Lightning Action Packed Square

Intermediate

Caron® One Pound™
(16 oz / 453.6 g; 812 yds/742 m)

MC - Grey, 1 Ball
A - Royal Pale Blue, 1 Ball
B - Scarlet, 1 Ball
C - Brown, 1 Ball D - Gold, 1 Ball

Hook

5.5 mm / Size I/US 9

Abbreviations

Beg = Begin
Ch = Chain
Dc = Double Crochet
Rep = Repeat
RS = Right Side
Sl St = Slip Stitch
Sp = Space
WS = Wrong Side

The Hammer

The hammer square is a basic square with the colours changed at certain rounds. The hammer will be a separate pattern on The Crochet Crowd. I designed the hammer as a motif for this square.

Instructions

With MC Ch 4.

Round 1: (RS)11 dc into 4th chain from hook. Join with sl st to top of be chain 3. - 12 sts

Round 2: Ch 3, 1 dc in same st as join. 2 dc in each st around. Join with sl st to beg ch. - 24 sts

Round 3: Ch 3, 1 dc in same st as join. 1 dc in next. *2 dc in next stitch, 1 dc in next. Repeat * around. Join with a sl st to beg ch. Fasten off MC. - 36 sts

Round 4: Fasten B, ch 3, 1 dc in same st as join. 1 dc in next 2. *2 dc in next stitch, 1 dc in next 2. Repeat * around. Join with sl st to beg ch. - 48 sts

Round 5: Ch 3, 1 dc in same st as join. 1 dc in next 3. *2 dc in next stitch, 1 dc in next 3. Repeat * around. Join with sl st to beg ch. - 60 sts

Round 6: Ch 3, 1 dc in same st as join. 1 dc in next 4. *2 dc in next stitch, 1 dc in next 4. Repeat * around. Join with sl st to beg ch. - 72 sts

Round 7: Ch 3, 1 dc in same st as join. 1 dc in next 5. *2 dc in next stitch, 1 dc in next 5. Repeat * around. Join with sl st to beg ch. - 84 sts

Round 8: Ch 3, 1 dc in same st as join. 1 dc in next 6. *2 dc in next stitch, 1 dc in next 6. Repeat * around. Join with sl st to beg ch. - 96 sts

Round 9: Ch 3, 1 dc in same st as join. 1 dc in next 7. *2 dc in next stitch, 1 dc in next 7. Repeat * around. Join with sl st to beg ch. - 108 sts

Round 10: Ch 3, 1 dc in same st as join. 1 dc in next 8. *2 dc in next stitch, 1 dc in next 8. Repeat * around. Join with sl st to beg ch. - 120 sts

Round 11: Ch 3, 1 dc in same st as join. 1 dc in next 9. *2 dc in next stitch, 1 dc in next 9. Repeat * around. Join with sl st to beg ch. Fasten off B - 132 sts

Round 12: Fasten on D, ch 1, 2 sc in same st as join. 1 sc in next 10. *2 sc in next stitch, 1 sc in next 10. Repeat * around. Join with sl st to beg sc. - 144 sts

Round 13: Ch 1, 2 sc in same st as join. 1 sc in next 8. *2 sc in next stitch, 1 sc in next 8. Repeat * around. Join with sl st to beg sc. Fasten off and weave in ends. - 160 sts

Afghan / Blanket

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Transition to Square

Round 1: On RS with MC fasten on with a sl st to any stitch in the circle. Ch 4 (counts as tr), 1 tr in same stitch. The next set of instructions all have 1 crochet stitch in each. Here is the order. *1 tr in the next 4 stitches, 1 dc in the next 5 stitches, 1 hdc in the next 5 stitches, 1 sc in next 11 stitches, 1 hdc in the next 5 stitches, 1 dc in the 5 stitches, 1 tr in the next 4 stitches, (2 tr, ch 2, 2 tr) in next stitch. Repeat from * around. Final corner is 2 tr in the same stitch as where you started, ch 2 and then sl st to top of beg ch 4. - 172 sts

Round 2: Ch 4, (counts as tr), 1 tr into the previous ch 2 sp. The next set of instructions all have 1 crochet stitch in each. Here is the order. *1 tr in the next 3 stitches, 1 dc in the next 6 stitches, 1 hdc in the next 6 stitches, 1 sc in next 13 stitches, 1 hdc in the next 6 stitches, 1 dc in the 6 stitches, 1 tr in the next 3 stitches, (2 tr, ch 2, 2 tr) in next ch-2 space. Repeat from * around. Final corner is 2 tr in the same stitch as where you started, ch 2 and then sl st to top of beg ch 4. - 188 sts

