

July 1st - August 5th, 2020

Jewel of Summer

Crochet-Along Blanket
Designed by Carmen Heffernan

A bright and fun project, the Jewel of Summer crochet-along blanket aims to evoke memories of travels to warmer climates.

The shades remind us of precious gems found in faraway shops or perhaps spices in a hot marketplace.

We hope you will enjoy this project as much as we did!

WEEK 1: Diamonds

WEEK 2: Zig Zag

WEEK 3: Small Square 1

WEEK 4: Inner border

WEEK 5: Small Square 2

WEEK 6: Final border

FINAL SIZE:

Approx. 140cm x 110cm

MATERIALS NEEDED:

4.5mm crochet hook

SHOPPING LIST

Big Value DK 50g

4052 Crovy 6 hal

4051 - Platinum x 2 balls

4047 - Petrol x 3 ball

4046 - Jade x 3 balls

4034 - Fuchsia x 2 balls

4031 - Wine x 3 balls

4029 - Red x 2 balls

4029 Red X 2 Salls

4021 - Cream x 3 balls



Find our tutorials on YouTube!



Alternative Yarns

Fancy something a bit different?

Majestic DK is a gorgeous warm wool blend made to last generations.

Cottonsoft DK is a 100% cotton yarn with a delightful drape and slightly cooler feel.

, COTTONSOFT DK 100G

White 710 – 2 Balls
Midnight 3365 – 4 Balls
Light Grey 3032 – 2 Balls
Opal 3460 – 2 Balls
Mint 715 – 2 Balls
Magenta 3459 – 2 Balls
Cherry 719 – 2 Balls
Antique Gold 3461 – 2 Balls
Hot Pink 1848 – 2 Balls



king cole

MAJESTIC DK 50G



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Abbreviations **UK TERMS**

beg = beginning
ch(s) = chain(s)

ch-1 sp/ch-2 sp/ch-3 sp = a chain
space made of number of chains
specified

dc = double crochet

dtr = double treble crochet

htr = half treble crochet

MR = magic ring

rep = repeat

skip = miss

sl st = slip stitch

st(s) = stitch(es)

tr = treble crochet

SPECIAL STITCHES

Dc2tog (double crochet 2 sts together - worked over 2 sts): insert hook in first st, yarn over and pull up a loop (2 loops on hooks), insert hook in next st, yarn over and pull up a loop (3 loops on hook), yarn over and drawn yarn through all 3 loops on hook.

Dc4tog (double crochet 4 sts together - worked over 4 sts): insert hook in first st, yarn over and pull up a loop (2 loops on hooks), * insert hook in next st, yarn over and pull up a loop (3 loops on hook); rep from * twice more over next 2 sts (5 loops on hooks), yarn over and

Long dc (long double crochet):

sometimes called a spike stitch - Insert hook in ch-3 sp on round indicated, yarn over, pull up long loop on hook, yarn over, pull through 2 loops on hook.

drawn yarn through all 5 loops on hook.

Tr2tog (treble crochet 2 sts together

- worked over 2 sts): yarn over, insert hook in first st, yarn over and pull up a loop (3 loops on hook), yarn over and pull through 2 loops (2 loops left on hook), yarn over, insert hook in next st, yarn over, pull up a loop, yarn over, pull through 2 loops, yarn over and draw yarn through all 3 loops on hook.

Tr3tog (treble crochet 3 sts together

- worked over 3 sts): Yarn over, insert hook in first st, yarn over and pull up a loop (3 loops on hook), yarn over and pull through 2 loops (2 loops left on hook), * yarn over, insert hook in next st, yarn over, pull up a loop, yarn over, pull through 2 loops; rep from * once more, yarn over and draw yarn through all 4 loops on hook.

Tr5tog (treble crochet 5 sts together - worked over 5 sts): Yarn over, insert hook in first st, yarn over and pull up a loop (3 loops on hook), yarn over and pull through 2 loops (2 loops left on hook), * yarn over, insert hook in next st, yarn over, pull up a loop, yarn over, pull through 2 loops; rep from * 3 times more, yarn over and draw yarn through all 6 loops on hook.

Beg tr3tog-cl (beginning treble crochet 3 together cluster): Yarn over, insert hook in next st or sp, yarn over and pull up a loop (3 loops on hook), yarn over and pull through 2 loops (2 loops left on hook), yarn over, insert hook in same st or sp, yarn over, pull up a loop, yarn over, pull through 2 loops, yarn over and draw yarn through all 3 loops on hook.

Tr3tog-cl (treble crochet 3 together cluster): Yarn over, insert hook in next st or sp, yarn over and pull up a loop (3 loops on hook), yarn over and pull through 2 loops (2 loops left on hook), lyarn over, insert hook in same st or sp, yarn over, pull up a loop, yarn over, pull through 2 loops! twice, yarn over and draw yarn through all 4 loops on hook.

Beg 4tr-PC (beginning 4tr Popcorn):

Work 3 ch and 3 tr sts in same sp/st indicated in pattern, remove hook from the working loop and insert into the top of the beginning 3 ch. Now insert hook back into the working loop and pull this loop through. Pull tight.

4tr-PC (4tr-Popcorn): Work 4 tr sts in same sp/st indicated in pattern, remove hook from the working loop and insert into the top of the first tr, insert hook back into the working loop and pull this loop through. Pull tight.

Beg 5tr-PC (beginning 5tr Popcorn): Work 3 ch and 4 tr sts in sp/st indicated in pattern, remove hook from the working loop and insert into the top of the beginning 3 ch. Now insert hook back into the working loop and pull this through. Pull tight and ch 1 to close.

5tr-PC (5tr Popcorn): Work 5 tr sts in sp/st indicated in pattern, remove hook from the working loop and insert into the top of the first tr. Now insert hook back into the working loop and pull this through. Pull tight and ch 1 to close.

Back Post Treble Crochet (BPtr): Yarn over, slide hook under the post of the

next st (from back), yarn over and pull up a loop (3 loops on hook), yarn over and pull through 2 loops (2 loops left on hook), yarn over and pull through 2 loops.

Front Post Treble Crochet (FPtr): Yarn over, slide hook under the post of the next st (from front), yarn over and pull up a loop (3 loops on hook), yarn over and pull through 2 loops (2 loops left on hook), yarn over and pull through 2 loops.

Front Post Double Treble Crochet (FPdtr): [Yarn over] twice, slide hook under the post of the next st (from front), yarn over and pull up a loop (4 loops on hook), [yarn over and pull through 2 loops] 3 times.

Shell: [3 tr, ch 1, 3 tr] in same space.

