

Heidi Bears Modified Granny Motifs for Happypotamus

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I am so happy to release this update to the Happypotamus pattern for all of you! I have been playing around with the idea of adding additional motifs that Happy can be made in, and will add them as they are tested by the awesome and kind test crocheters who have so generously helped with this new granny motif...thank you very much to each one of you!

The granny motif is completely JAYG friendly (JAYG = Join-As-You-Go). If you have made Happy in the African Flower motif and have used a JAYG, you will find the joining very easy for the granny motif. However, I have decided to add some instructions and charts for the granny motif JAYG, which I hope will help and will inspire those of you who haven't tackled the JAYG method before ☺

A granny motif Happypotamus is made in exactly the same way, construction-wise, as the AF Happypotamus. The ONLY thing that is different is the actual motif. The polygons are all added in the same order using the same principles as in the AF Happypotamus pattern.

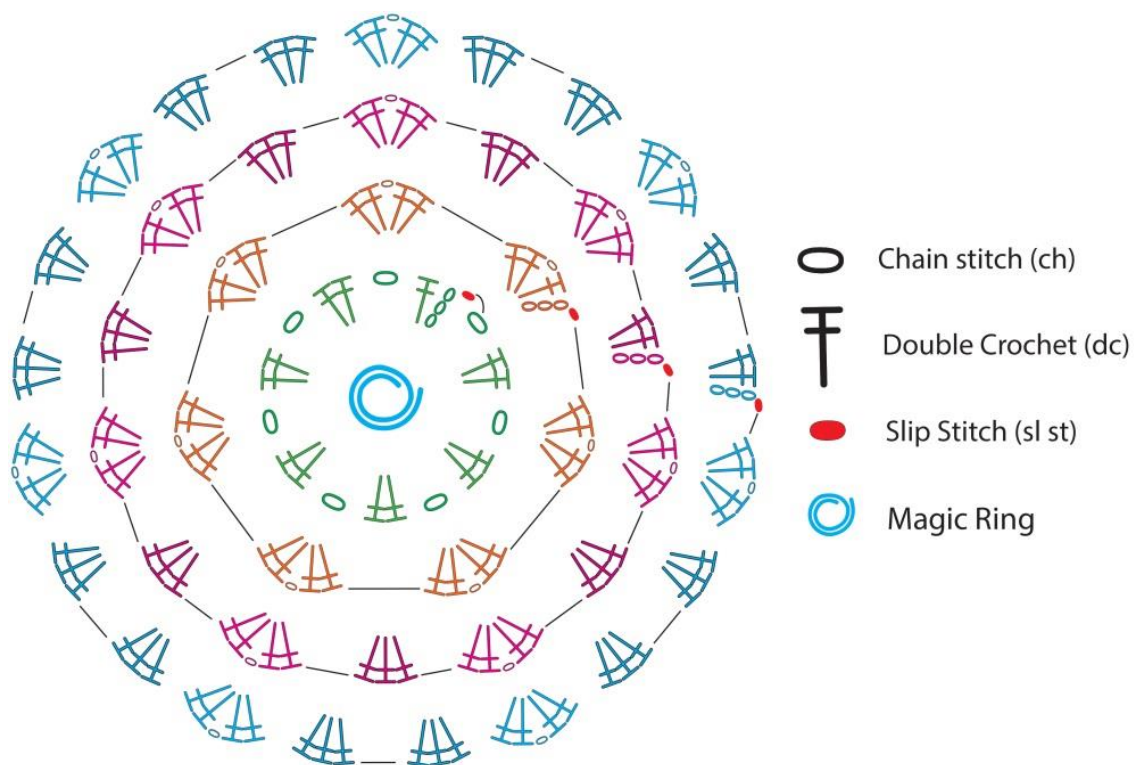
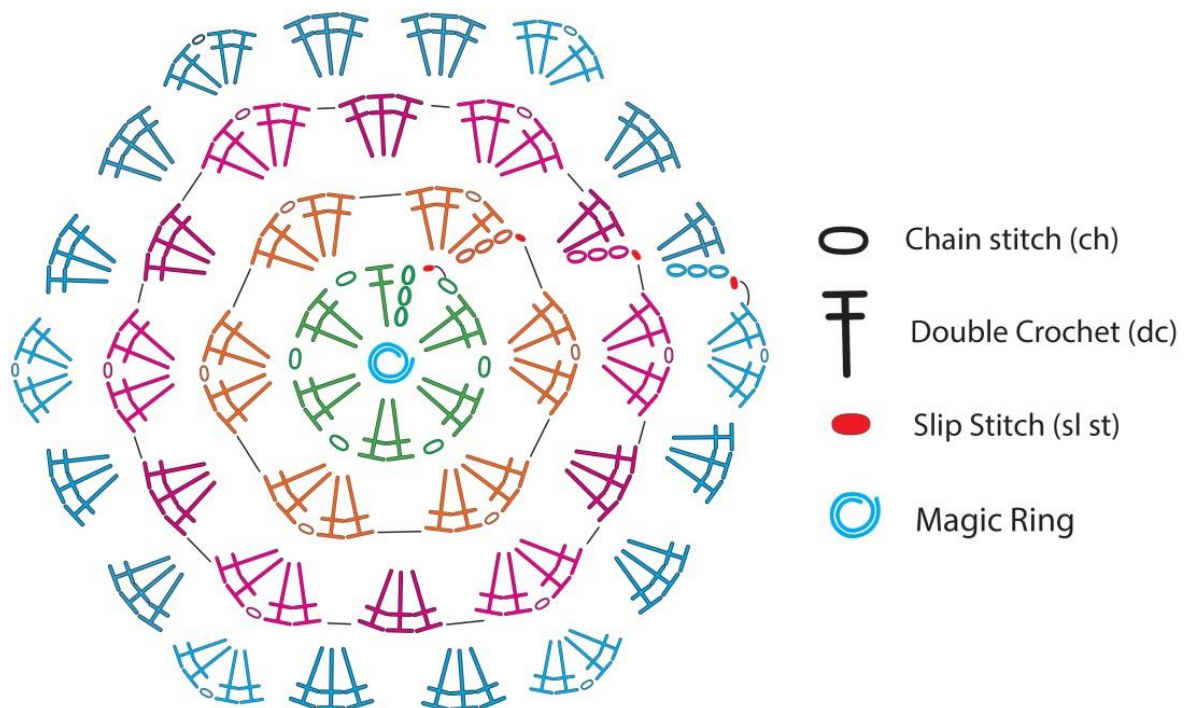
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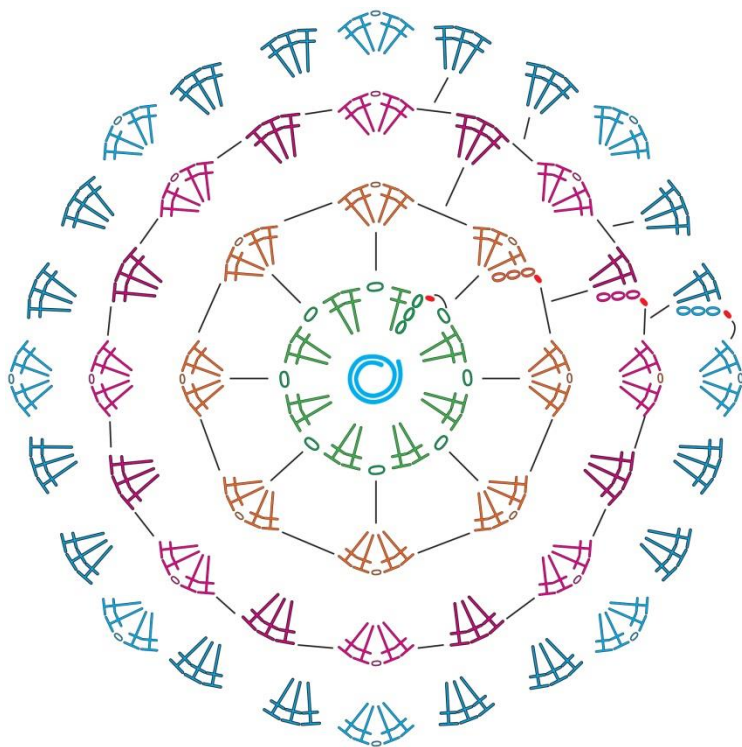
1. Happypotamus is made in exactly the same way using these modified granny motifs as he is using the African Flower Motifs. So, in the original, where you would place a pentagon, you would do the same for the granny motif etc...
2. The JAYG is exactly the same except for the number of "spaces" into which you join. A "side" runs from the chain space of the [2dc, ch, 2dc] at the points of each motif, so you'll start your joining at the chain space and work across just as you normally would for the regular AF. Join **between each** stitch, even if they are part of a cluster of stitches.
3. There are four rounds to each motif, but if anyone is feeling brave, leave out round 4 and join motifs up to round 3 for a mini-er hippo. The JAYG principles apply as for the 4 round motifs.
4. Some of the testers have found that all of their motifs curl more than the same polygons made in the African Flower motifs. We haven't been able to get to the bottom of why...we think that tension may be a factor...however, this didn't seem to be a problem once the animal was stuffed, except that he is a little "curvier" than the AF hippo. Curvier hippos are cute, so don't be afraid of bigger bottoms and noses ;)
5. The heptagon and octagon will always curl, so don't be worried about that (just as you have with the AF).
6. You don't have to use a magic ring, you can start the traditional way with a ch5, join to make a ring.

