



# Talking to mother square



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## **The story behind the pattern.**

My inspiration comes when I least expect it. This time I talked to my mother on the phone. I picked up the yarn that was lying next to me and started crocheting, without really thinking about what I was doing, like doodling while talking on the phone.

## **Introduction**

First you crochet the flower (round 1–7). Next step is to make the square around the flower (round 8–17).

The stitches in the pictures are the stitches I crocheted (not what they count as).

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## Facts

Yarn	Scheepjes Softfun, Softfun Denim and Softfun Aquarel – 60% Cotton and 40% Acrylic										
Hook	3.5 mm										
Size	9.44x9.44 inches (24x24 cm)										
Stitches	sl st	ch	sc	hdc	dc	tr	FPsc	BPsc	FPdc	dc3tog	BLO
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## Symbols

\*...\* Repeat stitches

\*\*...\*\* Repeat stitches within repetition

«...» Crocheted in the same or given stitch

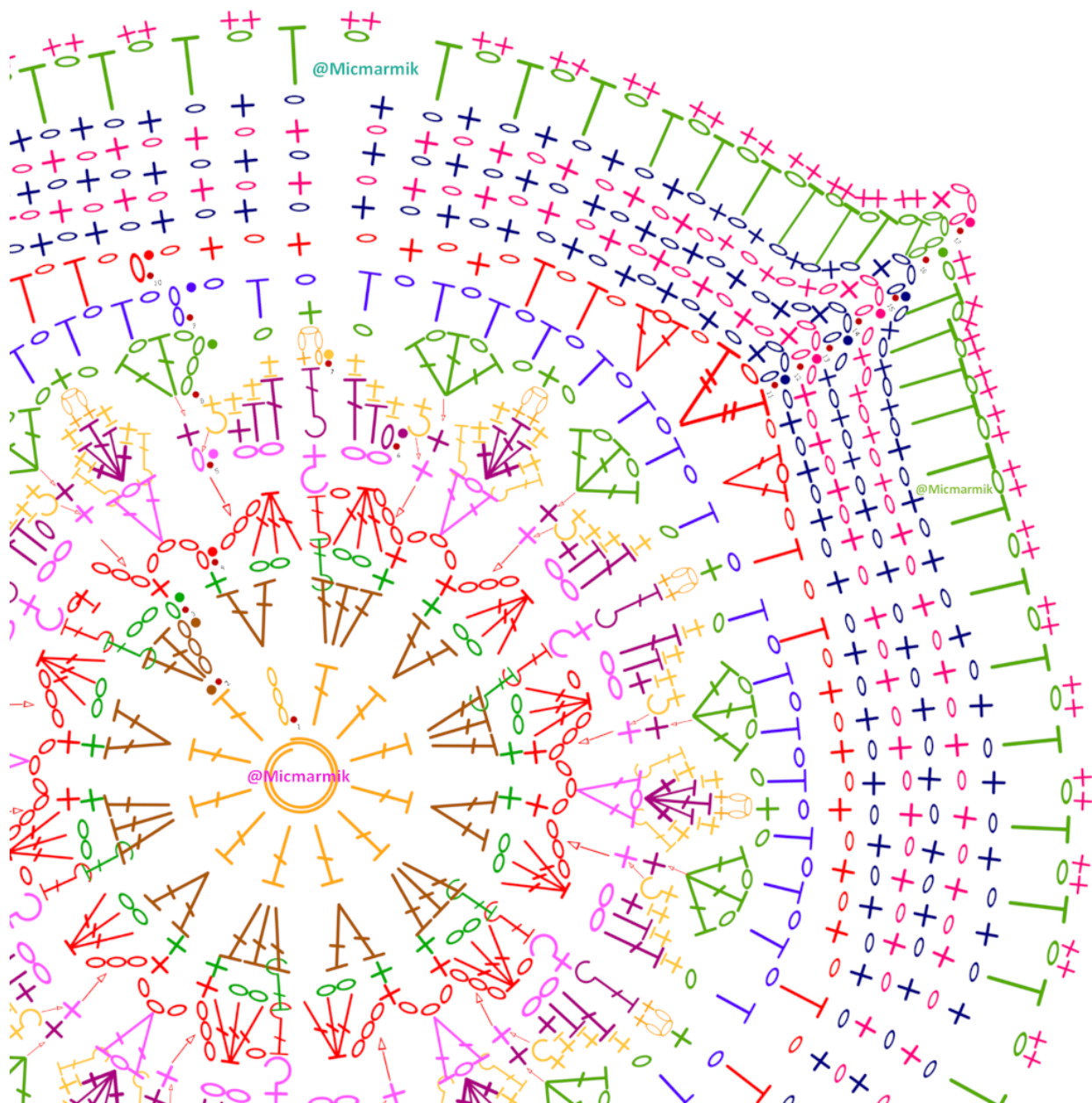
## Alternatives

The pattern below can be adjusted, depending on your own preferences. For example:

- The initial ch on round 1 can be made with a magic ring.
- You can start each round with a standing stitch wherever possible, instead of ch.
- You can end each round with an invisible join wherever possible, instead of a sl st.



