

THE FLAMINGO KIMONO – PATTERN EN

This cute little cardigan is made with squares and triangles. You can choose to sew the squares together, or join them as-you-go. If you want to join them as-you-go, skip step 8 for every triangle and every square except 1. The result will be the same: a lovely, summery kimono cardi to spice up your wardrobe!

On page 8 you'll find a crochet chart for the pattern.

The pattern is written in US terms.

A finished square measures roughly 15cm x 15cm or 6" x 6"

For sizing, pay attention to the different colors: **XS/S** **M/L** **XL**



NOTE: there is a choice to make in size **XS/S**. You can either make the front panels narrow and falling open, or make them wider and close in front. For both options you'll have to make a different number of squares and triangles. Check the chart on page 9 for the correct number.

MATERIALS:

- ± **400** / **600** / **800** grams of mercerized cotton (size 3) I used Yarn and Colors Musthave, color Pink Sand)
- Hook 4mm or 4,5 (dependent on how tight you crochet)
- Needle

STITCHES AND ABBREVIATIONS

Stitch = st

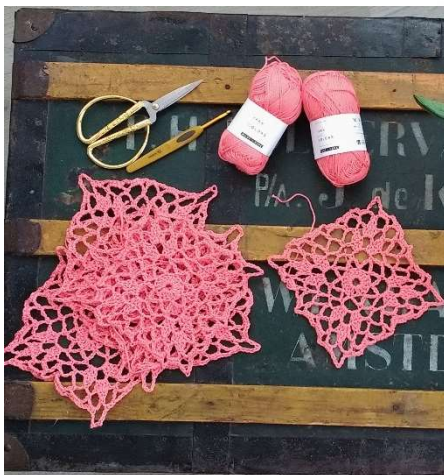
Chain stitch = chain

Slip stitch = sl st

Single crochet = sc

Double crochet = dc

3 double crochet together = 3dc together (start like a normal dc: *yarn over, insert in stitch, yarn over, pull up through the stitch. Yarn over and pull through 2 loops*. Keep 2 loops on your hook. Then repeat from * to *. To finish: yarn over, pull through all remaining 4 loops on your hook)



SQUARE – make: **25/31** **41** **54**

Crochet every square in the round. Don't turn your work in between rows. For chart see page 3.

1. Chain 6. Close to a circle with a slip stitch.
2. chain 3 (counts as first dc) 15dc in circle. Close with sl st in 3rd chain.
3. *chain 5, skip 1 st, 1sc in next st* repeat 6 times. Chain 2, 1dc in 3rd chain from previous row.
4. *chain 5, 1sc in chain 5 of previous row* repeat 5 times. Chain 2, 1dc in dc of previous row.



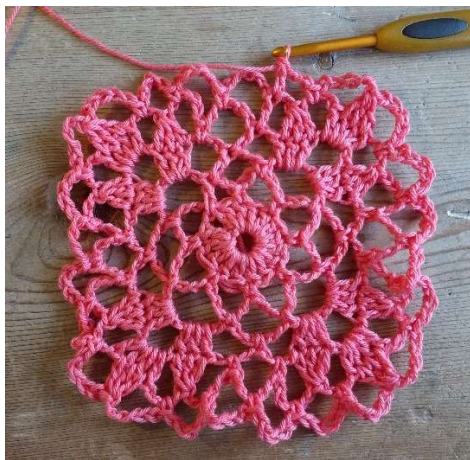
Row 2.



Row 5.



Row 6.



Row 7.

5. chain 3, 3dc in chain 5 of previous row, chain 3, 3dc in *same* chain 5, chain 3, 1sc in next chain 5.
 *chain 3, 3dc in next chain 5, chain 3, 3dc in *same* chain 5, chain 3, 1sc in next chain 5* repeat 1 time.
 Chain 3, 3dc in next chain 5, chain 3, 3dc in *same* chain 5, chain 1, 1dc in the dc of previous row.

6. *chain 5, 1sc in chain 3 in front of 3dc of previous row, chain 5, 3dc together on next 3 stitches, chain 3, 4dc on chain 3 of previous row, chain 3, 3dc together on next 3 stitches, chain 5, 1sc in chain 5 directly next to 3dc of previous row* repeat times. chain 5, 1sc in chain 3 in front of 3dc of previous row, chain 5, 3dc together on next 3 stitches, chain 3, 4dc on chain 3 of previous row, chain 3, 3dc together on next 3 stitches, chain 2, 1dc on last dc of previous row.