If anyone is struggling or finds a problem, please feel free to let me know...pm me on Ravelry and I will help as best I can ☺

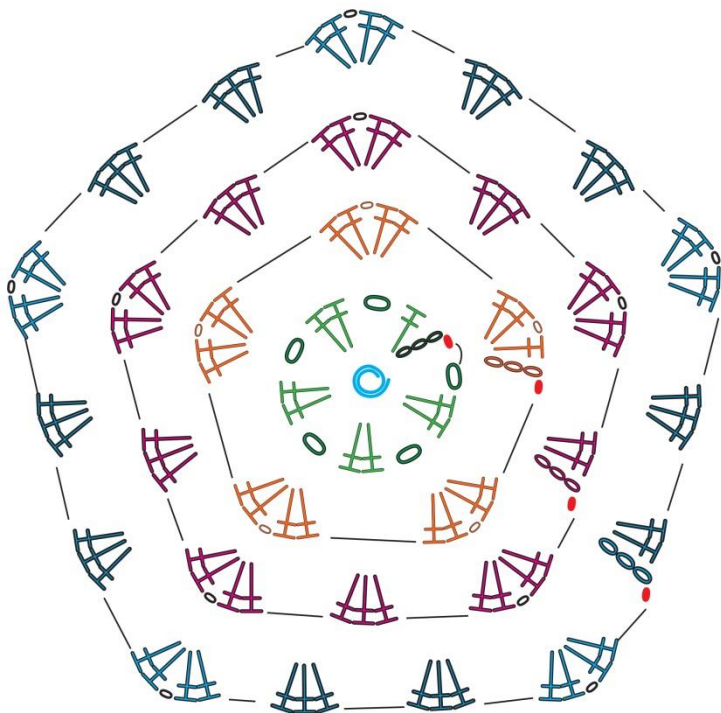
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Modified Granny Heptagon Crochet Chart**Modified Granny Hexagon Crochet Chart**