Round 3: Ch 3, (counts as dc), 1 dc into the previous ch 2 sp. The next set of instructions all have 1 crochet stitch in each. Here is the order. *1 dc in the next 7 stitches, 1 hdc in the next 8 stitches, 1 sc in next 17 stitches, 1 hdc in the next 8 stitches, 1 dc in the 7 stitches, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 space. Repeat from * around. Final corner is 2 dc in the same stitch as where you started, ch 2 and then sl st to top of beg ch 3. Fasten off. - 204 sts

Final Border

On RS, with A fasten onto ch-2 space with a sl st. ch 3 (counts as dc), 1 dc into same ch-2 space. *1 dc in each stitch across to next corner. In corners, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc). Repeat * around. Final corner has 2 dc, ch 2. Sl st to the top of the beg ch 3. Fasten off and weave in ends. - 220 sts

See attached 2 diagrams.

Fasten on the hammer by sewing the motif to the front face.

Circle to Square Transition

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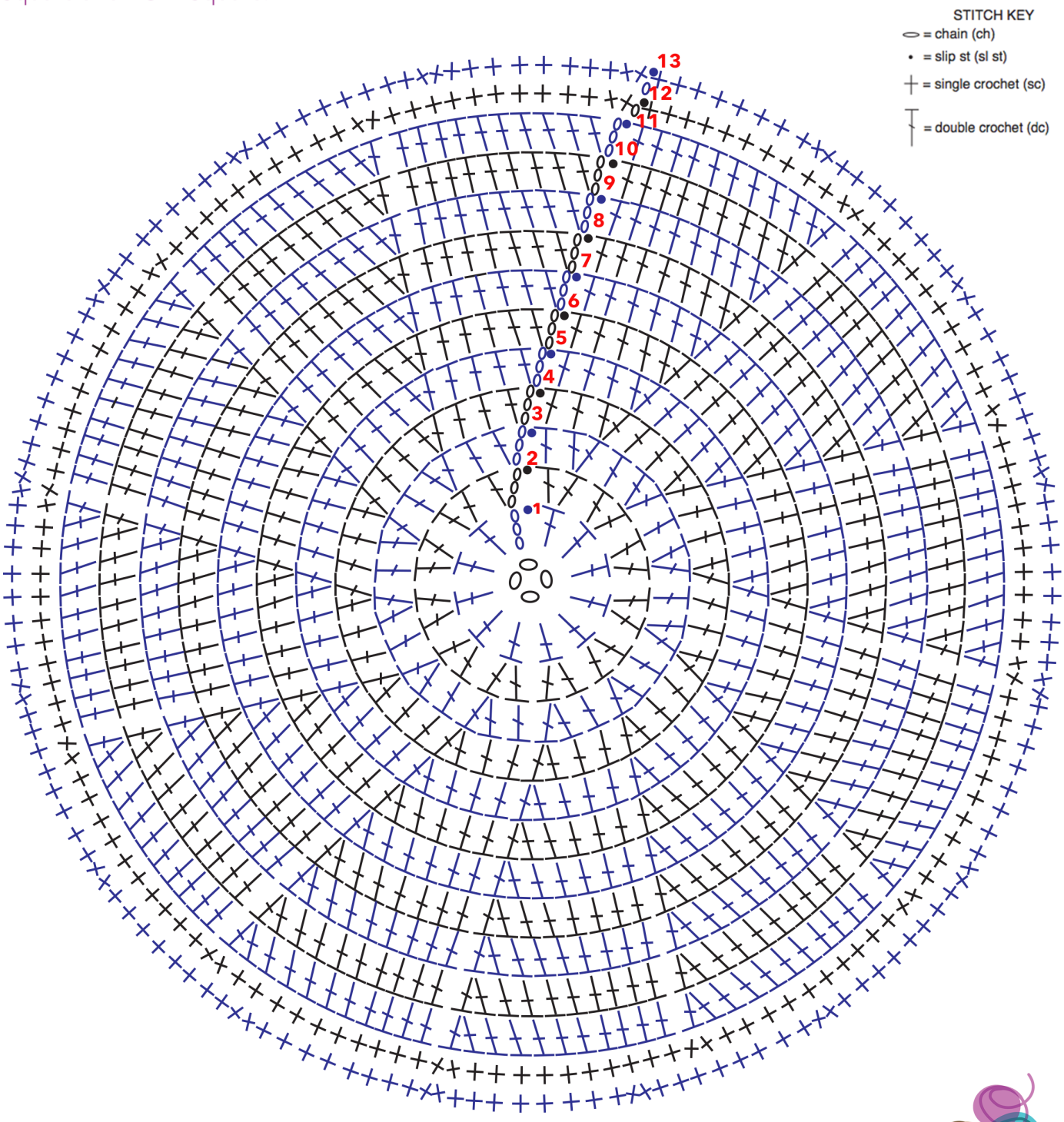
Action Packed Main Circle

This diagram is used in the following Action Packed Squares, they include Diamond Square, Belt Square, Hammer Square, Web Square, Circle of Stars Square, Spotlight Square, Star Circle, Lightning Square and POW Square.