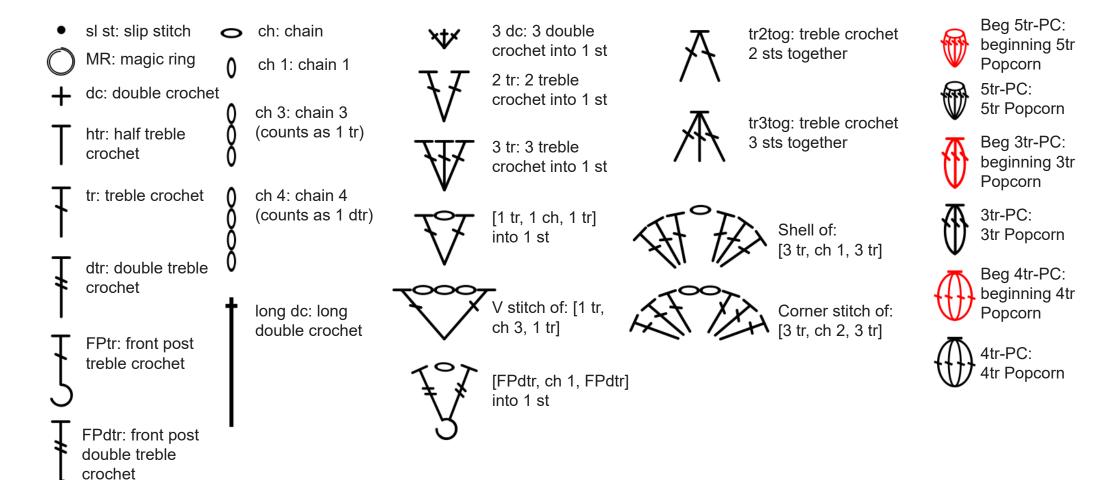
REPEAT SEQUENCES:

I...] Repeat the sequence in square brackets as many times as stated.

*/**/** Repeat the sequence that follows the asterisk(s) as stated, or repeat the sequence between asterisks as stated.

YARN COLOURS Cream E Wine F Platinum B Red G Petrol C Fuchsia H Jade D Mustard I

Stitch Key UK TERMS



COLOUR COMBINATION:

LARGE SQUARE (make 2) Rounds 1 – 10 (C, F, I, A, G, F, B, D, A, I)

INSTRUCTIONS

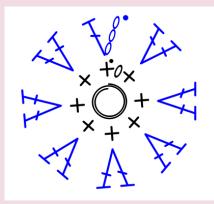
Start with a Magic Ring (MR) and follow combination above for each square.

Round 1: Ch 1 (does not count as a st throughout), 8 dc in MR, join with a sl st to beg dc, fasten off – 8 dc





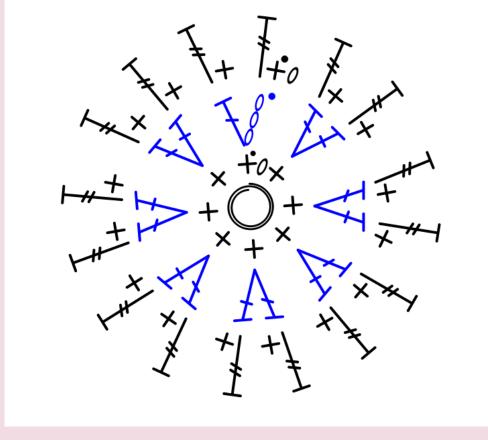
Round 2: Join yarn in any st – ch 3 (counts as 1 tr throughout), 1 tr in same st, 2 tr in next st and in each st around. Join with a sl st to top of beg ch 3, fasten off – 16 tr





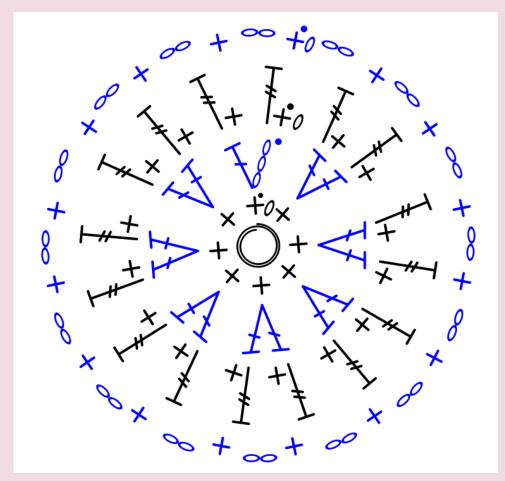
Round 3: Join yarn in any st - ch 1, [1 dc, 1 dtr] in same st, [1 dc, 1 dtr] in each st around. Join with a sl st to beg dc, fasten off - 16 dtr, 16 dc Tip: push dtr forward before you make next dc to make it pop out





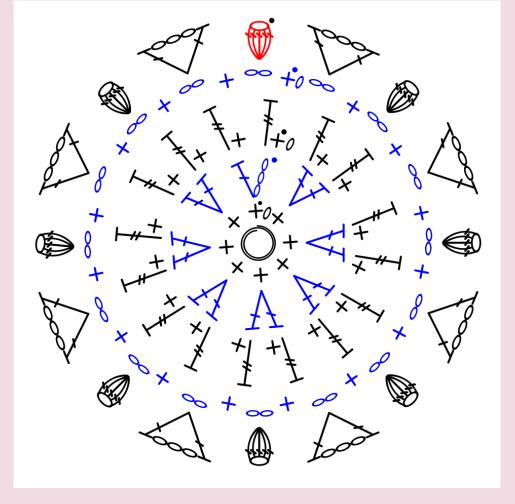
Round 4: Join yarn in any dc – ch 1, 1 dc in same st, ch 2, *skip next dtr, 1 dc in next dc, ch 2; rep from * around. Join with a sl st to beg dc, fasten off – 16 dc, 16 ch-2 sps





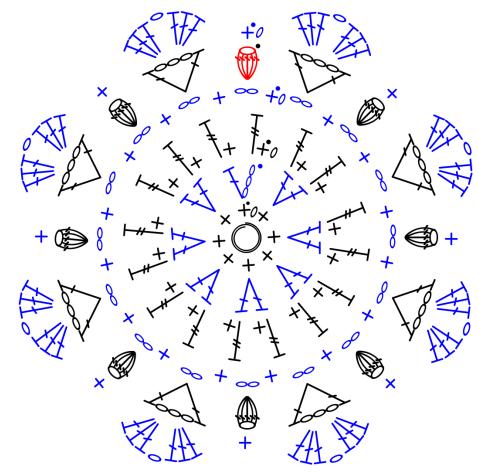
Round 5: Join in any ch-2 sp - beg 5tr-PC in same sp, [1 tr, ch 3, 1 tr] in next ch-2 sp, *5tr-PC in next ch-2 sp, [1 tr, ch 3, 1 tr] in next ch-2 sp; rep from * around. Join with a sl st to beg 5tr-PC, fasten off - 8 5tr-PC, 8 ch-3 sps, 16 tr