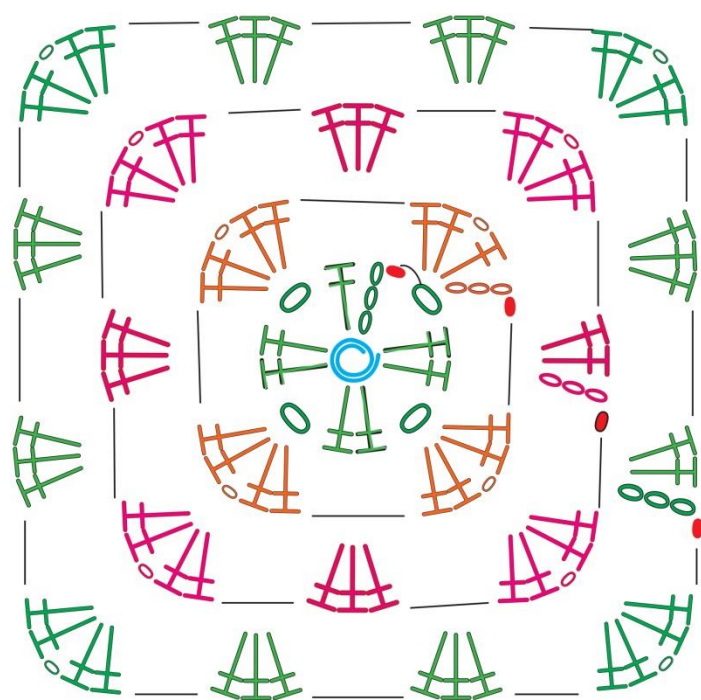
Modified Granny Octagon Crochet Chart

-  Chain stitch (ch)
-  Double Crochet (dc)
-  Slip Stitch (sl st)
-  Magic Ring

Modified Granny Pentagon Crochet Chart

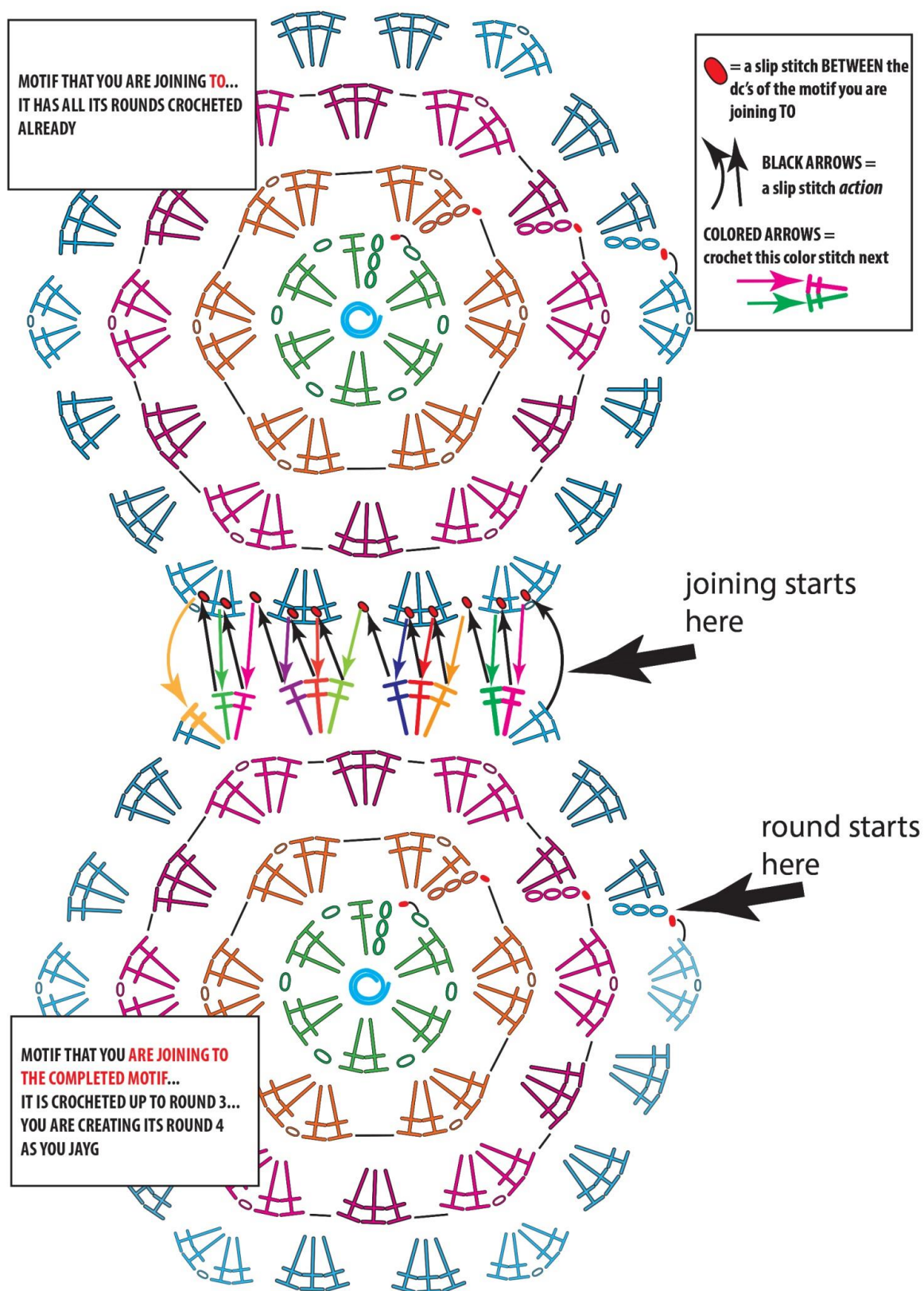
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Modified Granny Square Crochet Chart