The POW Square uses Tapestry Crochet Techniques of carrying the yarn under the stitches. The same stitches and counts are used, but drop and pick up yarn as required for tapestry techniques.

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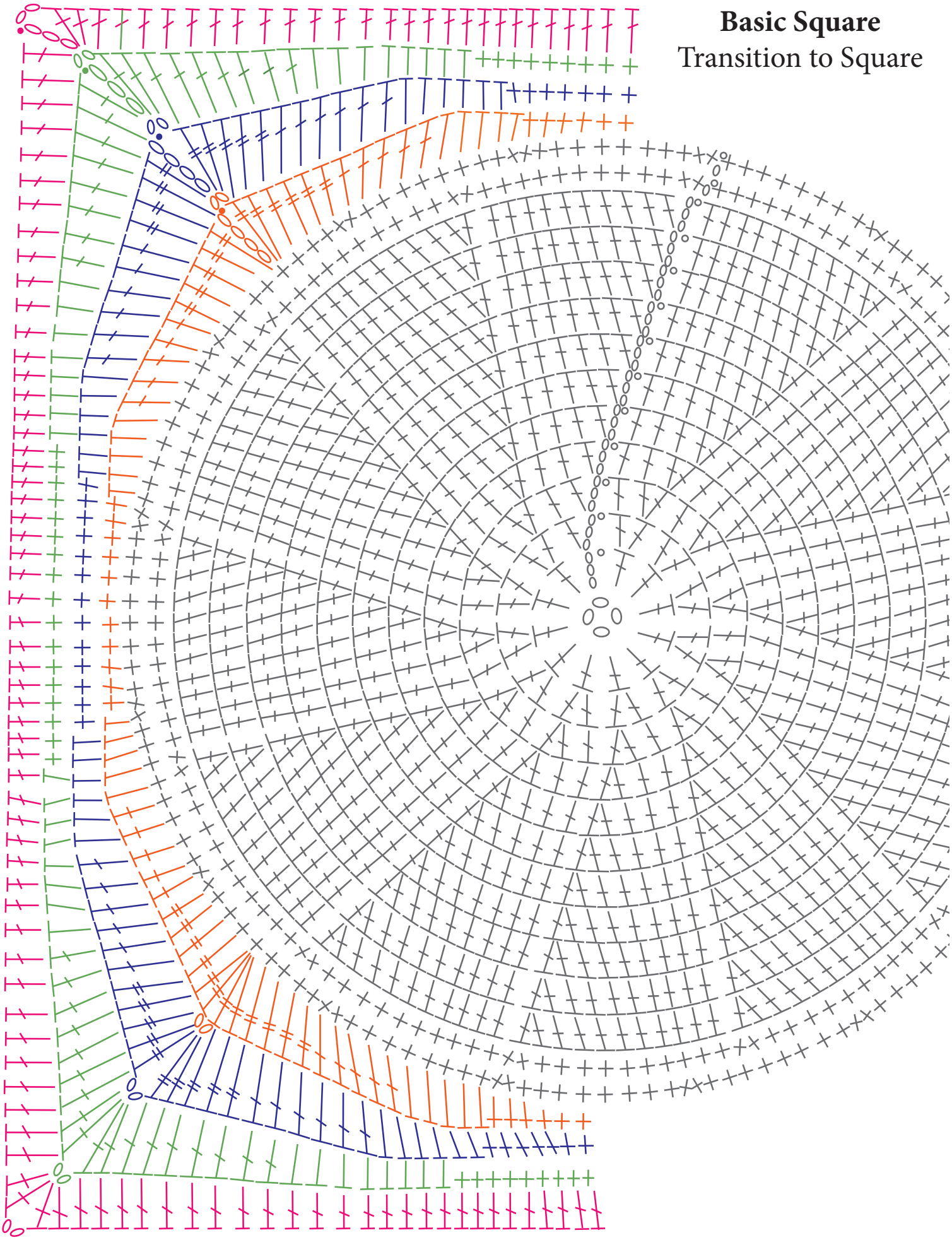
Basic Square

Transition to Square