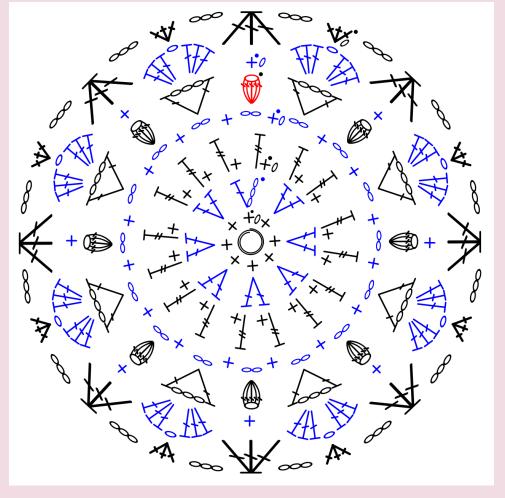
Round 6: Join yarn in ch-1 sp of any 5tr-PC – ch 1, 1 dc in same sp, shell (see special stitches), in next ch-3 sp, *1 dc in ch-1 of next 5tr-PC, shell in next ch-3 sp; rep from * around. Join with a sl st to beg dc, fasten off – 8 dc, 8 shells





Round 7: Join yarn in ch-1 sp of any shell – ch 1, 3 dc in same sp, ch 3, skip next 2 sts, tr3tog over next 3 sts (this is the last tr of shell, next dc and first tr of next shell), ch 3, *skip 2 sts, 3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 3, skip next 2 sts, tr3tog over next 3 sts, ch 3; rep from * around. Join with a sl st to beg dc, fasten off – 8 tr3tog, 24 dc, 16 ch-3 sps

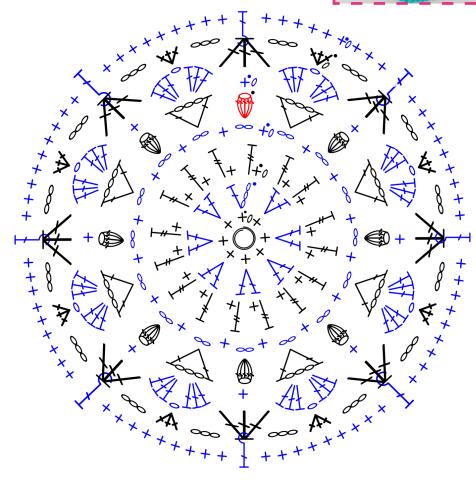




Round 8: Join yarn in same st (in first of 3 dc) - ch 1, dc in next 3 sts, 3 dc in next ch-3 sp, FPtr in next st (centre tr of tr3tog), *3 dc in next ch-3 sp, dc in next 3 sts, 3 dc in next

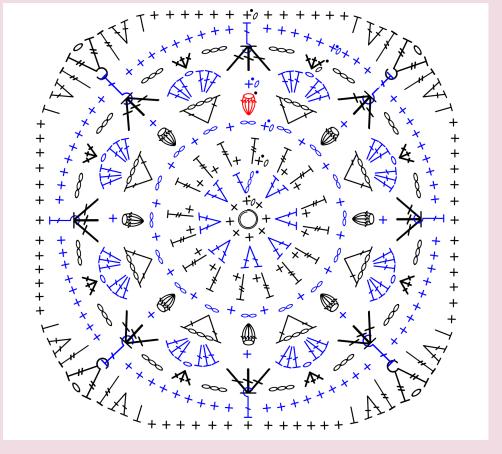
ch-3 sp, FPtr in next st (centre tr of tr3tog); rep from * around until last ch-3 sp, 3 dc in last ch-3 sp. Join with a sl st to beg dc, fasten off – 8 FPtr, 72 dc



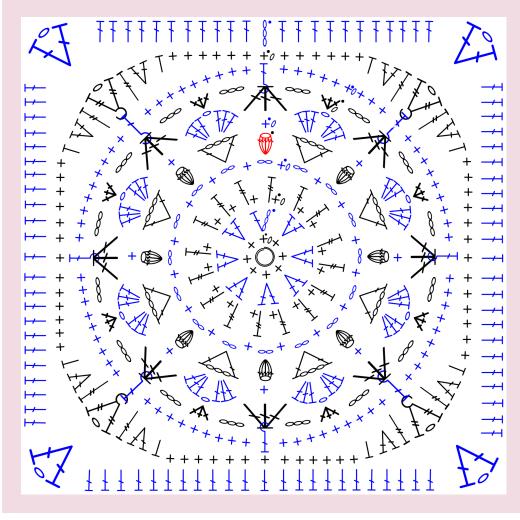


Round 9: Join yarn in any FPtr from round 8 – ch 1, 1 dc in same st, dc in next 6 sts, 1 htr in next st, 2 tr in next st, 1 dtr in next st, [FPdtr, ch 1, FPdtr] around next FPtr, 1 dtr in next st, 2 tr in next st, 1 htr in next st, *dc in next 13 sts, 1 htr in next st, 2 tr in next st, 1 dtr in next st, [FPdtr, ch 1, FPdtr] around next FPtr, 1 dtr in next st, 2 tr in next st, 1 htr in next st, 2 tr in next st, 1 htr in next st, 2 tr in next st, 1 htr in next st, 2 tr in next st, 1 htr in next st; rep from * 2 more times, dc in next 6 sts. Join with a sl st to beg dc, fasten off – 52 dc, 8 htr, 16 tr, 8 dtr, 8 FPdtr, 4 ch-1 sps





Round 10: Join yarn in same st – ch 3 (counts as 1 tr), tr in next 11 sts, [1 tr, ch 1, 1 tr] in ch-1 corner sp, *tr in next 23 sts, [1 tr, ch 1, 1 trl in ch-1 corner sp; rep from * 2 more times, tr in next 11 sts. Join with a sl st to top of beginning ch-3, fasten off – 25 tr each side of square





WEEK ONE

Triangle

COLOUR COMBINATIONS:

TRIANGLE A (make 3) Rows 1 – 10 (A, B, F, E, D, C, E, H, A, F)

TRIANGLE B (make 2) Rows 1 – 10 (C, F, I, A, G, F, B, D, A, I)

TRIANGLE C (make 3) Rows 1 – 10 (A, C, H, A, I, G, B, E, A, H)

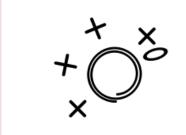
NOTES

- As an alternative to a beginning ch 3 or ch 4, you could use a standing treble (STTR) or standing double treble (STDTR) to start each row instead (see special stitches).
- You will work each row with RS facing at all times. You will start each row on the right of the piece and fasten off at the end of each row. You will re-join next colour to the right of your work. You do not turn at the end of a row.

INSTRUCTIONS

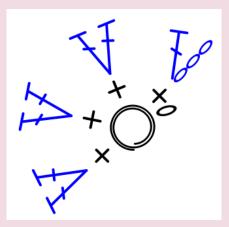
Start with a Magic Ring (MR) and follow combinations above for each triangle.