## Crochet Chart



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## The flower (round 1-7)

### R.1

Ch 4 (counts as ch 1, 1 dc), 11 dc in the first ch. Tighten the ring by pulling the short yarn thread. Finish with 1 sl st in the first dc (the beginning chain). Do not cut the yarn. (Total 1 ch, 12 dc).



Photo 1 - Round 1.

### R.2

Continue with the same color. 1 sl st to next stitch, \*«3 dc (ch 3, 2 dc in first repetition)», «2 dc»\* 6 times. Finish with 1 sl st in the first dc (the beginning chain). Cut the yarn. (Total 30 dc)



Photo 2 - Round 2.

### R.3

Change color. Start the round in any dc. \*1 sc (ch 1 in first repetition), ch 2, skip 1 dc, 1 FPdc around next dc, ch 2, skip 1 dc, 1 sc in next dc\* 6 times. Finish with 1 sl st in the first sc (the beginning chain). Cut the yarn. (Total 12 ch-2 sp, 12 sc, 6 FPdc)



Photo 3 - Round 3.

### R.4

Change color. Start the round in the first sc of two. \*1 sc (ch 1 in first repetition), ch 3, 1 sc in next sc, ch 3, 1 dc3tog in ch-2 sp, ch 1, 1 FPdc around FPdc r.3, 1 dc3tog in ch-2 sp, ch 3\* 6 times. Finish with 1 sl st in the first sc (the beginning chain). Cut the yarn. (Total 18 ch-3 sp, 6 ch-1 sp, 12 sc, 6 FPdc, 12 dc3tog)



Photo 4 - Round 4.



## R.5

Change color. Start the round in ch-3 sp after 1 dc3tog.

\*1 sc (ch 1 in first repetition) in ch-3 sp, skip 1 sc, «1 dc, ch 1, 1 dc» in ch-3 sp, skip 1 sc, 1 sc i ch-3 sp, ch 2, skip 1 dc3tog, 1 BPsc around FPdc r.4, ch 2, skip 1 dc3tog\* **6 times**. Finish with 1 sl st in the first sc (the beginning chain). Cut the yarn. (Total 12 ch-2 sp, 6 ch-1 sp, 12 sc, 6 BPsc, 12 dc)

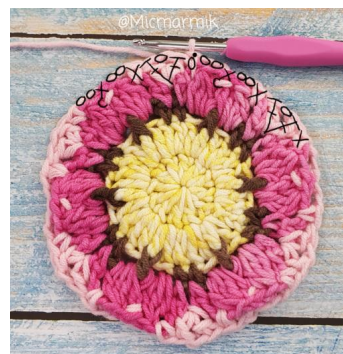


Photo 5 - Round 5.

## R.6

Change color. Start the round in ch-2 sp before BPsc.

\*«1 sc (ch 1 in first repetition), 1 hdc, 1 dc» in ch-2 sp, 1 FPdc around BPsc r.5, «1 dc, 1 hdc, 1 sc» in ch-2 sp, 1 sc in sc, skip 1 dc, «1 sc, 1 hdc, 1 dc, 1 hdc, 1 sc» in ch-1 sp, skip 1 dc, 1 sc in sc \* **6 times**. Finish with 1 sl st in the first sc (the beginning chain). Cut the yarn. (Total 36 sc, 24 hdc, 18 dc, 6 FPdc)



Photo 6 - Round 6.

## R.7

Change color. Start the round in a FPdc. \*«1 sc (ch 1 in first repetition), ch 3, 1 sc» in FPdc, 3 sc BLO, 1 FPsc around sc r.5, skip 1 sc, 1 FPdc around dc r.5, 2 sc BLO, «1 sc, ch 3, 1 sc» in dc, 2 sc BLO, 1 FPdc around dc r.5, skip 1 sc, 1 FPsc around sc r.5, 3 sc BLO\* **6 times**. Finish with 1 sl st in the first sc (the beginning chain). Cut the yarn. (Total 12 ch-3 sp, 24 sc, 60 sc BLO, 12 FPsc, 12 FPdc)



Photo 7 - First repetition round 7.