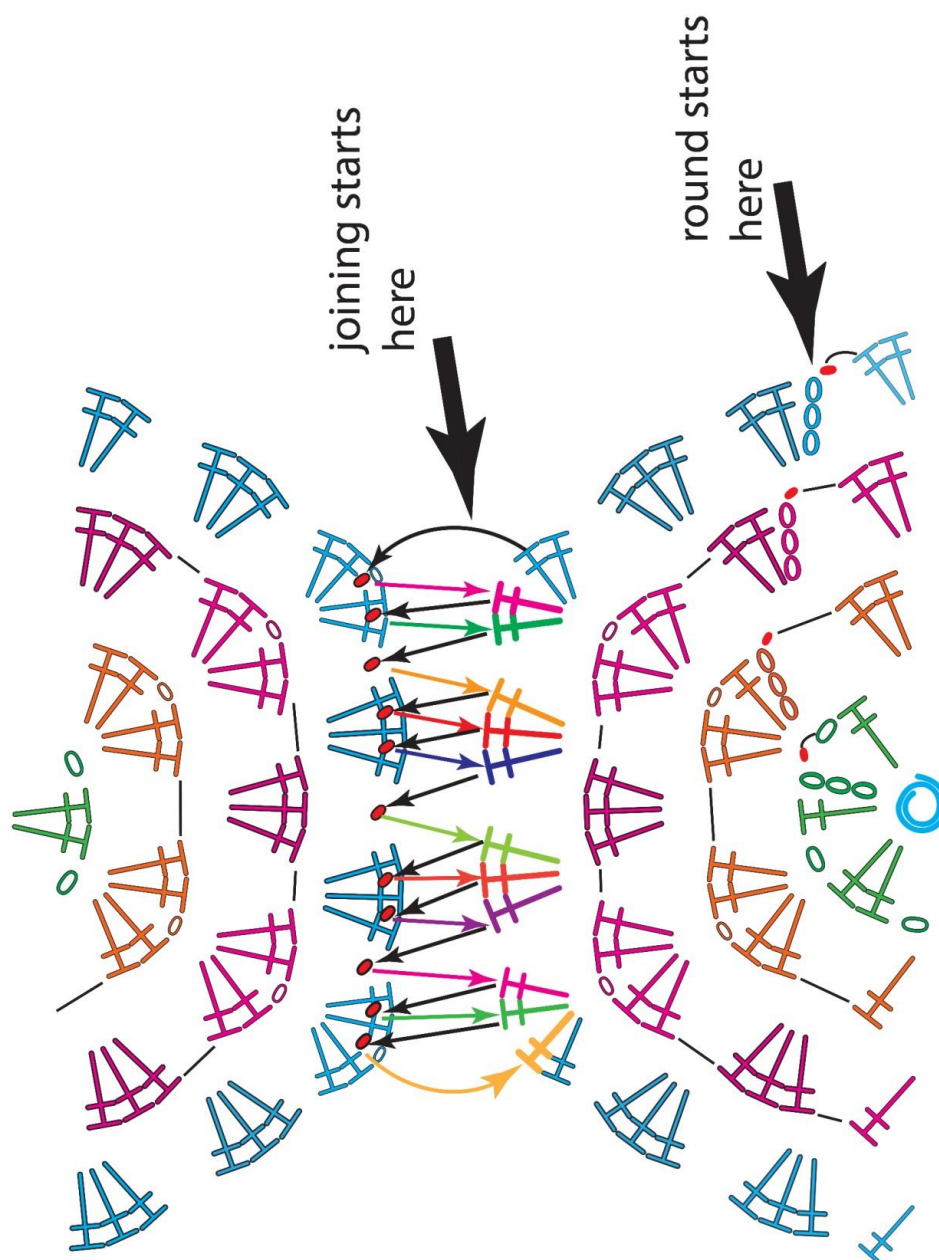


-  Chain stitch (ch)
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-  Slip Stitch (sl st)
-  Magic Ring