Row 1: Ch 1, 4 dc into MR, fasten off – 4 dc



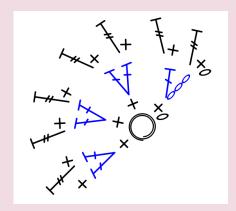


Row 2: Join yarn to 1st dc made – ch 3 or STTR (counts as 1 st here and throughout), 1 tr in same st, 2 tr in each of the next 3 sts, fasten off – 8 tr





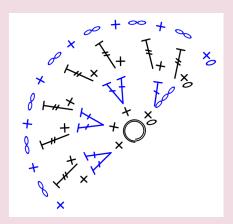
Row 3: Join yarn to 1st tr made or to top of beg ch 3 – ch 1 (does not count as a st here and throughout), [1 dc, 1 dtr] in 1st st, [1 dc, 1 dtr] in the next 6 sts, 1 dc in last st, fasten off – 8 dc, 7 dtr





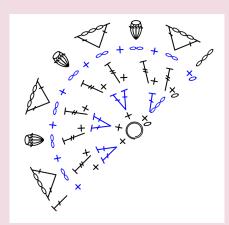
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Row 4: Join yarn in 1st dc - ch 1, 1 dc in same st, *ch 2, skip next dtr, 1 dc in next dc; rep from * 6 more times, fasten off - 8 dc, 7 ch-2 sps





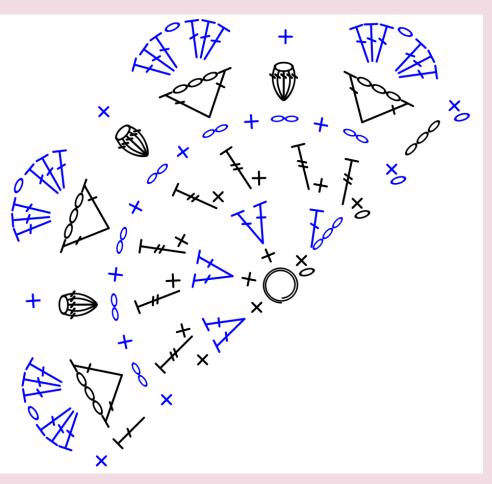
Row 5: Join yarn in 1st dc - ch 3 or STTR in same st, *[1 tr, ch 3, 1 tr] in next ch-2 sp, 5tr-PC in next ch-2 sp; rep from * 2 more times, [1 tr, ch 3, 1 tr] in last ch-2 sp, 1 tr in last st, fasten off - 3 5tr-PC, 4 groups of [1 tr, ch3 1 tr], 2 tr





Row 6: Join yarn to 1st tr made or to top of beg ch 3 – ch 1, 1 dc in same st, *shell (see special stitches), in next ch-3 sp, 1 dc in ch-1 of next PC; rep from * 2 more times, shell in next ch-3 sp, 1 dc in last st, fasten off – 5 dc, 4 shells

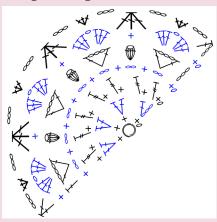




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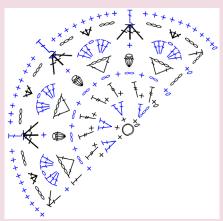
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Row 7: Join yarn in 1st st, ch 3 or STTR – 1 tr in next st (counts as tr2tog), * ch 3, skip next 2 sts, 3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 3, skip next 2 sts, tr3tog over next 3 sts (this is the last tr of shell, next dc and first tr of next shell); rep from * 2 more times, ch 3, skip next 2 sts, 3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 3, skip next 2 sts, tr2tog over last 2 sts, fasten off – 2 tr2tog, 3 tr3tog, 12 dc





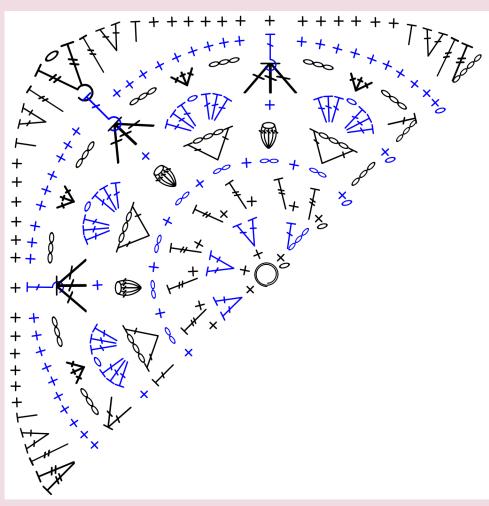
Row 8: Join yarn in top of 1st st (in the tr2tog) – ch 1, 1 dc in same st, 3 dc in the next ch-3 sp, dc in next 3 sts, 3 dc in next ch-3 sp, * FPtr in next st (centre tr of tr3tog), 3 dc in the next ch-3 sp, dc in next 3 sts, 3 dc in next ch-3 sp; rep from * 2 more times, 1 dc in last st (in the tr2tog), fasten off – 3 FPtr, 38 dc





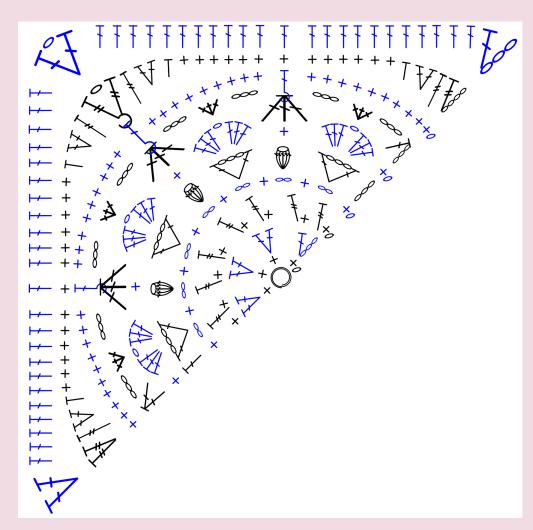
Row 9: Join yarn in 1st st, ch 4 or STDTR (counts as 1 dtr – 1 dtr in same st, 1 dtr in next st, 2 tr in next st, 1 htr in next st, dc in next 13 sts, htr in next st, 2 tr in next st, dtr in next st, [FPdtr, ch 1, FPdtr] around next FPtr, dtr in next st, 2 tr in next st, htr in next st, dc in next 13 sts, htr in next st, 2 tr in next st, dtr in next st, 2 dtr in last st, fasten off – 26 dc, 4 htr, 8 tr, 8 dtr, 2 FPdtr, 1 ch-1





WEEK ONE Triangle

Row 10: Join yarn to 1st dtr made or to top of beg ch 4 - ch 3 or STTR in same st, 1 tr in same st, tr in next 23 sts, [1 tr, ch 1, 1 tr] in ch-1 corner sp, tr in next 23 sts, 2 tr in last st, fasten off yarn – 52 tr, 1 ch-1





WEEK TWO

Making Up the Centre Panel

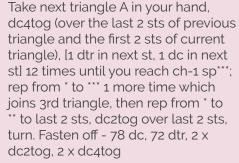
We suggest you lay out your pieces, using the image as a guide so that you can see where each piece will fit before you begin. Each piece will benefit from a light steam blocking first.

