOR THE WINDOW OR ON THE TREE



PLAYFUL

# Christmas garland

A garland with lights is quite common during the Christmas season, but this one with cute little crocheted balls is really unique. The fake bulbs don't light up, but they give a nice atmosphere to your home.

## WHAT DO YOU NEED?

- Yarn and Colors Musthave yarn: cream 002, pepper 032, silver 094
- 3 mm crochet hook
- Fiberfill stuffing
- Darning needle
- Stitch markers
- Fabric adhesive (optional)

## GARLAND

Make a MR and work 8 sc into it.

**Rnd 1:** crochet a chain of 151 ch.

**Rnd 2:** Work 150 sc back + 1 tch.

**Rnd 3:** Work 150 sc back again.

Determine where the lights should come. To do this, place a piece of yarn or stitch marker after the first 10 stitches. Then place a stitch marker every 30 stitches. Make the garland as long as you wish and determine the spacing of the lights.

## LIGHT (3 RED, 2 WHITE)

**Rnd 1:** Make a MR and work 6 sc into it.

**Rnd 2:** 6 x inc.

**Rnd 3:** 6 x (1 sc, inc).

**Rnd 4:** 6 x (2 sc, inc).

**Rnd 5:** 5 x (1 sc, inc, 2 sc). Make 1 sc (= 24).

**Rnd 6:** (6 x 3 sc, inc) (= 30).

**Rnds 7-11:** 30 sc.

**Rnd 12:** 6 x (3 sc, dec) (= 24).

**Rnd 13:** 5 x (1 sc, dec, 2 sc, dec).

Make 1 sc (= 18).

**Rnd 14:** 6 x (1 sc, dec) (= 12).

**Rnd 15:** 6 x dec (= 6).

Fasten off and break yarn.

## SOCKET (5 X)

**Rnd 1:** Make a MR and work 6 sc into it.

**Rnd 2:** inc in each stitch.

**Rnd 3:** 6 x (1 sc, inc).

**Rnds 4 and 5:** 18 sc.

**Rnd 6:** 6 x (1 sc, dec).

**Rnd 7:** 6 x dec.

## ASSEMBLY

Pass both gray ends of a socket to 1 side of it. Use fabric adhesive to stick a little ball to it and let it dry completely. Hide all red and/or white ends. Use both gray yarn ends to secure the fake light bulbs to the garland. •

**Diana Limpens, vaemkes.nl**







ACCESSORIES





COMPLETE WITH TREE-TOPPER AND BAUBLES

# Christmas tree cushion

This cushion doesn't only look cozy on the couch, but it's also a good alternative to a 'real' Christmas tree. Complete with tree-topper and baubles, it enhances the Christmas spirit.



## WHAT DO YOU NEED?

- Scheepjes Chunky Monkey yarn:  
2 balls of color Pistachio 1316
- Scheepjes Colour Crafter yarn:  
1 ball of colors Leek 1132,  
Lelystad 1026, Heerenveen 1203
- 4, 5 and 6 mm crochet hooks
- Fiberfill stuffing
- Scissors
- Darning needle
- Stitch markers

## THIS IS HOW YOU MAKE IT

The cushion is about 50 cm high. Make it in 2 parts: The front and back and join them later. Make the Christmas baubles and tree-topper separately and sew them to the cushion later.

## FRONT AND BACK CUSHION

Using Pistachio and the 6 mm crochet hook, crochet a chain of 41 ch. Change to the 5 mm crochet hook.

**Rnd 1:** 1 sc in the 2nd ch from the hook, 39 sc, turn (= 40).

**Rnds 2 and 3:** 1 ch, 40 sc, turn (= 40)

**Rnd 4:** 1 ch, sc2tog, 36 sc, sc2tog, turn (= 38).

**Rnds 5 and 6:** 1 ch, 38 sc, turn (= 38)

**Rnd 7:** 1 ch, sc2tog, 34 sc, sc2tog, turn (= 36).

**Rnds 8 and 9:** 1 ch, 36 sc, turn (= 36). »







**Rnd 10:** 1 ch, sc2tog, 32 sc, sc2tog, turn (= 34).  
**Rnds 11 and 12:** 1 ch, 34 sc, turn (= 34)  
**Rnd 13:** 1 ch, sc2tog, 30 sc, sc2tog, turn (= 32).  
**Rnds 14 and 15:** 1 ch, 32 sc, turn (= 32)  
**Rnd 16:** 1 ch, sc2tog, 28 sc, sc2tog, turn (= 30).  
**Rnds 17 and 18:** 1 ch, 30 sc, turn (= 30).  
**Rnd 19:** 1 ch, sc2tog, 26 sc, sc2tog, turn (= 28).  
**Rnds 20 and 21:** 1 ch, 28 sc, turn (= 28).  
**Rnd 22:** 1 ch, sc2tog, 24 sc, sc2tog, turn (= 26).  
**Rnds 23 and 24:** 1 ch, 26 sc, turn (= 26)  
**Rnd 25:** 1 ch, sc2tog, 22 sc, sc2tog, turn (= 24).  
**Rnds 26 and 27:** 1 ch, 24 sc, turn (= 24)  
**Rnd 28:** 1 ch, sc2tog, 20 sc, sc2tog, turn (= 22).  
**Rnds 29 and 30:** 1 ch, 22 sc, turn (= 22).  
**Rnd 31:** 1 ch, sc2tog, 18 sc, sc2tog, turn (= 20).  
**Rnds 32 and 33:** 1 ch, 20 sc, turn (= 20).  
**Rnd 34:** 1 ch, sc2tog, 16 sc, sc2tog, turn (= 18).  
**Rnds 35 and 36:** 1 ch, 18 sc, turn (= 18).  
**Rnd 37:** 1 ch, sc2tog, 14 sc, sc2tog, turn (= 16).  
**Rnds 38 and 39:** 1 ch, 16 sc, turn (= 16).  
**Rnd 40:** 1 ch, sc2tog, 12 sc, sc2tog, turn (= 14).  
**Rnds 41 and 42:** 1 ch, 14 sc, turn (= 14).  
**Rnd 43:** 1 ch, sc2tog, 10 sc, sc2tog, turn (= 12).  
**Rnds 44 and 45:** 1 ch, 12 sc, turn (= 12).  
**Rnd 46:** 1 ch, sc2tog, 8 sc, sc2tog, turn (= 10).  
**Rnd 47:** 1 ch, 2 sc in the 1st stitch, 7 sc, sc2tog, turn (= 10).  
**Rnd 48:** 1 ch, sc2tog, 7 sc, 2 sc in next stitch, turn (= 10).  
**Rnd 49:** 1 ch, 2 sc, sc2tog, 2 sc, sc2tog, 2 sc, turn (= 8).  
**Rnd 50:** 1 ch, sc2tog, 5 sc, 2 sc in next stitch, turn (= 8).

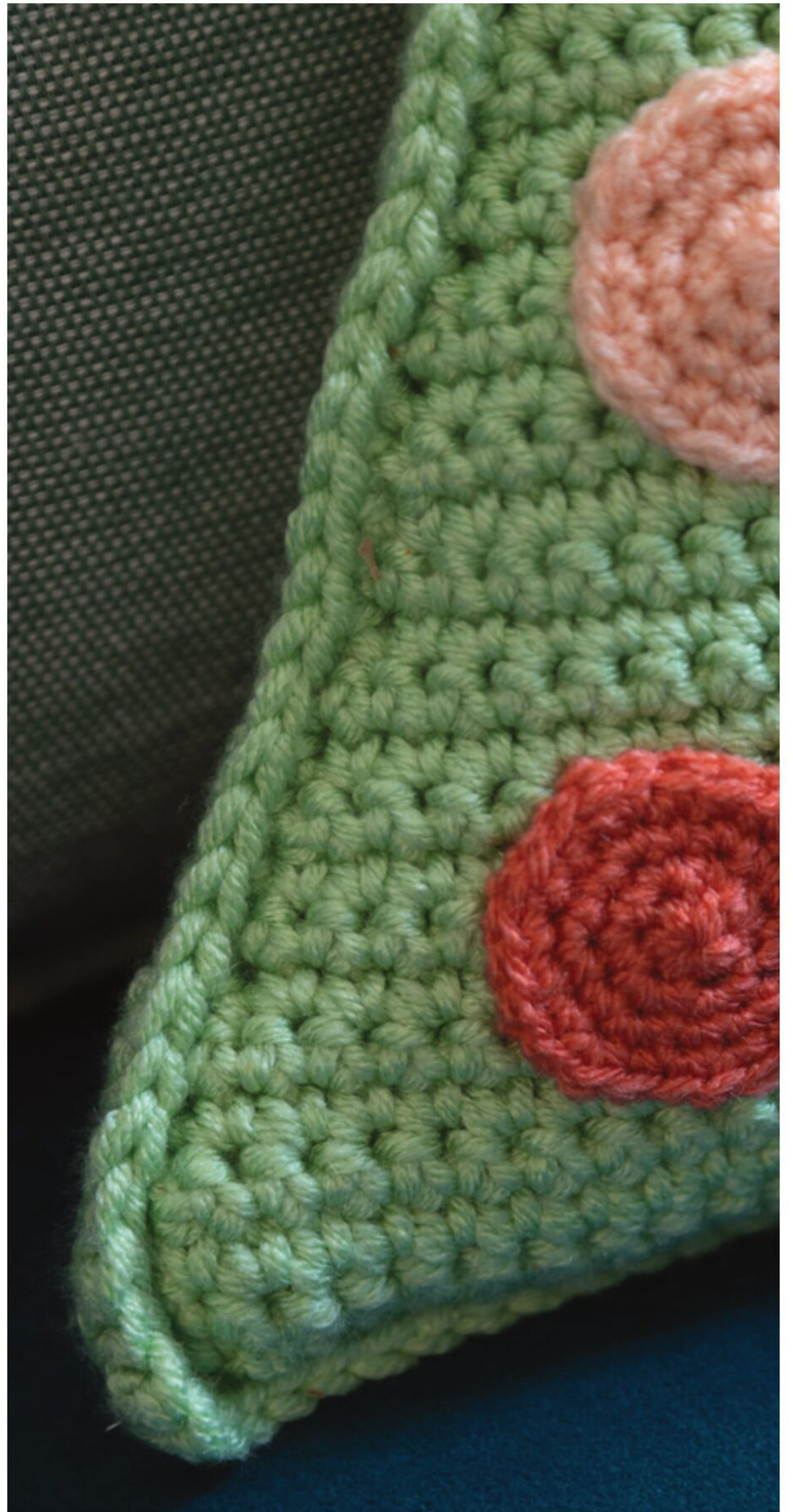
**Rnd 51:** 1 ch, 2 sc in the 1st stitch, 5 sc, sc2tog, turn (= 8).  
**Rnd 52:** 1 ch, 2 sc, 2 x sc2tog, 2 sc, turn (= 6).  
**Rnd 53:** 1 ch, 2 sc in the 1st stitch, 3 sc, sc2tog, turn (= 6).  
**Rnd 54:** 1 ch, sc2tog, 3 sc, 2 sc in next stitch, turn (= 6).  
**Rnd 55:** 1 ch, 1 sc, 2 x sc2tog, 1 sc, turn (= 4).

**Rnd 56:** 1 ch, sc2tog, 1 sc, 2 sc in next stitch, turn (= 4).  
**Rnd 57:** 1 ch, 3 sc in the 1st stitch, 1 sc, sc2tog (= 5). Fasten off. Weave in the end. Put the 2 parts together and use the 5 mm crochet hook to join them with 1 round of sc. Stuff the cushion before you close it completely.



The cushion will be about 50 cm high!





### CHRISTMAS BAUBLES (10 X)

Make 5 Christmas baubles with Color Crafter Leek and Lelystad. Make a MR for both colors and use the 4 mm crochet hook.

**Rnd 1:** 6 sc in the MR (= 6).

**Rnd 2:** 2 sc in each stitch (= 12).

**Rnd 3:** rep (1 sc, 2 sc in next stitch) (= 18).

**Rnd 4:** 1 sc, 2 sc in next stitch, rep (2 sc, 2 sc in next stitch) until 1 stitch remains, make 1 sc, 1 sl st in the 1st sc (= 24).

Fasten off, leaving a long tail. Use this to stitch the Christmas baubles to the tree.

### TREE-TOPPER

Make a MR with Colour Crafter Heerenveen and the 4 mm crochet hook.

**Rnd 1:** 6 sc in the MR (= 6).

**Rnds 2 and 3:** 6 sc.

**Rnd 4:** 5 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 7).

**Rnd 5:** 3 sc, 2 sc in next stitch, 3 sc (= 8).

**Rnd 6:** 7 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 9).

**Rnd 7:** 2 sc in each stitch (= 18).

**Rnd 8:** 1 sc, 2 sc in next stitch, rep (2 sc, 2 sc in next stitch) until 1 stitch remains, 1 sc (= 24).

**Rnd 9:** 24 sc.

**Rnd 10:** rep (3 sc, 2 sc in next stitch) (= 30).

**Rnds 11-13:** 30 sc.

**Rnd 14:** rep (3 sc, sc2tog) (= 24).

**Rnd 15:** 24 sc.

**Rnd 16:** 1 sc, sc2tog, rep (2 sc, sc2tog) until 1 stitch remains, 1 sc (= 18).

**Rnd 17:** rep (1 sc, sc2tog) (= 12).

**Rnds 18-20:** 12 sc.

**Rnd 21:** rep (1 sc, 2 sc in next stitch) 1 sl st in the 1st sc (= 18). Fasten off, leaving a long tail. Stuff the tree-topper and attach it to the top of the Christmas tree. ●

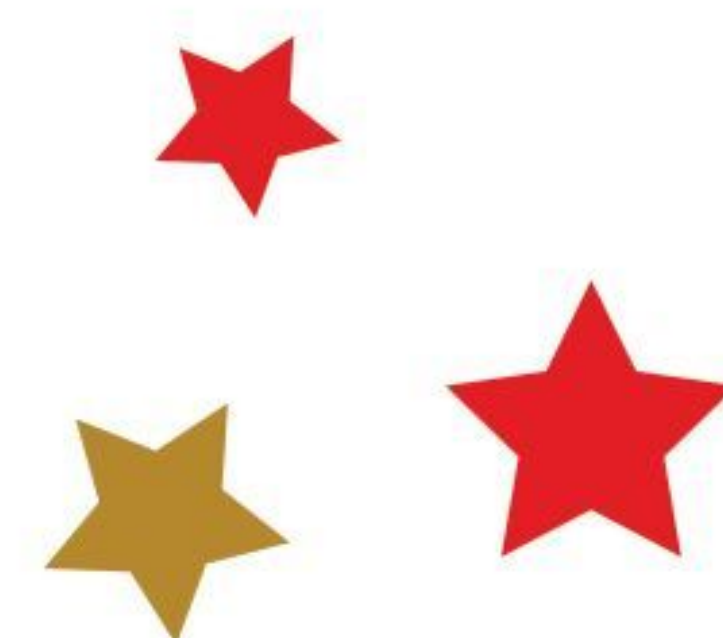
**Hedy Kunst-Drost,**  
**[happycrochetpatterns.com](http://happycrochetpatterns.com)**







COOL FOLKLORE PATTERN



# SCANDINAVIAN CARDIGAN

**You'll surely love to have such a fab and comfy cardigan in a traditional Scandinavian pattern in your closet. And it will certainly not stay there when it gets colder!**

## WHAT DO YOU NEED?

- Scheepjes Merino Soft yarn: 9 balls of Hogarth 605, 7 balls of Michelangelo 603, 5 balls of Picasso 621
- 5, 4.5 and 4 mm Crochet hook
- Scissors
- Stitch markers
- Measuring tape
- Tapestry needle

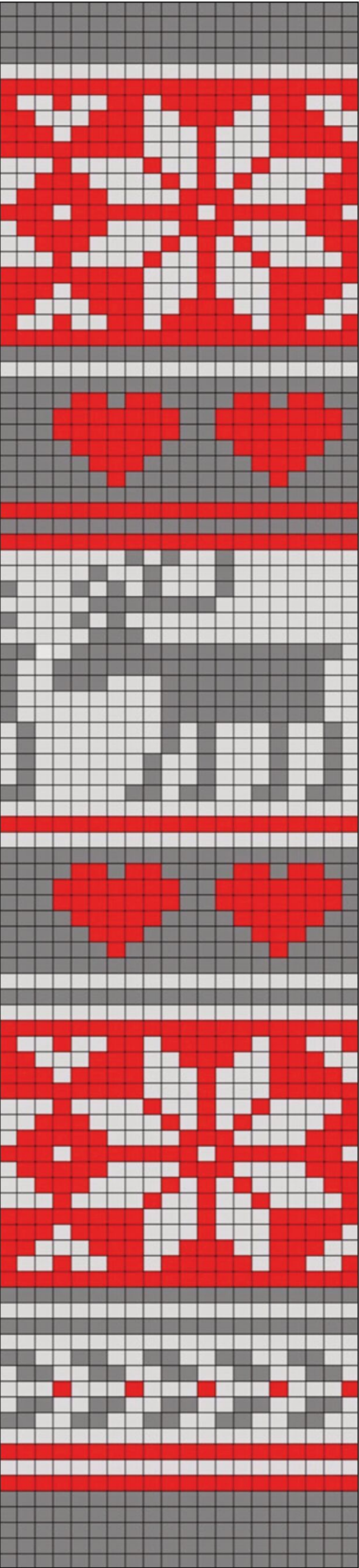
## THIS IS HOW YOU MAKE IT

The additional abbreviations FPhdc and BPhdc stand for Front and Back Post half double crochet. The cardigan is crocheted horizontally in 1 piece (except for the sleeves). The pattern is for a size 42/44 and this is used as a guideline. The dimensions for sizes 38/40 and 46/48 are also mentioned. The total length of the cardigan is about 87 cm. The pattern drawing (tapestry crochet) is repeated widthways until the end of your stitches (multiple of 2). You could also try starting at the middle of the drawing. When you get to the front panels, continue crocheting on the back panel. You could choose to make one panel at a time, but you can also work on two panels side by side. Start each round with 2 ch (does not count as dc, this is just for height). Turn the work after each round. >>





PATTERN DRAWING



TIP!

Repeat the pattern 2 x for the front panel (left and right) and 6 x for the back panel.







## BACK PANEL

Start with the border. Crochet 108 ch with color Hogarth and crochet hook 4.5 (= length 72 cm, 60/84 cm).

**Rnd 1:** 1 hdc in the 3rd ch from the hook and then in each ch (= 106).

**Rnd 2:** 1 hdc in the 1st stitch of the previous round, 1 FPhdc around the 2nd stitch of the previous round, alternate 1 hdc and 1 FPhdc in the next stitch.

**Rnd 3:** 1 hdc in each stitch of the previous round.

**Rnd 4:** rep Rnd 2.

**Rnd 5:** rep Rnd 3.

**Rnds 6-101:** Crochet according to the **pattern drawing** and read horizontally from right to left and from bottom to top.

After Rnd 101, measure out 18 cm (16/20 cm) from the top, both left and right. Place a stitch marker: this is where the sleeve will come later on.

## FRONT PANEL (2 X)

The stitch ratio is 26 cm = about 36 stitches (22/30 cm) **1**.

**Rnds 1-96:** Continue crocheting and now read the **pattern drawing** from top to bottom. Place a stitch marker at 18 cm (16/20 cm) from the top, in the same round as at the back panel **2**.

**Rnd 97:** with color Hogarth, make 1 hdc on each stitch of the previous round.

**Rnd 98:** alternate 1 hdc and 1 BPhdc in all stitches of the previous round.

**Rnd 99:** rep Rnd 97.

**Rnd 100:** rep Rnd 98.

**Rnd 101:** rep Rnd 97, fasten off **3**.

Now work a round of sc using the 5 mm crochet hook and color Hogarth. Work sl st along the outer sides of the back and front panels, where the sleeves will come (so in between the stitch markers) **4**.

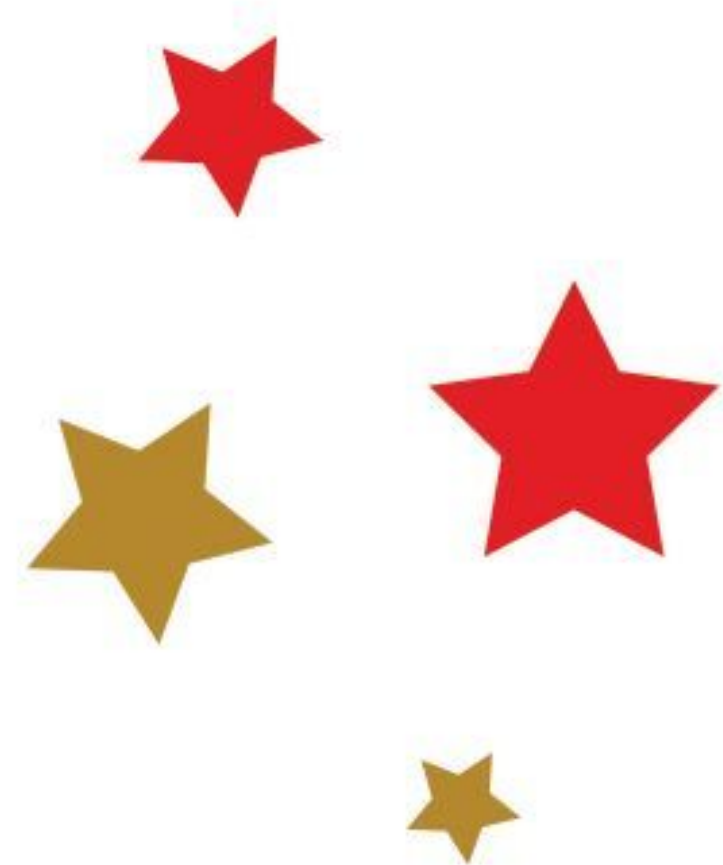
## SLEEVES (2 X)

Using the 4 mm hook and color Hogarth, make hdc in the outer loops of the sl st between the stitch markers. Make 1 additional hdc in every 3rd stitch (about 50 stitches). Crochet hdc back and forth to a length of 40 cm (or the length required for your arm). »









**TIP!**  
Make fastenings  
on the cardigan with  
buttons or toggles.

With the RS up, alternate 1 hdc and FPhdc in each stitch of the previous round. For the next round, crochet 1 hdc on every stitch of the previous round. For the next round, alternate 1 hdc and 1 FPhdc in each stitch of the previous round. Finally, make 1 round of hdc in each stitch of the previous round (length about 42 cm). As a fishing touch, work 1 round of sc around the outside of the entire sleeve.

#### ASSEMBLING THE CARDIGAN

Put the cardigan in front of you with the WS towards you. Sew together the outer loops of the sc worked around the cardigan (of both the panels and sleeves) **5**.

#### INSIDE BORDER CARDIGAN (2 X)

At the top, measure out 10 cm at the inside of the front panels and place a stitch marker. Use the 5 mm crochet hook and color Michelangelo to work sl st

along the inside of the front panels, up to the stitch marker. Change to the 4 mm hook. With the WS toward you, make 1 hdc in the outer loops of all sl st. Each round, crochet 2 stitches together at the top. Alternate 1 hdc and 1 FPhdc. Then make 1 hdc in each stitch. Repeat the previous round 1 more time, fasten off **6**.

#### COLLAR

Use the 5 mm crochet hook to make sl st from the top of the right-hand inside border, via the neckline to the top of the left-hand inside border. Switch to the 4 mm crochet hook **7**. Work 1 round of hdc in the outer loops of the sl st. Alternate 1 hdc and 1 FPhdc. Rep previous round 1 more time. Finally, work 1 round of sc in all stitches along the inside borders and the collar. Fasten off and weave in ends. •

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## FESTIVE WRAPPING

# REUSABLE GIFT WRAPPING

Try a different way of gift-wrapping with this reusable Furoshiki-inspired packaging. Wonderfully sustainable!

### WHAT DO YOU NEED?

- Durable Cotton Nr. 8 yarn: 2, 3 or 5 balls of gray 2232
- 3.5 mm crochet hook
- Darning needle
- Scissors

Yarn from [DurableYarn.com](http://DurableYarn.com)

### THIS IS HOW YOU MAKE IT

The chain stitches at the beginning of each round do not count as a stitch. The crochet pattern is written for 3 different sizes. Use the first number for the smallest cloth, the middle number for the medium sized cloth, and the last for the largest cloth. The cloth will measure about 30 x 30 cm, 48 x 48 cm or 64 x 64 cm.

**Stitch ratio:** 10 x 10 cm = 17 stitches x 15 rounds (alternate 1 sc, 1 dc).

### THE PATTERN

**Rnd 1:** 50/80/110 ch, start in the 2nd ch from the hook, 1 sc \*1 dc, 1 sc\*. Rep from \*to\* until the end of the round, turn (= 49/79/109). **Rnd 2:** 2 ch, 1 dc, \*1 sc, 1 dc. Rep from \*to\* until the end of the round, turn. **Rnd 3:** 1 ch, 1 sc, \*1 dc, 1 sc. Rep from \*to\* until the end of the round, turn. **Rnd 4:** 2 ch, 1 dc, \*1 sc, 1 dc. Rep from \*to\* until the end of the round, turn.

**Rnds 15-44/70/96:** rep Rnds 3 and 4. Do not fasten off yet, but make the border.

### BORDER

Crochet 1 ch, 1 sc in each stitch of the final round, 76/121/161 ch, start in 2nd ch from the hook, 1 sl st in each ch, 1 sc in the corner of the cloth, 76/121/161 ch, start in 2nd ch from the hook, 1 sl st in each ch. Continue along the left side of the cloth, about 1 sc around the side of each round, 1 sc in the corner, 1 sc in each stitch along the bottom of the cloth,

1 sc in the corner.

Continue along the right-hand side of the cloth, about 1 sc around the side of each round, 1 sc in the corner, sl st in the 1st sc. Fasten off and weave in all ends.

### WRAPPING

Use the cloth to wrap your presents beautifully. Place the gift in the center of the cloth, fold the tips to the center, wrap the cords around the gift and make a nice bow. •

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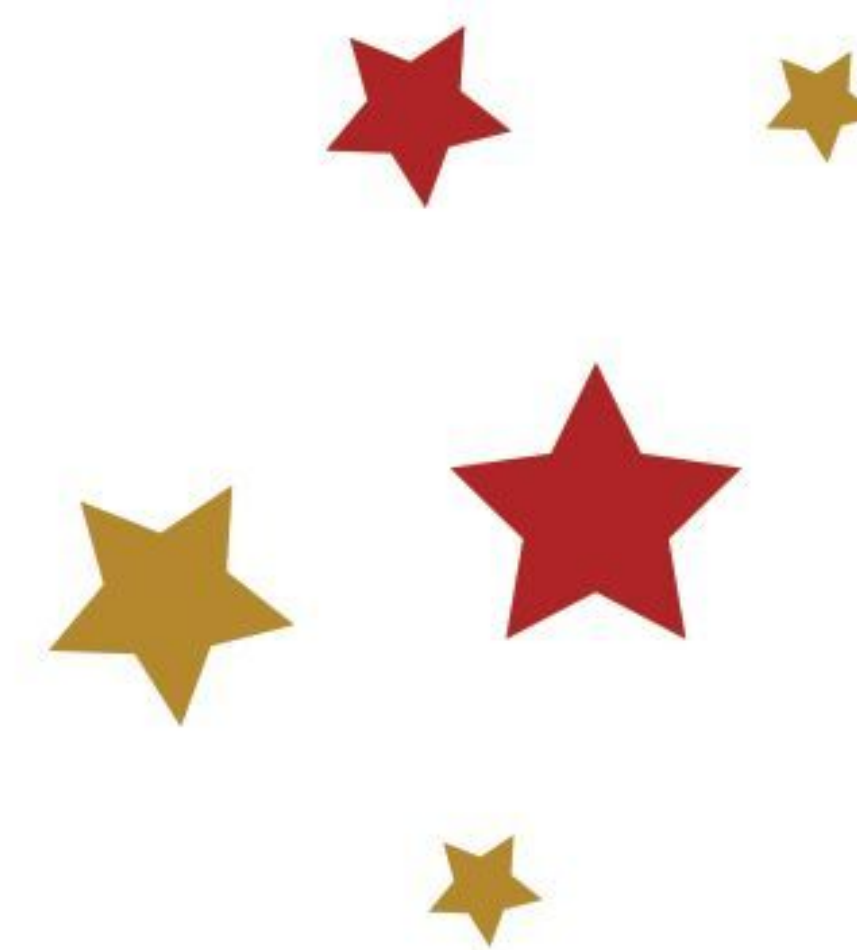








WHAT A CUTIE!



# The nutcracker

This little nutcracker will look adorable on your Christmas tree or as decoration anywhere else. Its body is made in one piece, and simple stitches in certain place will provide the nutcracker its arms and legs.

## WHAT DO YOU NEED?

- Yarn and Colors Musthave yarn 002, 032, 042 and 100
- Anchor metallic fine yarn 00300
- 3 mm crochet hook and a 2.5 mm one for Anchor metallic
- Safety eyes 6 mm
- Stuffing
- Darning needle

## NUTCRACKER

**Rnd 1:** 11 ch, 9 sc back across, inc. Make 9 sc across the other side of the chain, inc (= 22).

**Rnds 2 and 3:** 22 sc (= 22).

**Rnd 4:** 1 sc, inc, 8 sc, inc, 1 sc, inc, 8 sc, inc (= 26).

**Rnds 5 and 6:** 26 sc (= 26).

**Rnd 7:** switch to white/cream, 26 sc (= 26).

**Rnd 8:** inc, 1 sc, inc, 10 sc, inc, 1 sc, inc, 10 sc (= 30).

**Rnds 9-12:** 30 sc (= 30).

**Rnd 13:** 6 x (4 sc, inc) (= 36).

**Rnd 14:** 36 sc (= 36).

**Rnd 15:** change to red, 36 sc (= 36).

**Rnds 16-25:** 36 sc (= 36).

**Rnd 26:** 6 x (4 sc, dec) (= 30).

**Rnd 27:** 6 x (3 sc, dec) in the BL (= 24).

Also make 24 sl st with red in the FL of Rnd 26.

