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The interior core of Planet Earth is a solid state ball made up of iron and nickel. It is rotating quicker than the rotation of the earth as it is not connected to any other solid part of our planet because the outer core is in a viscous (liquid) state. The average temperature is thought to be about 9800 F which is close to the temperature of the sun. It is believed that the inner core is growing as the outer core is solidifying into it. It's believed that the inner core is 1520 miles across.



CROCHET | SKILL LEVEL: **EASY TO INTERMEDIATE**

ABBREVIATIONS

Beg = Beginning

Ch = Chain(s)

Dc = Double crochet

Dcbp = Yoh and draw up a loop around post of next stitch at back of work inserting hook from right to left. (Yoh and draw through 2 loops on hook) twice

Dcfp = Yoh and draw up a loop around post of next stitch at front of work inserting hook from right to left. (Yoh and draw through 2 loops on hook) twice

Rep = Repeat

Rnd(s) = Round(s)

Sc = Single crochet

Sl st = Slip stitch

St(s) = Stitch(es)

Yoh = Yarn over hook

MATERIALS

Bernat® Pop™ (5 oz/140 g; 280 yds/256 m)
Pop Art (39701) **or** Snow Queen (84013)

10 balls

Size U.S. I/9 (5.5 mm) crochet hook **or size needed to obtain gauge.**

MEASUREMENT

Approx 8" [20.5 cm] diameter.

GAUGE

11 sc and 12 rows = 4" [10 cm]

INSTRUCTIONS

• **Notes:**

- Week 1 has been strategized to ensure the colors were completed in each round. Use the spare ball of yarn to pull from to ensure that rounds are completely finished before transitioning to next color in next round.
- Working from the center of the ball, match outside color of previous ball with next ball of yarn to achieve best results.
- Ch 3 at beg of rnd counts as dcfp.

Ch 3. See diagram on page 3.

1st rnd: 12 dc in 3rd ch from hook. Join with sl st to first dc. 12 dc.

2nd rnd: Ch 2 (does not count as st). 2 dc in each dc around. Join with sl st to first dc. 24 dc.

3rd rnd: Sl st around first dc post. Ch 3. 1 dcfp around same post as last sl st. 1 dcbp around next dc. *2 dcfp around next dc. 1 dcbp around next dc. Rep from * around. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. 36 dcfp.

4th rnd: Sl st around first dcfp. Ch 3. 1 dcfp around next dcfp. 2 dcbp around next dcbp. *1 dcfp around each of next 2 dcfp. 2 dcbp around next dcbp. Rep from * around. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. 48 sts.

