

Magic Circles Skimming Stones

‘Next time a sunrise steals your breath, or a meadow of flowers leaves you speechless, remain that way.’

Max Lucado



When I designed the Magic Circles pattern back in 2018, I created a blanket and scarf version. The original blanket colourway includes purples, reds and pinks as the predominant shades and the scarf version is made in a more subtle palette, with pink, apricot and mushroom colours.

This new Skimming Stones version of the blanket echoes the colours I used in the scarf. The palette reminds me of early morning walks on the beach, pretty, wet pebbles underfoot, pinky hues of clouds in the sky and fleeting reflections across the water.

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MEASUREMENT

Blocked measurement: Approximately 117cm (46in) square excluding tassels.

MATERIALS

This colour way uses 14 balls of yarn in the following shades:

Stylecraft Special DK

100% Premium Acrylic

295m (322yds) per 100g ball

Grey (1099)	3 balls
Apricot (1026)	2 balls
Mushroom (1832)	2 balls*
Parchment (1218)	2 balls
Camel (1420)	1 ball
Lincoln (1834)	1 ball
Mustard (1823)	1 ball
Pale Rose (1080)	1 ball*
Storm Blue (1722)	1 ball

*The number of balls of yarn recommended to complete the blanket project are based on a series of tests. In our version of the blanket, Mushroom (1832) and Camel (1420) were both tight on usage. To be sure you have enough yarn to finish your project, please make sure you are working as close to the suggested tension as possible. Any differences in tension will have an influence on yarn usage. If you run out of a shade, you could omit it from use in the tassels or swap a shade used for surface crochet.

HOW TO USE THIS YARN SUBSTITUTION DOCUMENT

The order that the yarn shades used in the Skimming Stones version of the Magic Circles blanket differ somewhat to the original pattern, so within this document I have listed the colour changes for every round of each motif. I have also told you how many motifs you need to make in each shade sequence. This yarn substitution document is to be used alongside the instructions given in the original Magic Circles pattern which you can purchase as a paper pattern via the Janie Crow website, or as a download via Ravelry and Etsy.

Make Circles



Large Circle One (make 23)

- Set Up & Round 1:** Pale Rose
- Round 2:** Mushroom
- Round 3:** Parchment
- Round 4:** Camel
- Surface Crochet:** Apricot



Large Circle Two (make 22)

- Set Up & Round 1:** Storm Blue
- Round 2:** Camel
- Round 3:** Apricot
- Round 4:** Mushroom
- Surface Crochet:** Pale Rose



Large Circle Three (make 18)

- Set Up & Round 1:** Lincoln
- Round 2:** Pale Rose
- Round 3:** Mushroom
- Round 4:** Apricot
- Surface Crochet:** Parchment



Large Circle Four (make 18)

- Set Up & Round 1:** Mustard
- Round 2:** Apricot
- Round 3:** Mushroom
- Round 4:** Parchment
- Surface Crochet:** Mushroom

Make Half Circles



Half Circle One (make 9)

- Set Up & Round 1:** Pale Rose
- Round 2:** Mushroom
- Round 3:** Parchment
- Round 4:** Camel
- Surface Crochet:** Apricot



Half Circle Two (make 9)

- Set Up & Round 1:** Storm
- Round 2:** Camel
- Round 3:** Apricot
- Round 4:** Mushroom
- Surface Crochet:** Pale Rose



Half Circle Three (make 9)

- **Set Up & Round 1:** Lincoln
- **Round 2:** Pale Rose
- **Round 3:** Mushroom
- **Round 4:** Apricot
- **Surface Crochet:** Parchment



Half Circle Four (make 9)

- **Set Up & Round 1:** Mustard
- **Round 2:** Apricot
- **Round 3:** Mushroom
- **Round 4:** Parchment
- **Surface Crochet:** Mushroom

Make Quarter Circles

Quarter Circle One (make 1)

- **Set Up & Round 1:** Pale Rose
- **Round 2:** Mushroom
- **Round 3:** Parchment
- **Round 4:** Camel
- **Surface Crochet:** Apricot

Quarter Circle Two (make 1)

- **Set Up & Round 1:** Storm Blue
- **Round 2:** Camel
- **Round 3:** Apricot
- **Round 4:** Mushroom
- **Surface Crochet:** Pale Rose

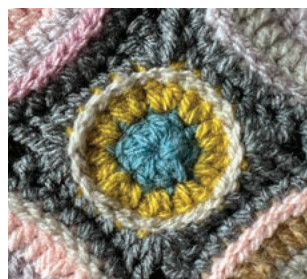
Quarter Circle Three (make 1)

- **Set Up & Round 1:** Lincoln
- **Round 2:** Pale Rose
- **Round 3:** Mushroom
- **Round 4:** Apricot
- **Surface Crochet:** Parchment

Quarter Circle Four (make 1)

- **Set Up & Round 1:** Mustard
- **Round 2:** Apricot
- **Round 3:** Mushroom
- **Round 4:** Parchment
- **Surface Crochet:** Mushroom

Make Small Circles



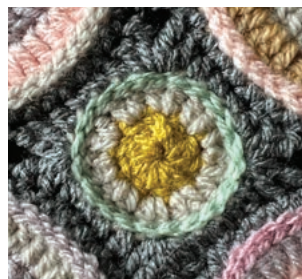
Small Circle One (make 25)

- **Set Up & Round 1:** Storm Blue
- **Round 2:** Mustard
- **Surface Crochet:** Parchment



Small Circle Two (make 25)

- **Set Up & Round 1:** Lincoln
- **Round 2:** Storm Blue
- **Surface Crochet:** Camel



Small Circle Three (make 25)

- **Set Up & Round 1:** Mustard
- **Round 2:** Mushroom
- **Surface Crochet:** Lincoln



Small Circle Four (make 25)

- **Set Up & Round 1:** Camel
- **Round 2:** Lincoln
- **Surface Crochet:** Parchment

Joining Round

For the No Join and Join rounds use Grey.

Finishing

Using the chart below as a guide, place the Large Circles. Using the images as a guide, place Small Circle framework around Large Circles. Place Half Circles and Quarter Circles around the blanket edges.



Edging

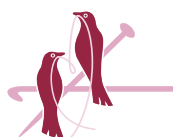
- **Round 1:** Mushroom
- **Round 2:** Apricot
- **Round 3 & 4:** Parchment



Use all left-over yarn shades to make tassels if required. Our crocheter added crochet detail to corner tassels. You could make pom-poms if you prefer, or leave the edge plain.

Large Circle Layout Chart

1	3	2	4	1	3	2	4	1
2	4	1	3	2	4	1	3	2
1	3	2	4	1	3	2	4	1
2	4	1	3	2	4	1	3	2
1	3	2	4	1	3	2	4	1
2	4	1	3	2	4	1	3	2
1	3	2	4	1	3	2	4	1
2	4	1	3	2	4	1	3	2
1	3	2	4	1	3	2	4	1



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