**Rnd 28:** change to pink, 24 sc (= 24).

**Rnd 29:** 6 x (3 sc, inc) (= 30).

**Rnds 30-34:** 30 sc (= 30). Attach the safety eyes between Rnds 31 and 32, with 3 stitches in between.

**Rnd 35:** 6 x (2 sc, dec) (= 24).

**Rnd 36:** change to black, 24 sc (= 24).

**Rnd 37:** 6 x (3 sc, inc) (= 30).

**Rnd 38:** 6 x (4 sc, inc) (= 36).

**Rnd 39:** 36 sc (= 36).

**Rnd 40:** 6 x (4 sc, dec) (= 30).

**Rnd 41:** 6 x (3 sc, dec) (= 24).

**Rnd 42:** 8 x (1 sc, dec) (= 16).

**Rnd 43:** 8 x dec (= 8). Break yarn and fasten off. >>



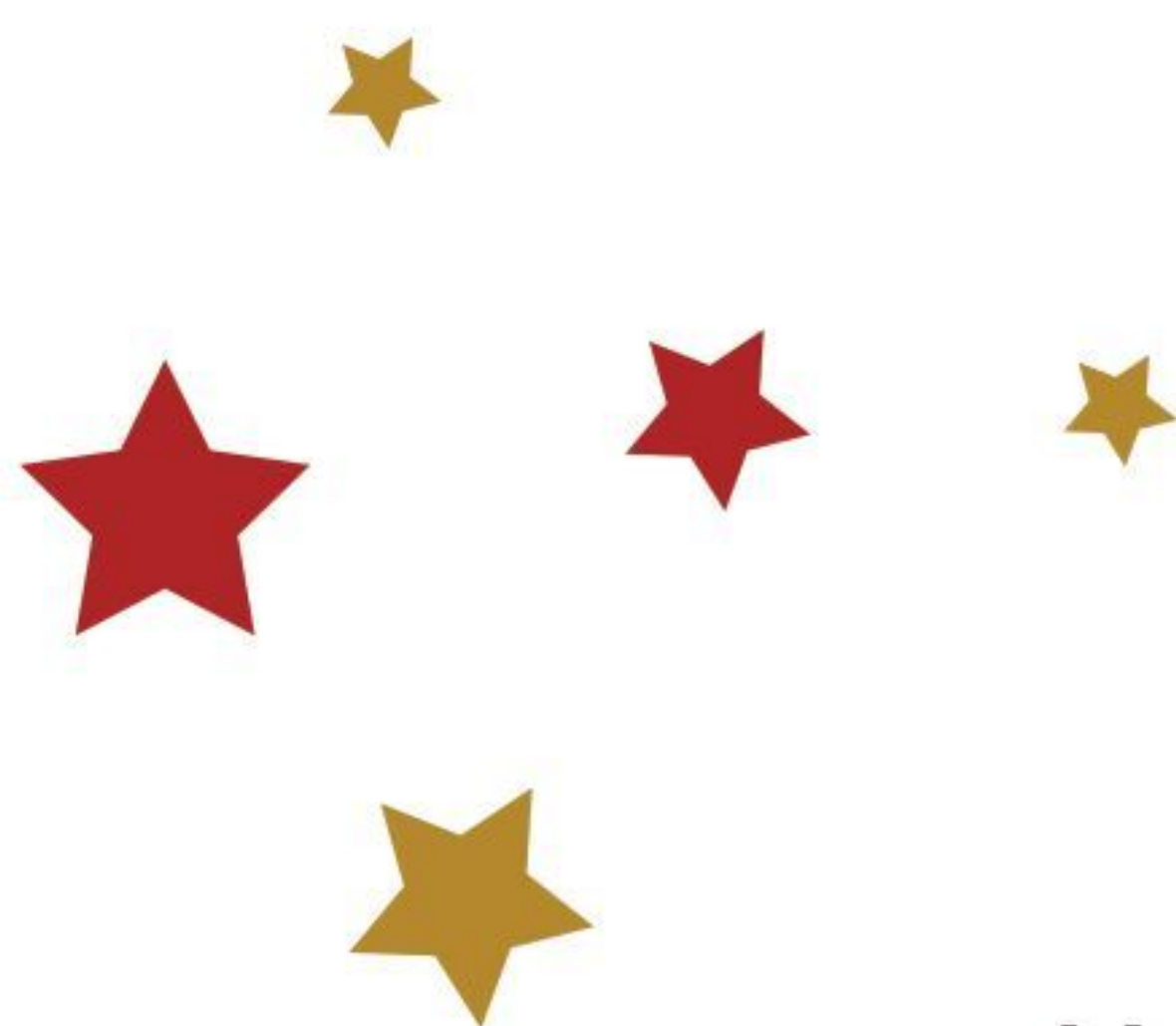




## TIP!

Get creative with some white yarn and crochet a nice haircut!





## MUSTACHE

Make a MR of 4 sc, 2 ch (1 is used as tch), 2 sl st back, make the last sl st in the first stitch of the MR. Break the yarn and stitch the mustache on to your nutcracker.

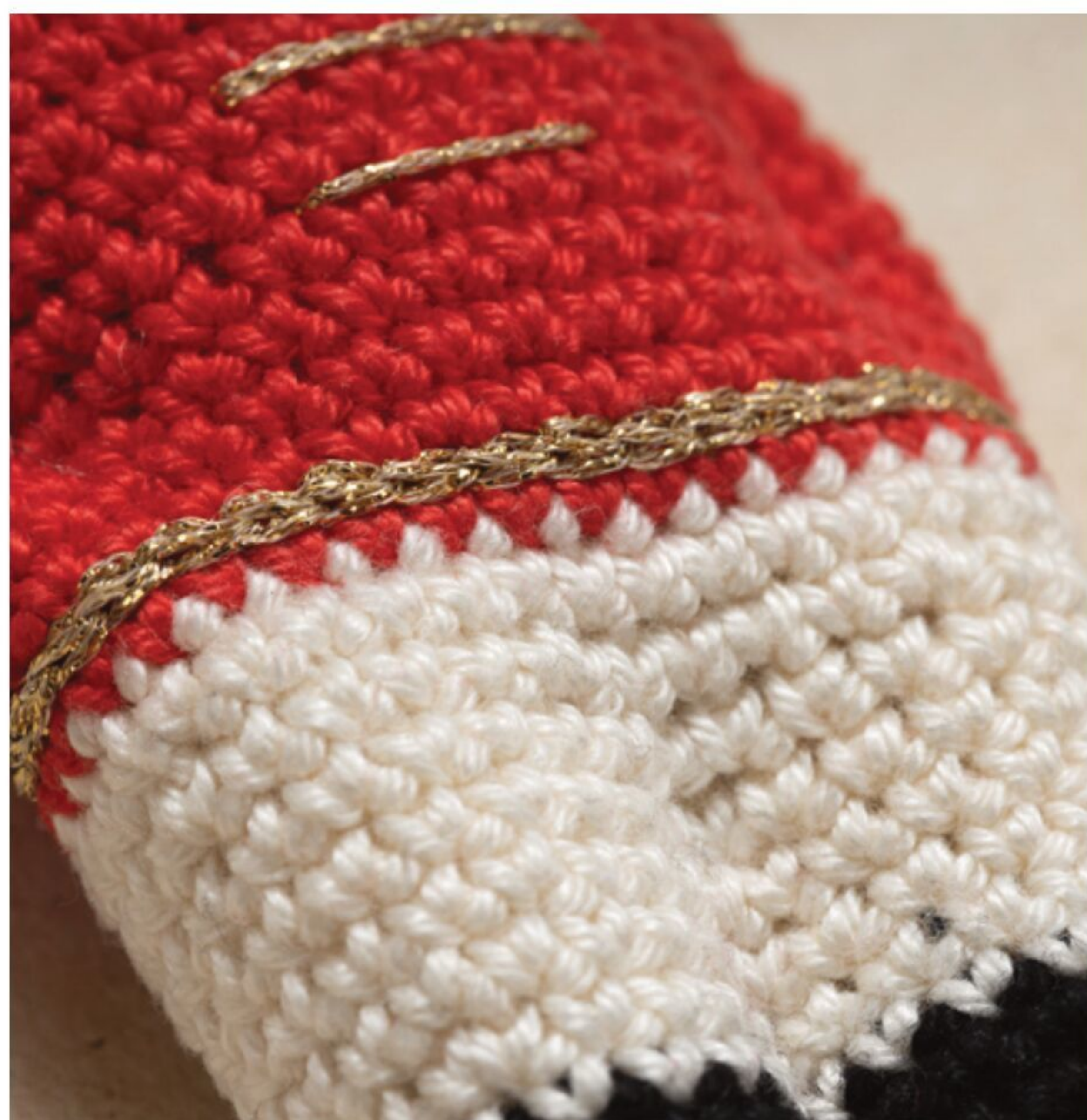
## FINISHING

Use felt wool to make the the nutcracker's hair. Use a felt needle to poke the wool in between the hat and the head. Crochet details on the nutcracker with gold. For example, make 2 circles on the arms by making a MR of 6 stitches and inc in each stitch. Use the 2.5 mm hook. Sew the details on to the jacket. Would you like to make legs and arms? Take yarn in the same color as the pants, shoes or jacket and use a zigzag stitch to form the limbs. Bring the yarn back to the starting point and tie both ends together. Embroider a little nose on the face if you wish. •

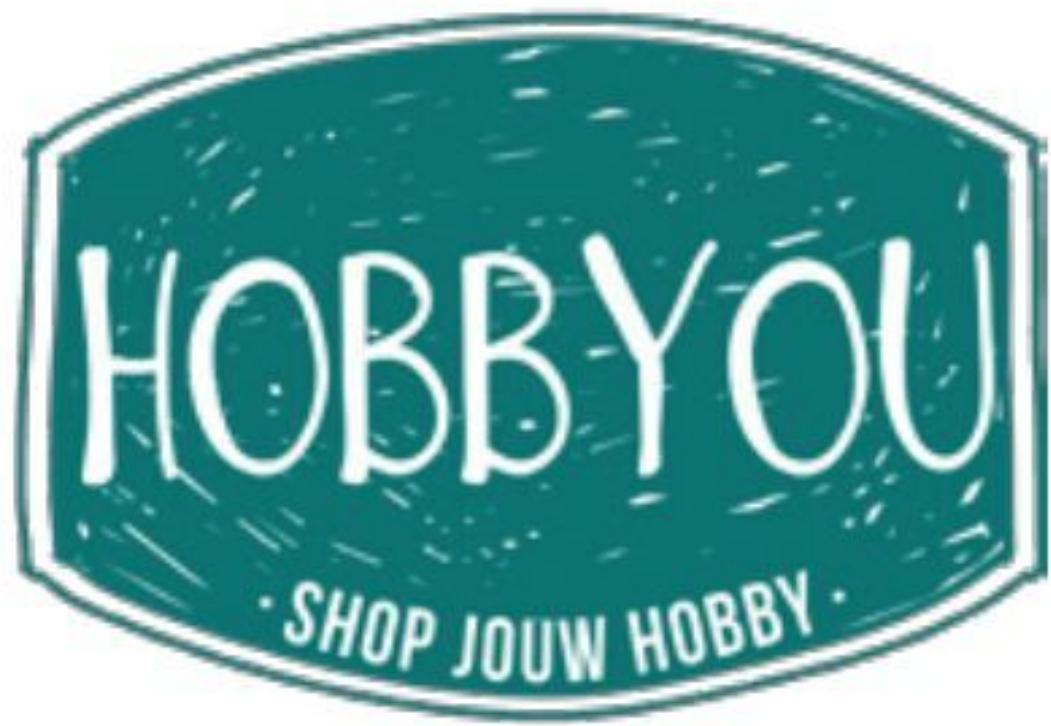
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## TIP!

Make it in a number of different colors for on the Christmas tree.







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## TRENDY TABLE SETTING

# Table runner WITH PINE CONES

This table runner has a beautiful pine cone pattern.  
The combination of pearl-colored and golden glitter yarn,  
gives it a very festive look.

### WHAT DO YOU NEED?

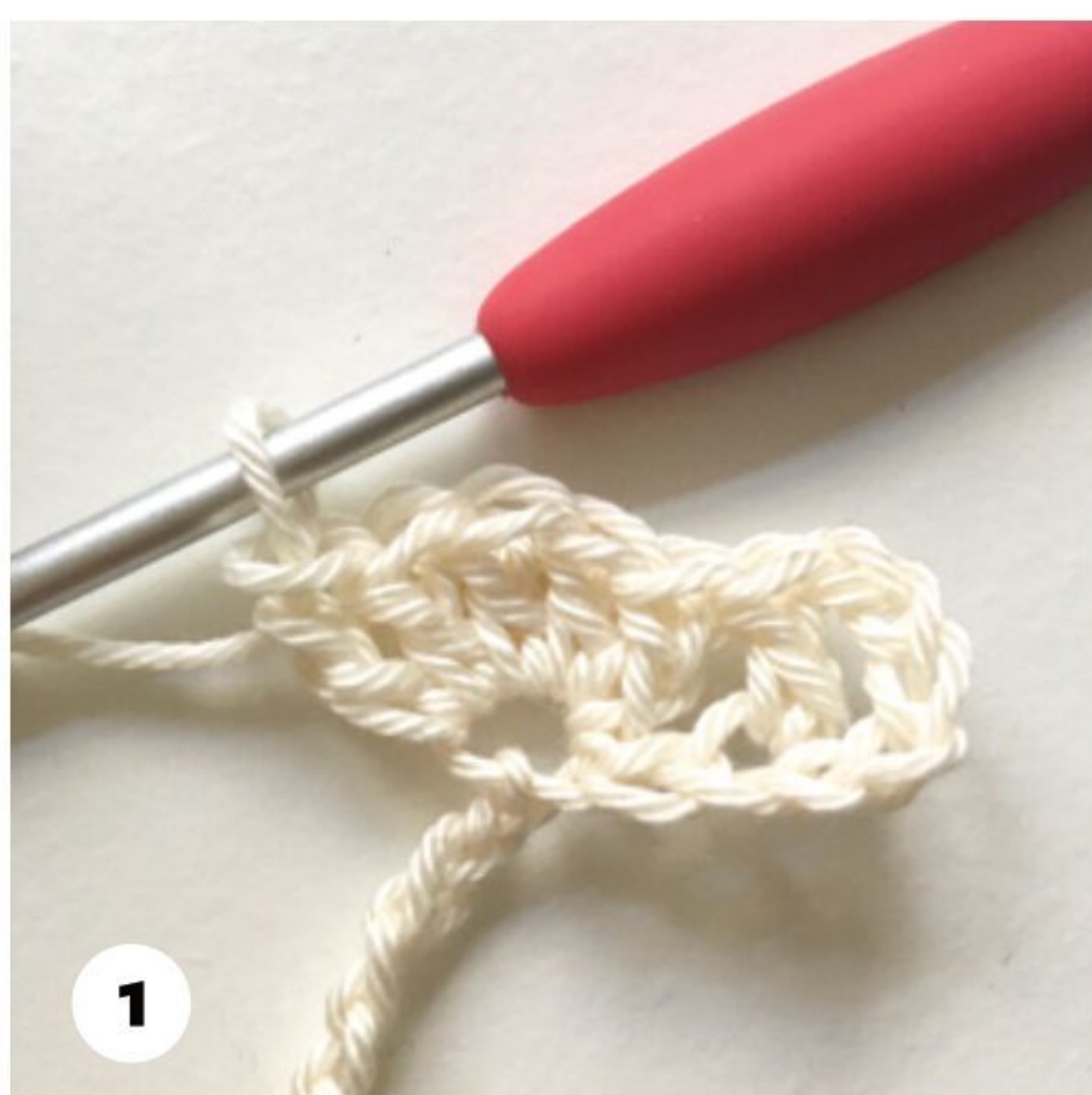
- Schachenmayr Catania yarn:  
5 balls of Cream 130 (color A)
- Katia Gatsby yarn: 1 ball of Gold  
(color B)
- 3.5 mm crochet hook
- Scissors
- Darning needle

### THIS IS HOW YOU MAKE IT

After blocking, the dimensions of the runner are 37 x 142 cm. This pattern uses a standing double crochet (stdc) and a standing single crochet (stsc).

### TABLE RUNNER

**Rnd 1:** Crochet 74 ch with color A, 1 dc in 6th ch from the hook, \*skip 2 ch, 5 dc in next ch, skip 2 ch\*\*, 1 dc in next ch, 1 ch, skip 1 ch, 1 dc in next 3 ch, 1 ch, skip 1 ch, 1 dc. Rep from \* to the end, finish the final rep at \*\*, 1 dc in next ch, 1 ch, skip 1 ch, 1 dc in the final ch, turn **1** and **2**. »

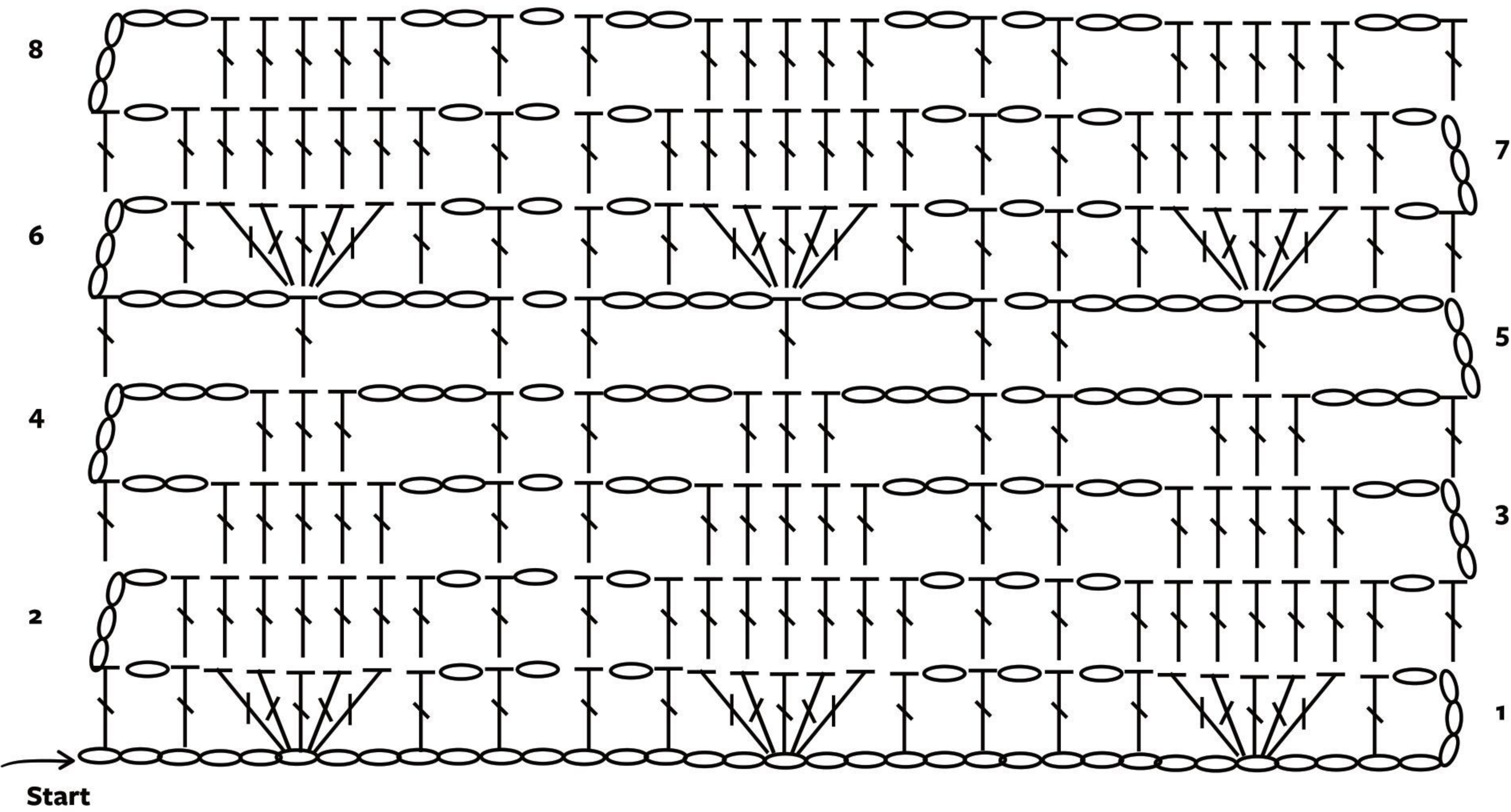








PATTERN



**Rnd 2:** 4 ch (counts as dc, 1 ch), \*1 dc in next 7 dc, 1 ch\*\*, 1 dc in next 3 dc, 1 ch. Rep from \* to the end, finish the final rep at \*\*, 1 dc in the final dc, turn **3**.

**Rnd 3:** 5 ch (counts as dc, 2 ch), skip next dc, \*1 dc in next 5 dc, 2 ch, skip next dc\*\*, 1 dc in next 3 dc, 2 ch, skip next dc.

Rep from \* to the end, finish the final rep at \*\*, 1 dc in 3rd ch, turn **4**.

**Rnd 4:** 6 ch (counts as dc, 3 ch), skip next dc, \*1 dc in next 3 dc, 3 ch, skip next dc\*\*, 1 dc in next 3 dc, 3 ch, skip next dc. Rep from \* to the end, finish the final rep at \*\*, 1 dc in 3rd ch, turn **5**.

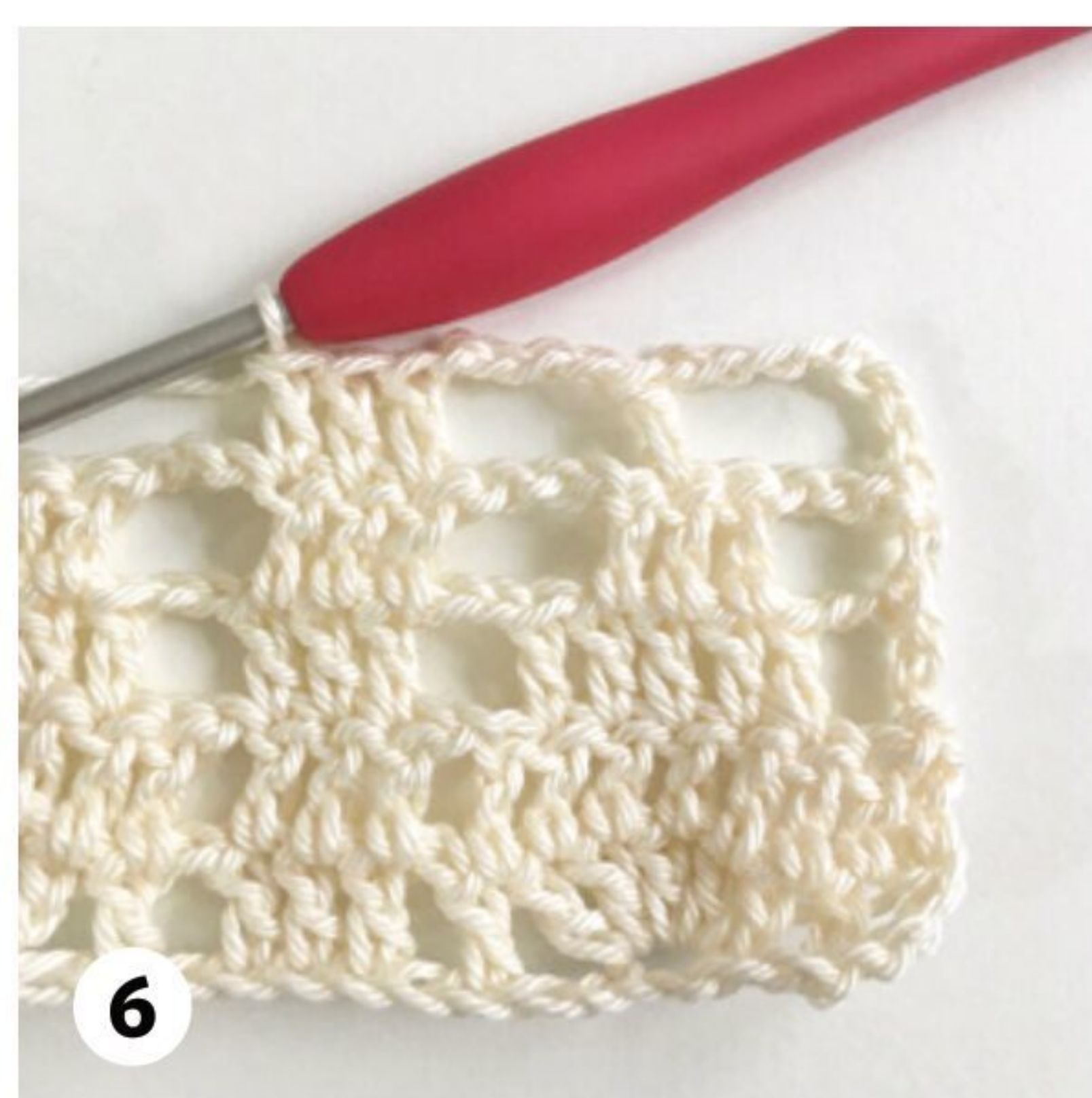
**Rnd 5:** 7 ch (counts as dc, 4 ch), skip next dc, \*1 dc in next dc, 4 ch\*\*, 1 dc in next 3 dc, 4 ch, skip next dc. Rep from \* to the end, finish the final rep at \*\*, 1 dc in 3rd ch, turn and fasten off. **6**







5



6



7



8

**TIP!** If you are not a fan of gold, try adding silver to the white.

**Rnd 6:** Attach color B with 1 sl st and 1 ch or with 1 stsc in 1st dc, \*5 sc in ch space, 1 sc in next dc, 5 sc in the ch space\*\*, 1 sc in next 3 dc. Rep from \* to the end, finish the final rep at \*\*, 1 sc in the 3rd ch, turn and fasten off **7**.

**Rnd 7:** Attach color A with 1 sl st in 1st sc, 4 ch (counts as dc, 1 ch) or attach it with 1 stdc and crochet 1 ch, \*skip 2 sc, \*1 dc in next sc, skip 2 sc, 5 dc in next dc, skip 2 sc, 1 dc in next sc, 1 ch, skip 2 sc, 1 dc in next 3 sc, 1 ch\*\*, 1 dc in next 3 sc, 1 ch. Rep from \* to the end, finish the final rep at \*\*, 1 dc in 3rd ch, turn **8**.

**Rnds 8-134:** rep Rnds 2-7 21 times.

**Rnds 135-138:** rep Rnds 3-6. Weave in all ends and block the table runner. •

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A TREE FOR EVERYONE

# EVERLASTING CHRISTMAS TREE

Christmas is the time for being together to celebrate and unwrap presents around the Christmas tree. If there's not enough space in your home for a large tree, this small one is a great alternative.

## WHAT DO YOU NEED?

### TREE

- Scheepjes Stone Washed XL yarn: 1 ball of color Boulder Opal 844
- Scheepjes River Washed XL yarn: 10 balls of color Po 973
- Embroidery hoop, Ø 25 cm
- Stand (low-budget toilet roll stand, 55 cm)
- Fiberfill stuffing, 350 g.
- 4.5 mm crochet hook
- Darning needle
- Stitch markers
- Scissors
- Jewelry glue (Hasulith)

### BOW AND GARLAND

- Scheepjes Twinkle yarn: Gold 538
- Scheepjes Softy yarn: Natural 475
- 3 mm crochet hook
- Darning needle
- Scissors

## DRAGON SCALE STITCH

The leaves on the tree are made with the dragon scale stitch. To make this, crochet around the FPdc. Make 5 dc around the 1st FPdc (from top to bottom) **1**, 1 ch, 5 dc around the other post stitch (from bottom to top) **2**. 1 dragon scale = 4 stitches, also skip 4 stitches in total viewed from the top (1 sc, 2 FPdc, 1 sc). In the next round, make 2 sc around the top dc and 2 sc around the other top dc. >>

**TIP!** The step-by-step pictures for the dragon scale pattern are in different colors, for clearer demonstration.









## TRUNK

Using Boulder Opal and the 4 mm crochet hook, crochet a chain of 12 ch. Join with 1 sl st.

**Rnds 1-17:** 1 sc in each stitch (= 12).

**Rnd 18:** work in the FL: 2 sc in each sc (= 24).

**Rnd 19:** 6 x (3 sc, inc) (= 30).

**Rnd 20:** 6 x (2 sc, inc, 2 sc) (= 36).

**Rnd 21:** 6 x (5 sc, inc) (= 42).

**Rnd 22:** 6 x (3 sc, inc, 3 sc) (= 48).

**Rnd 23:** 6 x (7 sc, inc) (= 54).

**Rnd 24:** 6 x (4 sc, inc, 4 sc) (= 60).

**Rnd 25:** 6 x (9 sc, inc) (= 66).

**Rnd 26:** 6 x (5 sc, inc, 5 sc) (= 72).

**Rnd 27:** 6 x (11 sc, inc) (= 78).

**Rnd 28:** Work in the BL: 1 sc in each sc (= 78).

**Rnds 29 and 30:** 78 sc. Fasten off.

## TIP!

Check how the trunk fits over the stand, it must fit nicely.

## TREE BOTTOM

Crochet the 1st round along the starting chain of the trunk. This way, the bottom of tree is attached to the trunk. Use color Po and the 4,5 mm crochet hook.

**Rnd 1:** 1 sc in each stitch (= 12).

**Rnd 2:** 6 x (1 sc, inc) (= 18).

**Rnd 3:** 6 x (1 sc, inc, 1 sc) (= 24).

**Rnd 4:** 6 x (3 sc, inc) (= 30).

**Rnd 5:** 6 x (2 sc, inc, 2 sc) (= 36).

**Rnd 6:** 6 x (5 sc, inc) (= 42).

**Rnd 7:** 6 x (3 sc, inc, 3 sc) (= 48).

**Rnd 8:** 6 x (7 sc, inc) (= 54).

**Rnd 9:** 6 x (4 sc, inc, 4 sc) (= 60).

**Rnd 10:** 6 x (9 sc, inc) (= 66).

**Rnd 11:** 6 x (5 sc, inc, 5 sc) (= 72).

**Rnd 12:** 6 x (11 sc, inc) (= 78).

**Rnd 13:** 6 x (6 sc, inc, 6 sc) (= 84).

**Rnd 14:** 6 x (13 sc, inc) (= 90).

**Rnd 15:** 6 x (7 sc, inc, 7 sc) (= 96).

**Rnd 16:** 6 x (15 sc, inc) (= 102).

**Rnd 17:** 6 x (8 sc, inc, 8 sc) (= 108).

**Rnd 18:** 6 x (17 sc, inc) (= 114).

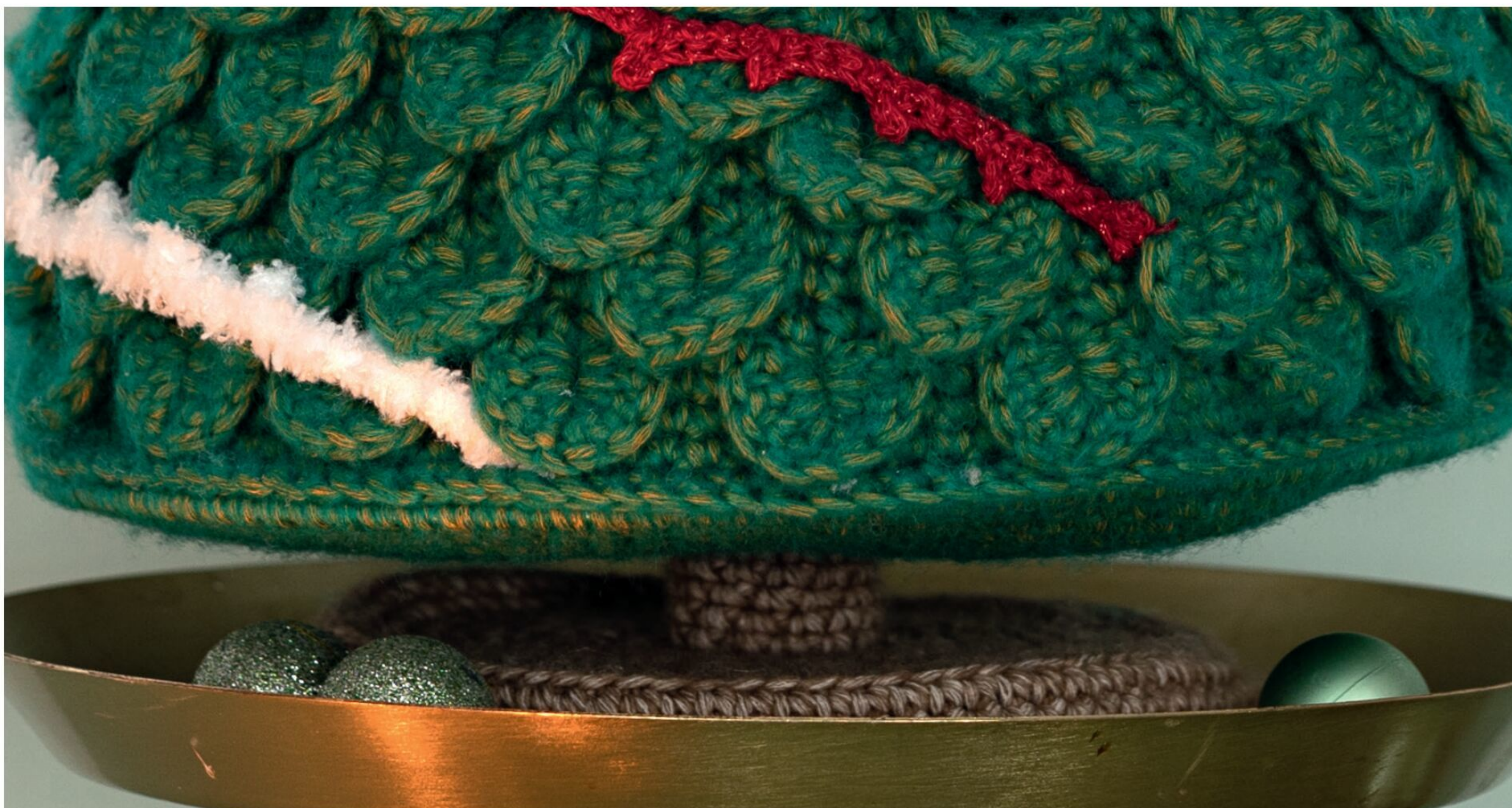
**Rnd 19:** 6 x (9 sc, inc, 9 sc) (= 120).