PART ONE

Joining Triangles A and crocheting Bottom Zig Zag Border



Row 1: Taking triangle A with RS facing, join yarn D in 1st st (the top of beginning ch 3 from final row), ch 1 and 1 dc in next st (counts as dc2tog), [1 dtr in next st, 1 dc in next st] 12 times until you reach ch-1 sp, *[1 dc, ch 1, 1 dc] in ch-1 sp, [1 dc in next st, 1 dtr in next st] 12 times until 2 sts remain **. So far, you will have a total of 26 dc, 24 dtr, 1 dc2tog









Making Up the Centre Panel

Row 2: Join Yarn A in 1st st (dc2tog from previous row), ch 3 and tr2tog over next 2 sts (counts as tr3tog), tr in next 23 sts, *[1 tr, ch 1, 1 tr] in ch-1 sp, tr in next 23 sts**, tr5tog (over next 2 sts, centre st (dc4tog) and next 2 sts), tr in next 23 sts***; rep from * to *** 1 more time, then rep from * to *** once, tr3tog over last 3 sts, turn – 144 tr, 2 x tr3tog, 2 x tr5tog



Row 3: Ch 3 and tr2tog over next 2 sts (counts as tr3tog), tr in next 22 sts, *[2 tr, ch 1, 2 tr] in ch-1 sp, tr in next 22 sts**, tr5tog (over next 2 sts, centre st (dc5tog) and next 2 sts), tr in next 22 sts***; rep from * to *** 1 more time, then rep from * to *** once, tr3tog over last 3 sts, turn – 144 tr, 2 x tr3tog, 2 x tr5tog

Rows 4 - 6: Rep row 3, fasten off.

Rows 7 – 8: Join in Yarn H, rep row 3, fasten off.

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Row 9: Join Yarn E in 1st st, ch 1 and 1 dc in next st (counts as dc2tog), 1 dtr in next st, [1 dc in next st, 1 dtr in next st] 11 times until you reach ch-1 sp, *[2 dc, ch 1, 2 dc] in ch-1 sp, 1 dtr in next st, [1 dc in next st, 1 dtr in next st] 11 times**, dc3tog (over next st, centre st (dtr5tog) and next st), 1 dtr in next st, [1 dc in next st, 1 dtr in next st] 11 times until you reach ch-1 sp***; rep from * to *** 1 more time then rep from * to *** 1 more time then rep from * to ** once, dc2tog over last 2 sts, fasten off – 78 dc, 72 dtr, 2 x dc2tog, 2 x dc3tog



WEEK TWO

Making Up the Centre Panel

PART TWO

Attaching 2 large Squares and Triangles B to Zig Zag border

Tip: It helps to pin each piece together first as you attach the motifs to the bottom border to make sure they will fit. Remove pins and then pin the next piece as you work across. Try and match stitches on both pieces as best as you can, especially on either end.

Take Triangle B and line it up with top right of Zig Zag border (see diagram), holding RS together, whipstitch across through front loops only. Take 1st square and then 2nd square and whipstitch in place, taking care to match the ch-1 spaces. Finally attach the 2nd Triangle B.



Making Up the Centre Panel





WEEK TWO

Making Up the Centre Panel

PART THREE

Crocheting Top Zig Zag Border

Row 1: With RS facing, join Yarn E in 1st st, ch 1, 2 dc in same st, *[1 dc in next st, 1 dtr in next st] 12 times, dc4tog (over next st, ch-1 sp of same triangle, ch-1 sp of next square, and next st), [1 dtr in next st, 1 dc in next st] 12 times** until you reach ch-1 sp, [1 dc, ch 1, 1 dc] in ch-1 sp***; rep from * to *** 1 more time and from * to ** once, 2 dc in last st, turn. Fasten off - 80 dc, 72 dtr, 3 x dc4tog



Row 2: Join Yarn G in 1st st, ch 3 (counts as 1 tr), 1 tr in 1st st at base of ch 3, *tr in next 23 sts, tr5tog (over next dc, next dtr, centre st, next dtr, and next dc), tr in next 23 sts**, [1 tr, ch 1, 1 tr] in ch-1 sp***; rep from * to *** 1 more time and from * to ** once more, 2 tr in last st, turn – 146 tr, 3 x tr5tog

Row 3: Ch 3 (counts as 1 tr), 2 tr in 1st st, *tr in next 22 sts, tr5tog (over next 2 tr, centre st, and next 2 tr), tr in next 22 sts**, [2 tr, ch 1, 2 tr] in ch-1 sp***; rep from * to *** 1 more time and from * to ** once, 3 tr in last st, turn. Fasten off – 146 tr, 3 x tr5tog

Row 4: Join in Yarn A, rep row 3, do not fasten off.

Rows 5 – 8: Rep row 4. Fasten off at the end of row 8.

Row 9: Join Yarn F in 1st st, ch 1 (does not count as st), 3 dc in same st, * 1 dtr in next st, [1 dc in next st, 1 dtr in next st] 11 times, dc3tog (over next st, centre st and next st), 1 dtr in next st, [1 dc in next st, 1 dtr in next st] 11 times** until you reach ch-1 sp, [2 dc, ch 1, 2 dc] in ch-1 sp***; rep from * to *** 1 more time and from * to ** once, 3 dc in last st. Fasten off - 80 dc, 72 dtr, 3 x dc3tog

WEEK TWO

Making Up the Centre Panel

PART FOUR

Attaching Triangle C to Top Zig Zag Border

Tip: As with part 2, it helps to pin each piece together first as you attach the triangle motifs to the top Zig Zag Border from part 3 to help them fit. Remove pins and then pin the next piece as you work across. Try and match stitches on both pieces as best as you can, especially on either end.

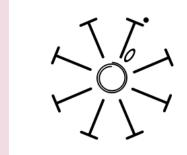
Take first Triangle C and line it up with top right of Zig Zag border (see diagram), holding RS together, whipstitch across through front loops only. Take next Triangle C and then 3rd Triangle C and whipstitch in place across border, as evenly as you can.

Weave in all threads and I recommend you now block your centre panel to the measurement given [79 x 52cm approx] in preparation for the next border. It will make this part easier!



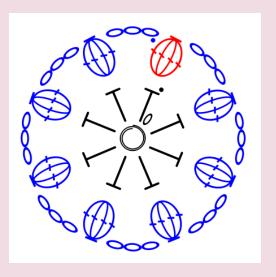
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Round 1: Ch 1 (does not count as a st), 8 htr in MR. Join with a sl st to 1st htr. fasten off – 8 htr





Round 2: Join next colour in any st – beg 4tr-PC, ch 3, * 4tr-PC in next st, ch 3; rep from * in each st around. Join with a sl st to 1st ch of ch-3 sp, do not fasten off – 8 4tr-PC, 8 ch-3 sps



COLOUR COMBINATIONS:

SQUARE A (make 4) Rounds 1 – 6 (C, G, G, E, B, A)

SQUARE B (make 4) Rounds 1 – 6 (I, H, H, E, B, A)

SQUARE C (make 4) Rounds 1 - 6 (D, F, F, E, B, A)

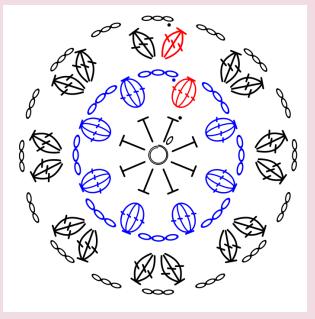
SQUARE D (make 4) Rounds 1 – 6 (F, I, I, E, B, A)

INSTRUCTIONS

Start with a Magic Ring (MR) and follow the colour combination above for each square.