7. *chain 5, 1sc in chain 5 of previous row, chain 5, 1sc in next chain, chain 5, 1sc in next chain, chain 5, 3dc together in between the 4dc of previous row, chain 5, 1sc in next chain, chain 5, 1dc in next chain* repeat 2 times. chain 5, 1sc in chain 5 of previous row, chain 5, 1sc in next chain, chain 5, 1sc in next chain, chain 5, 3dc together in between the 4dc of previous row, chain 5, 1sc in next chain, chain 2, 1dc on dc of previous row.

8. (NOTE: if you want to join-as-you-go, skip this row and continue to row 8 on page 3.)
 chain 3, 3sc on chain, chain 3, 3sc on chain. Repeat this on every side. For every corner, chain 7 instead of 3. Finish with a sl st in first sc. Fasten off.

TRIANGLE – make: 12/14 16 22

1. chain 6. Close to a circle with a slip stitch.

2. chain 3, 8dc in circle.

3. *chain 5, skip 1 st, 1sc in next* repeat 3 times.

4. *chain 5, 1sc in chain of previous row* repeat 3 times. Chain 2, 1dc in dc of previous row.

5. chain 5, 3dc in chain 2 of previous row, chain 3, 1sc in next chain, chain 3, 3dc in next chain, chain 3, 3dc in *same* chain, chain 3, 1sc in next chain, chain 3, 3dc in next chain, chain 2, 1 dc in *same* chain.

6. chain 3, 2dc in chain 2 of previous row, chain 3, 3dc together on top of 3dc of previous row, chain 5, 1sc in chain next to previous 3dc, chain 5, 1sc in chain next to 3dc of previous row, chain 5, 3dc together on top of 3dc of previous row, chain 3, 4dc on chain 3 of previous row, chain 3, 3dc together on top of 3dc of previous row, chain 5, 1sc next to 3dc of previous row, chain 5, 1sc next to 3dc of previous row, chain 5, 3dc together on next 3dc, chain 3, 3dc on chain of previous row.



7. chain 3, 1dc in 3rd dc of previous row, chain 5, 1sc in chain 3 of previous row, *chain 5, 1sc in next chain* repeat 3 times. Chain 5, 3dc together in between 4dc of previous row, *chain 5, 1sc in next chain* repeat 4 times. Chain 5, 2dc together on top of 2dc of previous row.

8. (for join-as-you-go, continue to row 8, page 3.)
chain 7, 3sc in next chain, *chain 3, 3sc in next chain* repeat 4 times. Chain 7, 3sc in the next chain 5 of previous row. *chain 3, 3sc in next chain 5* repeat 4 times. Chain 7, 1 sl st on top of chain 3 of previous row.



Now you're ready to join the squares together. For this, use the chart on page 5 / 6 / 7. You can either join the squares by sewing them together, or you can join as-you-go:

JOIN AS-YOU-GO

If you want to join your squares as-you-go, you crochet a regular step **8** for just 1 square. For the next squares and triangles, follow the steps below.



Step 1: 1 square completed according to the original step **8** on page 2.



Step 2: Make a second square, but skip step **8** of page 2.



Step 3: Place the two squares next to each other. Make sure the corners (3 dc together in between the 4 dc) are placed evenly on opposite sides. Chain 1.



Step 4: insert your hook into the second chain 3 of the opposite square. Make sure you do this from front to back.



Step 5: Take up the yarn, pull it through the chain 3 to the front of your work. Pull the yarn through the loop on your hook. You've now made 1 chain *through* the chain 3 of the opposite square. You have now joined the two squares in one place.



Step 6: Chain 1. Find the next chain 5 of the square you're working with (the blue in the picture). 3sc into this.



Here you can see the 3sc of both squares directly opposite to each other.

Step 7: Chain 1 again, insert your hook into the next chain 3 space of the opposite square, pull up the yarn, pull through, chain 1 and 3sc in the next chain 5 of the square you're working with. Repeat this until you reach the corners.



Step 8: For the corners you do: chain 3, chain 1 *through the corner of the opposite square*, chain 3, 3sc in the next chain 5 of the square you're working with. In total, each corner will have a chain 7. o

NOTE: When you have to attach 1 square to multiple squares (or triangles), make sure that in step 8 you make your joining chain 1 *through the corner of the opposite square* goes through the corners of 2 squares. This way, you'll avoid creating a big gap in your work and the squares will line up better.

In short row 8 for joining-as-you-go is as follows:

8. chain 1, chain 1 through the chain 3 of the square you want to join in (see photo) on the opposite side, chain 1, 3sc in chain 5 of previous row. Chain 1, chain 1 through next chain 3 of the square you're joining with, chain 1, 3sc in chain 5 of previous row.