Take the 25 cm ring and in each sc, make 1 sc around the ring (= 120 sc).

Do not fasten off and use the remainder of the ball to crochet the top of the tree to it later on. Slide the trunk and base over the stand.







## TREE

Crochet a chain of 120 ch with color Po and the 4.5 mm hook, join with 1 sl st.

**Rnds 1 and 2:** 120 sc.

**Rnd 3:** 20 x (2 sc, 2 FPdc 2 rounds below (i.e. Rnd 1, skip stitches behind it), 2 sc) (= 120 stitches).

**Rnd 4:** 20 x (1 sc, dragon scale (skip 4 stitches behind it), 1 sc) (= 40 sc, 20 dragon scales).

**Rnd 5:** 1 sc in each stitch (note: 4 stitches across the top of the dragon scale, i.e. around the horizontal dc) (= 120 sc).

**Rnd 6:** 1 sl st (does not count as stitch), 20 x (4 sc, 2 FPdc 2 rounds below (i.e. Rnd 4, skip stitches behind it)) (= 120 stitches).

**Rnd 7:** 2 sl st (do not count as stitches), 20 x (1 sc, dragon scale (skip 4 stitches behind it), 1 sc) (= 40 sc, 20 dragon scales). Decrease where you see fit with regard to the dragon scales. Make sure the total stitch count is correct. Part of the dragon scales will overlap. When making the next row of dragon scales, partly work around the top dc of the dragon scale and around the FPdc.

**Rnd 8:** 6 x (9 sc, sc2tog, 9 sc) (= 114 stitches).

**Rnd 9:** 2 sl st (does not count as stitch), 19 x (4 sc, 2 FPdc 2 rounds below (i.e. Rnd 7, skip stitches behind it)) (= 114 stitches).

**Rnd 10:** 2 sl st (does not count as a stitch), 19 (1 sc, dragon scale (skip 4 stitches behind it), 1 sc) (= 38 sc, 19 dragon scales).

**Rnd 11:** 114 sc.

**Rnd 12:** 1 sl st (does not count as stitch), 19 x (4 sc, 2 FPdc 2 rounds below (i.e. Rnd 10, skip stitches behind it)) (= 114 stitches).

**Rnd 13:** 2 sl st (this does not count as stitch), 19 x (1 sc, dragon scale (skip 4 stitches behind it), 1 sc) (= 38 sc, 19 dragon scale).

**Rnd 14:** 6 x (17 sc, sc2tog) (= 108 sc).

**Rnd 15:** 1 sl st (does not count as stitch), 18 x (4 sc, 2 FPdc 2 rounds below (i.e. Rnd 13, skip stitches behind it)) (= 108 stitches).

**Rnd 16:** 2 sl st (do not count as stitches), 18 x (1 sc, dragon scale (skip 4 stitches behind it), 1 sc) (= 36 sc, 18 dragon scale).

**Rnd 17:** 108 sc.

**Rnd 18:** 2 sl st (do not count as stitches), 18 x (4 sc, 2 FPdc 2 rounds below (i.e. Rnd 16, skip stitches behind it)) (= 108 stitches).

**Rnd 19:** 2 sl st (do not count as stitches), 18 x (1 sc, dragon scale (skip 4 stitches behind it), 1 sc) (= 36 sc, 18 dragon scales).

**Rnd 20:** 6 x (8 sc, sc2tog, 8 sc) (= 102 sc).

**Rnd 21:** 1 sl st (does not count as stitch), 17 x (4 sc, 2 FPdc 2 rounds below (i.e. Rnd 19, skip stitches behind it)) (= 102 stitches).

**Rnd 22:** 2 sl st (do not count as stitches), 17 x (1 sc, dragon scale (skip 4 stitches behind it), 1 sc) (= 34 sc, 17 dragon scale).

**Rnd 23:** 6 x (15 sc, sc2tog) (= 96 sc).

**Rnd 24:** 1 sl st (does not count as stitch), 16 x (4 sc, 2 FPdc 2 rounds below (i.e. Rnd 22, skip stitches behind it)) (= 96 stitches).

**Rnd 25:** 2 sl st (do not count as stitches), 16 x (1 sc, dragon scale (skip 4 stitches behind it), 1 sc) (= 32 sc, 16 dragon scales).

**Rnd 26:** 1 sc in each stitch (= 96 sc).

**Rnd 27:** 1 sl st (does not count as stitch), 16 x (4 sc, 2 FPdc 2 rounds below (i.e. Rnd 25, skip stitches behind it)) (= 96 stitches).

**Rnd 28:** 2 sl st (do not count as stitches), 16 x (1 sc, dragon scale (skip 4 stitches behind it), 1 sc) (= 32 sc, 16 dragon scales).

**Rnd 29:** 6 x (7 sc, sc2tog, 7 sc) (= 90 sc).

**Rnd 30:** 1 sl st (does not count as stitch), 15 x (4 sc, 2 FPdc 2 rounds below (i.e. Rnd 28, skip stitches behind it)) (= 90 stitches).

**Rnd 31:** 2 sl st (do not count as stitches), 15 x (1 sc, dragon scale (skip 4 stitches behind it), 1 sc) (= 30 sc, 15 dragon scales).

**Rnd 32:** 6 x (13 sc, sc2tog) (= 84 sc).

**Rnd 33:** 1 sl st (does not count as stitch), 14 x (4 sc, 2 FPdc 2 rounds below (i.e. Rnd 31, skip stitches behind it)) (= 84 stitches).

**Rnd 34:** 2 sl st (do not count as stitches), 14 x (1 sc, dragon scale (skip 4 stitches behind it), 1 sc) (= 28 sc, 14 dragon scale).

**Rnd 35:** 1 sc in each stitch (= 84).

**Rnd 36:** 1 sl st (does not count as stitch), 14 x (4 sc, 2 FPdc 2 rounds below (i.e. Rnd 34, skip stitches behind it)) (= 84 stitches).

**Rnd 37:** 2 sl st (do not count as stitches), 14 x (1 sc, dragon scale (skip 4 stitches behind it), 1 sc) (= 28 sc, 14 dragon scales). »



**Rnd 38:** 6 x (6 sc, sc2tog, 6 sc) (= 78 sc).  
**Rnd 39:** 1 sl st (does not count as stitch), 13 x (4 sc, 2 FPdc 2 rounds below (i.e. Rnd 37, skip stitches behind it)) (= 78 stitches).  
**Rnd 40:** 2 sl st (do not count as stitches), 13 x (1 sc, dragon scale (skip 4 stitches behind it), 1 sc)(= 26 sc, 13 dragon scales).  
**Rnd 41:** 6 x (11 sc, sc2tog) (= 72 sc).  
**Rnd 42:** 1 sl st (does not count as stitch), 12 x(4 sc, 2 FPdc 2 rounds below (i.e. Rnd 40, skip stitches behind it) (= 72 stitches).  
**Rnd 43:** 2 sl st (do not count as stitches), 12 x (1 sc, dragon scale (skip 4 stitches behind it), 1 sc)(= 24 sc, 12 dragon scales).  
**Rnd 44:** 1 sc in each stitch (= 72 sc).  
**Rnd 45:** 1 sl st (does not count as stitch), 12 x(4 sc, 2 FPdc 2 rounds below (i.e. Rnd 43, skip stitches behind it)) (= 72 stitches).  
**Rnd 46:** 2 sl st (do not count as stitches), 12 x (1 sc, dragon scale (skip 4 stitches behind it), 1 sc) (= 24 sc, 12 dragon scales).  
**Rnd 47:** 6 x (5 sc, sc2tog, 5 sc) (= 66 sc).  
**Rnd 48:** 1 sl st (does not count as stitch), 11 x(4 sc, 2 FPdc 2 rounds below (i.e. Rnd 46, skip stitches behind it)) (= 72 stitches).

**Rnd 49:** 2 sl st (do not count as stitches), 11 x (1 sc, dragon scale (skip 4 stitches behind it), 1 sc)(= 22 sc, 11 dragon scales).  
**Rnd 50:** 6 x (9 sc, sc2tog) (= 60 sc).  
**Rnd 51:** 1 sl st (does not count as stitch), 10 x(4 sc, 2 FPdc 2 rounds below (i.e. Rnd 49, skip stitches behind it)) (= 60 stitches).  
**Rnd 52:** 2 sl st (do not count as stitches), 10 x (1 sc, dragon scale (skip 4 stitches behind it), 1 sc)(= 20 sc, 10 dragon scales).  
**Rnd 53:** 6 x (4 sc, sc2tog, 4 sc) (= 54 sc).  
**Rnd 54:** 1 sl st (does not count as stitch), 9 x(4 sc, 2 FPdc 2 rounds below (i.e. Rnd 52, skip stitches behind it)) (= 54 stitches).  
**Rnd 55:** 2 sl st (do not count as stitches), 9 x (1 sc, dragon scale (skip 4 stitches behind it), 1 sc)(= 18 sc, 9 dragon scales).  
**Rnd 56:** 1 sc in each stitch (= 54 sc).  
**Rnd 57:** 1 sl st (does not count as stitch), 9 x(4 sc, 2 FPdc 2 rounds below (i.e. Rnd 55, skip stitches behind it)) (= 54 stitches).  
**Rnd 58:** 2 sl st (do not count as stitches), 9 x (1 sc, dragon scale (skip 4 stitches behind it), 1 sc)(= 18 sc, 9 dragon scales).  
**Rnd 59:** 6 x (7 sc, sc2tog) (= 48 sc).

**Rnd 60:** 1 sl st (does not count as stitch), 8 x(4 sc, 2 FPdc 2 rounds below (i.e. Rnd 58, skip stitches behind it)) (= 48 stitches).  
**Rnd 61:** 2 sl st (do not count as stitches), 8 x (1 sc, dragon scale (skip 4 stitches behind it), 1 sc)(= 16 sc, 8 dragon scales).  
**Rnd 62:** 6 x (3 sc, sc2tog, 3 sc) (= 42 sc).  
**Rnd 63:** 1 sl st (does not count as stitch), 7 x(4 sc, 2 FPdc 2 rounds below (i.e. Rnd 61, skip stitches behind it)) (= 42 stitches).  
**Rnd 64:** 2 sl st (do not count as stitches), 7 x (1 sc, dragon scale (skip 4 stitches behind it), 1 sc)(= 14 sc, 7 dragon scales).  
**Rnd 65:** 6 x (5 sc, sc2tog) (= 36 sc).  
**Rnd 66:** 1 sl st (does not count as stitch), 6 x(4 sc, 2 FPdc 2 rounds below (i.e. Rnd 64, skip stitches behind it)) (= 36 stitches).  
**Rnd 67:** 2 sl st (do not count as stitches), 6 x (1 sc, dragon scale (skip 4 stitches behind it), 1 sc)(= 12 sc, 6 dragon scales).  
**Rnd 68:** 1 sc in each stitch (= 36 sc).  
**Rnd 69:** 1 sl st (does not count as stitch), 6 x(4 sc, 2 FPdc 2 rounds below (i.e. Rnd 67, skip stitches behind it)) (= 36 stitches).





**Rnd 70:** 2 sl st (do not count as stitches), 6 x (1 sc, dragon scale (skip 4 stitches behind it), 1 sc)(= 12 sc, 6 dragon scales).

**Rnd 71:** 6 x (2 sc, sc2tog, 2 sc) (= 30 sc).

**Rnd 72:** 1 sl st (does not count as stitch), 5 x(4 sc, 2 FPdc 2 rounds below (i.e. Rnd 70, skip stitches behind it)) (= 30 stitches).

**Rnd 73:** 2 sl st (do not count as stitches), 5 x (1 sc, dragon scale (skip 4 stitches behind it), 1 sc)(= 10 sc, 5 dragon scale).

**Rnd 74:** 6 x (3 sc, sc2tog) (= 24 sc).

**Rnd 75:** 1 sl st (does not count as stitch), 4 x(4 sc, 2 FPdc 2 rounds below (i.e. Rnd 73, skip stitches behind it) (= 24 stitches).

**Rnd 76:** 2 sl st (do not count as stitches), 4 x (1 sc, dragon scale (skip 4 stitches behind it), 1 sc)(= 8 sc, 4 dragon scales).

**Rnd 77:** 6 x (1 sc, sc2tog, 1 sc) (= 18 sc).

**Rnd 78:** 1 sl st (does not count as stitch), 3 x (4 sc, 2 FPdc 2 rounds below (i.e. Rnd 76, skip stitches behind it)) (= 18 stitches).

**Rnd 79:** 2 sl st (do not count as stitches), 3 x (1 sc, dragon scale (skip 4 stitches behind it), 1 sc)(= 6 sc, 3 dragon scales).

**Rnd 80:** 6 x (1 sc, sc2tog) (= 12 sc).

**Rnd 81:** 1 sc in each BL (= 12 sc).

**Rnd 82:** 6 x sc2tog (= 6 sc). Fasten off. Slide the trunk around the tree stand. Attach the tree to the ring with sc and stuff it as you go: Not too far, for it will sag.

## BOW

Crochet a chain of 40 ch with Scheepjes Twinkle Gold and the 3 mm hook. Join with 1 sl st.

**Rnd 1:** 1 ch, 1 sc in each ch (= 40).

**Rnds 2-10:** 40 sc. Fasten off, leaving a long tail. Fold the work in half to create a bow with the remaining yarn in the middle. Sew the front and back sides together in a straight line. Pull into a bow **3**. >>







## RIBBON

Crochet a chain of 31 ch.

**Rnd 1:** start in the 2nd ch from the hook, 1 sc in each ch, turn (= 30).

**Rnd 2:** 1 ch, sc2tog, 26 sc, sc2tog, turn (= 28).

**Rnd 3:** 1 ch, sc2tog, 24 sc, sc2tog, turn (= 26).

**Rnd 4:** 1 ch, sc2tog, 22 sc, sc2tog, turn (= 24).

Fasten off. Fold the ribbon in a v shape and sew it to the bow **4**.

## LOOP

Crochet a chain of 11 ch.

**Rnd 1:** start in the 2nd ch from the hook, 1 sc in each ch, turn (= 10).

**Rnd 2:** 1 ch, 1 sc in each sc (= 10).

Fasten off, leaving a long tail. Place the loop in the middle around the bow and ribbon. Sew the ends of the loop together and sew the bow to the tree **5**.

## GARLAND

Make 1 garland with Gold and 1 with Natural yarn.

**Red:** Make a chain of 300 ch.

**White:** Make a chain of 400 ch.

**Rnd 1:** 2 sc, pct (picot single stitch), rep 2 sc until end. Fasten off. Drape the garland around the tree.

## STAND

For the foot, take a round wooden disc of 1.5 cm thick and a 15 cm Ø.

The stand consists of a 55 cm stick with a 2.3 cm Ø. Drill a 2.3 cm hole in the center of the disc. Glue the stick to it with wood glue. ●

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## TIP!

Another great alternative to a Christmas tree is the cushion on p. 10.





100 stitches a day  
keeps the doctor  
away!



TINY GUEST AT THE TABLE

# MERRY sparrow

Put this sweet little bird on the breakfast table at Christmas or add a loop to it and have it hang from a peanut garland. If you make more than one, it will increase the merriness even further.



## WHAT DO YOU NEED?

- Phil Coton 3 yarn: 25 g. Praline 79 (light brown)
- Schachenmayr Catania yarn: 5 g. dark brown 162, white 106, red 115
- 2.5 mm crochet hook
- 2 Safety eyes, Ø 6 mm, black
- Fiberfill stuffing
- Pins
- Darning needle
- Scissors

## BODY

Make a MR with light brown.

**Rnd 1:** 6 sc in the MR (= 6).

**Rnd 2:** 2 sc in each sc (= 12).

**Rnd 3:** 6 x (1 sc, 2 sc in next sc) (= 18).

**Rnd 4:** 6 x (1 sc, 2 sc in next sc, 1 sc) (= 24).

**Rnd 5:** 24 sc.

**Rnd 6:** 6 x (3 sc, 2 sc in next sc) (= 30).

**Rnds 7-10:** 30 sc.

**Rnd 11:** 10 x (1 sc, 2 sc in next sc, 1 sc) (= 40).

**Rnd 12:** 40 sc. Position the right-hand safety eye between Rnds 6 and 7, between stitches 29 and 30 (1 stitch before the end of Rnd 7).

Position the left-hand safety eye between Rnds 7 and 8, between stitches 11 and 12. There should be a space of 12 stitches between the eyes now.

**Rnd 13:** 8 x (2 sc, 2 sc in next sc, 2 sc) (= 48).

**Rnd 14:** 24 sc, 6 x (3 sc, 2 sc in the next sc] (= 54).

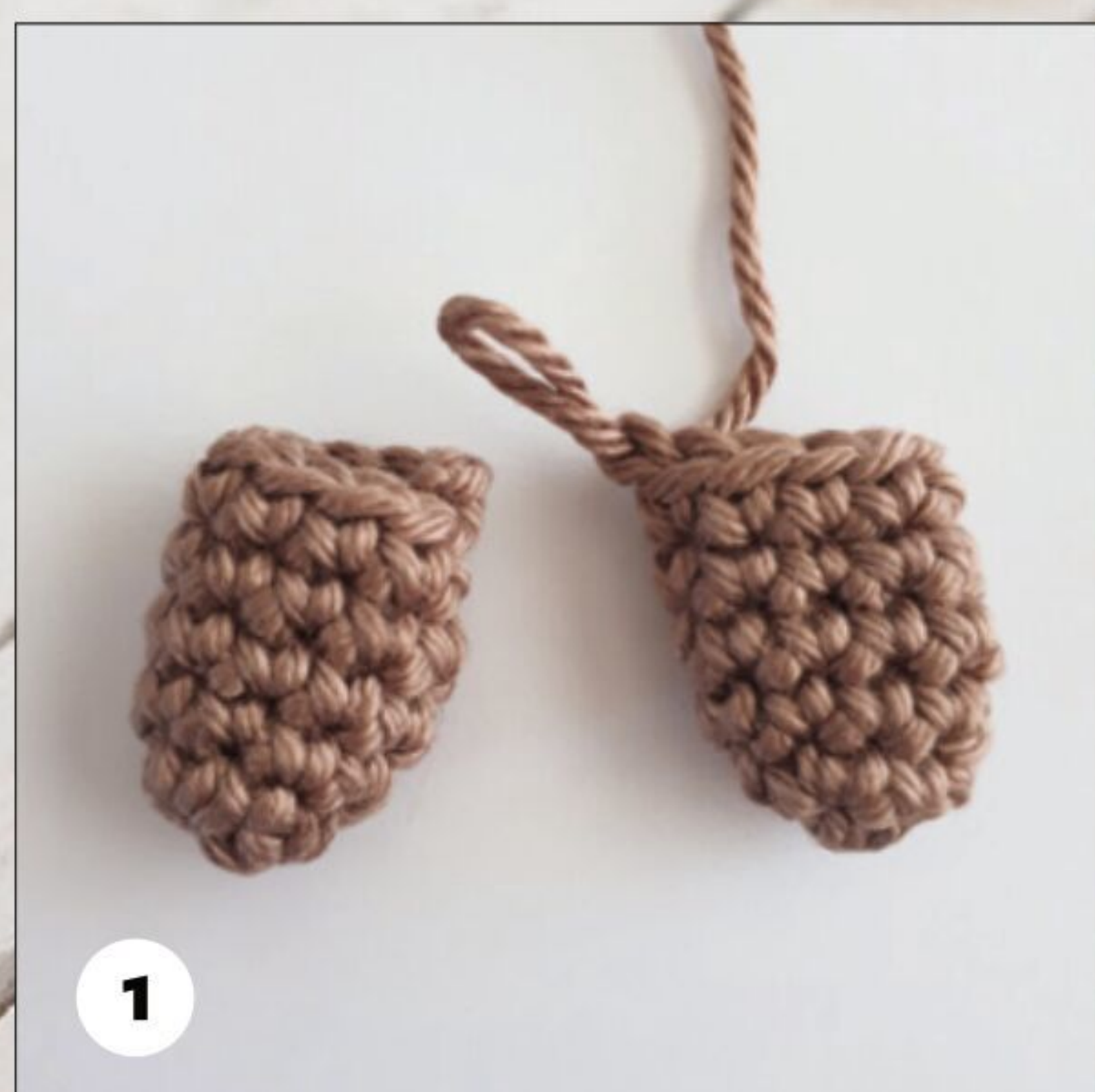
**Rnd 15:** 54 sc.

**Rnd 16:** 24 sc, 6 x (2 sc, 2 sc in next sc, 2 sc) (= 60).

**Rnds 17-20:** 60 sc.

**Rnd 21:** 5 x (2 sc, sc2tog, 2 sc), 26 sc, sc2tog, 2 sc (= 54).

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The bird will be  
about 11 cm tall.











**Rnds 22-24:** 54 sc.

**Rnd 25:** 5 x (3 sc, sc2tog), 27 sc, sc2tog (= 48).

**Rnds 26 and 27:** 48 sc.

**Rnd 28:** 5 x (1 sc, sc2tog, 1 sc), 25 sc, sc2tog, 1 sc (= 42).

**Rnd 29:** 42 sc.

**Rnd 30:** 6 x (5 sc, sc2tog) (= 36).

**Rnd 31:** 6 x (2 sc, sc2tog, 2 sc) (= 30).

**Rnd 32:** 6 x (3 sc, sc2tog) (= 24).

Firmly stuff the body.

**Rnd 33:** 6 x (1 sc, sc2tog, 1 sc) (= 18).

**Rnd 34:** 6 x (1 sc, sc2tog) (= 12).

Stuff the body extra if necessary.

**Rnd 35:** 6 x (sc2tog) (= 6).

Fasten off with 1 sl st and break yarn.

Weave it through the front loops of the remaining 6 stitches and pull tightly. Hide the end.

## TAIL

Make a MR with light brown.

**Rnd 1:** 6 sc in the MR (= 6).

**Rnd 2:** 3 x (1 sc, 2 sc in next sc) (= 9).

**Rnds 3-6:** 9 sc.

Fasten off with 1 sl st, break yarn and weave it in. Rep Rnds 1-6, but do not break yarn after that. Keep both parts side by side and continue with the next rounds **1** and **2**.

**Rnd 7:** 9 sc on the 1st part, 9 sc on the 2nd part (= 18).

**Rnd 8:** 3 x (2 sc, sc2tog, 2 sc) (= 15).

**Rnds 9 and 10:** 15 sc.

**Rnd 11:** 3 x (3 sc, sc2tog) (= 12).

**Rnds 12-14:** 12 sc.

**Rnd 15:** 2 sc in every sc (= 24).

Fasten off with 1 sl st and break yarn, leaving a long tail **3** and **4**. Flatten the tail and pin it to the back of the body at Rnds 26-30. Then sew it in place.

## BEAK

Make a MR with dark brown.

**Rnd 1:** 4 sc in the MR (= 4).

**Rnd 2:** 2 x (1 sc, 2 sc in next sc) (= 6).

**Rnd 3:** 3 x (1 sc, 2 sc in next sc) (= 9).

**Rnd 4:** 9 sc. Fasten off with 1 sl st and break yarn, leaving a long tail. Stuff the beak slightly. Pin it at Rnds 6-9, in right between the eyes and sew it in place **5**. Use the same thread to embroider a 2 stitches wide line below both eyes. Hide the end.

## WINGS (2 X)

Make a MR with dark brown.

**Rnd 1:** 6 sc in the MR (= 6).

**Rnd 2:** 6 sc.

**Rnd 3:** 3 x (1 sc, 2 sc in next sc) (= 9).

**Rnd 4:** 9 sc.

**Rnd 5:** 3 x (1 sc, 2 sc in next sc, 1 sc) (= 12).

**Rnd 6:** 12 sc.

**Rnd 7:** 3 x (3 sc, 2 sc in next sc) (= 15).

**Rnd 8:** 15 sc **6** to **9**. Do not stuff the wings. Fold the work in half and join with 7 sc through both layers. Turn the work (without tch) and crochet across the 7 sc as follows: [1 sc, 1 hdc] in 1st sc, [1 dc, 1 tr, 1 dc] in next sc, [1 hdc, 1 sc] in next sc, 1 sl st in next sc, [1 sc, 1 hdc] in next sc, [1 dc, 1 tr, 1 dc] in next sc, [1 hdc, 1 sc, 1 sl st] in the final sc (= 16). Fasten off and break yarn, leaving a long tail. Pin the wings to both sides of the body at Rnds 14-22. Only secure the double part in place (Rnds 1-8) and let the flaps at the end sit loosely.

## CHRISTMAS HAT

Make a MR with white.

**Rnd 1:** 6 sc in the MR (= 6).

**Rnd 2:** 2 sc in every sc (= 12).

**Rnds 3 and 4:** 12 sc.

**Rnd 5:** 6 x (sc2tog) (= 6).

Stuff the little ball. Leave the rest of the hat unstuffed. Change to red.

**Rnds 6-8:** 6 sc.

**Rnd 9:** 3 x (1 sc, 2 sc in next sc) (= 9).

**Rnd 10:** 9 sc.

**Rnd 11:** 3 x (1 sc, 2 sc in next sc, 1 sc) (= 12).

**Rnd 12:** 12 sc.

**Rnd 13:** 3 x (3 sc, 2 sc in next sc) (= 15).

**Rnd 14:** 15 sc.

**Rnd 15:** 5 x (1 sc, 2 sc in next sc, 1 sc) (= 20).

**Rnd 16:** 5 x (3 sc, 2 sc in next sc) (= 25).

**Rnd 17:** 5 x (2 sc, 2 sc in next sc, 2 sc) (= 30).

**Rnd 18:** 30 sc.

Fasten off with 1 sl st, break yarn and weave it in **10** to **15**.

Hold the work the other way around and attach white in a front loop of Rnd 18 (as viewed from the inside of the hat). Continue crocheting as follows:

**Rnd 19:** 1 sc in each FL of Rnd 18 (= 30).

**Rnd 20:** 30 sc.

**Rnd 21:** 1 sc in every BL (= 30).

**Rnd 22:** 30 sc.

Fold the white edge outwards from Rnd 21.

**Rnd 23:** 1 sl st in each stitch of Rnd 22 and the remaining loops of Rnd 18. First insert through both loops of Rnd 22 and then through the opposite remaining loop of Rnd 18, crochet 1 sl st, continue with the next stitch and work the entire round like this (= 30). Fasten off with 1 sl st and break yarn, leaving a long tail. Use this to attach the ball to the edge of the Christmas hat with a small stitch, keeping the tip of the hat bent downwards. Pin the hat at a slight angle on the head of the bird. Sew it together and hide the ends.

## HANGING LOOP (OPTIONAL)

Crochet a chain of 50 ch with light brown, join into a loop with 1 sl st in the 1st ch. Break yarn, leaving a long tail. Pin the loop to the center of the bird's back at the level of Rnd 11. Make sure it hangs straight and stitch the loop in place. •

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ENCHANTINGLY BEAUTIFUL WITH MISTLETOE

# GREEN Christmas Star

Hang this mesmerizingly beautiful star bursting with mistletoe in the right spot and make it a romantic Christmas. After all, there should be kissing underneath the mistletoe, and who wouldn't want to do that?