Round 3: Beg tr3tog-cl in same sp, ch 3, tr3tog-cl in same sp, ch 3, *ltr3tog-cl, ch 3, tr3tog-cl, ch 3l in next ch-3 sp; rep from * in each ch-3 sp around. Join with a sl st in 1st ch of ch-3 sp, fasten off – 16 tr3tog-cl, 16 ch-3 sps



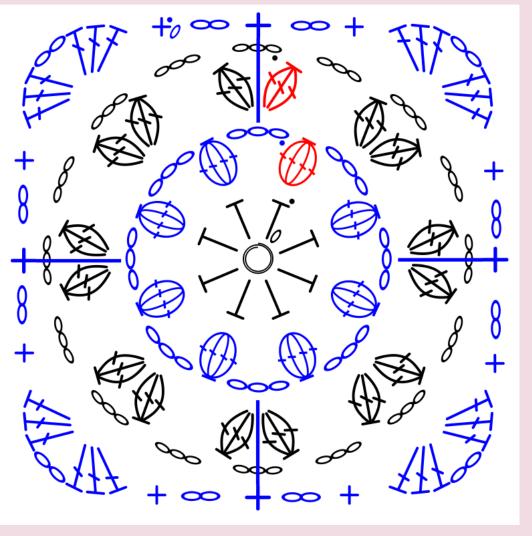


Small Square 1

Round 4: Join next colour in any ch-3 sp between two adjacent pairs of PC (see chart) – ch 1 (does not count as a st), 1 dc in same sp, 1 dc in next ch-3 sp, 1 dc in next ch-3 sp, ch 2, 1 long dc

in next ch-3 sp in 1 round below (see special stitches), ch 2, ** 1 dc in next ch-3 sp *; rep from * to * 2 times, and from * to ** once. Join with a sl st to beg dc, fasten off – 24 tr, 8 dc, 4 long dc

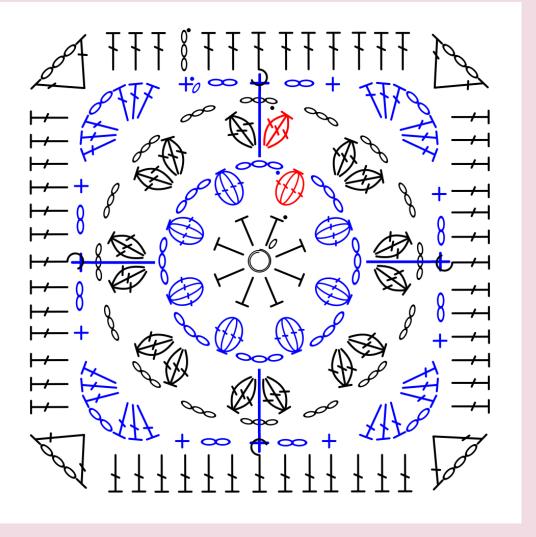




Small Square 1

Round 5: Join next colour in any dc before the corner tr - ch 3 (counts as 1 tr), tr in next 3 sts, [1 tr, ch 3, 1 tr] in next ch-2 corner sp, * tr in next 4 sts, 2 tr in next ch-2 sp, FPtr around next long dc, 2 tr in next ch-2 sp **, tr in next 4 sts, [1 tr, ch 3, 1 tr] in next ch-2 corner sp *; rep from * to * 2 times, and from * to ** once. Join with a sl st to 3rd ch of beg ch 3, fasten off – 56 tr, 4 FPtr



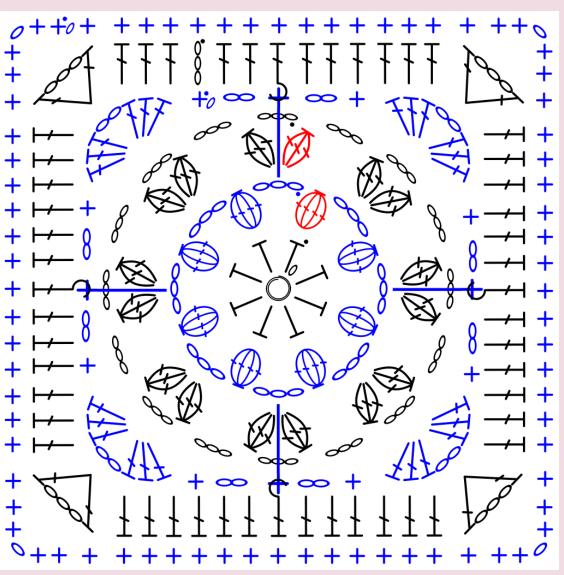


Small Square 1

Round 6: Join next colour in any corner ch-3 sp - ch 1 (does not count as a st), [2 dc, ch 1, 2 dc] in same corner sp, *dc in next 15

sts, [2 dc, ch 1, 2 dc] in ch-3 sp; rep from * twice more, dc in next 15 sts. Join with a sl st to beg dc, fasten off – 76 dc





Inner Border

The border is added to the centre panel when the panel is complete. You will work with RS facing out for every round.

Round 1: You will work a dc row evenly across the top, 2 sides and bottom of the panel as follows. I have given the amount of stitches to work in row ends of triangles to help you as you go.

Top: Join Yarn A in top right corner of panel, ch 1 (does not count as a st), 1 dc in same sp, (you will now begin to work 33 dc across the 1st triangle), * 2 dc in next tr row end, 3 dc in next dtr row end. 1 dc in next dc row end. 2 dc in next tr row end, 1 dc in next dc row end, 2 dc in next tr row end, [1 dc in next dc row end] 2 times, 2 dc in next tr row end. 1 dc in next dc row end. 1 dc in centre sp, 1 dc in next dc row end, 2 dc in next tr row end, [1 dc in next dc row end] 2 times, 2 dc in next tr row end, 1 dc in next dc row end, 2 dc in next tr row end, 1 dc in next dc row end, 3 dc in next dtr row end, 2 dc in next tr row end; * (end of triangle 1) rep from * to * 2 more times, [1 dc, ch 2, 1 dc] in top left corner sp, turn piece to work down 1st side - 101 dc across top of panel