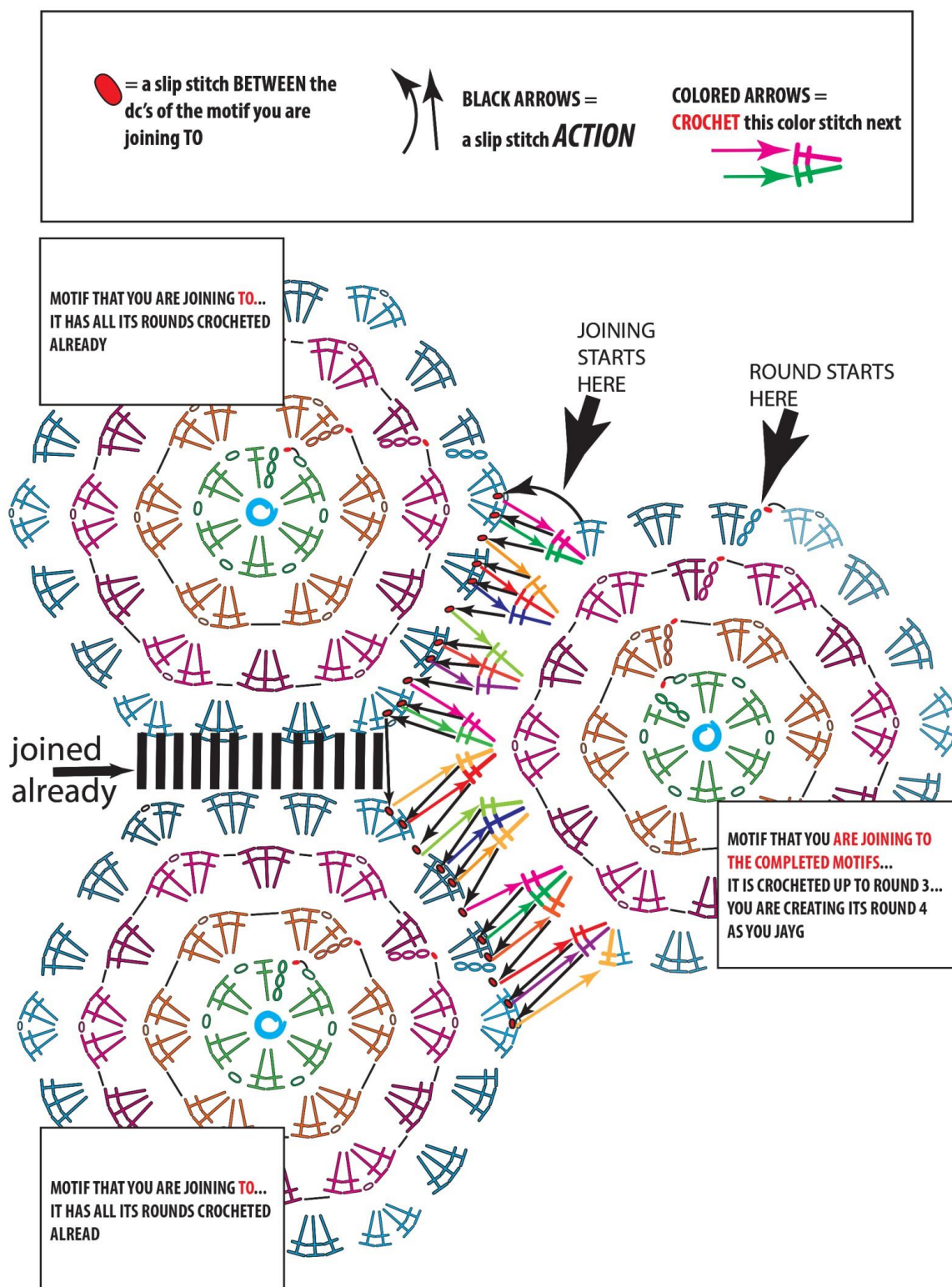
:: Modified Granny Motif : Joining on ONE SIDE chart ::



:: Granny Motif Joining on One Side Chart Closeup ::



:: Modified Granny Motif : Joining on two or more sides chart ::



:: Granny Motif Joining Two or more Sides Chart Closeup ::