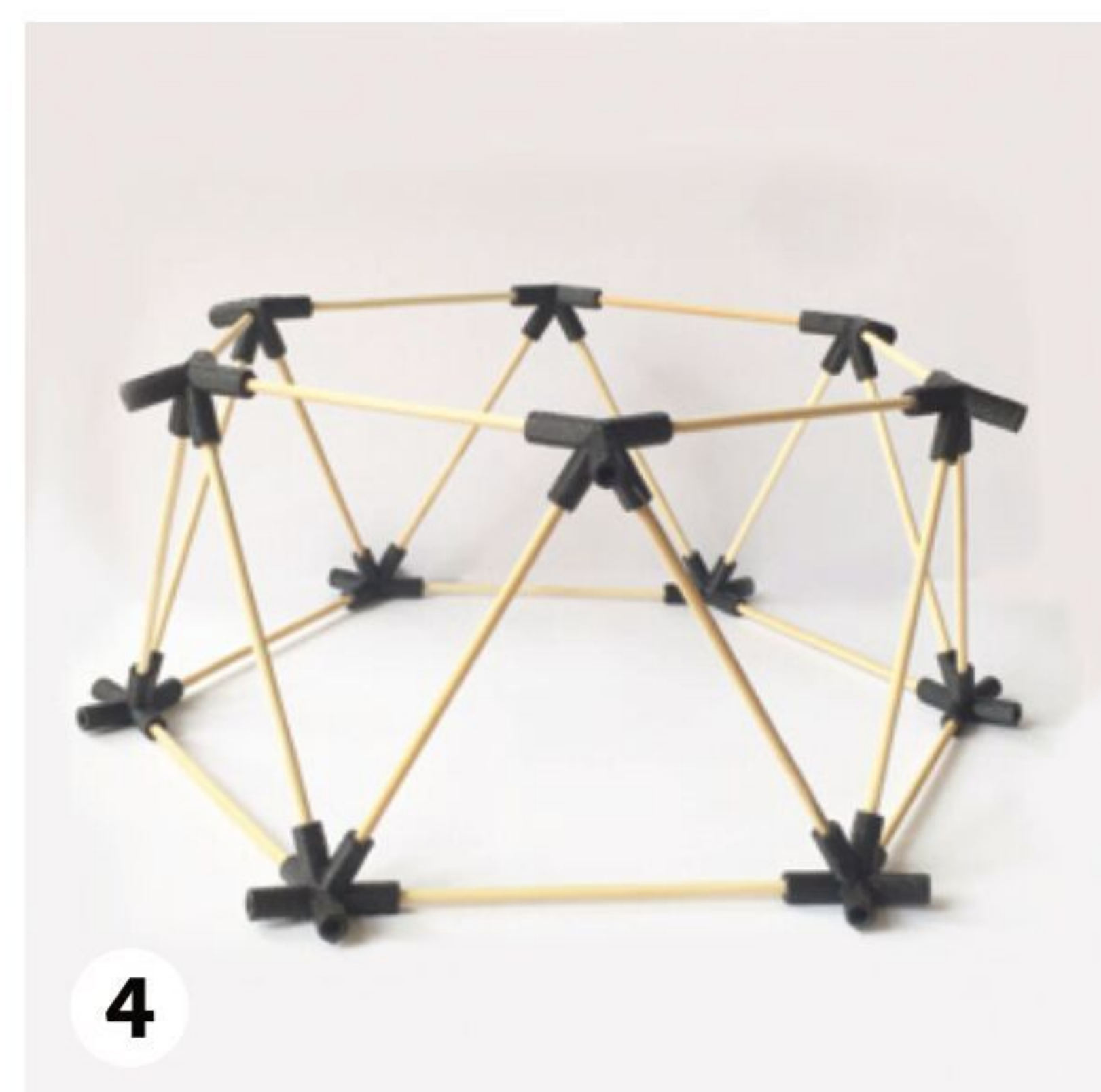
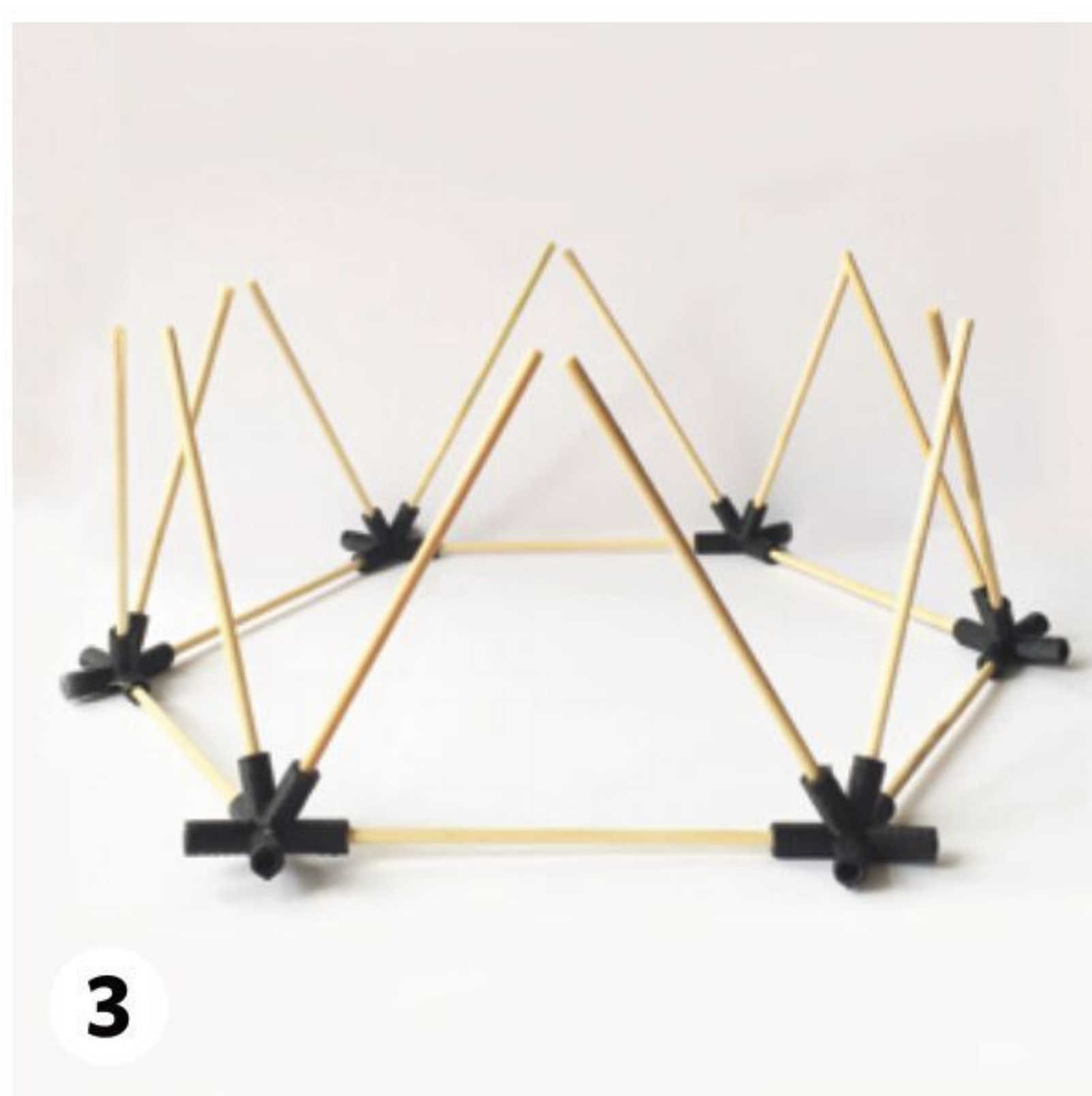
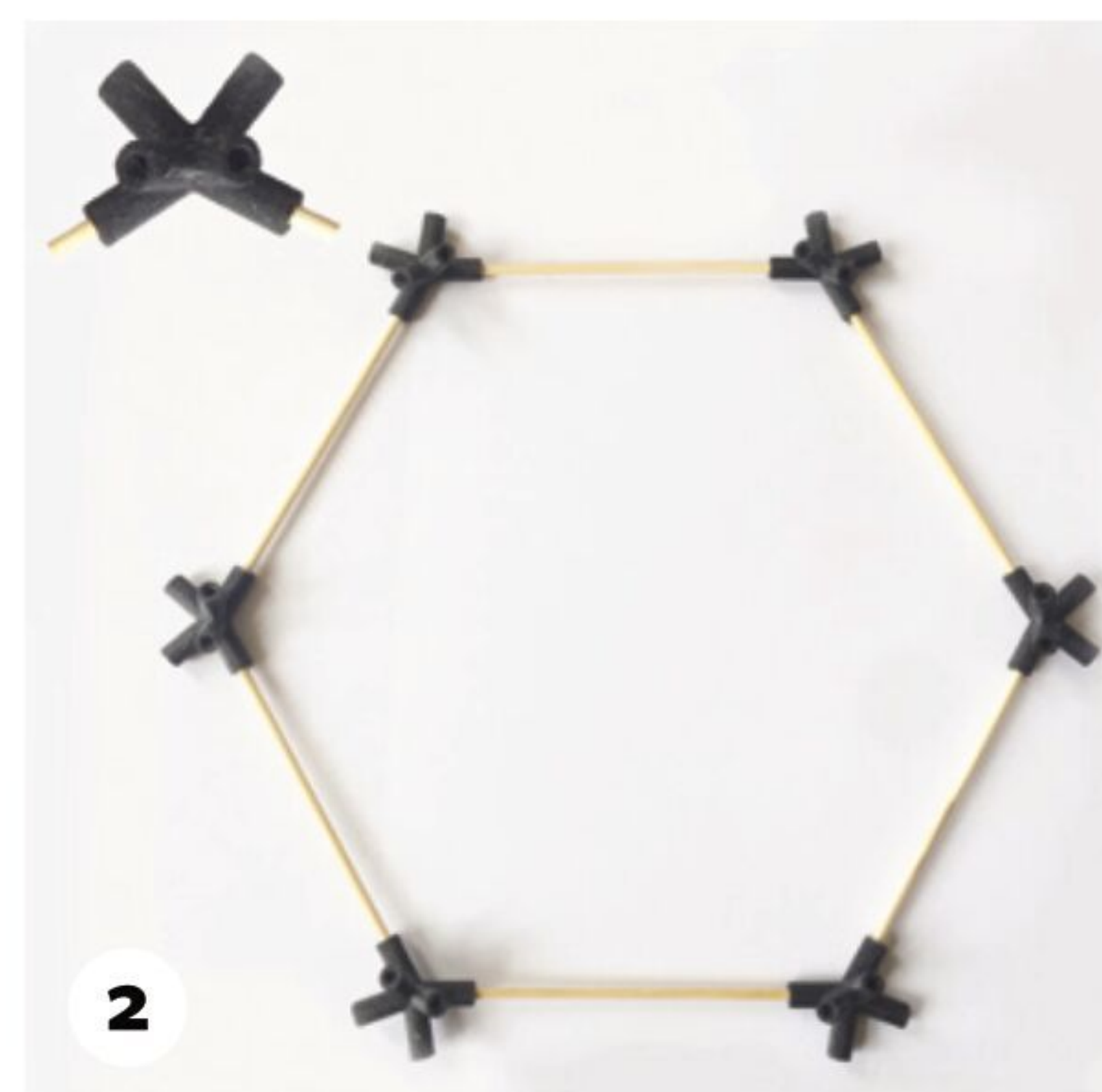
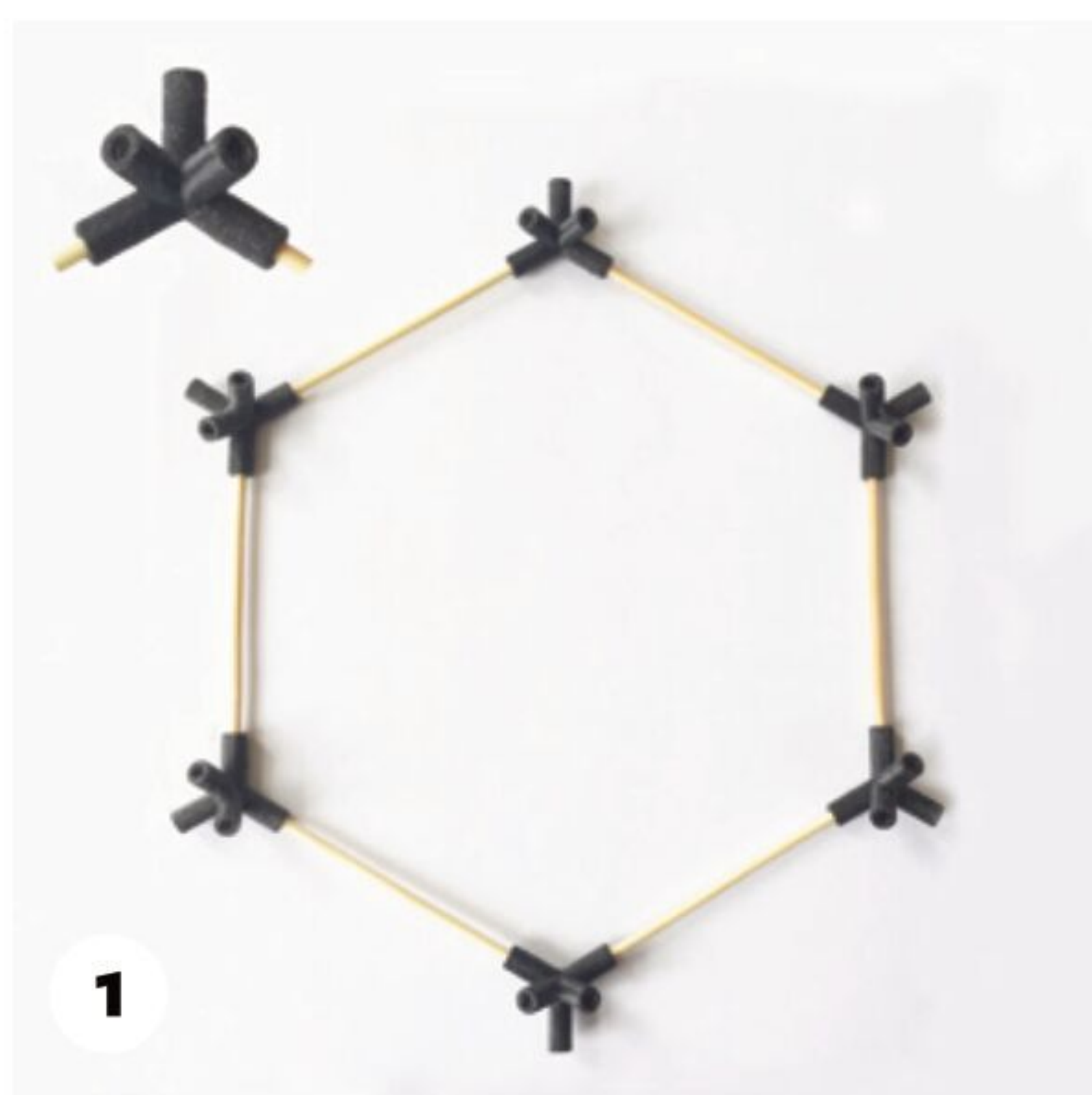
## WHAT DO YOU NEED?

- Star frame
- Lammy Yarns yarn: 4 balls of crochet cotton 10, in color of your choice
- 1.75 mm Crochet hook
- 200 White/cream beads, Ø 12 mm, with Ø 1 mm opening
- Fabric adhesive
- Glue gun with cartridges
- Sewing needle
- Wood glue or granulated sugar (for stiffening the leaves)

**Materials available at**  
**Hobbyou.nl/hoc**

## THIS IS HOW YOU MAKE IT

Assemble the frame **1** to **4**. Use the glue gun to secure the sticks to the connecting pieces, but not before checking if everything is correct and fits. Put the 6 points of the star to the side **5** and **6**. »







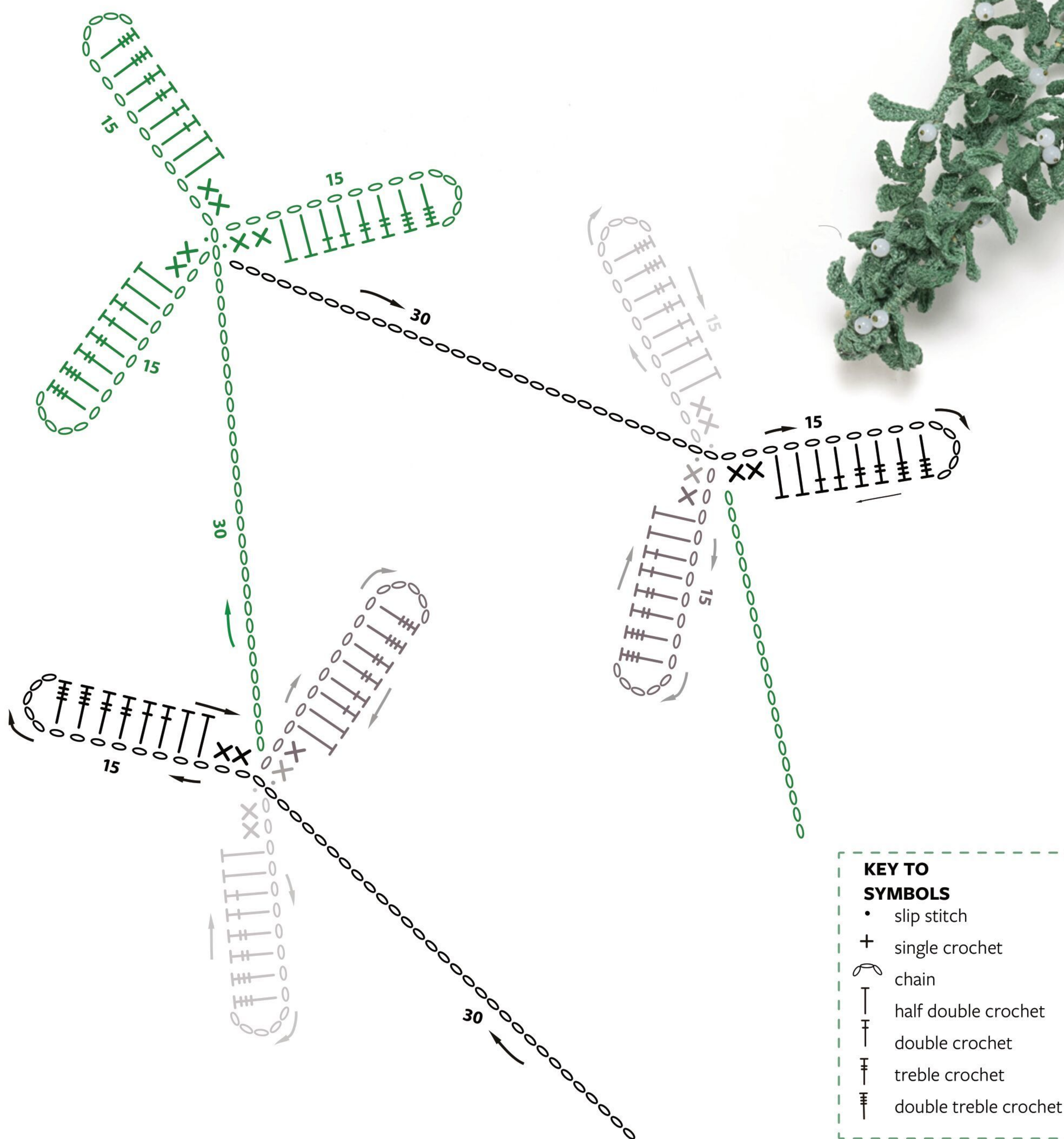


## TIP!

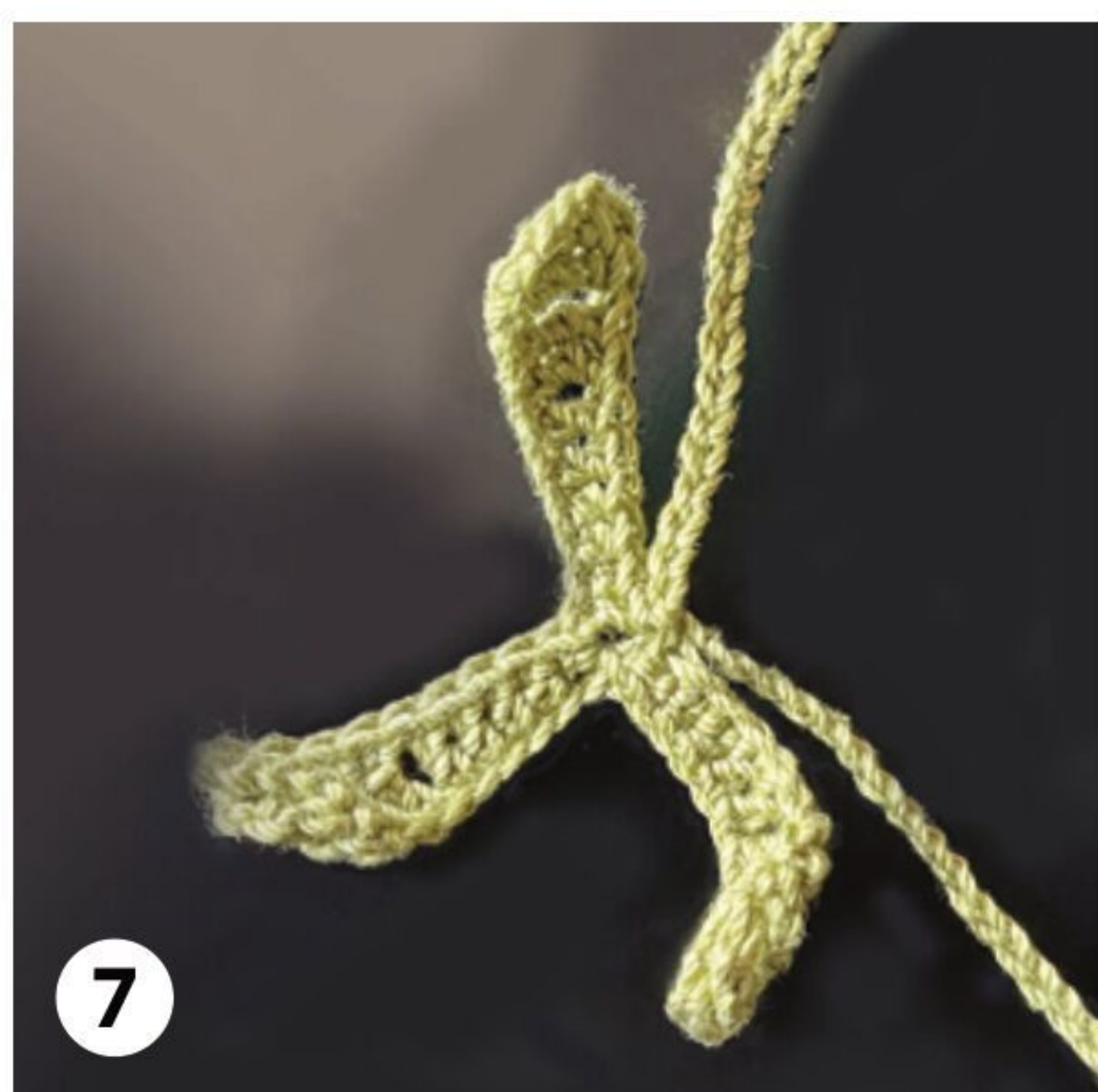
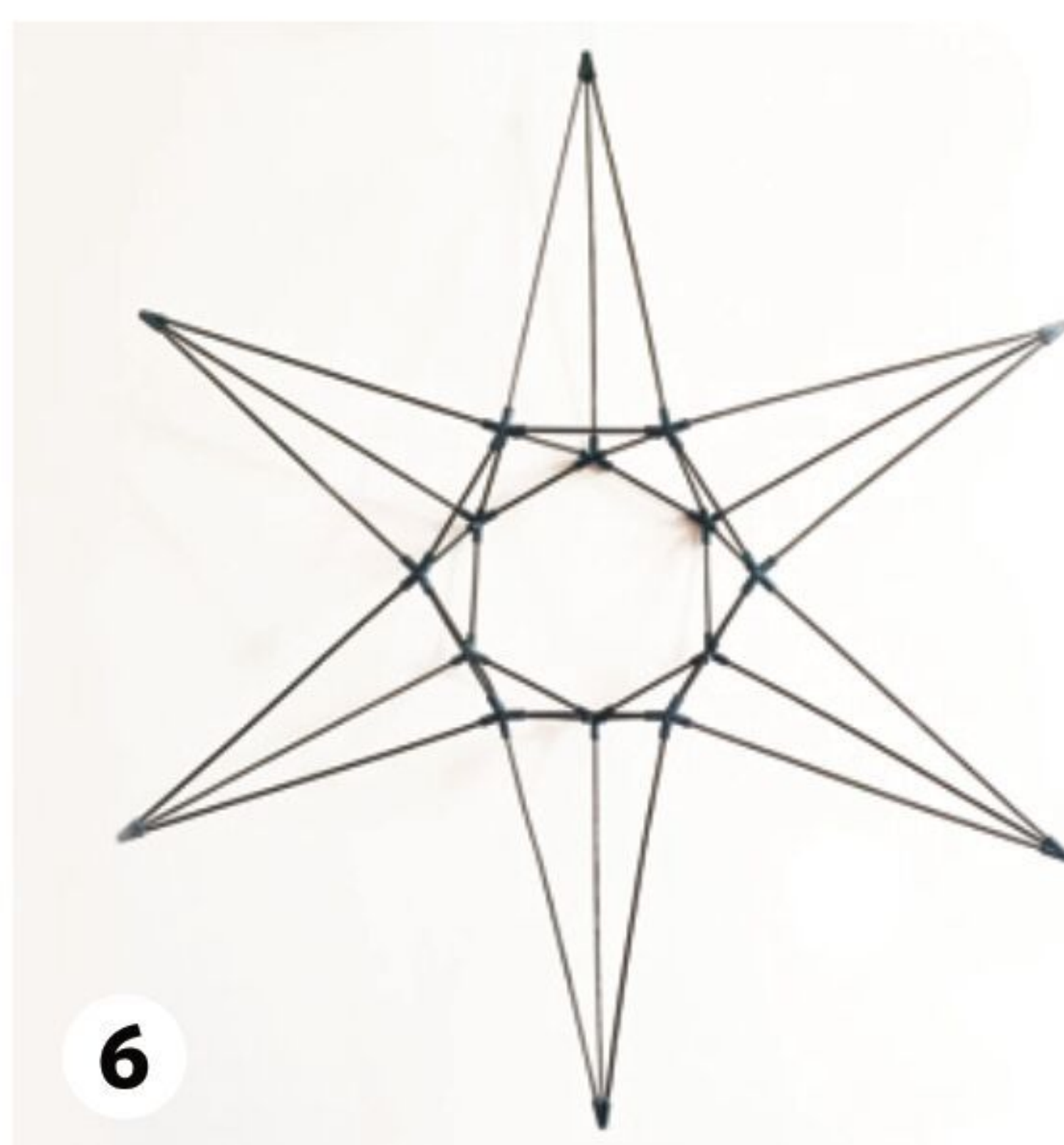
There are several ways to hang the star. Straight, like on the pictures, but it can also be hung from the points. To do this, make a loop out of a chain and sew it to the star.



DIAGRAM 1







## MISTLETOE LEAVES

Crochet a set of leaves, see **drawing 1 7**. Rep this pattern continuously. 1 set of 3 crocheted leaves (44 ch) is needed to cover 0.8 to 1 cm of the wooden sticks. Make as many sets of leaves as you like, but don't make the chains too long to ensure you can easily wrap them around the sticks. You can crochet longer chains, but you will need to cut them into shorter pieces later on. Coat the ends thoroughly with wood or textile adhesive to prevent fraying.

## STIFFENING

There are 2 methods for stiffening: With sugar or wood glue. To see how these 2 methods work, go to page 74 **8**.

## WRAPPING THE STICKS

To glue on the leaf chains, it's best to coat the sticks with fabric adhesive. Wrap a chain around it until there isn't any wood visible anymore. Wrap around the connecting pieces as well. If a piece of plastic remains visible, stick a leaf over it. After having covered the base frame, also wrap the points of the star **9**. Do not yet glue on the sealing caps at the points, this makes it easier to wrap the chain around the wood **10**. After the third and final stick of a point, glue on the cap and wrap the chain around the cap as well. >>



## BERRIES

Cut a piece of yarn and make a knot in 1 end that doesn't fit through the hole of a bead. To do this, wind the end of the yarn 5 to 6 x loosely around the needle in the opposite direction, and pull this winding toward the end of the yarn. This creates a little knot. Apply some fabric adhesive to this knot, insert the yarn through the bead and cut it short at the other side of it. Do not pull the knot all the way through the bead **11**. Glue the bead on to the wrapped star frame. The beads now look like real berries **12**. Continue until the frame is completely wrapped with leaf chains and until all the berries are glued on. •

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GIFTS

ULTIMATE GIFT

# *Heeeerrry* GOOD WINE

This is a perfect gift for a wine lover.  
Do you like it too much to give it away?  
Then keep it yourself!





## WHAT DO YOU NEED?

- Crochet cotton: 50 g. red, 25 g. light skin color, 10 g. white, brown, scrap of black
- Fluffy crochet yarn: 25 g. white
- Scrap of gold
- 3 and 5 mm crochet hook (or smaller/larger)
- Tuft of fiberfill stuffing
- Wool/embroidery needle
- Scissors
- Bottle of wine

## THIS IS HOW YOU MAKE IT

First, determine which crochet hook is best suited for your way of crocheting. The stitches must not be too loose and the work should fit snugly over the bottle. Check this while you work.

## CRAB STITCH

Single crochets are crocheted from right to left, but for the crab stitch, you crochet from left to right. Insert to the right of the hook, yarn over, draw through, yarn over and draw through both loops. Repeat this until you have gone around.

## BOTTLE COVER

**Rnd 1:** Crochet 24 ch with the 3 mm crochet hook and red yarn, join with 1 sl st into a ring. Make sure the chain is not twisted.

**Rnd 2:** 1 sc in each ch (= 24).

**Rnds 3-17:** 24 sc.

**Rnd 18:** 12 x (1 sc, 2 sc in next sc) (= 36).

**Rnd 19:** 36 sc.

**Rnd 20:** 12 x (1 sc, 2 sc in next sc, 1 sc) (= 48).

**Rnd 21:** 48 sc.

**Rnd 22:** 12 x (3 sc, 2 sc in next sc) (= 60).

**Rnds 23 and 24:** 60 sc.

**Rnd 25:** 3 x (5 sc, 2 sc in next sc, 15 sc) (= 66).

**Rnds 26-28:** 66 sc. Change to skin color at the final draw through.

**Rnd 29:** 66 sc in the BL.

**Rnds 30-46:** 66 sc, change to white.

**Rnds 47-51:** 66 sc, change to red.

**Rnds 52-64:** 66 sc, change to brown.

**Rnds 65-67:** 66 sc, change to red.

**Rnds 68-79:** 66 sc.

**Rnd 80:** 66 sc in crab stitch.

Fasten off and weave in ends.

## TOP EDGE

Attach Sweetheart soft white with the 3 mm hook in any loop of a ch from Rnd 1. Make 1 sc in each stitch, join with 1 sl st. Fasten off and weave in ends.

## HAT EDGE

Attach Sweetheart soft white with the 3 mm hook in the front loop of the 1st sc of Rnd 29, crochet 3 ch. Make 1 dc in each stitch, join with 1 sl st in the 3rd ch. Fasten off and weave in ends. If necessary, secure the hat edge with a few stitches so it won't flip upwards.

## BEARD

**Rnd 1:** Crochet 20 ch + 1 tch with the 5 mm hook and Sweetheart soft white (= 21 ch).

**Rnd 2:** 9 sc, 2 x (2 sc in the next ch), 9 sc, 1 tch (= 22).

**Rnd 3:** 4 x (4 sc, 2 sc in next sc), 2 sc, 1 tch (= 26).

**Rnd 4:** 6 x (3 sc, 2 sc in next sc), 2 sc, tch (32 sc).

**Rnd 5:** 10 x (2 sc, 2 sc in next sc, 2 sc) (= 42). Fasten off, leaving a long tail. Pin the beard to the bottle cover and sew it in place.