Repeat this on every side. Where there's no other square to join to, just work chain 3, 3 sc in every chain 5. For every corner: chain 3, chain 1 through chain 7 of joining square, chain 3, 3sc in chain 5 of previous row.

Finish with a slip stitch in the first sc. Fasten off.

FINISHING

You could leave the kimono as is, or you can choose to add a border of single crochet. Attach your yarn in either of the two lower corners and single crochet all the way around the edge. Repeat this 1 or 2 times (or as many as you like). Do the same at every arm.

Work away every loose thread (I know, horrible! But so well worth hit) and block your work. This makes the pattern stand out even better. Attach a nice button or a cool label. You're ready for summer!



CHART SQUARE

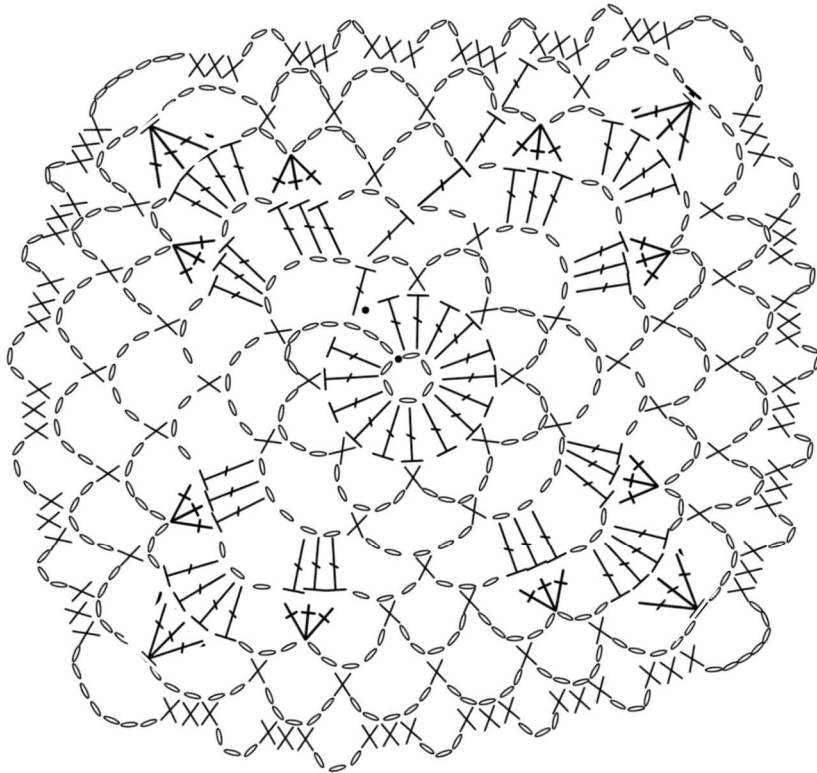
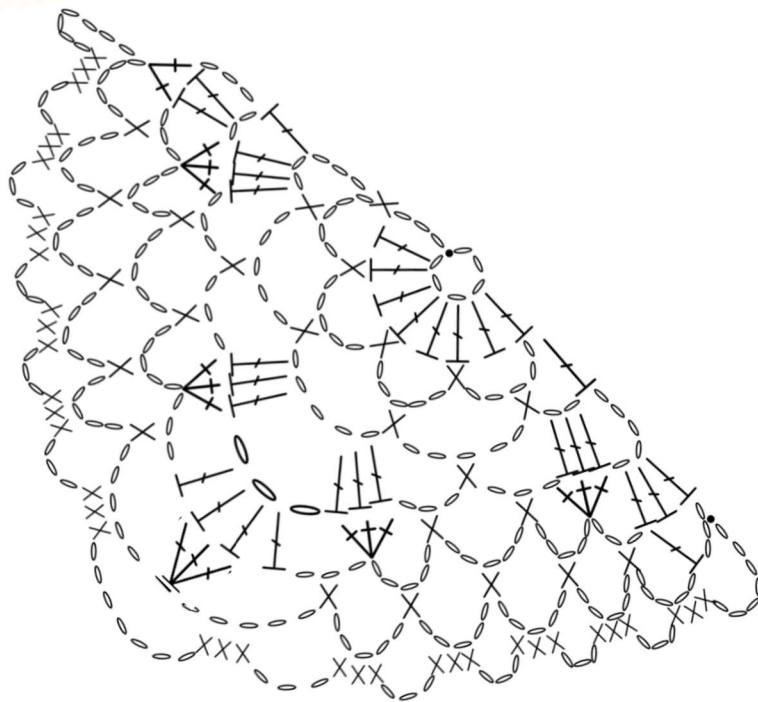