Side 1: 1 dc in next dc row end, 2 dc in each of the next tr row ends (14 dc), 1 dc in next row end, rep instructions

for triangle in top from * to *, 1 dc in next row end, 2 dc in each of the next tr row ends (14 dc), 1 dc in next dc row end, [1 dc, ch 2, 1 dc] in bottom left corner sp, turn piece to work across bottom – 67 dc in side 1

Bottom: Repeat instructions for top of panel from * to end. Rotate piece to work along 2nd side – 101 dc across bottom of panel

Side 2: Repeat instructions for side 1, ending with ch 2, 1 dc in same sp as beg dc. Join with a sl st to beg dc, fasten off – 67 dc in side 2 336 sts in total, 4 ch-2 sps

Round 2: Join Yarn E in ch-2 sp in top right corner, ch 1, 1 dc in same sp, * [1 dtr in next st, 1 dc in next st] across, ending on dtr and making this last dtr in st before ch-2 sp, **[1 dc, ch 2, 1 dc] in ch-2 sp; *, rep from * to * 2 more times, and from * to ** once more, [1 dc, ch 2] in 1st ch-2 sp. Join with a sl st to beg dc, fasten off -344 sts, 4 x ch-2 sp

Round 3: Join Yarn D in ch-2 sp in top right corner, ch 3 (counts as 1 tr), 1 tr in each st around, working [1 tr, ch 3, 1 tr] in each corner ch-2 sp, ending with [1 tr, ch 3] in last ch-2 sp. Join with a sl st to beg ch 3, do not fasten off – 352 tr, 4 ch-3 sps

Round 4: Ch 3 (counts as 1 tr), 1 tr in each st around, working [1 tr, ch 3, 1 tr] in each

corner ch-3 sp, ending with [1 tr, ch 3] in last ch- sp. Join with a sl st to beg ch 3. Join with a sl st to beg ch 3, fasten off – 360 tr, 4 ch-3 sps

Round 5: Join Yarn C in ch-3 sp in top right corner, ch 2 (counts as 1 htr), 1 htr in each st around, working [1 htr, ch 3, 1 htr] in each corner ch-3 sp, ending with [1 htr, ch 3] in last ch-3 sp. Join with a sl st to beg ch 2, do not fasten off – 368 htr, 4 ch-3 sps

Round 6: Working in BLO, ch 3 (counts as 1 tr), 1 tr in each st around, working [1 tr, ch 3, 1 tr] in each corner ch-3 sp. Join with a sl st to beg ch 3, fasten off – 376 tr, 4 ch-3 sps

Round 7: Join Yarn E in ch-3 sp in top right corner, ch 1 (does not count as a st), 1 dc in same sp, * [1 dtr in next st, 1 dc in next st] across, ending on dtr and making this last dtr in st before ch-3 sp, ** [1 dc, ch 2, 1 dc] in ch-3 sp, *, rep from * to * 2 more times, and from * to ** once more, 1 dc, ch 2 in 1st ch-3 sp. Join with a sl st to beg dc, fasten off – 384 sts, 4 ch-2 sps

Round 8: Join Yarn I in ch-2 sp in top right corner, ch 2 (counts as 1 htr), 1 htr in each st around, working [1 htr, ch 3, 1 htr] in each corner ch-2 sp, ending with [1 htr, ch 3] in last ch-2 sp. Join with a sl st to beg ch 2, fasten off – 392 htr, 4 ch-3 sps Round 9: Join Yarn G in ch-3 sp in top right corner, ch 3 (counts as 1 tr), working in BLO, 1 tr in each st around, working [1 tr, ch 3, 1 tr] in each corner ch-3 sp, ending with [1 tr, ch 3] in last ch-3 sp. Join with a sl st to beg ch 3, fasten off – 400 tr, 4 ch-3 sps

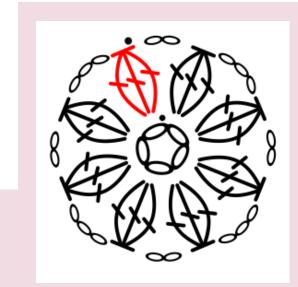
Round 10: Join Yarn F in ch-3 sp in top right corner, ch 2 (counts as 1 htr), 1 htr in each st around, working [1 htr, ch 3, 1 htr] in each corner ch-3 sp, ending with [1 htr, ch 3] in last ch-3 sp. Join with a sl st to beg ch 2, do not fasten off – 408 htr, 4 ch-3 sps

Round 11: Working in BLO, ch 3 (counts as 1 tr), 1 tr in each st around, working [1 tr, ch 3, 1 tr] in each corner ch-3 sp. Join with a sl st to beg ch 3, fasten off – 416 tr, 4 ch-3 sps

Round 12: Join Yarn B in ch-3 sp in top right corner, ch 3 (counts as 1 tr), 1 BPtr in each st around, working [1 tr, ch 3, 1 tr] in each corner ch-3 sp, ending with [1 tr, ch 3] in last ch-3 sp. Join with a sl st to beg ch 3, fasten off – 416 BPtr, 8 tr, 4 ch-3 sps

Round 13: Join Yarn A in ch-3 sp in top right corner, ch 2 (counts as 1 htr), 1 htr in each st around, working [1 htr, ch 3, 1 htr] in each corner ch-3 sp, ending with [1 htr, ch 3] in last ch-3 sp. Join with a sl st to beg ch 2, fasten off – 432 htr, 4 ch-3 sps

Small Square 2



COLOUR COMBINATIONS

SQUARE A (make 4) Rounds 1 – 5 (D, F, F, F, A)

SQUARE B (make 4) Rounds 1 – 5 (H, I, I, I, A)

SQUARE C (make 4) Rounds 1 – 5 (C, H, H, H, A)

SQUARE D (make 4) Rounds 1 – 5 (I, D, D, D, A)

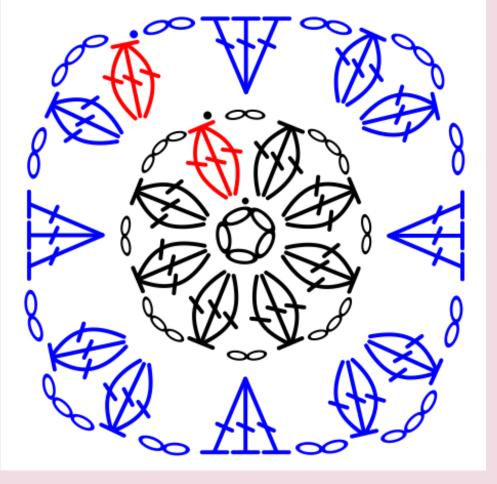
INSTRUCTIONS

Ch 5 and join with a sl st into a ring. **Round 1:** Beg tr3tog-cl into ring, ch 3, * tr3tog-cl into ring, ch 2 **, tr3tog-cl into ring, ch 3 *; rep from * to * 2 more times, and from * to ** once more. Join with a sl st to top of beg tr3tog-cl. Fasten off – 8 tr3tog-cl, 4 ch-3 sps, 4 ch-2 sps