## MUSTACHE (2 X)

**Rnd 1:** Leave a long starting yarn and crochet 6 ch with the 5 mm hook and Sweetheart soft white.

**Rnd 2:** 1 sc in the 2nd ch from the hook, 1 hdc in the next ch, 1 dc in the next ch, 1 hdc in the next ch, 3 sc in the last ch. Continue crocheting on the other side of the chain: 1 hdc in the next ch, 1 dc in the next ch, 1 hdc in the next ch, 1 sc in the next ch, join with 1 sl st in the 1st sc. Fasten off, leaving a long tail. Sew the mustache on to the beard on both sides,

using the long starting and end tails. Fasten off and weave in all ends.

## NOSE

**Rnd 1:** Make a MR with the 3 mm hook and light skin color.

**Rnd 2:** 2 sc in each sc (= 12).

**Rnd 3:** 12 sc.

**Rnd 4:** 6 x (sc2tog) (= 6). Fasten off, leaving a long tail. Stuff the nose lightly, you could use a long piece of yarn in the same color. Sew the opening closed and sew the nose in the middle to the mustache.

## EYES

Use a long piece of black yarn to embroider the eyes on the face to your liking.

## BELT

Use a long piece of gold-colored yarn to embroider the belt buckle on the bottle cover. •

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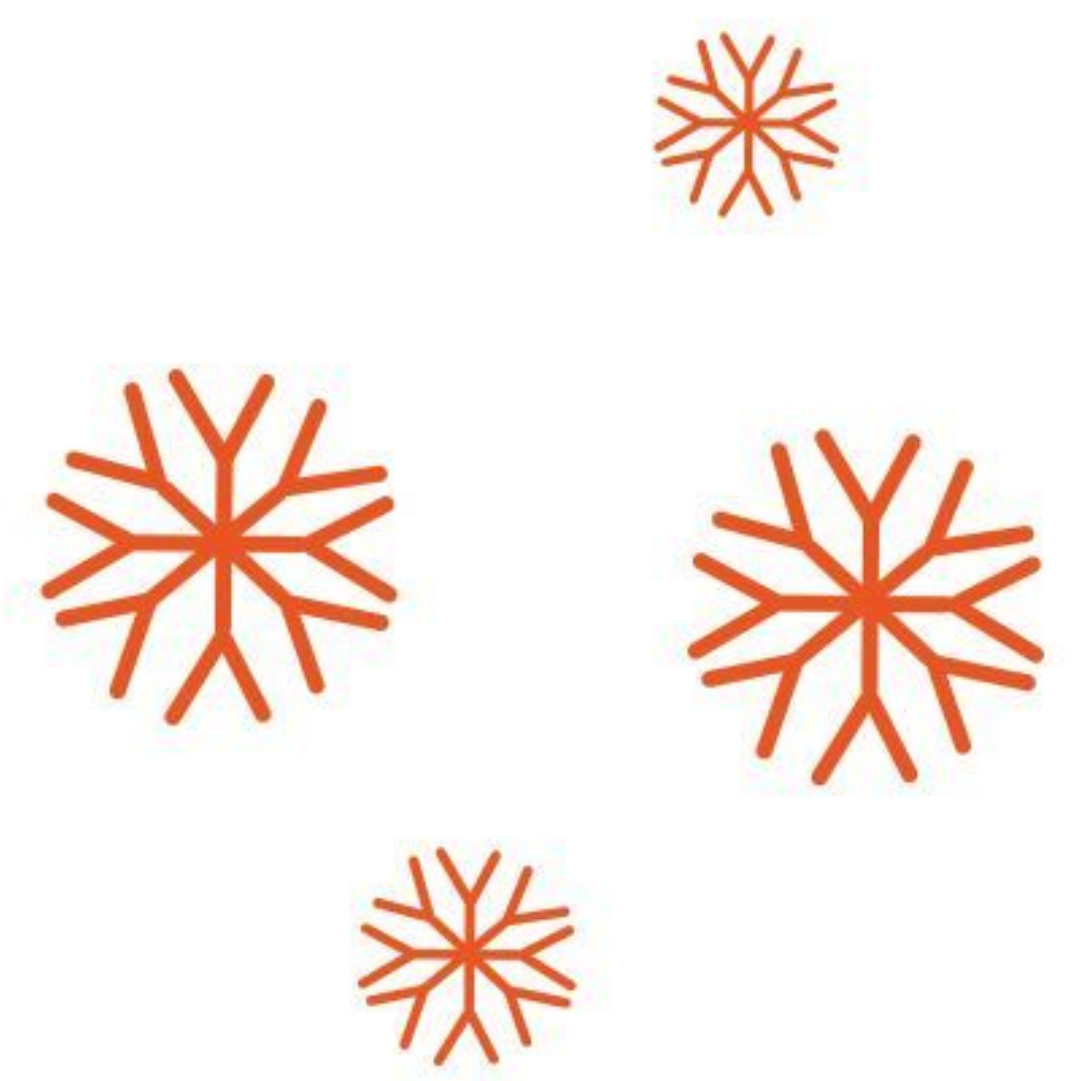


# IN TWO COLORS

# Wintry

# SQUEEZE

# COIN PURSE



Squeeze coin purses are not only small and adorable, but also very handy! Surprise someone under the Christmas tree with this cute purse with a wintry motif.

## WHAT DO YOU NEED?

- Durable Coral yarn: 15 g. of 2 colors of your choice
- 2.5 mm crochet hook
- Flexible metal purse frame
- Stitch marker
- Darning needle
- Scissors

Yarn from [DurableYarn.com](http://DurableYarn.com)

Crochet in the round from here on. Start with mochila technique and carry color B along **2**.

**Rnd 1:** 54 sc with color A.

**Rnd 2:** 9 sc with color A, 1 sc with color B, 7 sc with color A, 1 sc with color B, 9 sc with color A, 27 sc with color A.

**Rnd 3:** 8 sc with color A, 1 sc with color B, 1 sc with color B, 1 sc with color B,

5 sc with color A, 1 sc with color B, 1 sc with color A, 1 sc with color B, 8 sc with color A, 27 sc with color A.

**Rnd 4:** rep Rnd 2.

**Rnd 5:** 54 sc with color A.

**Rnd 6:** 5 sc with color A, 1 sc with color B, 7 sc with color A, 1 sc with color B, 7 sc with color A, 1 sc with color B, 5 sc with color A, 27 sc with color A. »

## THIS IS HOW YOU MAKE IT

Crochet the purse using the mochila technique. For this technique, you work in the back loops (BL). Make sc, carrying the 2nd color along at the back and working your stitches over it. When changing colors, don't finish the sc before the next stitch, but use the 2nd color for the final draw through and continue with sc according to pattern.

## GOLDEN PURSE

Use color A to set up 26 ch, make 24 sc, starting in the 2nd ch from the hook, 3 sc in the last ch. Make 24 sc on the other side of the foundation chain and make 3 sc in the tch (= 54 sc: 27 sc at the front and 27 sc at the back) **1**. Place a stitch marker.

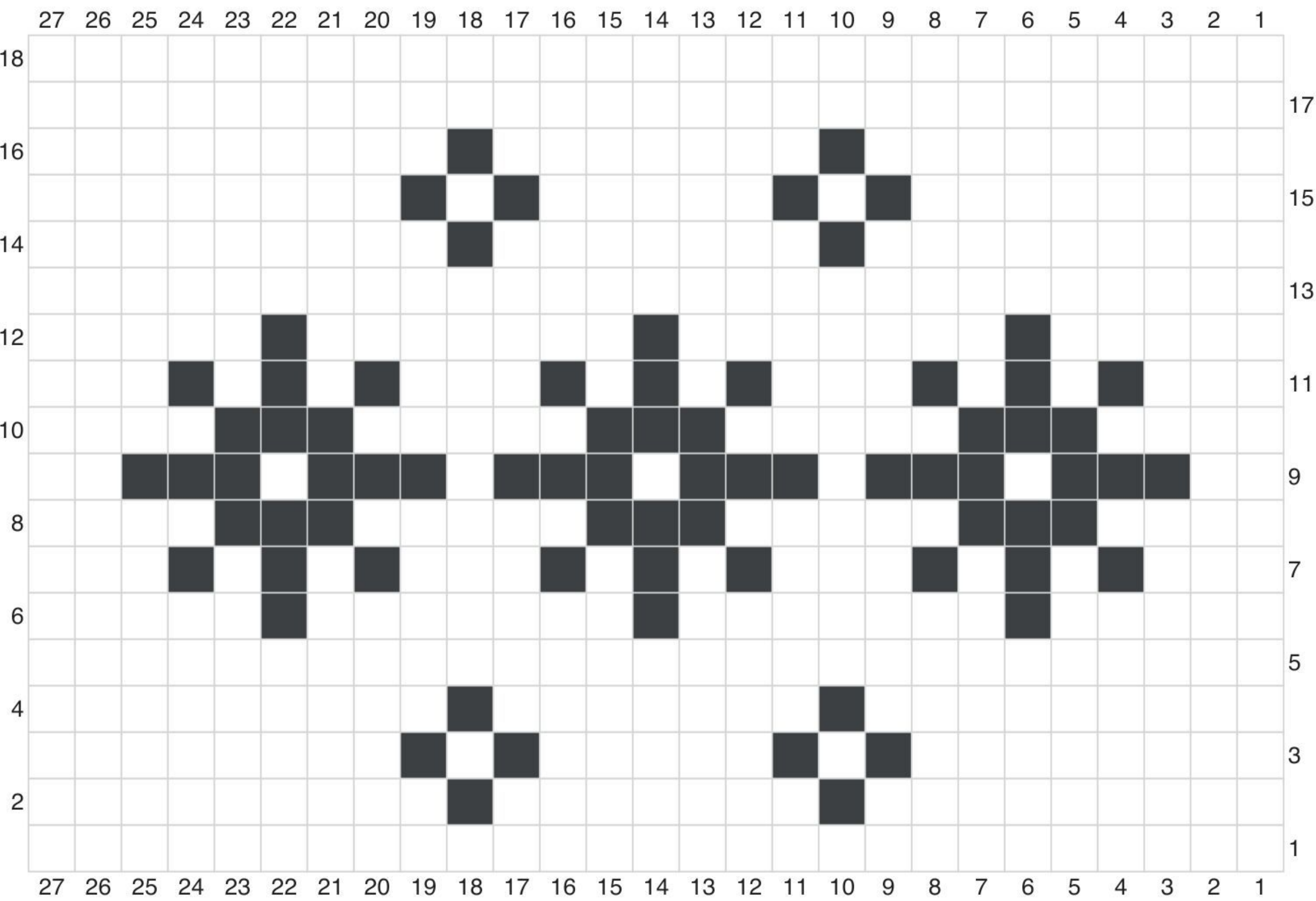




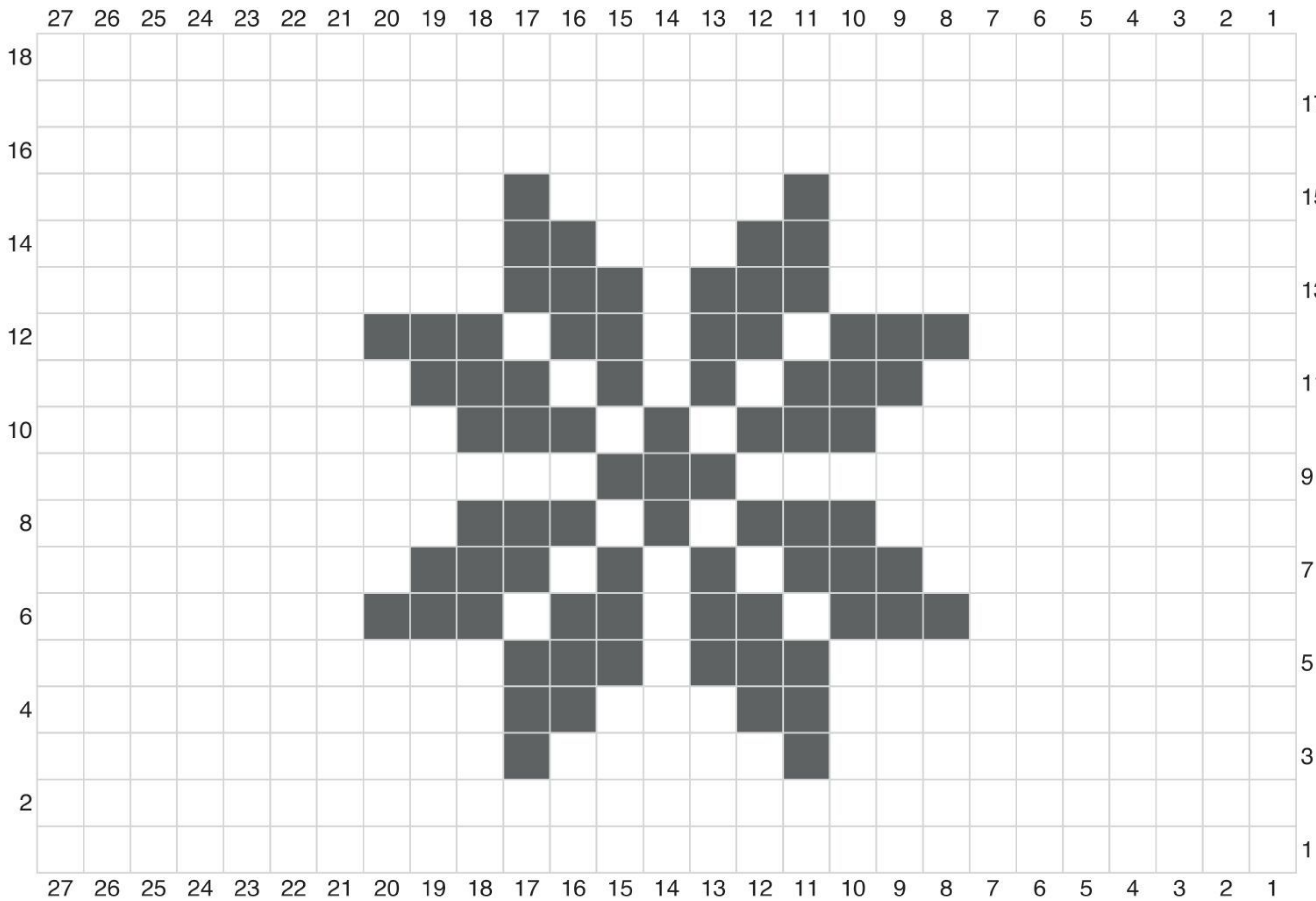




PATTERN GOLDEN PURSE



PATTERN RED PURSE







**Rnd 7:** 3 sc with color A, 2 x (1 sc with color B, 1 sc with color A, 1 sc with color B, 1 sc with color A, 1 sc with color B, 3 sc with color A), 27 sc with color A.

**Rnd 8:** 4 sc with color A, 3 sc with color B, 5 sc with color A, 5 sc with color A, 3 sc with color B, 5 sc with color A, 3 sc with color B, 4 sc with color A, 27 sc with color A.

**Rnd 9:** 2 sc with color A, 3 sc with color B, 1 sc with color A, 3 sc with color B, 1 sc with color A, 3 sc with color B, 1 sc with color A, 3 sc with color B, 1 sc with color A, 3 sc with color B, 2 sc with color A, 27 sc with color A.

**Rnd 10:** rep Rnd 8.

**Rnd 11:** rep Rnd 7.

**Rnd 12:** rep Rnd 6.

**Rnd 13:** 54 sc with color A.

**Rnd 14:** rep Rnd 2.

**Rnd 15:** rep Rnd 3.

**Rnd 16:** rep Rnd 4.

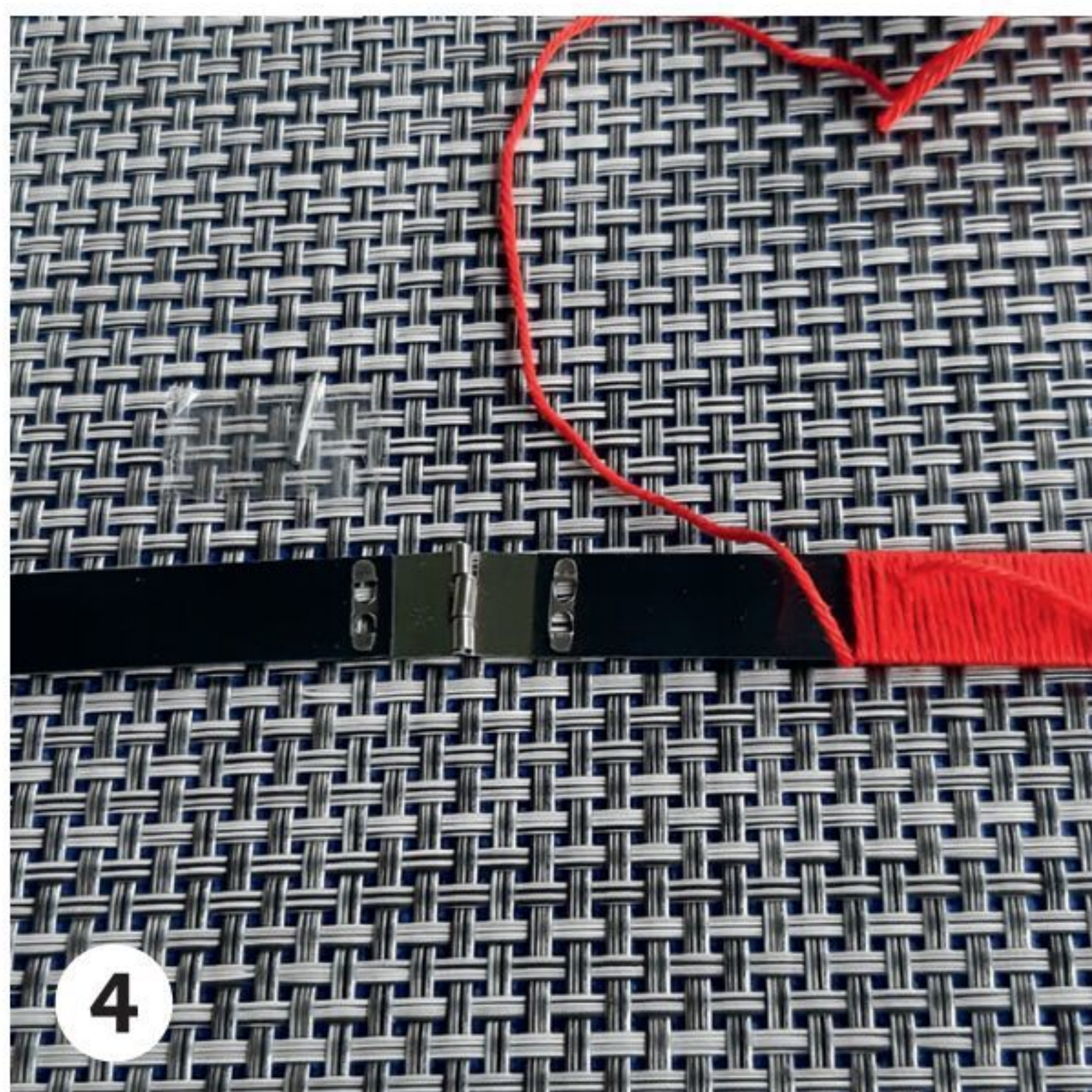
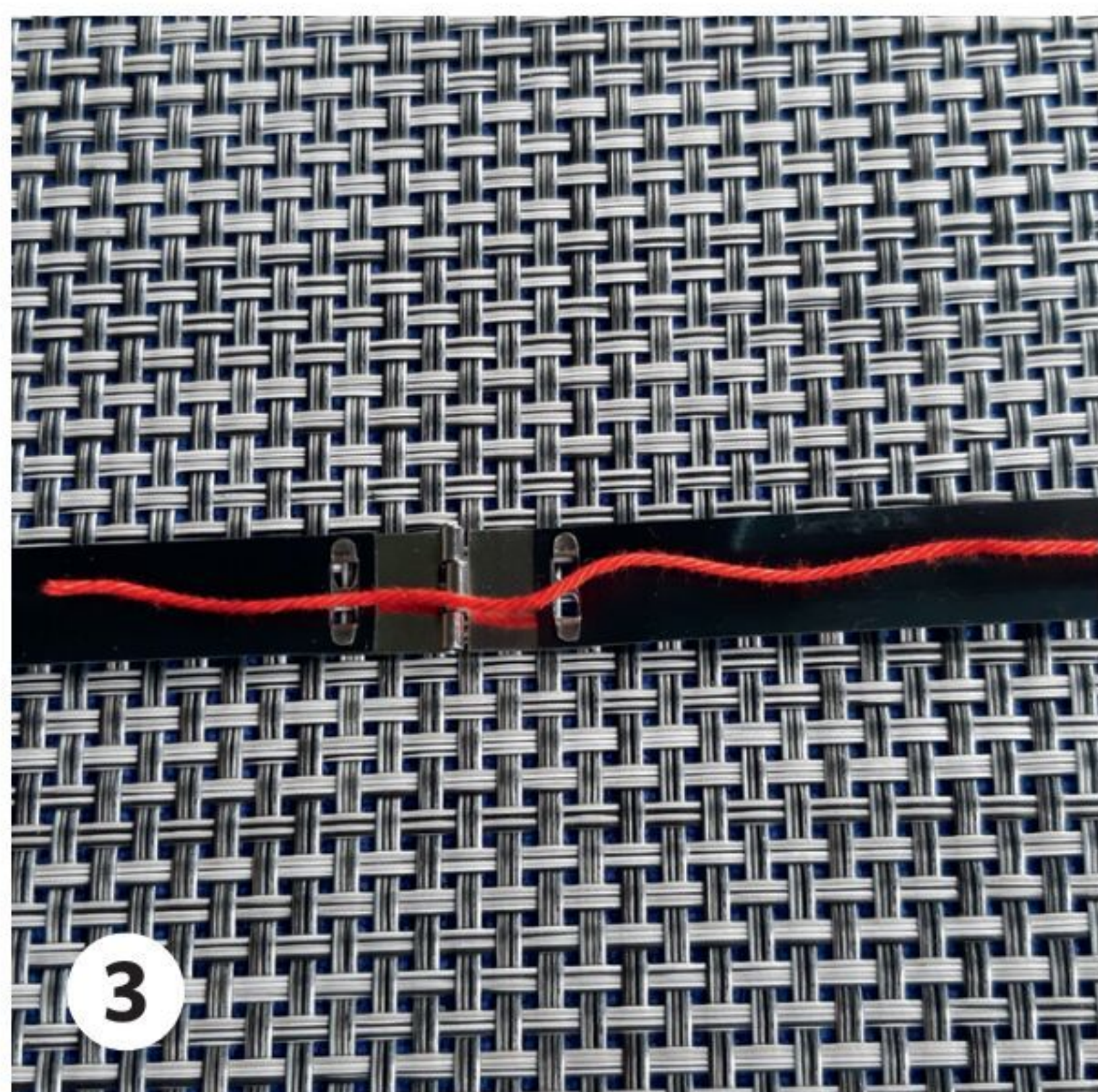
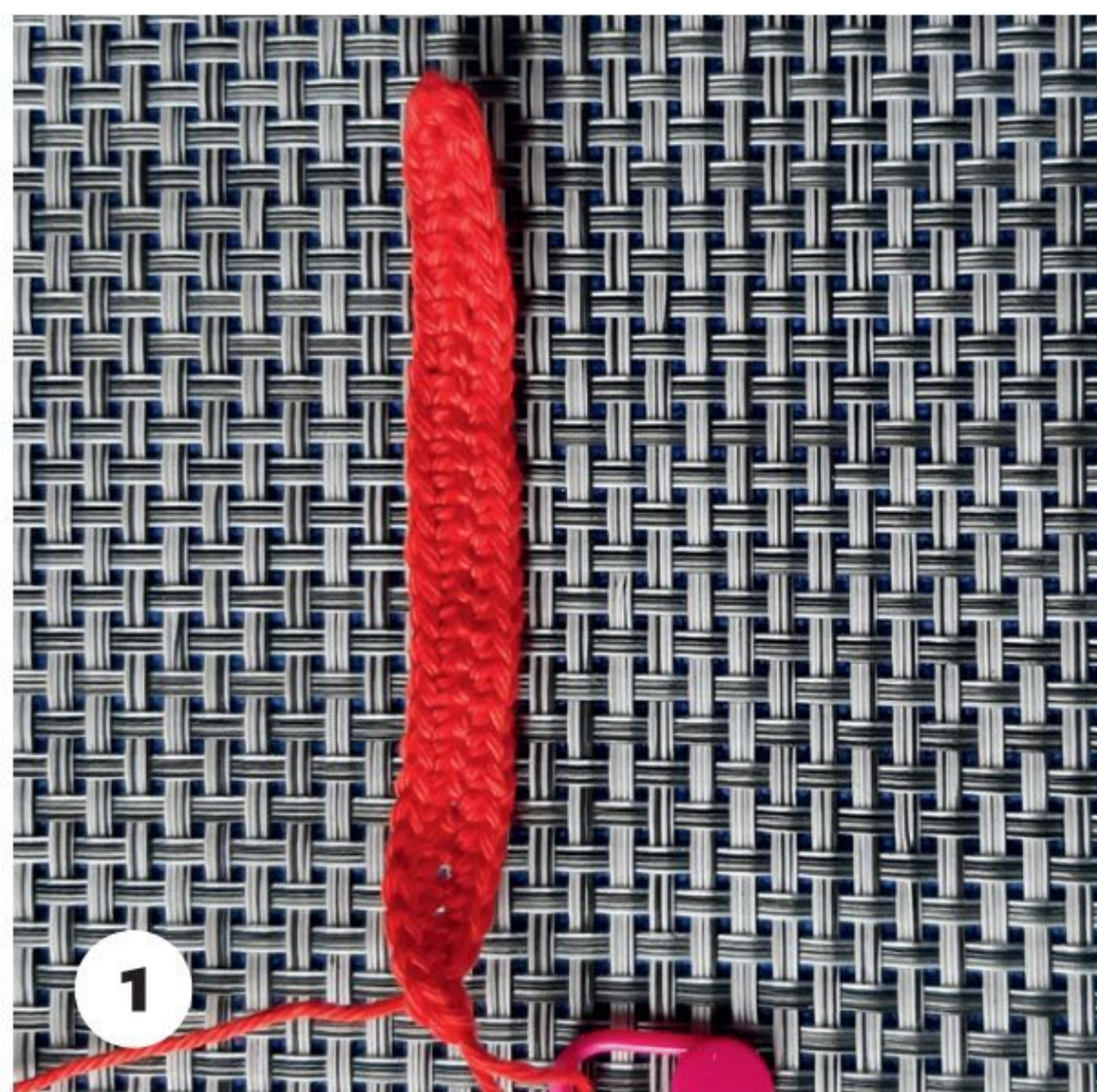
**Rnds 17 and 18:** 54 sc with color A.

## FINISHING

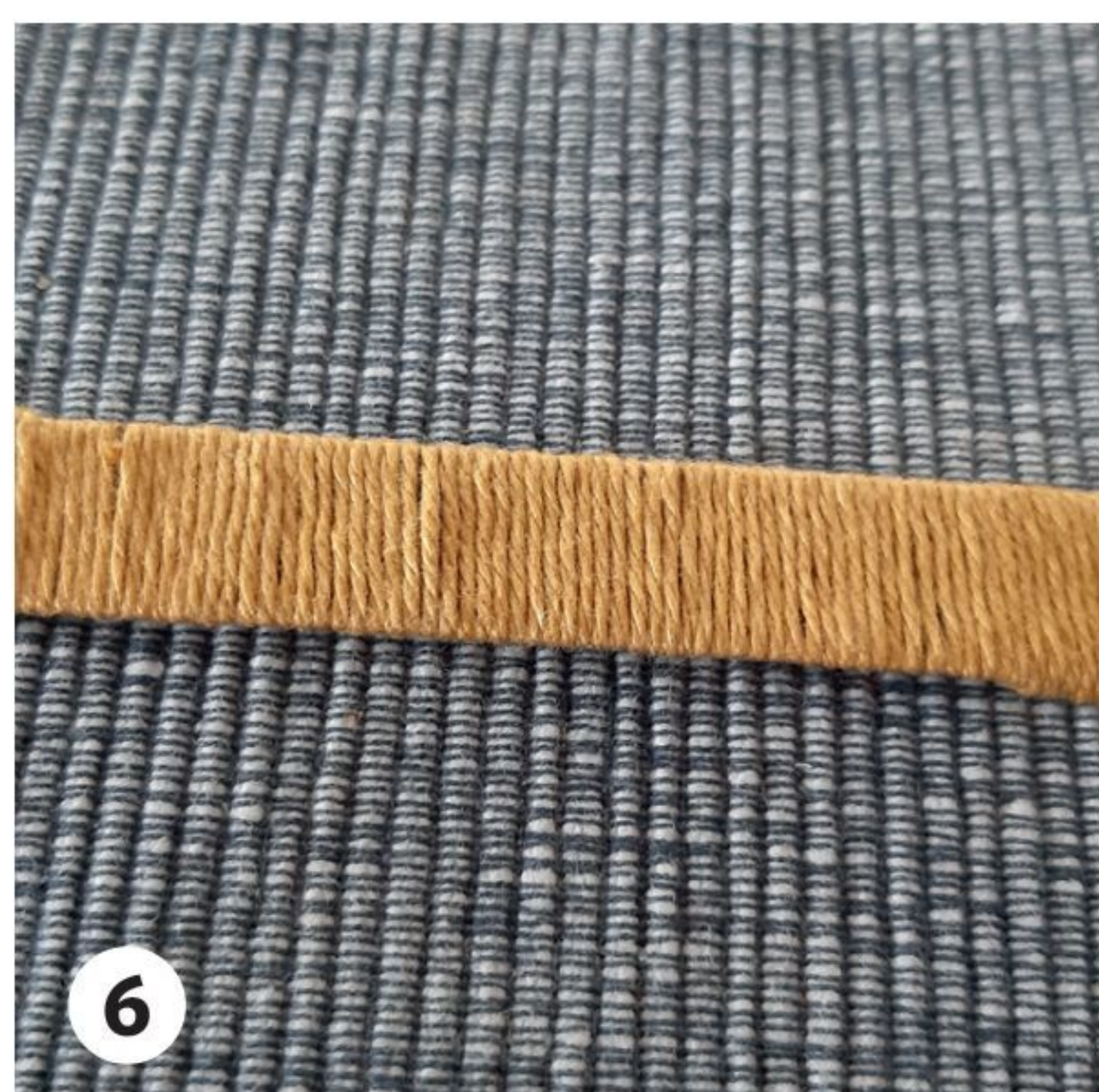
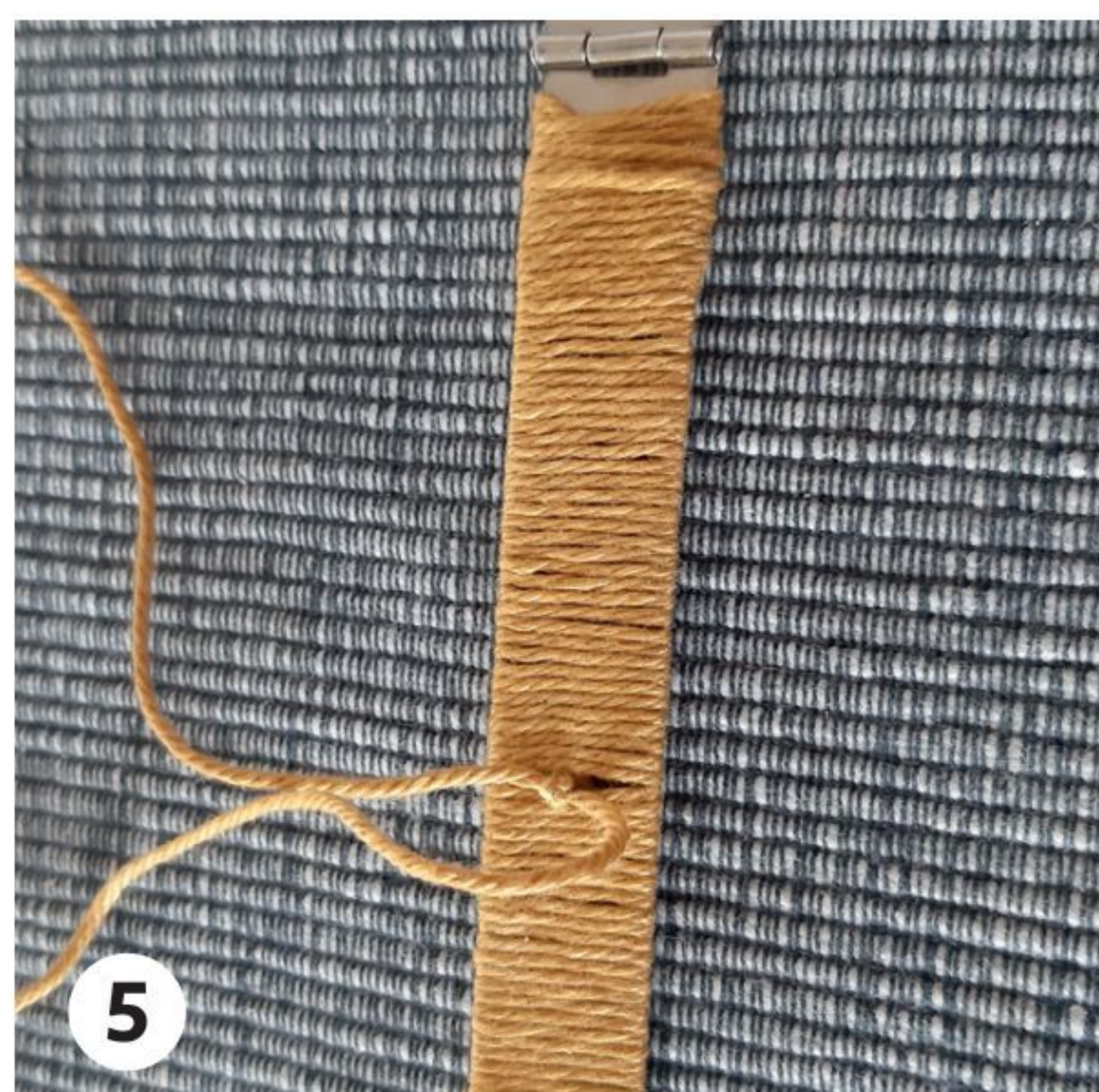
Break the yarn, but leave a long tail of color A to sew to the metal frame. Fasten off the other ends and weave in.

