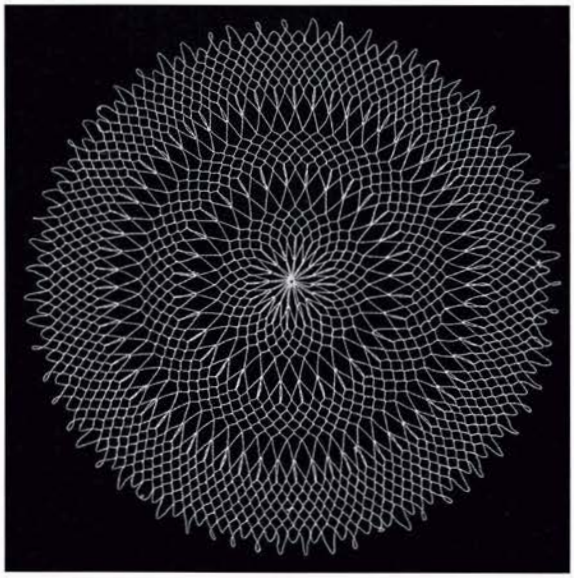
Round mat 1 (beginner's mat)

Finished size: 23 cm (9 in) diameter

Equipment: 3 mm double-pointed knitting needle and 8 mm mesh stick

Thread: Butterfly thread no. 50, or Cebelia 30, or similar thread



Row 1: (8 mm mesh stick) leaving a long tail of thread, cast on 16 loops into the foundation loop (including the joining loop).

Row 2: (8 mm mesh stick) make another knot into the joining loop, and then work 2 knots into each loop.

Rows 3–6: (3 mm needle) plain.

Row 7: (8 mm mesh stick) plain.

Row 8: (8 mm mesh stick) make another knot into the joining loop, and then work 2 knots into each loop.

Rows 9–13: (3 mm needle) plain.

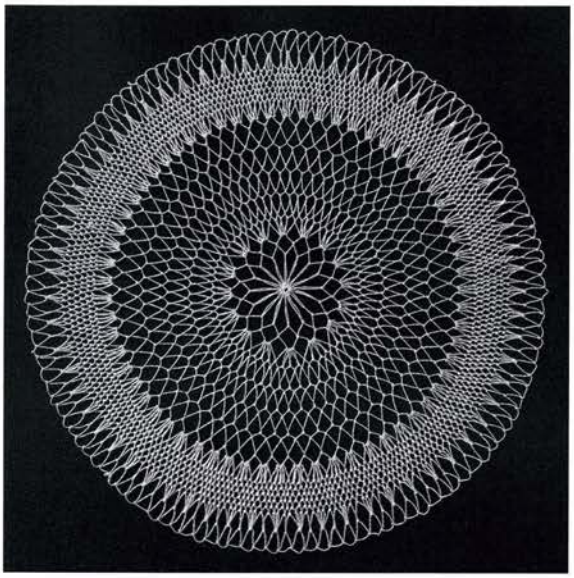
Row 14: (8 mm mesh stick) plain.

Row 15: (8 mm mesh stick) make another knot into the joining loop, and then work 2 knots into each loop.

Rows 16–21: (3 mm needle) plain.

Row 22: (3 mm needle) work 1 knot into each loop of the preceding row, but alternate one long loop with one plain loop. The long loop is worked by wrapping the thread once around the needle before making a knot in the normal way (i.e. a double stitch). Make your last knot alongside the joining loop knot.

Round mat 2



Finished size: 21 cm (8 1/4 in) diameter

Equipment: 12 mm, 6 mm, 4 mm mesh sticks; 2 mm and 2.75 mm double-pointed knitting needles

Thread: crochet cotton no. 40

Row 1: (12 mm mesh stick) cast on 16 loops (including the joining loop).

Rows 2 & 3: (4 mm mesh stick) plain.

Row 4: (6 mm mesh stick) make 3 knots in the joining loop, and then 4 knots in each successive loop.

Row 5: (2 mm needle) plain.

Row 6: (6 mm mesh stick) plain.

Row 7: (2 mm needle) plain.

Row 8: (6 mm mesh stick) plain.

Row 9: (2.75 mm needle) plain.

Row 10: (6 mm mesh stick) plain.

Row 11: (2.75 mm needle) plain.

Row 12: (6 mm mesh stick) plain.

Row 13: (4 mm mesh stick) plain.

Row 14: (6 mm mesh stick) make 3 knots in the joining loop, and then 4 knots in each successive loop.

Rows 15–19: (2 mm needle) plain.

Row 20: (6 mm mesh stick) plain.

Row 21: (6 mm mesh stick) knot the first 2 loops together without using the mesh stick (no loop is formed and the knot is right next to the joining knot, thus joining 3 loops together), *net 1, knot 3 together*, repeat to end of row, ending with net 1 and a joining knot.

Row 22: (2 mm needle) plain. End by making the last knot next to the joining knot.