Easy Crochet Mandala – Step-by-Step Pattern (US Terms)

🧶 **Yarn:** 5-ply medium weight (50% acrylic, 50% cotton)
🧿 **Hook Size:** 2.20 mm (US size B/1)
📏 **Finished Size:** Approx. 11 cm (4.3 in) in diameter
🪡 **Optional:** Beads, tassels, hanging loop

🔶 Round 1: Magic Ring & Petal Clusters

- Start with a **magic ring**.

- *Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in ring*

- *(Ch 3, 2 hdc in ring, pull through all loops)* × 5 more times (6 petal groups total)

- Join with a **sl st** to the top of the first dc.

- Fasten off and change color.

🔶 Round 2: V-Stitches

- Attach new color to any **ch-3 space**

- *Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same space*

- *(Ch 3, 2 hdc in same space, pull through all loops), ch 1*

- In next ch-3 space: *(2 hdc, close), ch 3, (2 hdc, close), ch 1*

- Repeat around, ending with a sl st to first dc

- Fasten off and change color

🔶 Round 3: Starbursts

- Join yarn in any **ch-3 or ch-1 space**

- *Ch 3, 4 hdc in same space, pull through all loops*

- *(Ch 3, 4 hdc in next space, close)* repeat in each space

- Sl st to close round

- Fasten off and change color

🔶 Round 4: Expanding the Base

- Join yarn into any **ch space**

- *Ch 3, 4 dc in same space*

- *1 dc in top of next group*

- *(5 dc in next space, 1 dc in next group)* repeat around

- Sl st to join

- Fasten off and change color

🔶 Round 5: Tightening with Single Crochets

- Join yarn at top of any stitch

- *1 sc in each stitch around*

- Sl st to join

- Fasten off and change color

🔶 Round 6: Petal Ridges

- Join yarn to top of any stitch

- *Ch 2, dc in next st, hdc in next st — yarn over, pull through all 3 loops*

- *(Ch 4, hdc, dc, hdc — yarn over and close all loops)* in next 3 stitches

- Repeat petal shape around

- Sl st to join

- Fasten off and change color

🔶 Round 7: Final Decorative Round

- Join yarn in any ch space

- *(sc, 3 dc, sc) in each chain space*

- Repeat until the round is complete

- Sl st to join, fasten off

⬜ Optional: Hanging Loop

- Attach yarn to back of mandala

- Ch 25–35 (adjust as needed), sl st into starting point to form a loop

- Fasten off and weave in ends

🧶 Optional: Tassel Decoration

- Make a tassel using leftover yarn

- Sew or tie it securely to the bottom center of the mandala