## SEW PURSE TO FRAME

Remove 1 pin from the frame and lay the frame flat. With color A yarn on 1 side, wind tightly from one clasp to the other. Carry the long starting yarn along on the inside, up to the middle of the frame, leave the yarn hanging there and continue winding **3** and **4**. Break the yarn, leaving a long tail and baste it through the inside towards the starting yarn. Secure both yarns together with a flat knot, weave in the ends **5**. Rep this on the other side of the frame **6**. Sew the purse to the frame as follows. Take 3 or 4 strands on the frame and draw the yarn through **7**. Draw the yarn through the back loops of the single crochets **8**. The number of strands you pick up depends on how tightly you've wound the yarn around the frame. Skip 1 sc and secure the back side in the same way. Fasten off. Push the pin back into the frame and cover the opening back up so the pin can't fall out. »







## RED PURSE

Crochet 26 ch with color A, make 24 sc starting in the 2nd ch from the hook and 3 sc in the last ch. Make 24 sc on the other side of the foundation chain and make 3 sc in the tch (= 54 sc: 27 sc at the front and 27 sc at the back). Place the stitch marker. Crochet in the round from here on. Start with the mochila technique now and carry color B along.

**Rnds 1 and 2:** 54 sc with color A.

**Rnd 3:** 10 sc with color A, 1 sc with color B, 5 sc with color A, 1 sc with color A, 10 sc with color , 27 sc with color A.

**Rnd 4:** 10 sc with color A, 2 sc with color B, 3 sc with color A, 2 sc with color B, 10 sc with color A, 27 sc with color A.

**Rnd 5:** 10 sc with color A, 3 sc with color B, 1 sc with color A, 3 sc with color B, 10 sc with color A, 27 sc with color A.

**Rnd 6:** 7 sc with color A, 3 sc with color B, 1 sc with color A, 2 sc with color B, 1 sc with color A, 3 sc with color B, 7 sc

with color A, 27 sc with color A.

**Rnd 7:** 8 sc with color A, 3 sc with color B, 1 sc with color A, 1 sc with color B, 1 sc with color A, 1 sc with color B, 1 sc with color A, 3 sc with color B, 8 sc with color A, 27 sc with color A.

**Rnd 8:** 9 sc with color A, 3 sc with color B, 1 sc with color A, 1 sc with color B, 1 sc with color A, 3 sc with color B, 9 sc with color A, 27 with color A.

**Rnd 9:** 12 sc with color A, 3 sc with color B, 12 sc with color A, 27 sc with color A.

**Rnd 10:** rep Rnd 8.

**Rnd 11:** rep Rnd 7.

**Rnd 12:** rep Rnd 6.

**Rnd 13:** rep Rnd 5.

**Rnd 14:** rep Rnd 4.

**Rnd 15:** rep Rnd 3.

**Rnds 16-18:** 54 sc with color A.

Finish the purse like the golden one. ●

**Kristina de Barse**



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## REINDEER WALL HANGING

# Rudolph in pixels

Pixel crochet is fun and the pattern for Rudolph is perfect for a cool wall hanging. Also recommended for beginners!

### PATTERN

#### WHAT DO YOU NEED?

- Scheepjes Catona yarn:  
2 balls of (50 g., 125 m)  
Willow 395, 1 ball of Chocolate  
507 and Root beer 157, scraps  
of white and black
- 3 mm crochet hook
- Christmas lights, battery powered
- Sprig of holly (optional)
- Stick: About 38 cm long

#### CROCHETING PIXELS

For this manner of pixel crochet, start each round on the right-hand side, so do not turn the work. 1 square of the diagram = 2 dc. At the end of the round, pull up the loop to make it large enough to draw the ball through it. Do not break the yarn. Measure out the yarn so you can continue with it at the beginning of the next round. So don't pull it too tight. Secure the loose thread with the double crochets. When using multiple colors, make the final draw through with the new color of the next square and leave the yarn hanging. Work the entire round like this. Join the final stitch of each round by drawing the ball through the loop. Pay close attention to the diagram. »







The wall hanging will be 31 cm wide and 39 cm tall.





PATTERN

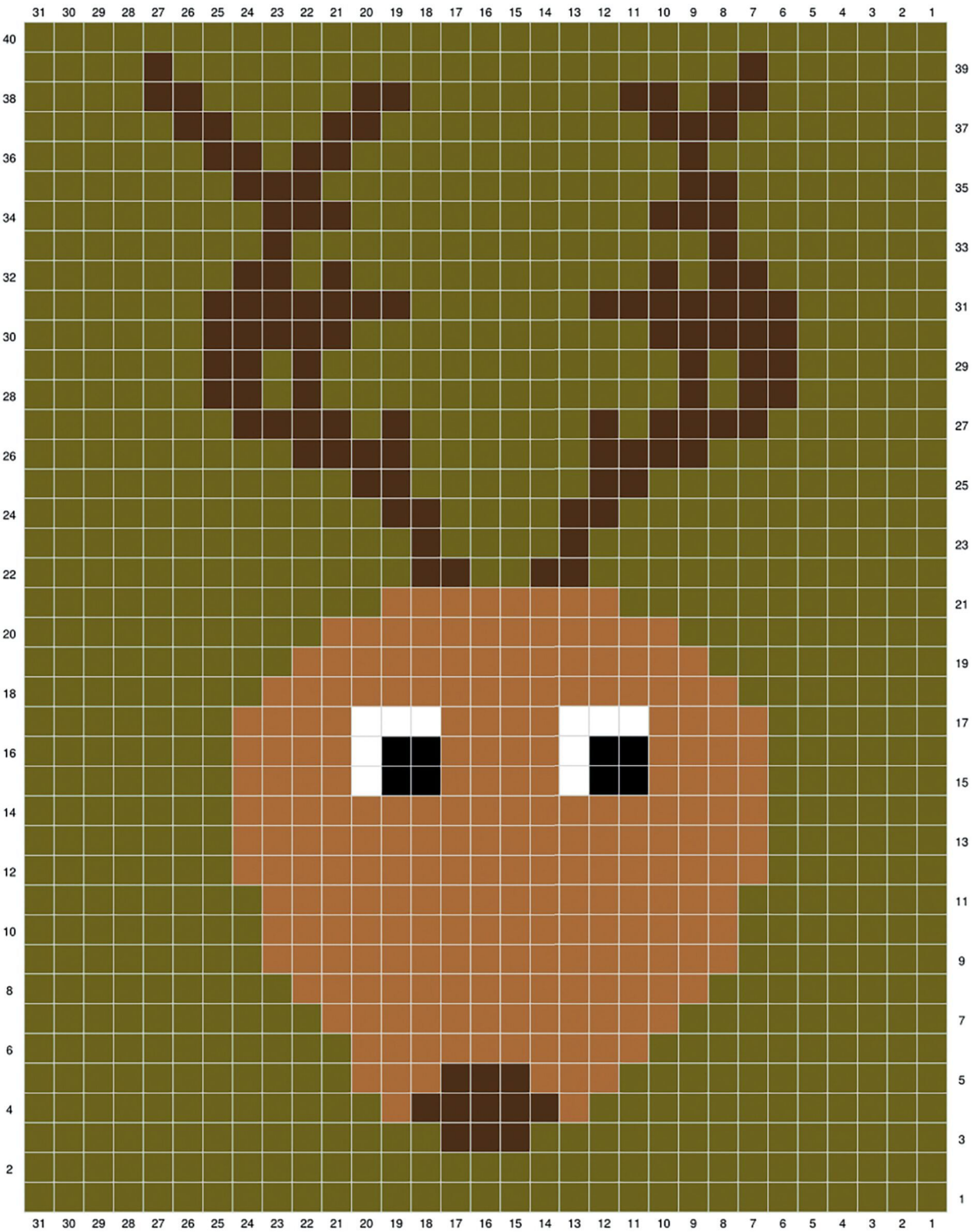
Light brown

Green

Dark brown

Black

White







## WALL HANGING

Crochet a chain of 62 stitches with Willow.

**Rnd 1:** 3 ch, 31 squares (= 62 dc including the 3 ch), make a large loop and draw the ball through it.

**Rnd 2:** Loosely lay the yarn across the work to the right-hand side, make 3 ch, 31 squares (= 62 dc), make a large loop and draw the ball through it.

**Rnd 3:** Loosely lay the yarn across the work to the right-hand side, make 3 ch, 14 squares (= 28 dc), change to Chocolate and make 6 dc. Change to Willow, make 28 dc, 14 squares, make a large loop and draw the ball through it.

**Rnd 4:** Take the yarn that is closest to the right-hand side and crochet 3 ch. Change to Willow and work 12 squares (= 24 dc), 2 dc. Change to Root beer and work 1 square, 10 dc. Change to Chocolate and work 5 squares, 2 dc. Change to Willow and work 1 square, 12 squares (= 24 dc), make a large loop and draw the ball through it. Continue working according to the diagram.

## EDGE

**Rnd 1:** Work sc all around with Willow and continue on the side with 2 sc per dc, 1 sc in the corner, and sc in every stitch at the bottom and top.

**Rnd 2:** Work sc along the side, in the

bottom corner 2 sc, \*5 ch, skip 3 stitches, 2 sc\*. Rep from \*to\* and finish with 2 sc in the corner, work sc along the side and top, and 2 sc in the corners.

## HANGING LOOPS

Crochet 5 loops spread across the top with Willow. Attach and make 7 sc. Crochet a total of 28 rounds per loop. Check whether it fits around the stick, if not, make adjustments. Stitch the loops on to the back.

## FRINGES BOTTOM EDGE

Cut threads of 21 cm in color Willow. Bunch 6 threads together, fold them in half and draw them through a loop at the bottom. Tie it well. Do this around all the loops, making sure the knot sits at the back. Block the work.

## FRINGES EYES

Cut 16 threads of 10 cm in color Chocolate. Tie these up per 2 threads in the corner above both eyes. Cut everything short.

## EARS (2 X)

Make a MR with chocolate.

**Rnd 1:** 6 sc in the MR (= 6).

**Rnd 2:** make sc, 2 sc in every 2nd stitch (= 9).

**Rnd 3:** make sc, 2 sc in every 3rd stitch (= 12).

**Rnd 4:** 12 sc.

**Rnd 5:** make sc, 2 sc in every 4th stitch (= 15).

**Rnd 6:** 15 sc.

**Rnd 7:** make sc, 2 sc in every 5th stitch (= 18).

**Rnd 8:** 18 sc.

**Rnd 9:** make sc, 2 sc in every 6th stitch (= 21).

**Rnd 10:** make sc, 2 sc in every 7th stitch (= 24).

**Rnd 11:** make sc, 2 sc in every 8th stitch (= 27).

**Rnd 12:** make sc, 2 sc in every 9th stitch (= 30).

**Rnd 13:** make sc, 2 sc in every 10th stitch (= 33).

**Rnds 14-26:** 33 sc.

**Rnd 27:** Flatten the ear and join it with sc. Pinch it in half and secure it with stitches. Sew both ears to the head of the reindeer.

## HANGING CORD

Crochet an sc-chain of 25 stitches and join into a ring with 1 sl st. Continue crocheting to the desired length for the in-between part (about 48 cm). Crochet 25 stitches and join with 1 sl st. Use it to have the work hang from the stick.

## FINISHING

Attach the battery case to the back, below the middle loop. Wrap the lights around the stick and hanging cord. •

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A LITTLE NOSTALGIA



# MINI FOLDING SCREEN

With this mini folding screen we're adding a shade of retro!  
It hasn't lost its appeal and adds a touch of romantic  
nostalgia to the home.



## WHAT DO YOU NEED?

- Scheepjes Catona yarn: 10 balls of gray 074 or Rio Uni gray 038
- Scheepjes Maxi Sweet Treat yarn: 1 ball of Spruce of 25 g.
- 1.75 and 2.5 mm crochet hooks
- Galvanized garden wire, Ø 3 mm: 3 x 1.50 m
- Galvanized garden wire, Ø 1.25 mm: 9 x 15 cm
- 50 Ø 12 mm beads, white/cream with Ø 1 mm hole
- 3 Metal frames: 40 x 40 cm
- Large sewing needle
- 4 Round feet, Ø 1.5 cm and 2.5 cm high: 2 with a hole of Ø 3.5 mm and 2 cm deep, 2 with 2 holes of Ø 3.5 mm and 2 cm deep
- Scissors
- Measuring tape
- Cutting pliers
- Fabric adhesive
- Glue gun with glue cartridges
- Wood glue (optional)
- Sugar (optional)

Materials available from  
[Hobbyou.nl/hoc](http://Hobbyou.nl/hoc)

## THIS IS HOW YOU MAKE IT

The total size of the screen is 121 x 63 cm and fits in a 94 x 63 cm window (when the panels are placed tilted).

### SCREEN

Crochet 3 pieces according to **diagram 1** (total of 48 rounds, Rnds 1-24 and then from Rnd 23 to Rnd 1 in reverse order). Check the width in the frame, the piece should be tightly stretched in it. If it's not a good fit, use a smaller hook or crochet tighter. To fit in the frame tightly, the piece must be about 36 cm high **1**. Then attach the pieces around the frame using sc **2**. Weave in all ends. Rep this for all 3 frames. Crochet 3 arches according to **diagram 2**. »

## TIP!

If the screen is too large to fit your window, make it a diptych. The size will then be 81 x 63 cm (straight) and about 74 x 63 cm when the panels are tilted.

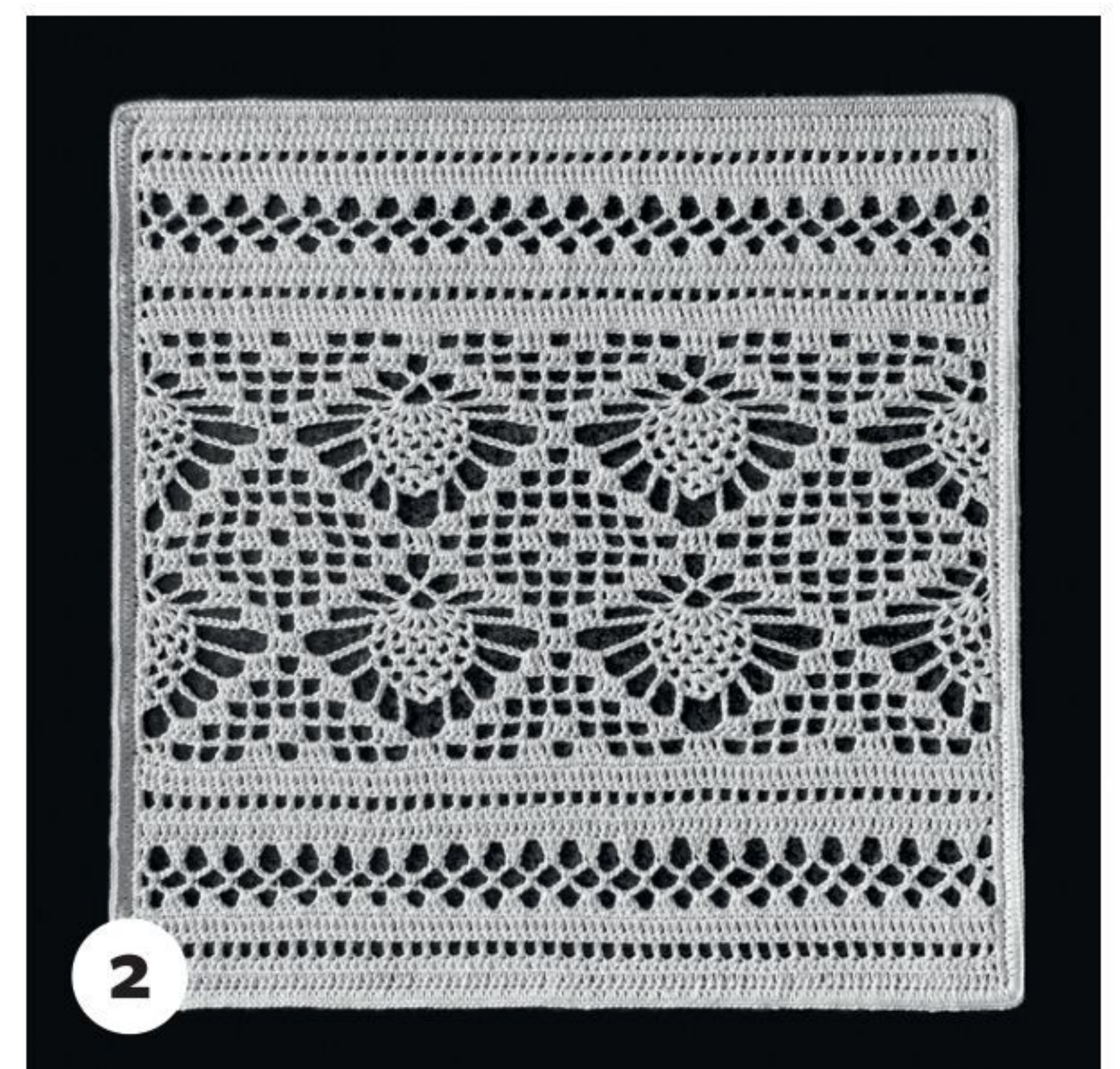
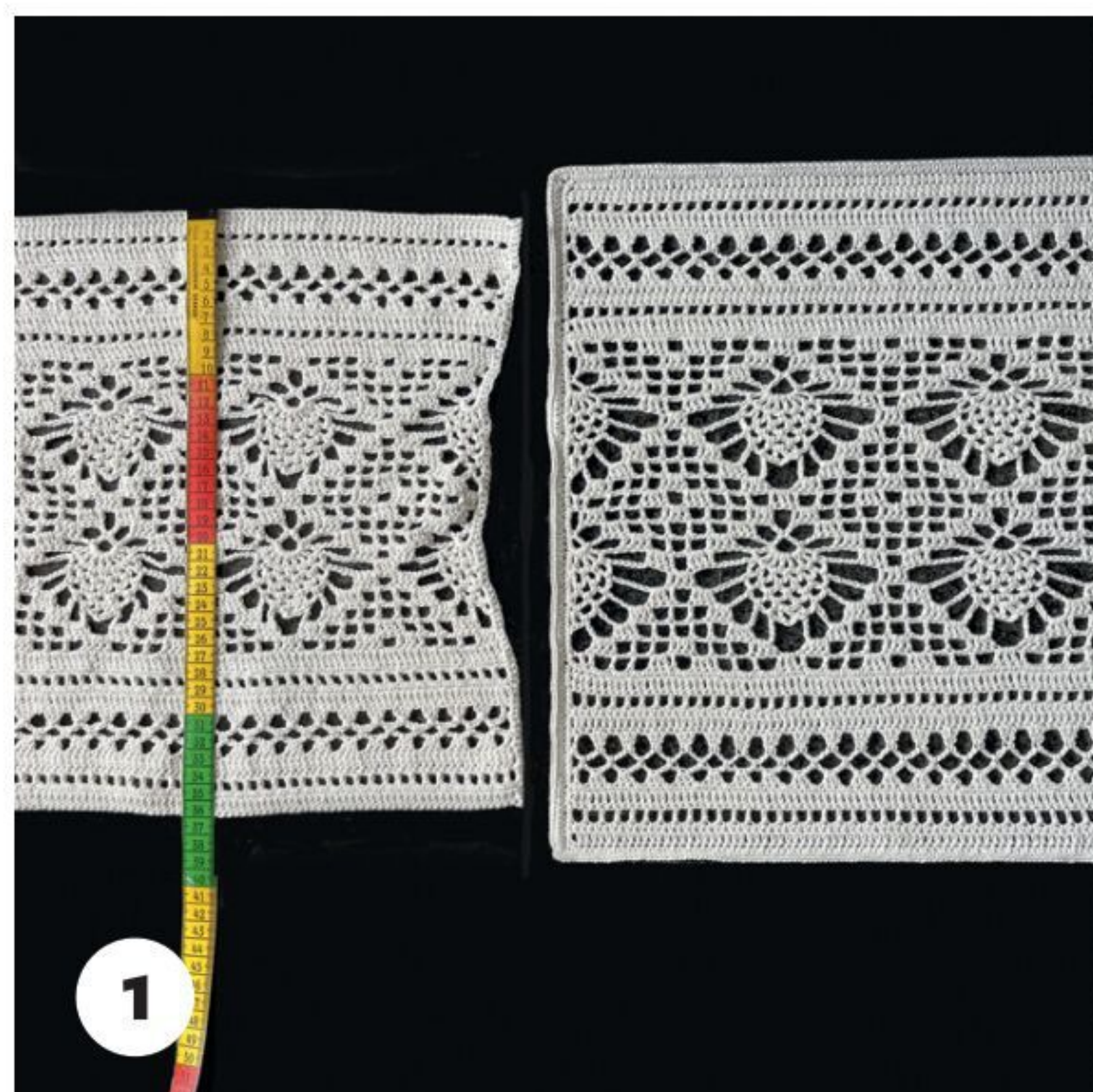




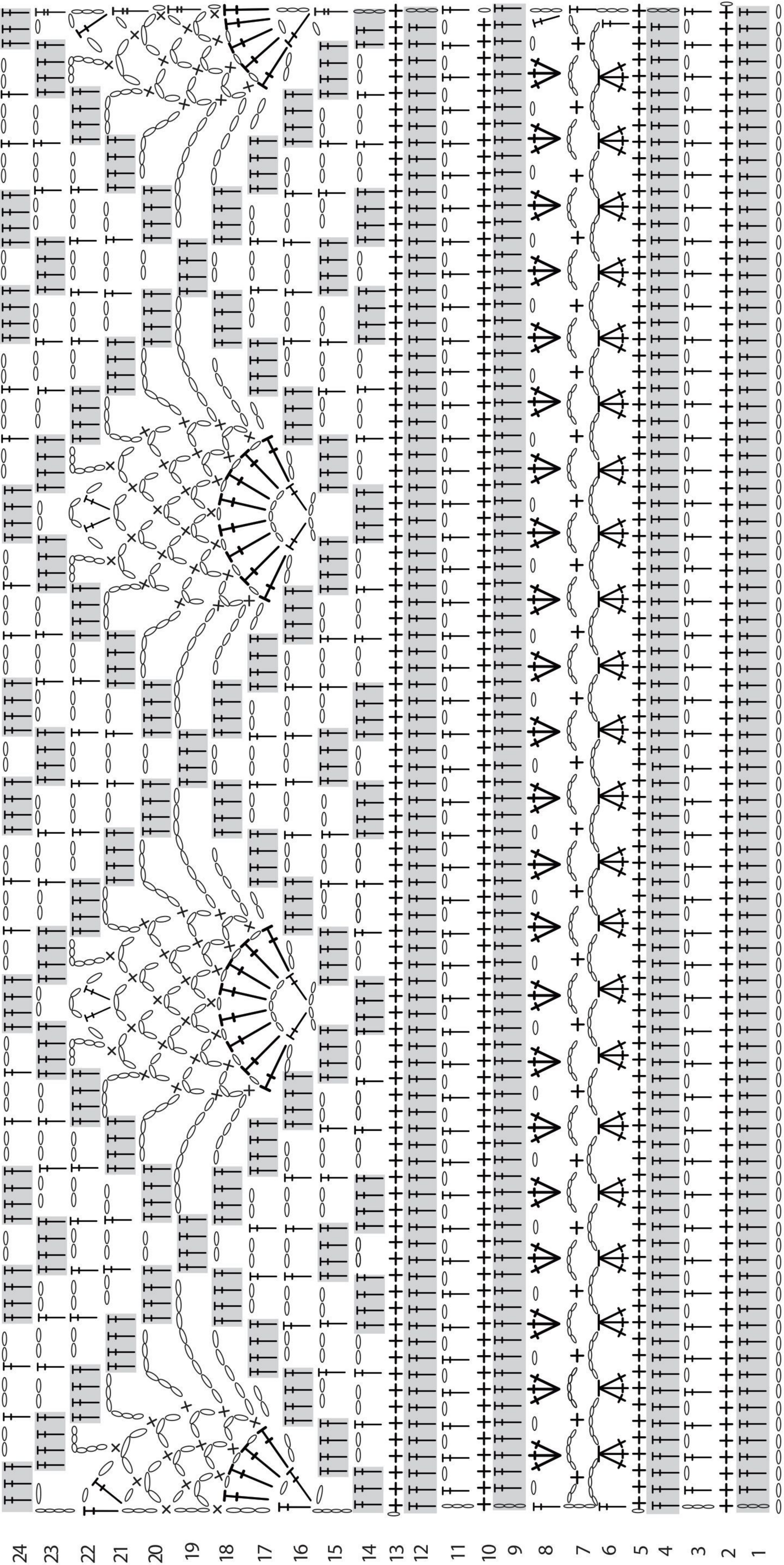




DIAGRAM 1

KEY TO SYMBOLS

- slip stitch
- o chain
- + single crochet
- hook chain
- ┐ half double crochet
- ┐ double crochet
- ┐ treble crochet
- ┐ double treble crochet
- ┐ cluster of 3 double crochet
- ┐ 3 double crochets together





Make another round of sc at the straight bottom to finish the arch piece. Weave in all ends **3**. Sew the arches to the frame with an overhand stitch, making sure the right sides face the same way **4**. Rep until all 3 'arch pieces' are attached to the frames **5** and **6**. Then take a piece of thick iron wire straight from the roll. Straighten 1 end as much as possible (about 45 cm) and leave the rest rolled up **7**. Join the side of the frame to the wire with sc **8**. Leave a few cm of the iron wire sticking out at the bottom of the frame. At the top of the frame, continue with joining the iron wire to the arch, making sure to leave the wire's curve intact **9**. When you've worked all around the arch, **10** you come to the other side of the frame. Again, straighten this end as much as possible and join the straight part further along the frame. Once you've joined along a few inches on the side, push the iron wire upwards to stretch out the arch. Repeat this a few times while crocheting, so the arch remains stretched nicely. At the exact center of the arch, the distance to the frame is 20 to 22 cm. Try to ensure this is the same for all 3 arcs. >>

