



Mandala Dream Catcher (Crochet)

with YouTube Help Video

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These crocheted mandalas (or dream catchers!) are so much fun to make. These work great as indoor decorations - or - are awesome for outdoor yarn bombing fun. I was inspired to create this pattern from a beautiful vintage doily pattern from the American Thread Company. There are two styles of mandalas in the photos. If you've never done this before, I'd recommend working on the blue one, as that one has a corresponding video. The one with the yellow in the photo above starts off the same as the easier one but gets a little more complicated around the edges. Check out the how-to video on the Naztazia YouTube channel here:

<http://youtube.com/naztazia> And feel free to Pin photos or check out other info at:

<http://naztazia.com>

Materials (one mandala):

50 yds total worsted weight acrylic yarn (Color A: 50 yds; Color B: 50 yds; Color C: 50 yds). Sample used Red Heart Super Saver.

9mm or 10 mm "N" crochet hook. Scissors. Yarn needle.

26" diameter hula hoop

Visit <http://naztazia.com> for where to purchase supplies.

Size/Gauge

Size: 26" diameter

Terminology:

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| BEG = Beginning | B/W = Between | CH = Chain |
| DC = Double Crochet | DTR = Double Treble | SC = Single Crochet |
| SLST = Slip stitch | SP = Space | RPT = Repeat |
| TR = Treble Crochet | | |

CLUSTER: 3 DC in same space but keep last loop of each DC on hook. Then YO and pull through all loops at one time. When CLUSTER occurs at the BEG of a round, replace the first DC with a CH 3.

Instructions:

Watch the YouTube tutorial video here: <https://youtube.com/naztazia> Look for "Mandala Dream Catcher."

Note: if your hoop is larger or smaller than the sample 26" - adjust the number of rounds. If your hoop is smaller, just eliminate a round or two and jump right to RND 10 (you can decrease the number of chains too if needed at RND 10). If your hoop is larger, just repeat RND 9 once or twice. Also remember the crochet really stretches, so you'll be able to easily accommodate even a 45" hoop with just an extra round or two.

Green/Blue/Purple Mandala

This one is a good one to begin with if you haven't done these before.

BEGIN: Slipknot. CH 5. SLST to first CH.

RND 1: CH 1. 8 SC in ring. SLST to first SC.

RND 2: CLUSTER (counting initial CH 3 as first DC). * CH 3. CLUSTER in next SC. * RPT B/W * and * 6 times. CH 3. SLST to top of CH 3.

RND 3: * CH 5. SC in next loop. CH 5. SC in next CLUSTER. * RPT between * and * around. CH 2. DC to BEG.

RND 4: * CH 5. SC in next loop. * RPT B/W * and * around. CH 2. DC to BEG.

RND 5: * CH 6. SC in next loop. * RPT B/W * and * around. CH 2. TR to BEG.

RND 6: CLUSTER. * CH 7. CLUSTER. * RPT B/W * and * around. CH 3. TR to BEG.

RND 7: * CH 9. SC in next loop. * RPT B/W * and * around. CH 4. DTR to BEG.

RND 8: * CH 9. SC in next loop. * RPT B/W * and * around. CH 4. DTR to BEG.

RND 9: * CH 10. SC in next loop. * RPT B/W * and * around. CH 5. DTR to BEG.

RND 10: CLUSTER (counting initial CH 3 as first DC). * CH 11. Wrap around hoop. CLUSTER. * RPT B/W * and * around. CH 11. SLST to BEG. I highly recommend watching my YouTube video for instructions on this last part! <https://youtube.com/naztazia>

Cut, weave in all ends.

Red/Orange/Yellow Mandala

Follow BEGIN/RNDS 1-6 above.

RND 7: * CH 9. SC in next loop. * RPT B/W * and * around. End with CH 9. SC to BEG.

RND 8: SLST into loop. CH 3. 8 DC in loop. * CH 5. DC in next loop. CH 5. 9 DC in next loop. * RPT from * and * around. End with CH 5. DC in next loop. CH 5. SLST to BEG.

RND 9: Skip first DC - SLST to next DC. CH 3. 1 DC in next 6 STS. Skip last DC. * CH 6. 3 DC in next DC. * CH 6. Skip first DC. 1 DC in next 7 STS. * RPT B/W * and * around. SLST to BEG.

RND 10: Skip first DC - SLST to next DC. CH 3. 1 DC in next 4 STS. Skip last DC. * CH 5. SC in next loop. CH 5. Over next 3 STS: [2 DC, 1 DC, 2 DC]. CH 5. SC in next loop. CH 5. Skip first DC. 1 DC in next 5 STS. Skip last DC. * RPT B/W * and * around. SLST to BEG.

FINISH: SLST to third DC of group. CH 5 (or CH 6, depending upon thickness of hoop). Wrap around hoop. SC in next loop. CH 5. Wrap around hoop. SC in next loop. CH 5. Wrap around hoop. SC in third DC of group. CH 5. Continue in pattern of CH 5, wrap around hoop, and SC in either the loops or third DC of group. STST to BEG. I highly recommend watching my YouTube video for instructions on crocheting around the hula hoop!

Cut, weave in all ends.