Mikey's Working Notes





Spiral Effect

Each of the large motifs has a spiral look to it. This is happening as a result of ALWAYS skipping the 1st double crochet in each section of the pinwheels. If you were starting a round, it will ask you to slip stitch one over to start over on the 2nd dc.

Even for the edging, you will ALWAYS skip the first double crochet.



Yarn Change Over Strategy

When you come across the second colour and need to pass by the loop. Ensure the loop and the yarn strand leading to the yarn ball are pulled forward before chaining across. If you forget to pull the yarn strand forward, you cannot pull it forward as the chain across will block you from doing it later. It must be done at the time.



Mikey's Helpful Tips





Large Motif

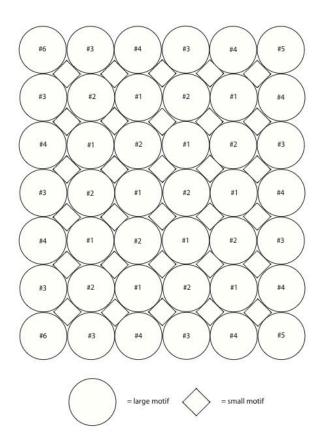
Picture Shows Round 1 to Round 10

There are 6 Versions of round 11 which transform the motif from a circle to an octagon.

Pictures of each of the 6 versions are included below with notes.

Do all 42 large motifs before doing the final edge.

The large motifs are really easy from round 1 to round 10. It's in round 11 where the motif changes from being a round circle to having defined edges to make up an octagon. If I were you, I would crochet all 42 large motifs from round 1 to 10. I would come back and do all round 11's at the same time because it's easier to remember as round 11 isn't the same for each one.



Motif Counts

Each motif has it's designated spot to keep the spinning illusion.

Make 10 - Motif 1

Make 10 - Motif 2

Make 9 - Motif 3

Make 9 - Motif 4

Make 2 - Motif 5

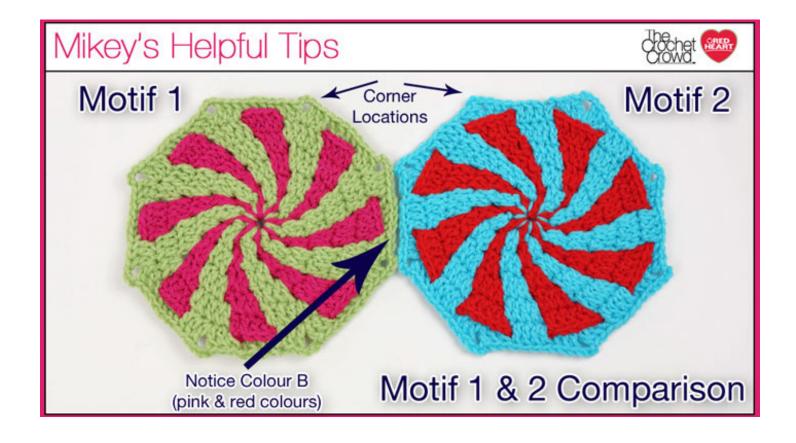
Make 2 - Motif 6

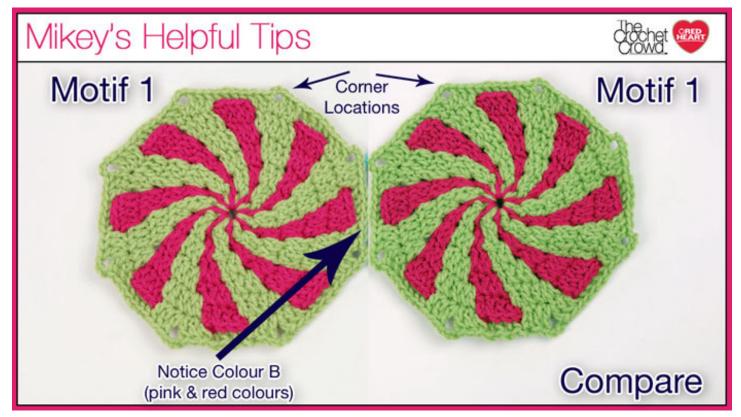
Make 30 - Small Motifs



Why the different edges? It creates spinning effect.