Photo 8 - Round 7.

## The square (round 8-17)

**R.8** Change color. Start the round in sc r.6 before FPdc r.7, (behind FPsc and FPdc r.7).  
\*«1 dc (ch 3 in first repetition), ch 1, 1 dc, ch 1, 1 dc» in sc r.6, ch 1, skip (1 FPdc, 2 sc BLO, 1 sc), 1 sc in ch-3 sp r.7, ch 1, skip (1 sc, 2 sc BLO, 1 FPdc), «1 dc, ch 1, 1 dc, ch 1, 1 dc» in sc r.6, ch 1, skip (1 FPsc, 3 sc BLO, 1 sc), 1 sc in ch-3 sp r.7, ch 1, skip (1 sc, 3 sc BLO, 1 FPsc)\* **6 times**. Finish with 1 sl st in the first dc (the beginning chain). Cut the yarn. (Total 48 ch-1 sp, 12 sc, 36 dc)



Photo 9 - First repetition round 8



Photo 10 - Round 8.

**R.9** Change color. Start the round in ch-1 sp which comes after sl st on the previous round. \*1 hdc (ch 2 in first repetition) in ch-1 sp, ch 1, skip 1 st\* **48 times**. Finish with 1 sl st in the first hdc (the beginning chain). Do not cut the yarn. (Total 48 ch-1 sp, 48 hdc)



Photo 11 - First repetition round 9.



Photo 12 - Round 9.

**R.10** Continue with the same color. 1 sl st to ch-1 sp. \*1 sc (ch 1 in first repetition) in ch-1 sp, ch 1, skip 1 hdc, \*\*1 hdc in ch-1 sp, ch 1, skip 1 hdc\*\* **2 times**, «1 dc, ch 1, 1 dc» in ch-1 sp, ch 1, skip 1 hdc, «1 tr, ch 1, 1 tr» in ch-1 sp, ch 1, skip 1 hdc, «1 dc, ch 1, 1 dc» in ch-1 sp, \*\*ch 1, skip 1 hdc, 1 hdc in ch-1 sp\*\* **2 times**, \*\*ch 1, skip 1 hdc, 1 sc in ch-1 sp\*\* **4 times** ch 1, skip 1 hdc\* **4 times**. Finish with 1 sl st in the first sc (the beginning chain). Cut the yarn. (Total 64 ch-1 sp, 20 sc, 16 hdc, 16 dc, 8 tr)



Photo 13 – First repetition round 10.



Photo 14 – Round 10.

## R.11

Change color. Start the round in ch-1 sp between 2 tr (the corner). \*◀1 sc (ch 1 in first repetition), ch 2, 1 sc▶ in ch-1 sp, \*\*ch 1, skip 1 st, 1 sc in ch-1 sp\*\* 14 times, ch 1\* 4 times. Finish with 1 sl st in first sc (the beginning chain). Cut the yarn. (Totalt 60 ch-1 sp, 4 ch-2 sp, 64 sc)



Photo 15 – First repetition round 11.



Photo 16 – Round 11.

## R.12

Change color. Start the round in ch-2 sp (the corner). \*◀1 sc (ch 1 in first repetition), ch 2, 1 sc▶ in ch-2 sp, \*\*ch 1, skip 1 st, 1 sc in ch-1 sp\*\* 15 times, ch 1\* 4 times. Finish with 1 sl st in the first sc (the beginning chain). Cut the yarn. (Total 64 ch-1 sp, 4 ch-2 sp, 68 sc)



Photo 17 – First repetition round 12.



Photo 18 – Round 12.



### R.13

Change color. Start the round in ch-2 sp (the corner). \* $\ll$ 1 sc (ch 1 in first repetition), ch 2, 1 sc $\gg$  in ch-2 sp, \*\*ch 1, skip 1 st, 1 sc in ch-1 sp\*\* **16 times**, ch 1\* **4 times**. Finish with 1 sl st in the first sc (the beginning chain). Cut the yarn. (Total 68 ch-1 sp, 4 ch-2 sp, 72 sc)

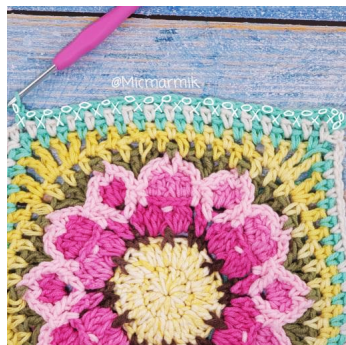


Photo 19 - First repetition round 13.