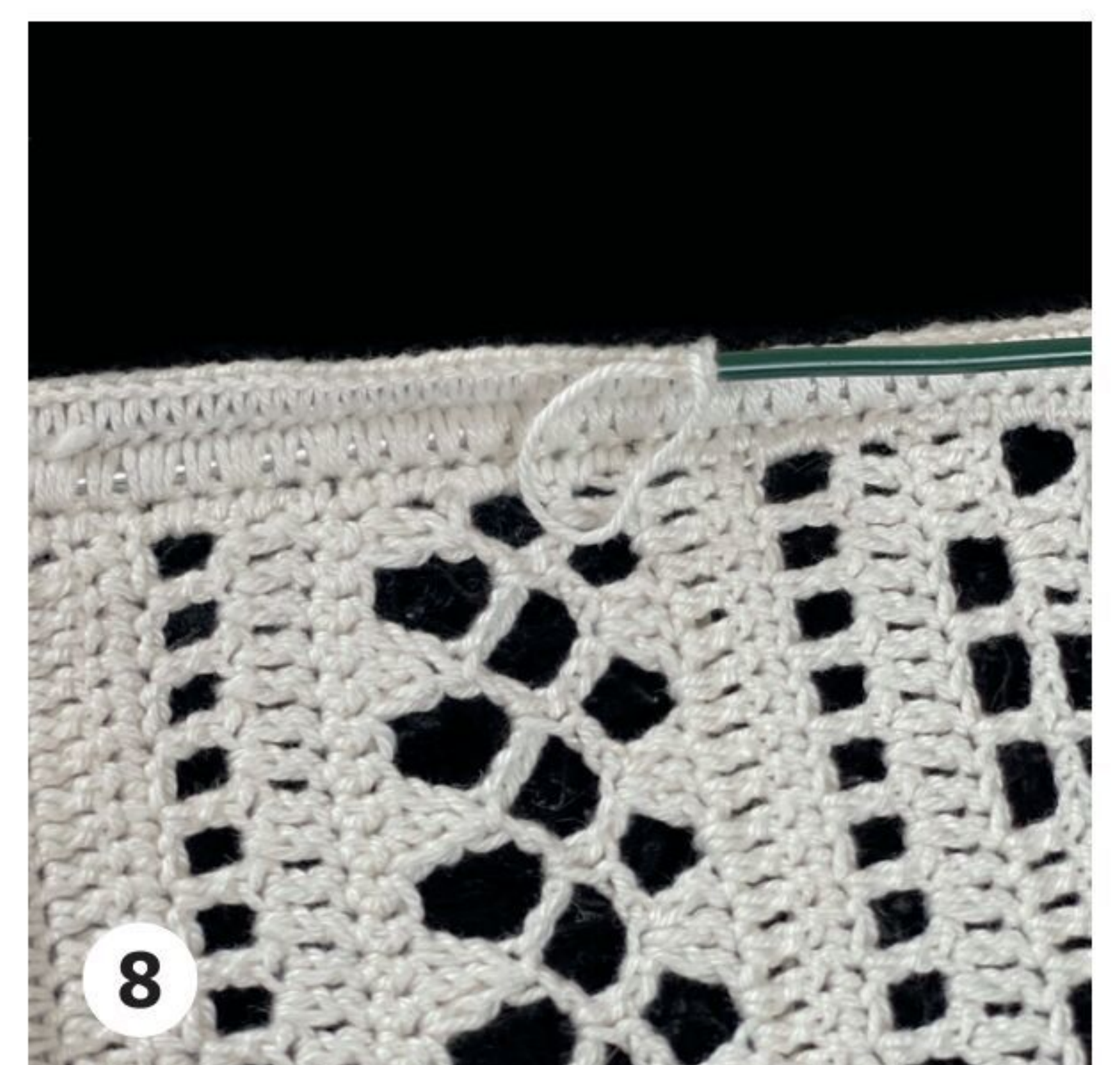
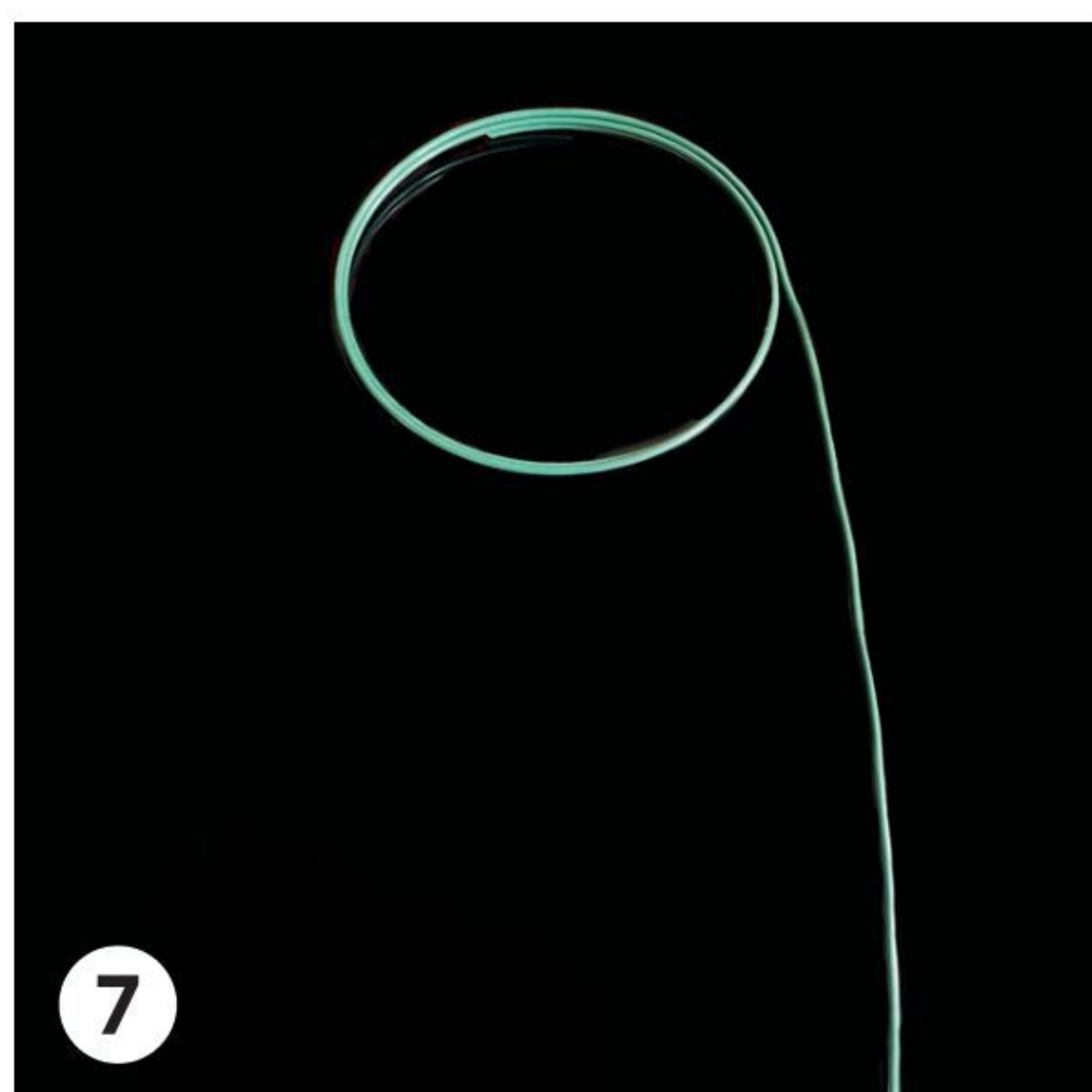
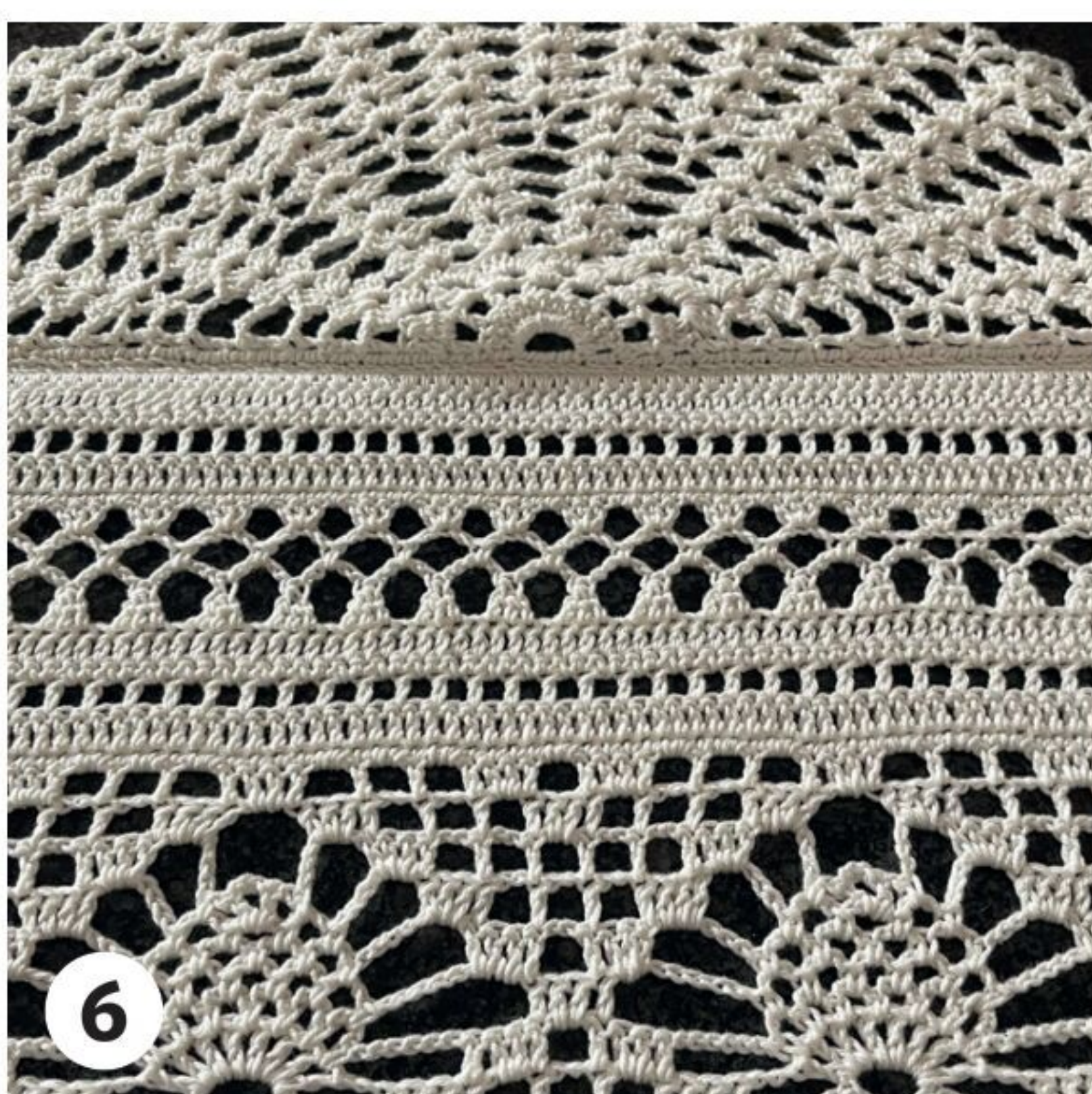
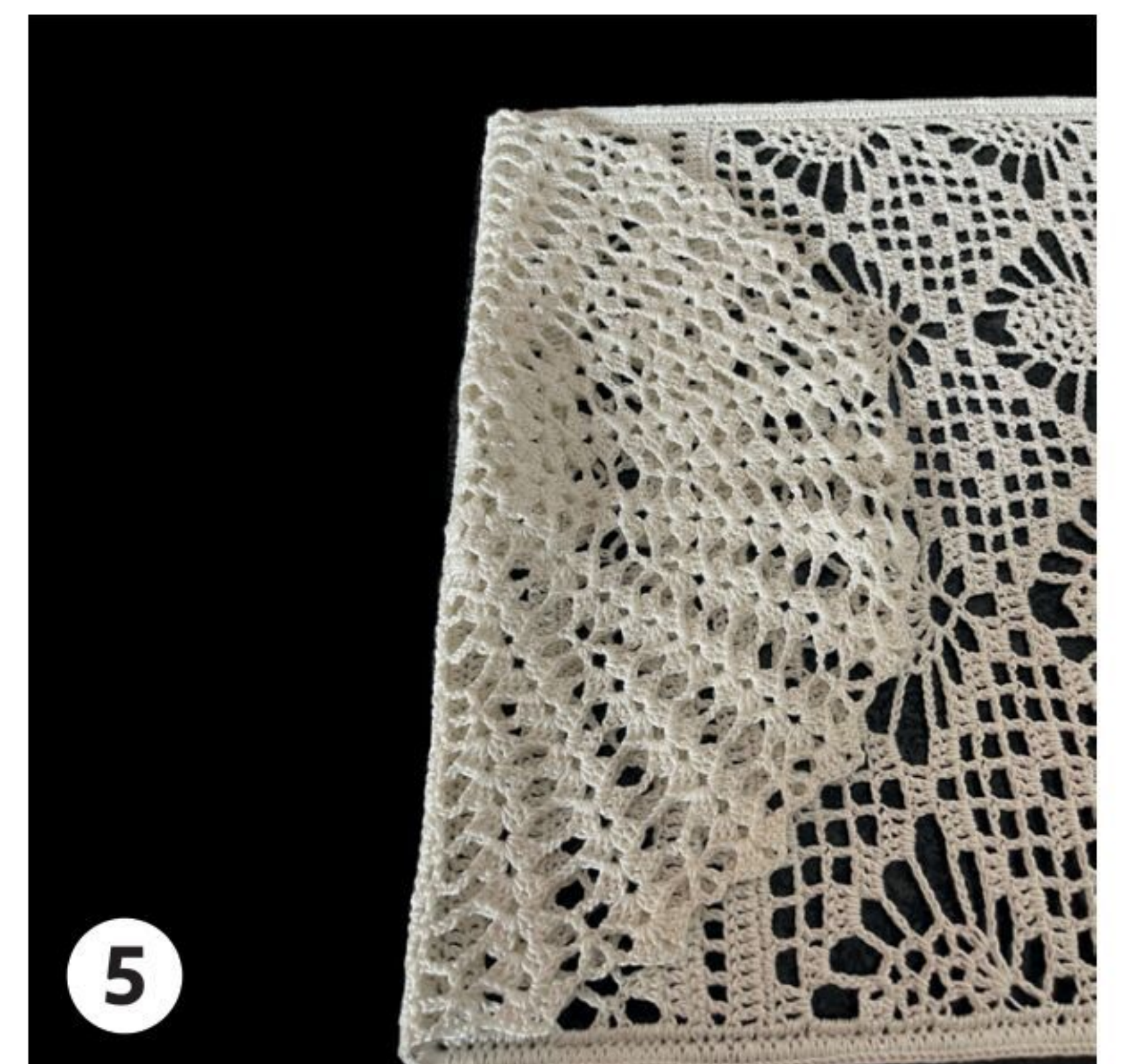
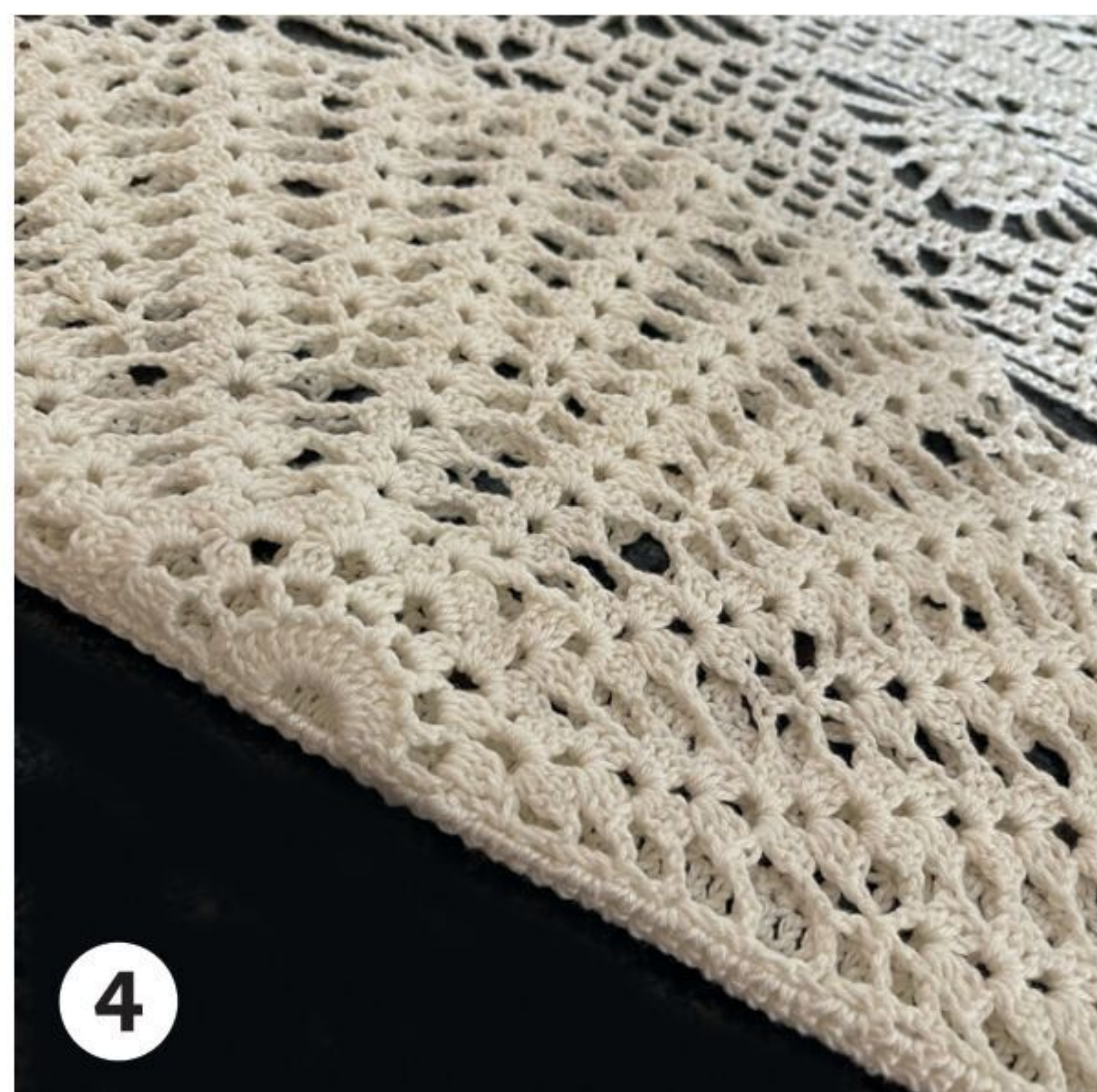
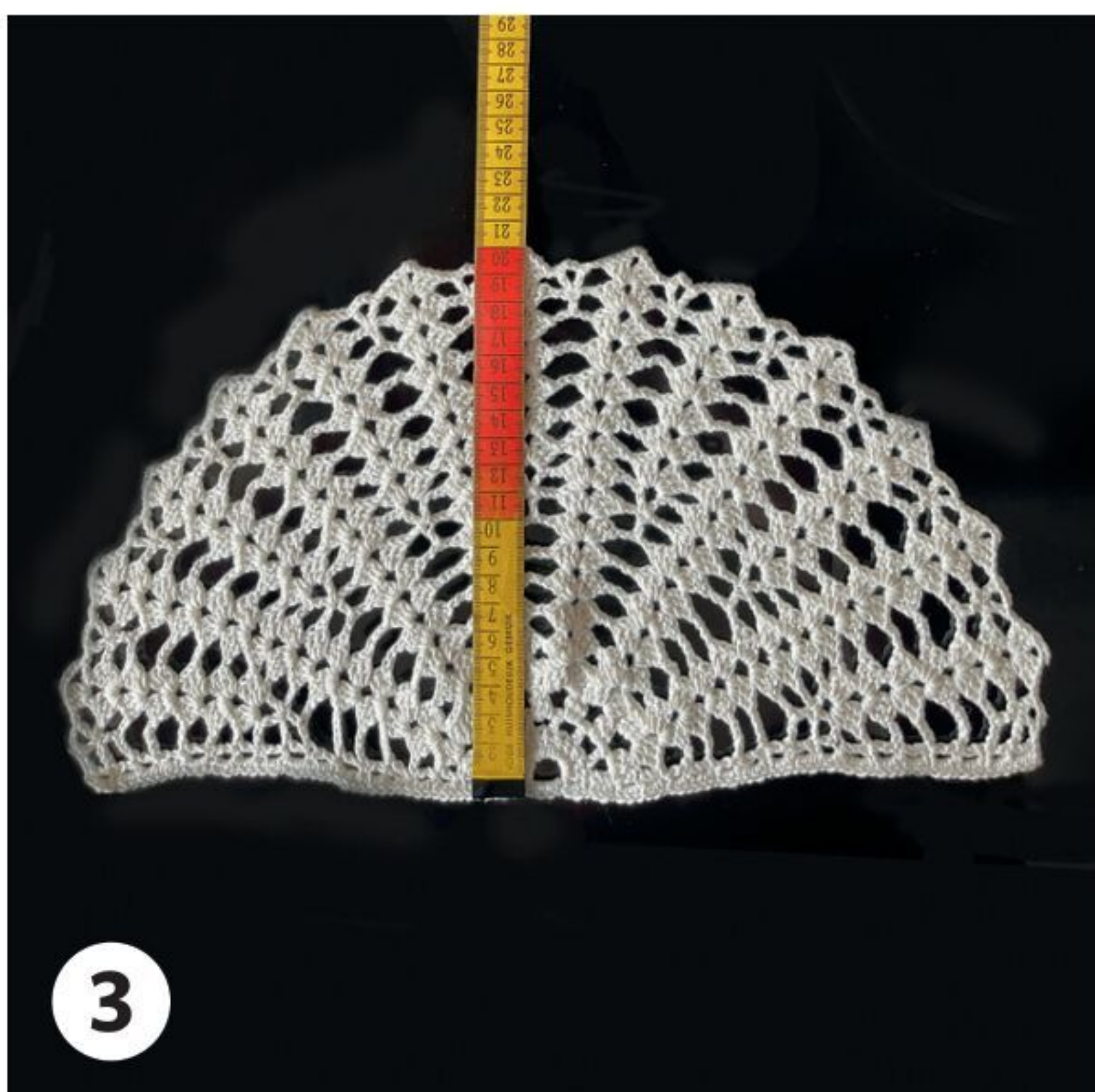
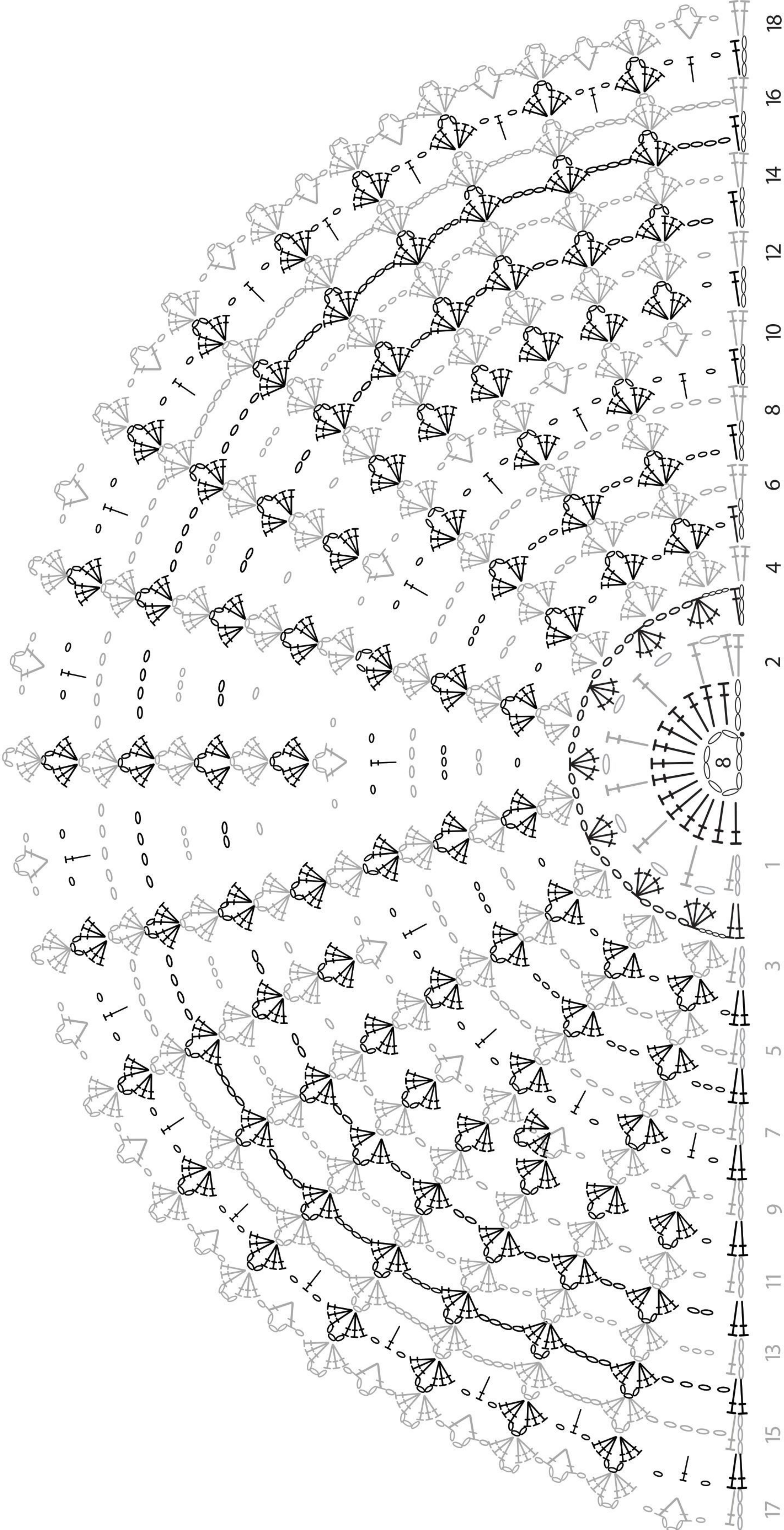




DIAGRAM 2







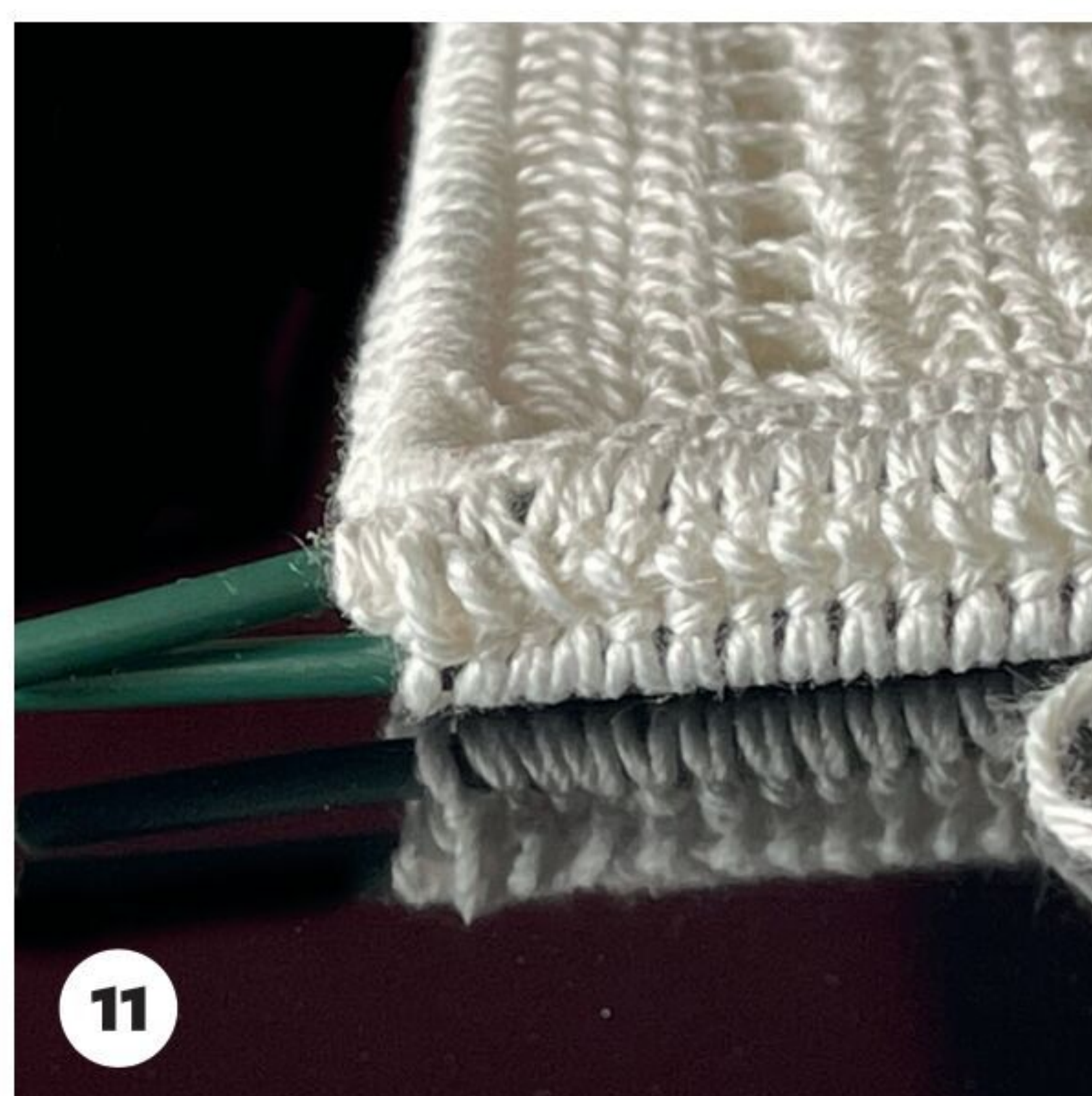
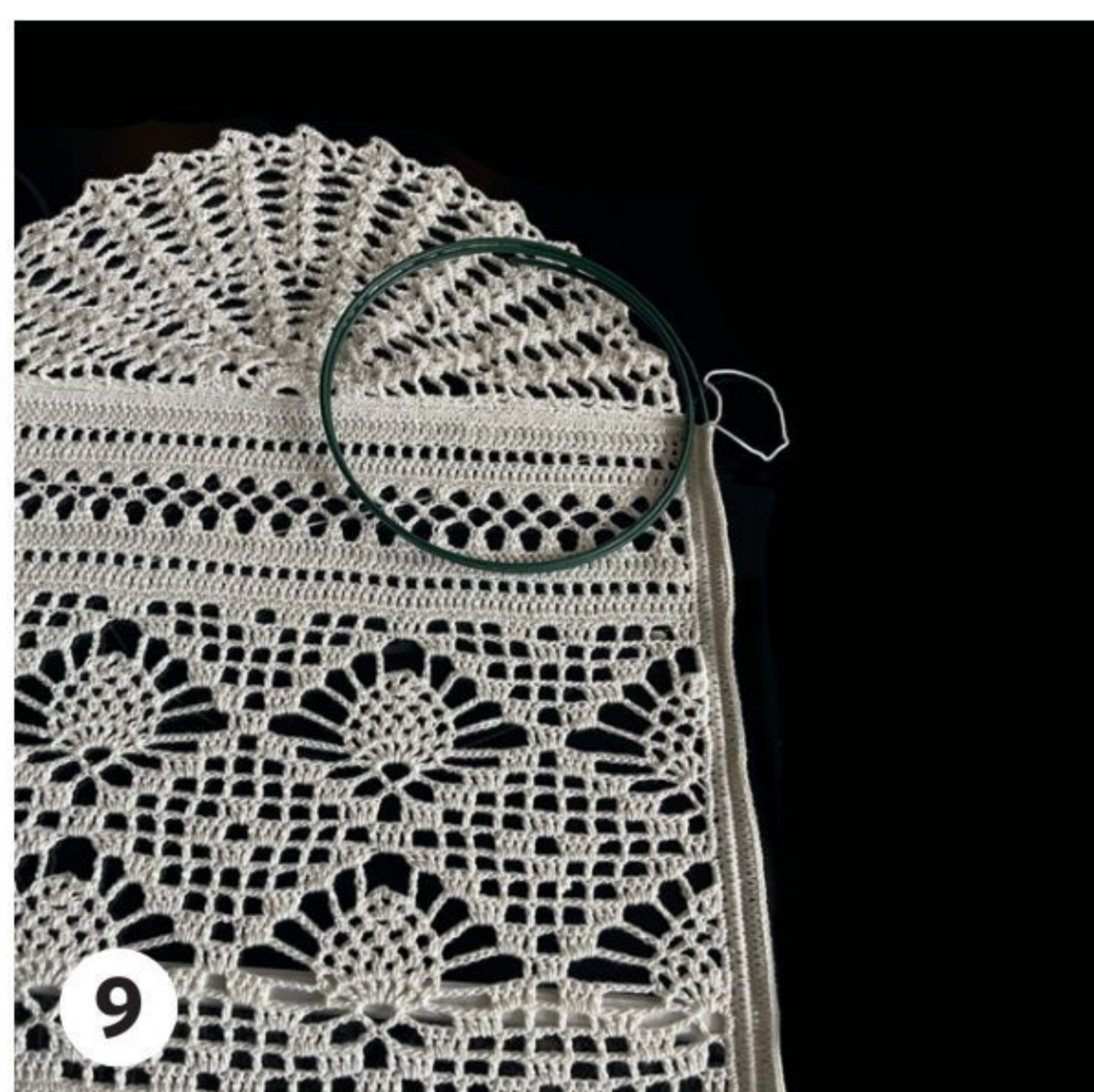
When the final side is joined, cut off the iron wire at about 5 cm from the bottom of the frame. Rep this part for all 3 frames. Sew the straight sides together with an overhand stitch until the 3 frames are joined together **11**. Cut the ends of the iron wire at 2 cm. Weave in all ends. Attach the feet to the iron wire with wood glue **12**: The feet with 1 hole on the outer sides and the feet with 2 holes on the 2 inner sides.