The motifs are not identical in the way they are appearing. Notice motifs 1, 3 & 5 have their corners matching in the colour A. Look at the red pinwheels to give yourself orientation. Motifs 2, 4 & 6 have their corners matching where the Colour B is.





If edges aren't changed, the motifs would all look identical.

This is what it would look like if all of the motifs were identical, the pinwheels would end at the same start and stop area. The designer has intentionally changed the motifs to give the afghan an illusion of the pinwheels turning.

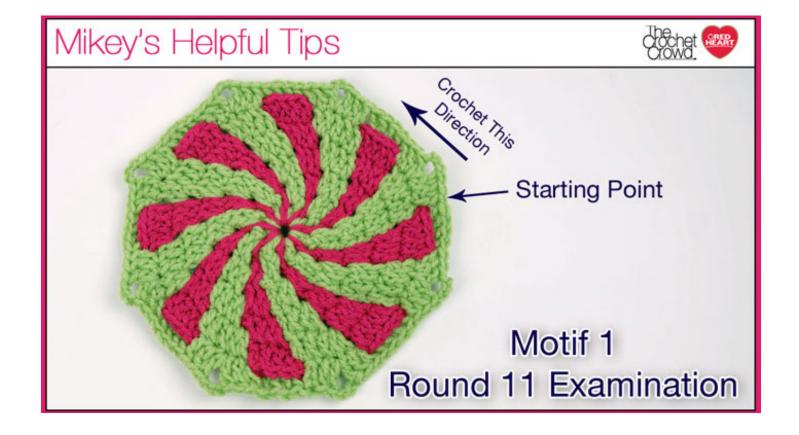
Let's review what the back of the motif looks like.





Small motif. Front and Back Shown.

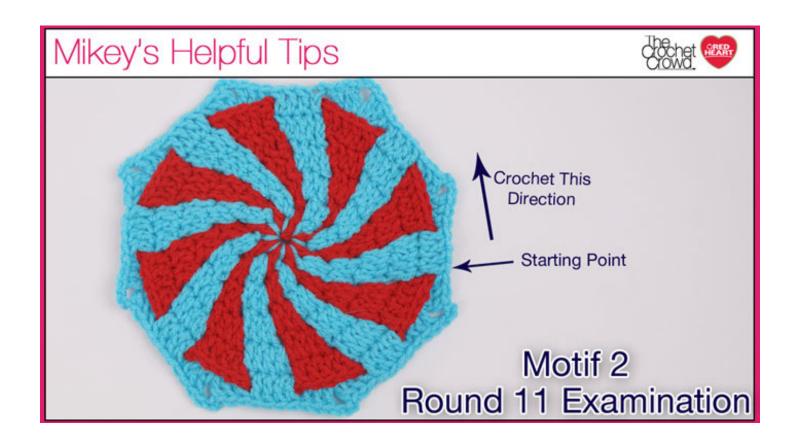
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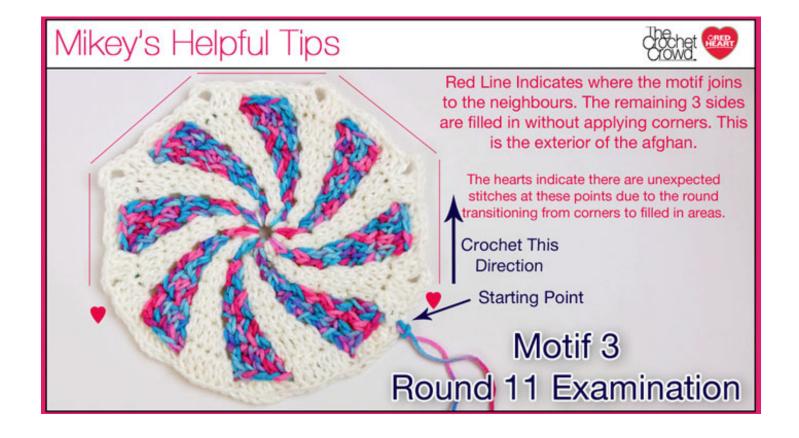
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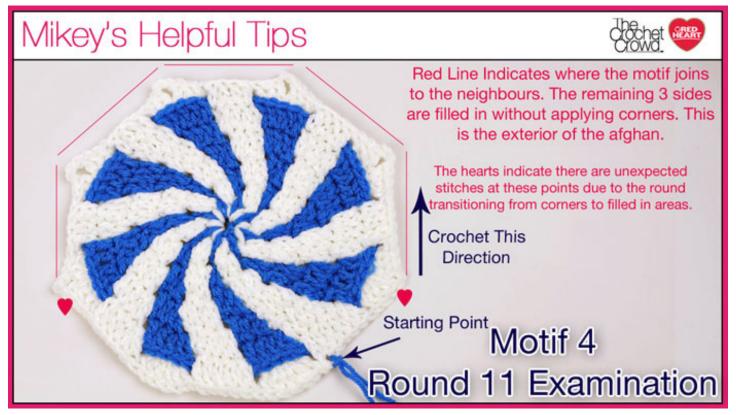