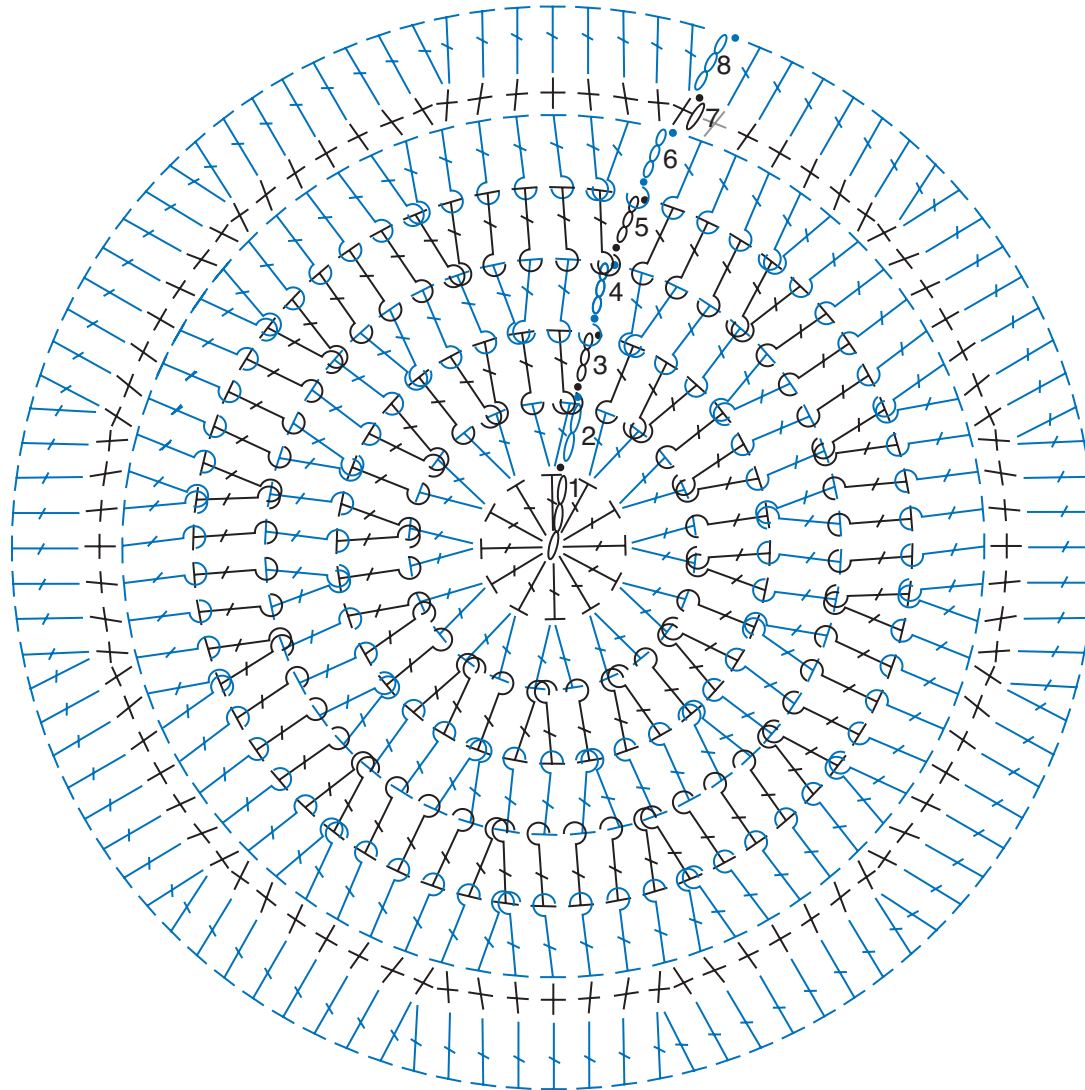
5th rnd: Sl st around first dcfp. Ch 3. 1 dcfp around same post as last sl st. 1 dcfp around next dcfp. 1 dcbp around each of next 2 dcbp. *2 dcfp around next dcfp. 1 dcfp around next dcfp. 1 dcbp around each of next 2 dcbp. Rep from * around. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. 60 sts.

6th rnd: Sl st around first dcfp. Ch 3. 2 dcfp around next dcfp. 1 dcfp around next dcfp. 1 dcbp around each of next 2 dcbp. *1 dcfp around next dcfp. 2 dcfp around next dcfp. 1 dcfp around next dcfp. 1 dcbp around each of next 2 dcbp. Rep from * around. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. 72 sts.

7th rnd: Ch 1. 2 sc in same sp as sl st. 1 sc in each of next 5 sts. *2 sc in next st. 1 sc in each of next 5 sts. Rep from * around. Join with sl st to first sc. 84 sc.

8th rnd: Ch 3. 1 dc in same sp as sl st. 1 dc in each of next 6 sc. *2 dc in next sc. 1 dc in each of next 6 sc. Rep * around. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. Fasten off. 96 dc.

See you next week!



RNDS 1-8

STITCH KEY

- = chain (ch)
- = slip stitch (sl st)
- † = single crochet (sc)
- ⌋ = double crochet (dc)
- ⌋ = front post double crochet (dcfp)
- ⌋ = back post double crochet (dcbp)