CHART TRIANGLE

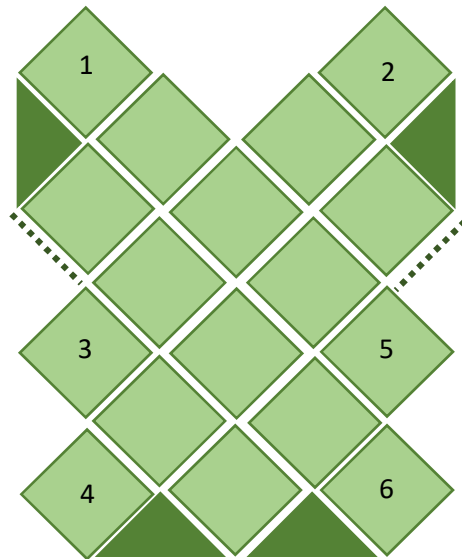


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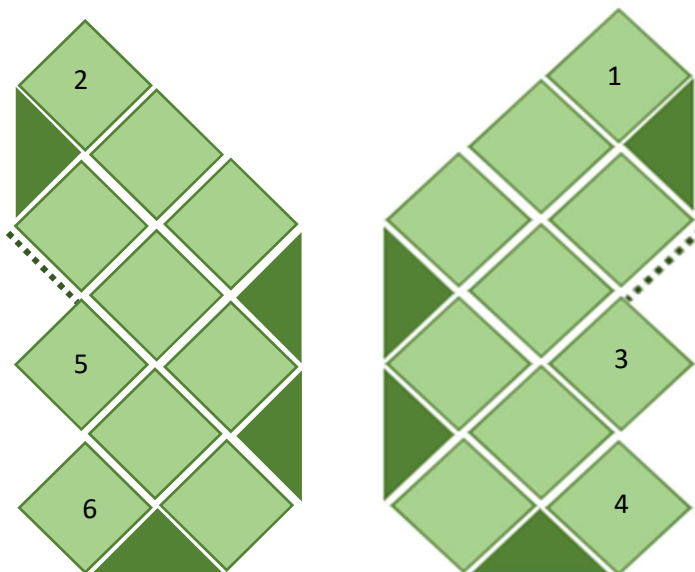
This kimono cardi will be sewn together in one go. You won't make separate front or back panels. In the charts below I have tried to show how the squares are to be joint. The numbers show which squares will have to be 'folded' to form the links between front and back. The numbers correspond at the front and back. Sew the edges above the dotted lines together.