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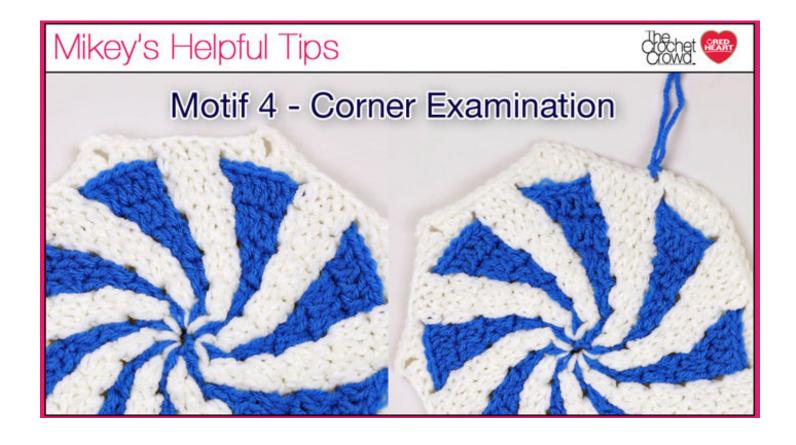
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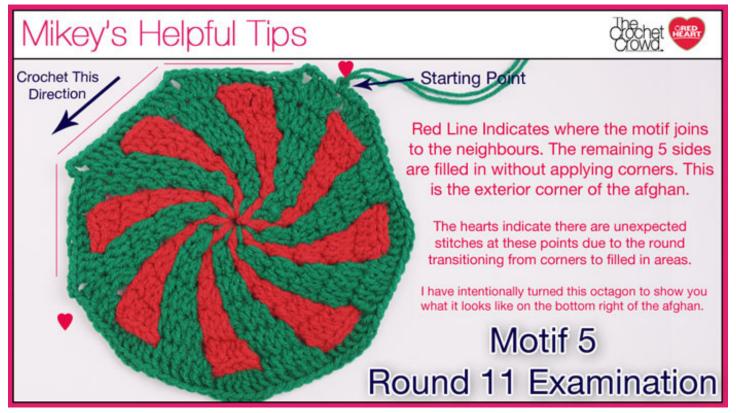




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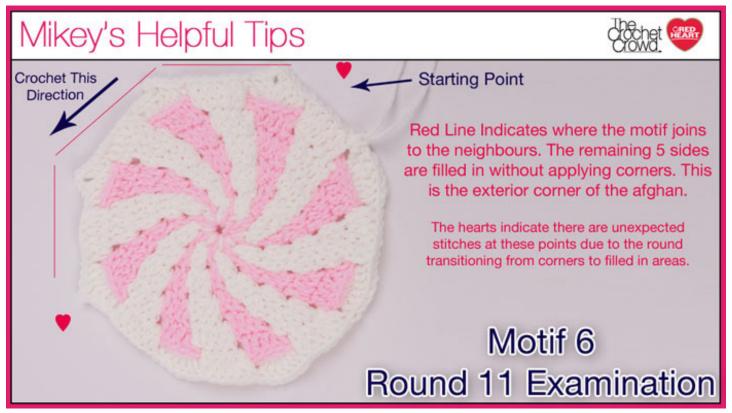




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