## LEAVES

Using the thin green yarn, crochet 9 chains of 7 leaves, see **the drawing on page 42** **13**. Weave in all ends. Stiffen the leaves before sticking them to the thin pieces of iron wire. Stiffening can be done in the following ways.

## SUGAR

Add 1 part of regular granulated sugar to 1 part of water in a pan. Let this melt on the stove (do not boil). Dip in the leave chains until they are saturated and take them out. Squeeze out excess water. Lay out the chains on a piece of cardboard, flatten the leaves and let in all dry (1 to 2 days) **14**. After this, the leaves will have become hard. >>





## TIP!

If you like, you could stiffen the entire folding screen by spraying it entirely with a 1:1 mixture of sugar and water. Leave it to dry and set properly.

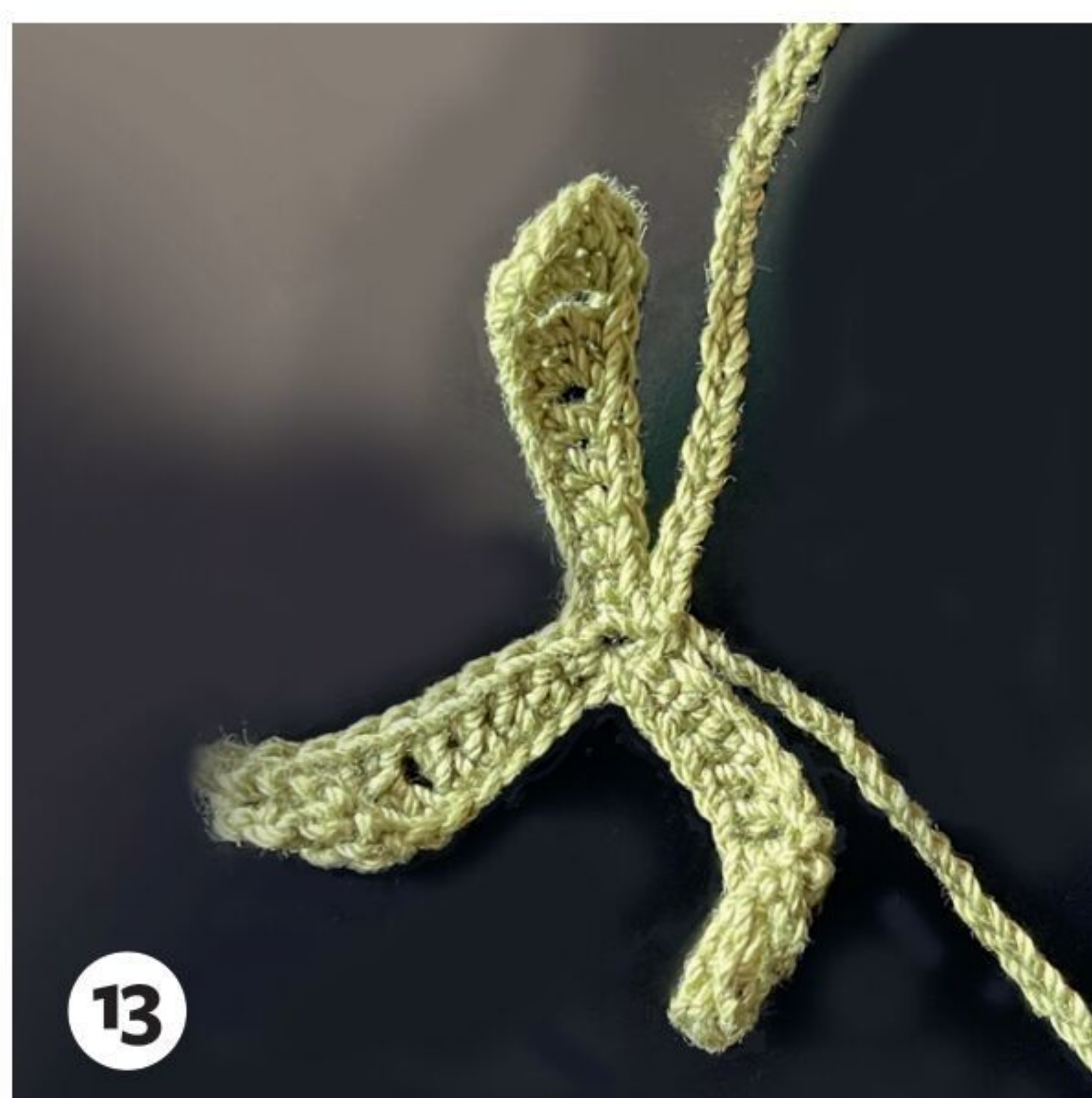


## WOOD GLUE

In a bowl, mix some wood glue with about 1/3 part of water into a thin substance. Dip in the leave chains until they are saturated. Continue in the same way as with the sugar.

## SECURE LEAVE CHAINS

Apply fabric adhesive to the sticks of iron wire and wrap a leave chain around each until all iron wire is covered **15**. To make the twigs, cut off excess pieces of the iron wire. Make a 'bunch' of 3 twigs and tie or stitch them together with crochet yarn **16**.







## TIP!

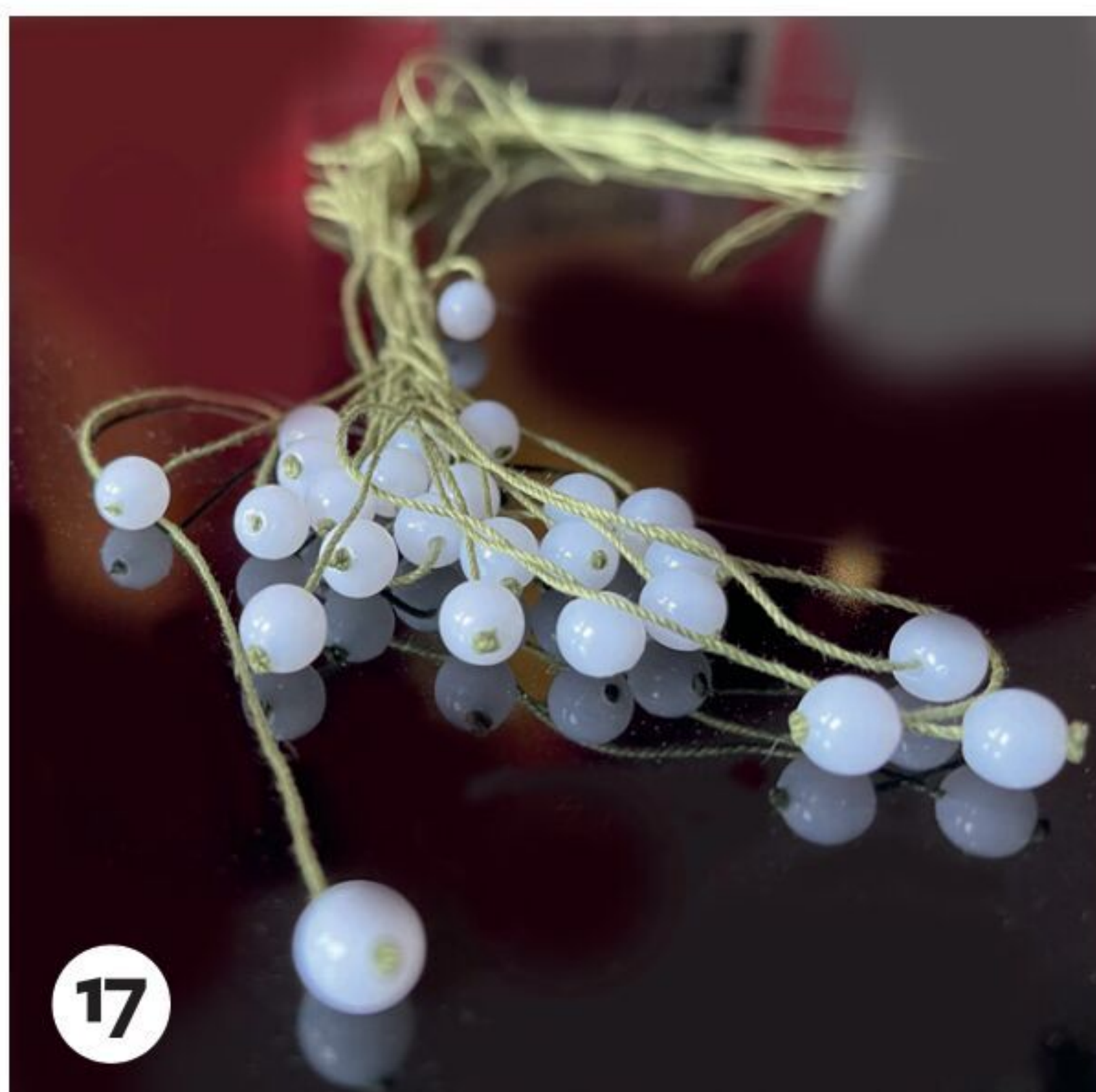
After Christmas, take the mistletoe twigs off the screen and decorate it with something else, beautiful shells for example.

### BERRIES

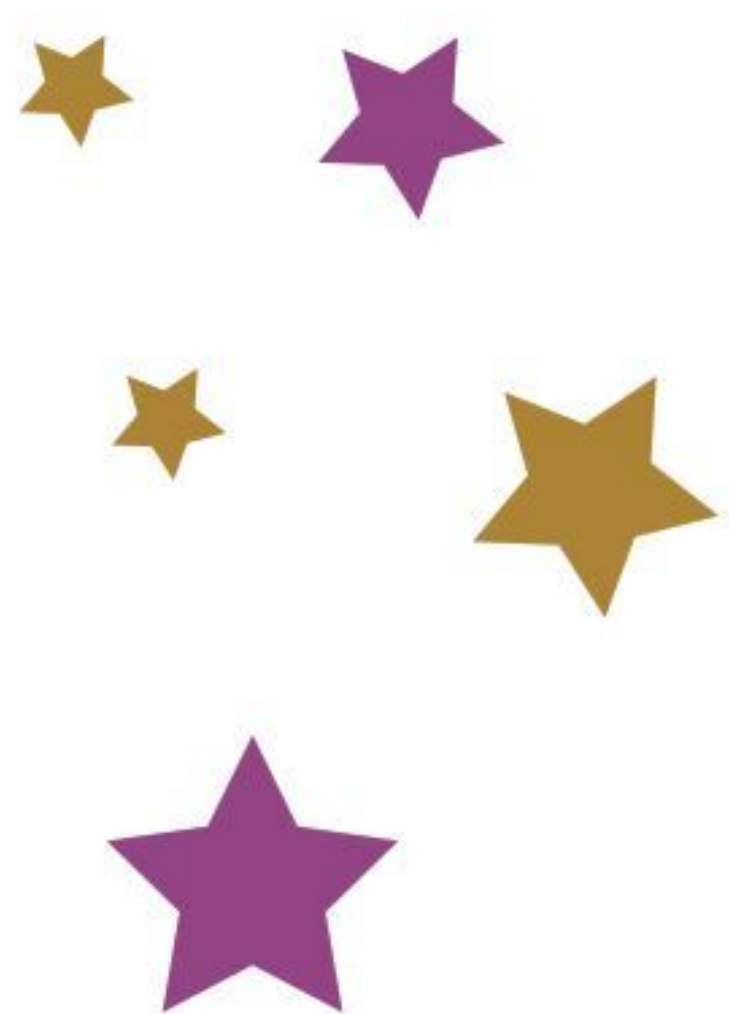
At the end of a piece of crochet yarn, make a knot that will not fit through the bead. To do this, wind the end of the yarn 5 to 6 x loosely around the needle in the opposite direction, and pull this winding toward the end of the yarn. This creates a knot. Apply some fabric adhesive to this knot, insert the yarn through the bead and cut it short at the other side of it. Caution: Do not pull the knot all the way through the bead **17**.

Use a glue gun to secure the beads to your preference on the wrapped around mistletoe twig. Finally, secure each bunch of twigs to the backs of the screen's panels with small stitches **18**. •

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DECORATE THE TREE

# FESTIVE

## Christmas baubles

Christmas baubles are part of Christmas celebrations, and that certainly goes for these ones! A crocheted cover around a Styrofoam ball creates endless possibilities and they're carefree in use.

### WHAT DO YOU NEED?

- Durable Coral yarn: Plum 249, Pale Peach 2191, Old rose 224, Raspberry 228
- Durable Glam yarn: Light Pink 203, Flamingo Pink 229, Gold 2210
- 3 and 6.5 mm crochet hook
- Scissors
- Darning needle
- Styrofoam balls: 9 and 12 cm Ø

**Yarn from Durable yarn.com**

### CHRISTMAS BAUBLE 9 CM Ø

Work all stitches in the BL. Make a MR with Coral Plum and work 12 dc into it.

**Rnd 1:** 2 dc in each dc, join with 1 sl st in 1st dc.

**Rnd 2:** 2 dc in every 2nd dc, join with 1 sl st in 1st dc.

**Rnd 3:** 2 dc in every 3rd dc, join with 1 sl st in 1st dc.

**Rnd 4:** 2 dc in every 4th dc, join with 1 sl st in 1st dc.

**Rnd 5:** 2 dc in every 5th dc, join with 1 sl st in 1st dc.

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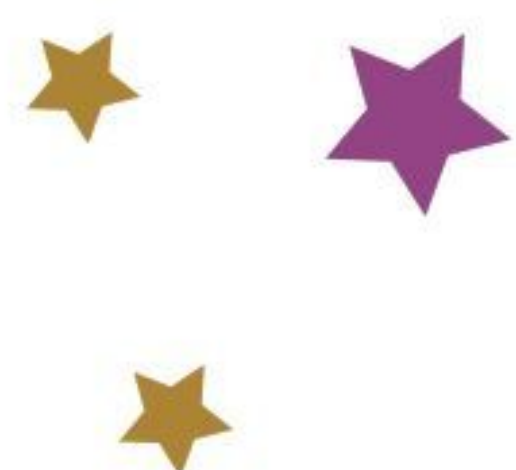




ACCESSORIES







**Rnds 6-11:** 1 dc in each dc, join with 1 sl st in 1st dc.

**Rnd 12:** Every 5th and 6th dc2tog, join with 1 sl st in 1st dc. Insert the Styrofoam ball into the work and continue crocheting.

**Rnd 13:** Every 4th and 5th dc2tog, join with a sl st in 1st dc.

**Rnd 14:** Every 3rd and 4th dc2tog, join with 1 sl st in 1st dc.

**Rnd 15:** Every 2nd and 3rd dc2tog, join with 1 sl st in 1st dc.

**Rnd 16:** Every 1st and 2nd dc2tog, the remaining stitches tog until the opening is closed. Join the round with 1 sl st and fasten off.

## FLOWER

Use Glam Flamingo Pink and the 6.5 mm hook.

**Rnd 1:** Make a MR and work (1 dc, 2 ch) into it, rep this 5 x. Finish with 1 sl st in the 1st dc at the beginning of the round.

**Rnd 2:** 1 sc around 1st 2 ch of the previous round, then crochet 4 ch. Rep 1 sc, 4 ch until end of the round. Secure the final 4 ch with 1 sl st in the first sc of the round.

**Rnd 3:** 5 ch, 1 sc in 1st ch space. Rep (5 ch, 1 sc) until the end.

**Rnd 4:** 6 ch, 1 sc in 1st ch space. Rep (6 ch, 1 sc) until the end.

**Rnd 5:** 7 ch, 1 sc in 1st ch space. Rep (7 ch, 1 sc) until the end.

**Rnd 6:** 8 ch, 1 sc in 1st ch space. Rep (8 ch, 1 sc) until the end.

**Rnd 7:** 9 ch, 1 sc in 1st ch space. Rep (9 ch, 1 sc) until the end.

**Rnd 8:** 8 ch, 1 sc in 1st ch space. Rep (8 ch, 1 sc) until the end.

**Rnd 9:** 7 ch, 1 sc in 1st ch space. Rep (7 ch, 1 sc) until the end.

**Rnd 10:** 6 ch, 1 sc in 1st ch space. Rep (6 ch, 1 sc) until the end.

**Rnd 11:** 5 ch, 1 sc in 1st ch space. Rep (5 ch, 1 sc) until the end.

**Rnd 12:** 4 ch, 1 sc in 1st ch space. Rep (4 ch, 1 sc) until the end.

**Rnd 13:** 3 ch, 1 sc in 1st ch space. Rep (3 ch, 1 sc) until the end.

**Rnd 14:** 2 ch, 1 sc in 1st ch space. Rep (2 ch, 1 sc) until the end.

**Rnd 15:** 1 ch, 1 sc in 1st ch space. Rep (1 ch, 1 sc) until the end, make 1 sl st and fasten off.







## CHRISTMAS BAUBLE 12 CM Ø

### SPIRAL

Work all stitches in the BL. Make a MR with Corale Pale Peach and work 12 sc into it.

**Rnd 1:** 2 dc in each dc, join with 1 sl st in 1st dc.

**Rnd 2:** 2 dc in every 2nd dc, join with 1 sl st in 1st dc.

**Rnd 3:** 2 dc in every 3rd dc, join with 1 sl st in 1st dc.

**Rnd 4:** 2 dc in every 4th dc, join with 1 sl st in 1st dc.

**Rnd 5:** 2 dc in every 5th dc, join with 1 sl st in 1st dc.

**Rnds 6-10:** 1 dc in each dc, join with 1 sl st in 1st dc. Rep Rnds 1-10 for the other half. Place both halves around the Styrofoam ball and join the top loops of both Rnds 10 together with sl st. Switch to Glam Gold for the spiral.

### SPIRAL

Start at Rnd 1 and work 1 sc in each FL of the work. Skip the last stitch of each round and crochet 1 ch instead. Then continue in the next round. This way, the gold runs around the Christmas bauble like a spiral. Continue to the other side of the Christmas bauble and fasten off.

### VARIATION TIP

Stop with Glam Gold when you're halfway through, so only the bottom will have a spiral.

## CHRISTMAS BAUBLE 9 CM Ø

Make a MR and work 6 sc into it.

**Rnd 1:** 2 sc in each sc.

**Rnd 2:** 2 sc in every 2nd sc.

**Rnd 3:** 2 sc in every 3rd sc.

**Rnd 4:** 2 sc in every 4th sc.

**Rnd 5:** 2 sc in every 5th sc.

**Rnd 6:** 2 sc in every 6th sc.

**Rnd 7:** 2 sc in every 7th sc.

**Rnd 8:** 2 sc in every 8th sc.

**Rnd 9:** 2 sc in every 9th sc.

**Rnd 10:** 2 sc in every 10th sc.

**Rnd 11:** 2 sc in every 11th sc.

**Rnd 12:** 2 sc in every 12th sc.

**Rnd 13:** 2 sc in every 13th sc.

**Rnds 14-23:** crochet sc.

**Rnd 24:** every 11th and 12th sc2tog.

**Rnd 25:** every 10th and 11th sc2tog.

**Rnd 26:** every 9th and 10th sc2tog.

**Rnds 27-42:** change to Glam gold and make sc. Fasten off after Rnd 42. Insert the Styrofoam ball into the work. Cut a 50 cm thread and use a darning needle to draw it through Rnd 39 with loops of about 2 cm. Pull the ends together, tie firmly and fasten off.

### VARIATION TIP

Use a different color yarn for each round. Or continue decreasing from Rnd 26 for a tight-fitting cover around the ball. Insert the ball into the work at Rnd 26. Decorate the ball to your liking.

## CHRISTMAS BAUBLE 12 CM Ø

Use Glam Light Pink and Glam Flamingo Pink, and follow the pattern for the Christmas bauble with spiral. Change colors every 2 rounds. Work in the BL at the color change. However, work in both loops each second round of the color. Start both halves with a different color. This way the pattern will continue correctly in the middle.

### DOTTED BORDER

Make the dotted border with Coral Old Rose and Coral Rose Blush. Make this on both sides after Rnd 8 with Old Rose and 1 x in Rnd 10 with Rose blush. Make 5 sl st and then make a picot to form a dot (make 5 half-finished dc, draw through 6 loops). •

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GREAT FOR CREATING A NICE ATMOSPHERE

# Christmas GNOME

This little gnome brings along great cheer. He feels at home in the Christmas tree or in an elegantly made up bouquet. He also loves to dance on the Christmas table with other gnomes.





## WHAT DO YOU NEED?

- Scheepjes Chunky Monkey yarn:  
2 balls of red 1010
- Scheepjes Softy yarn:  
1 ball of natural 475
- Scheepjes Colour Crafter yarn:  
1 ball of Zandvoort 1218
- 2 Safety eyes
- Fiberfill stuffing
- Scissors
- Needle
- Stitch marker

## HEAD

Crochet from top to bottom with beige.

**Rnd 1:** make a MR and work 6 sc into it.

**Rnd 2:** 2 sc in every sc (= 12).

**Rnd 3:** 1 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 18).

**Rnd 4:** 2 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 24).

**Rnd 5:** 3 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 30).

**Rnd 6:** 4 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 36).

**Rnd 7:** 5 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 42).

**Rnd 8:** 6 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 48).

**Rnd 9:** 7 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 54).

**Rnds 10-18:** 54 sc.

Change to red. For the 'sweater' effect, work in the BL only.

**Rnds 19-31:** 54 sc.

Attach eyes in the beige part at Rnd 14. Stuff the head.

**Rnd 32:** 8 sc, sc2tog (= 48).

**Rnd 33:** 7 sc, sc2tog (= 42).

**Rnd 34:** 6 sc, sc2tog (= 36).

Continue stuffing.

**Rnd 35:** 5 sc, sc2tog (= 30).

**Rnd 36:** 4 sc, sc2tog (= 24).

**Rnd 37:** 3 sc, sc2tog (= 18).

**Rnd 38:** 2 sc, sc2tog (= 12).

**Rnd 39:** 1 sc, sc2tog (= 6). Fasten off.

## NOSE

**Rnd 1:** make a MR and crochet 6 sc into it (= 6).

**Rnd 2:** 1 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 9).

**Rnd 3:** 1 sc, sc2tog (= 6).

Fasten off and sew on the nose.

## HAT

Crochet in the BL with red.

**Rnd 1:** Make a MR and work 4 sc into it (= 4).

**Rnd 2:** 1 sc, 2 sc (= 6).

**Rnds 3-15:** 6 sc.

**Rnd 16:** 2 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 9).

**Rnd 17:** 9 sc.

**Rnd 18:** 3 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 12).

**Rnd 19:** 4 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 15).

**Rnd 20:** 5 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 18).

**Rnd 21:** 6 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 21).

**Rnd 22:** 7 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 24).

**Rnd 23:** 8 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 27).

**Rnd 24:** 9 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 30).

**Rnd 25:** 10 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 33).

**Rnd 26:** 11 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 37).

**Rnd 27:** 12 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 40).

**Rnd 28:** 13 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 43).

**Rnd 29:** 14 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 46).

**Rnd 30:** 15 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 49).

**Rnd 31:** 16 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 51).

**Rnd 32:** 17 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 54).

**Rnd 33:** 18 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 57).

**Rnd 34:** 19 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 60).

**Rnd 35:** 20 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 63).

**Rnd 36:** 21 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 67).

**Rnd 37:** 22 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 70).

**Rnd 38:** 23 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 73).

**Rnd 39:** 24 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 77).

**Rnd 40:** 25 sc, 2 sc in next stitch (= 80).

**TIP!** Looks cheerful on the Christmas table!



Change to white and work 2 rounds of sc (not in the BL). Fasten off. Make a pompom and attach it to the hat.

## BEARD

Crochet 2 ch with white.

**Rnd 1:** 1 sc in 1st ch, 1 tch, turn the work.

**Rnd 2:** 2 sc in 1 sc, 1 tch, turn.

**Rnd 3:** 1 sc in every sc, 1 tch, turn.

**Rnd 4:** 2 sc in every sc, 1 tch, turn.

**Rnd 5:** 1 sc in every sc, 1 tch, turn.

**Rnd 6:** 2 sc in every sc, 1 tch, turn.

**Rnd 7:** 1 sc in every sc, 1 tch, turn.

**Rnd 8:** 2 sc in each sc.

Continue working like this until the beard has the desired length. Fasten off and sew the beard under the nose. •

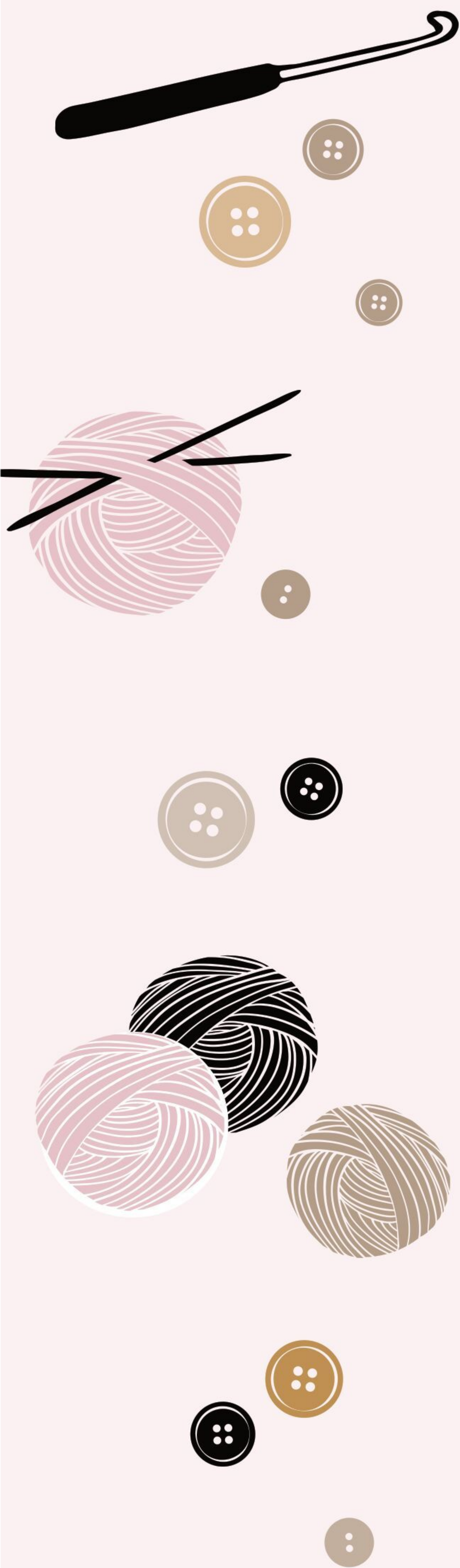
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# CROCHET HOOK SIZES

| Metric (mm) | UK  | US       |
|-------------|-----|----------|
| 0.60        |     | 14       |
| 0.75        |     | 12       |
| 1           |     | 11       |
| 1.25        |     | 7        |
| 1.50        |     | 6        |
| 1.75        |     | 5        |
| 2           | 14  |          |
| 2.25        |     | B-1      |
| 2.5         | 12  |          |
| 2.75        |     | C-2      |
| 3           | 10  |          |
| 3.125 mm    |     | D        |
| 3.25        |     | D-3      |
| 3.5         | 9   | E-4      |
| 3.75        |     | F-5      |
| 4           | 8   | G-6      |
| 4.25        |     | G        |
| 4.5         | 7   | 7        |
| 5           | 6   | H-8      |
| 5.5         | 5   | I-9      |
| 5.75        |     | J        |
| 6           | 4   | J-10     |
| 6.5         | 3   | K-10 1/2 |
| 7           | 2   |          |
| 8           | 0   | L-11     |
| 9           | 00  | M/N-13   |
| 10          | 000 | N/P-15   |
| 11.5        |     | P-16     |
| 12          |     |          |
| 15          |     | P/Q      |





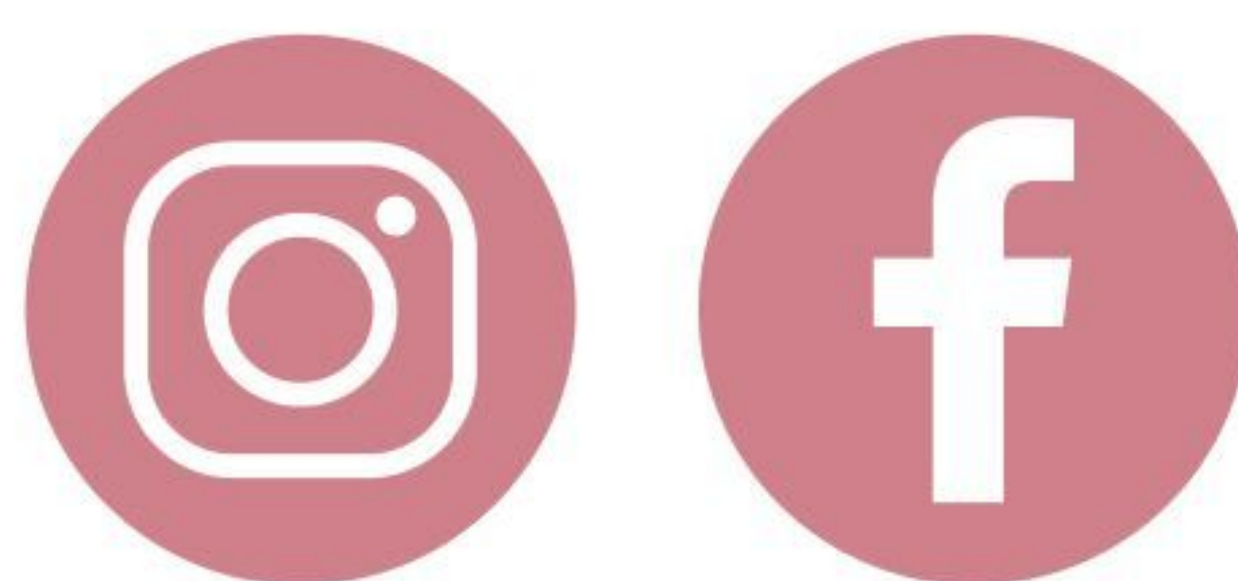
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