XS/S

back

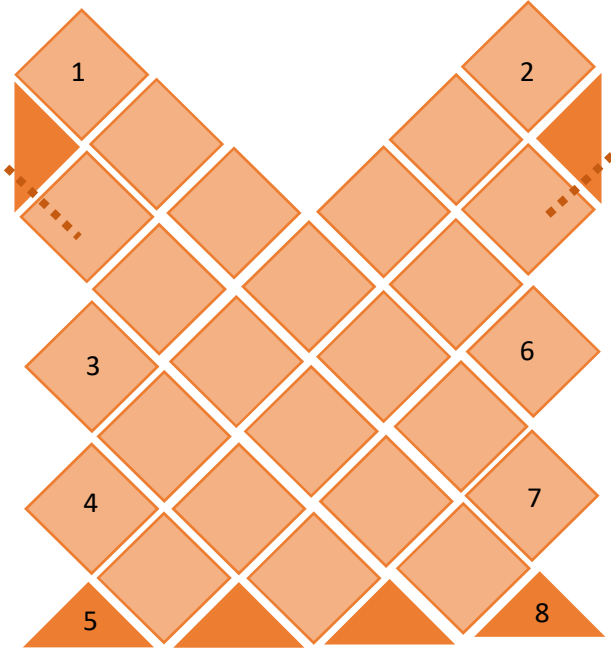


front

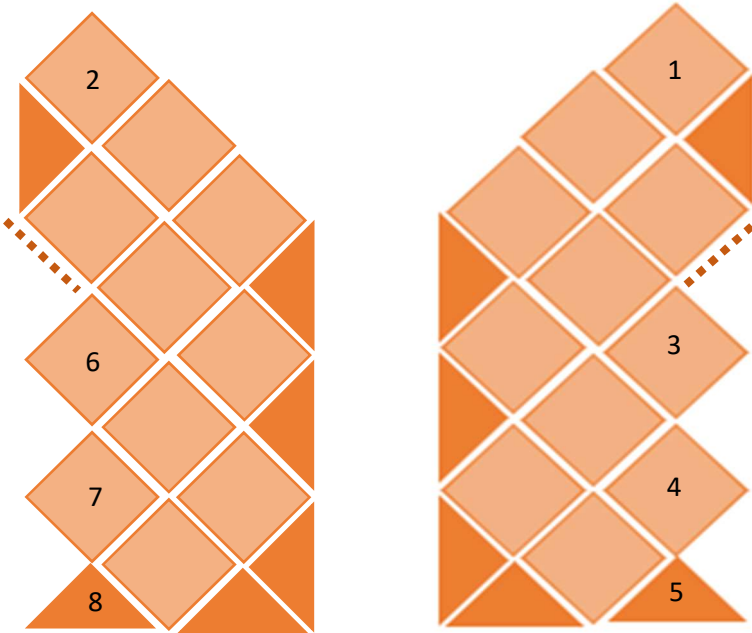


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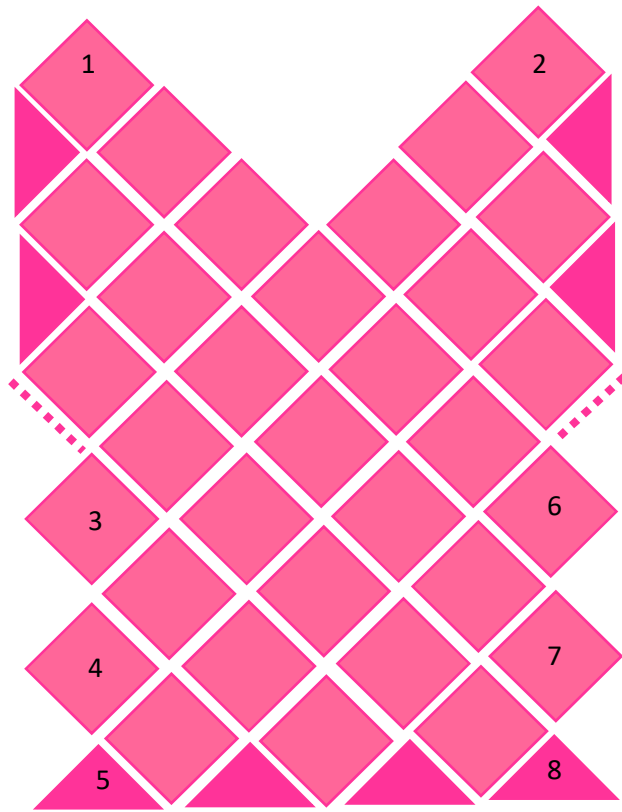
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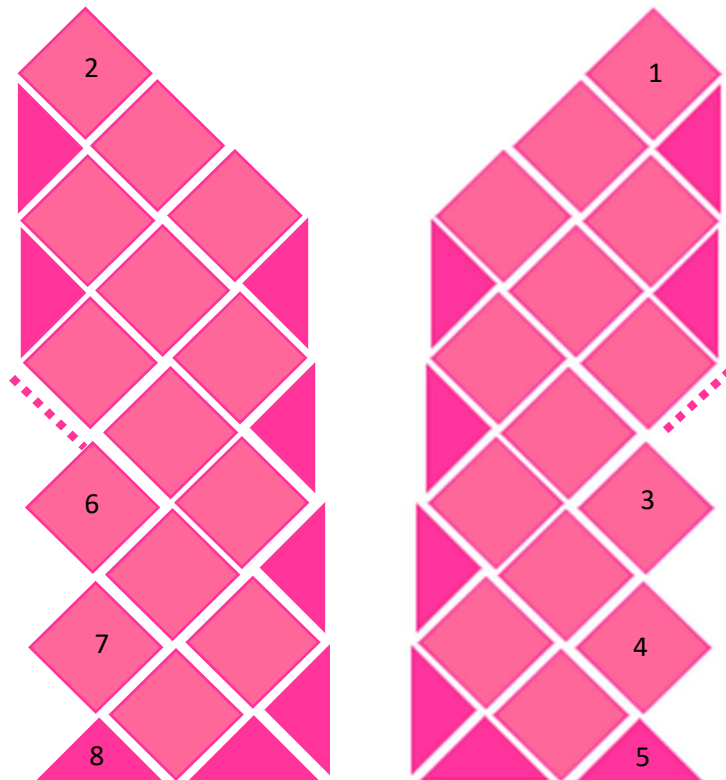
front



XL
back



front



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