Photo 20 - Round 13.

### R.14

Change color. Start the round in ch-2 sp (the corner). \* $\ll$ 1 sc (ch 1 in first repetition), ch 2, 1 sc $\gg$  in ch-2 sp, \*\*ch 1, skip 1 st, 1 sc in ch-1 sp\*\* **17 times**, ch 1\* **4 times**. Finish with 1 sl st in the first sc (the beginning chain). Do not cut the yarn. (Total 72 ch-1 sp, 4 ch-2 sp, 76 sc)



Photo 21 - First repetition round 14.



Photo 22 - Round 14.

## R.15

Continue with the same color. 1 sl st to ch-2 sp, \*◀1 sc (ch 1 in first repetition), ch 2, 1 sc▶ in ch-2 sp, \*\*ch 1, skip 1 st, 1 sc in ch-1 sp\*\* **18 times**, ch 1\* **4 times**. Finish with 1 sl st in the first sc (the beginning chain). Do not cut the yarn. (Total 76 ch-1 sp, 4 ch-2 sp, 80 sc)



Photo 23 - First repetition round 15.



Photo 24 - Round 15.

## R.16

Continue with the same color. 1 sl st to ch-2 sp, \*◀1 hdc (ch 2 in first repetition), ch 2, 1 hdc▶ in ch-2 sp, \*\*ch 1, skip 1 st, 1 hdc in ch-1 sp\*\* **18 times**, ch 1\* **4 times**. Finish with 1 sl st in the first hdc (the beginning chain). Do not cut the yarn. (Total 80 ch-1 sp, 4 ch-2 sp, 84 hdc)



Photo 25 - First repetition round 16.



Photo 26 - Round 16.



## R.17

Continue with the same color. 1 sl st to ch-2 sp, \* $\ll$ 1 sc (ch 1 in first repetition), ch 2, 1 sc $\gg$  in ch-2 sp, \*\*skip 1st, 2 sc in ch-1 sp\*\* **20 times**, skip 1 st\* **4 times**. Finish with 1 sl st in the first sc (the beginning chain). Cut the yarn. (Total 8 ch-2 sp, 168 sc)

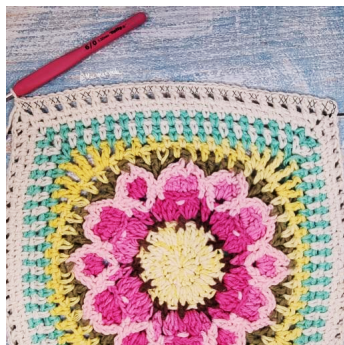


Photo 27- First repetition round 17.



Photo 28- Round 17.

The Talking to mother square is now done! I hope you enjoyed making it!// Micarmik

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### Symbols explained (US terms):

*... *... times		Repeat the instructions, for example: "*ch 1, 2 sc* 5 times" would mean "ch 1 followed by 2 sc, repeated five times"
**... **... times		Short repeats within a longer ones, for example: "*ch 1, **1 sc** 2 times* 5 times" would mean "ch 1 and a repeat of 2 sc; all repeated 5 times"
<...> in...		Stitches to be crocheted in the same stitch, for example: "<3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc> in the next stitch"
(counts as...)		Replacement for first stitch on a round, for example: "ch 3 (counts as 1 dc)" would mean "ch 3 used instead of 1 dc as the initial stitch"
(Total...)		Sums up number of used stitches, for example: "ch 1 (counts as 1 sc), ch 2. (Total 2 ch, 1 sc)" would mean "used as 2 ch + 1 sc, in total"
st		Stitch
lp		Loop
ch sp		Chain space
BLO	⌒	Back loop only
FLO	⌒	Front loop only
sl st	●	Slip stitch
ch	○	Chain
sc	×	Single crochet
hdc	⌋	Half double crochet
lhdc	⌋	Long half double crochet
dc	⌋	Double crochet
ldc	⌋	Long double crochet
tr	⌋	Treble crochet



dtr		Double treble crochet
FPsc		Front post single crochet
BPsc		Back post single crochet
FP hdc		Front post half double crochet
BP hdc		Back post half double crochet
FPdc		Front post double crochet
BPdc		Back post double crochet
FPtr		Front post treble crochet
BPtr		Back post treble crochet
2FPdc		2 front post double crochet around same stitch
3FPdc		3 front post double crochet around same stitch
FPdc3tog		Front post double crochet 3 together
Pic		Picot made with ch 3, 1 sl st in first ch
ch4pic		Picot made with ch 4, 1 sl st in first ch