Round 2: Join next colour in any ch-3 sp – Ibeg tr3tog-cl, ch 3, tr3tog-cl] in same sp, * ch 2, 3 tr in next ch-2 sp, ch 2 **, Itr3tog-cl, ch 3, tr3tog-cl] in next ch-3 sp *; rep from * to * 2 more times, and from * to ** once more. Join with a sl st to top of beg tr3tog-cl. 2. Do not fasten off – 8 tr3tog-cl, 12 tr, 4 ch-3 sps, 8 ch-2 sps

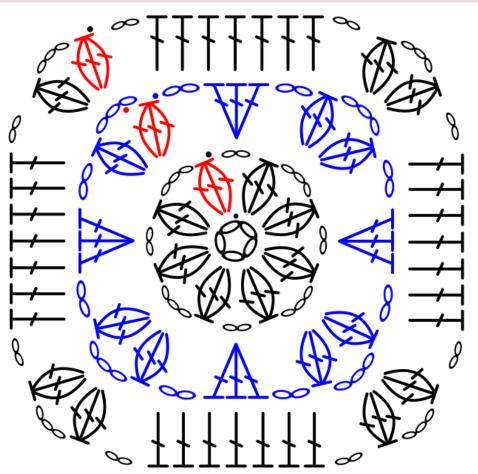




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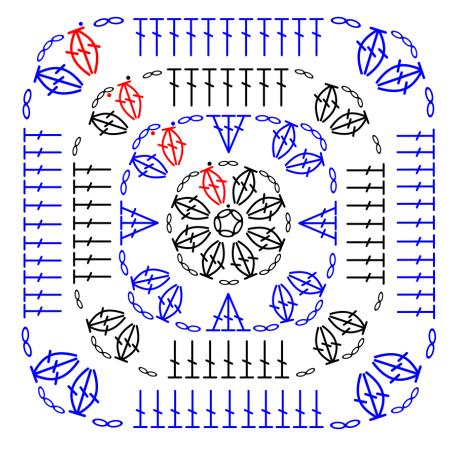
Round 3: SI st into next ch-3 sp, Ibeg tr3tog-cl, ch 3, tr3tog-cl] in same sp, * ch 2, 2 tr in next ch-2 sp, tr in next 3 sts, 2 tr in next ch-2 sp, ch 2 **, Itr3tog-cl, ch 3, tr3tog-cl] in next ch-3 sp *; rep from * to * 2 more times, and from * to ** once more. Join with a sI st to top of beg tr3tog-cl. Do not fasten off – 8 tr3tog-cl, 28 tr, 4 ch-3 sps, 8 ch-2 sps





Round 4: SI st into next ch-3 sp, Ibeg tr3tog-cl, ch 3, tr3tog-cll in same sp, * ch 2, 2 tr in next ch-2 sp, tr in next 7 sts, 2 tr in next ch-2 sp, ch 2 ***, [tr3tog-cl, ch 3, tr3tog-cl] in next ch-3 sp *; rep from * to * 2 more times, and from * to ** once more. Join with a sI st to top of beg tr3tog-cl. Fasten off – 8 tr3tog-cl, 44 tr, 4 ch-3 sps, 8 ch-2 sps

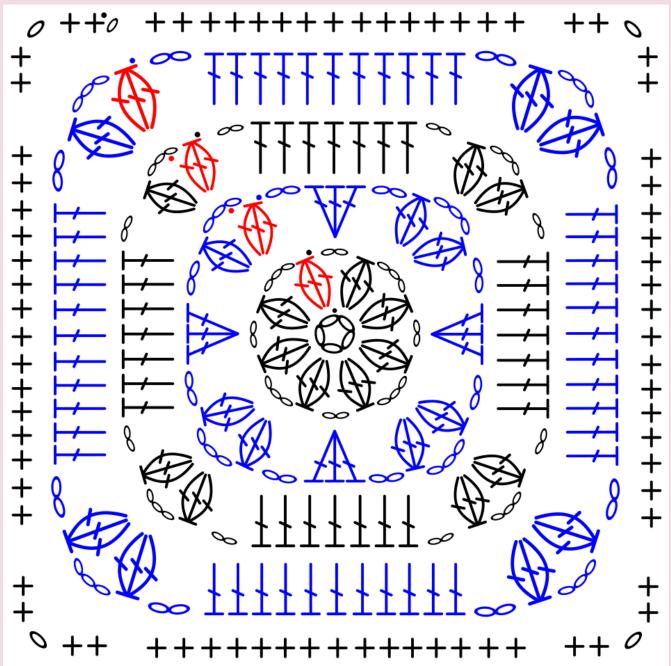




Small Square 2

Round 5: Join next colour in any ch-3 corner sp – ch 1 (does not count as a st), [2 dc, ch 1, 2dc] in same ch-3 sp, * 2 dc in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 11 sts, 2 dc in next ch-2 sp, [2 dc, ch 1, 2dcl in corner ch-3 sp; rep from * twice more, 2 dc in next ch-2sp, dc in next 11sts, 2 dc in next ch-2sp. Join with a sl st to beg dc. Fasten off – 76 dc





Outer Border

STEP ONE Joining the 2 sets of Small Squares to form strips

Note - I like to use stitch markers or pins to hold the squares together as I sew. It is useful to hold the corners of each square together to help you as a guide

Both squares have a slightly different measurement once they are complete, but because the crochet pieces will stretch a little, when you put everything together this will not be noticeable.

Using Yarn A, you will now join all 32 of the small squares together in 4 strips. 2 strips with 6 squares in each for the side panels, and 2 strips with 10 squares in each for the top and bottom panels.

Use layout in diagram as a guide to where your squares are placed – placing a square 1 followed by a square 2 and so on.

Join squares holding RS together with a joining method you prefer. You can whipstitch in place through outside loops (the back loops only) of each stitch, or use a crochet slipped stitch method of joining. Don't pull your yarn too tightly, otherwise it will pucker your stitches.

STEP TWO Attaching Strips to outside of Centre Panel

Taking the shorter strips with 6 squares in each, with RS together, arrange them to form 2 outer strips on each side of the Centre panel and pin in place. Whipstitch as evenly as you can, through outside loops only of each stitch, using your preferred method of joining as before. Taking the longer strips with 10 squares in each, pin in place on the top and bottom of the Centre panel (see Diagram or Image of complete blanket) and attach as before.

Your completed piece should now measure approximately 40 x 50in.



STEP THREE The Final Border

Note - In order to make the border stitches fit evenly, you will have to make approximately 16 sts in each small square across row 1 of border. Space them as evenly as you can, and your border will lie nice and flat!

Round 1:

Top: Join Yarn A in top right corner ch-1 sp, ch 1 (does not count as a st), [1 dc, ch 1, 1 dc] in same sp (1st corner made), dc evenly across top of piece making 16 dc along each square (see note above) until you reach next corner, [1 dc, ch 1, 1 dc] in corner ch-1 sp - 162 dc across top of panel

Side 1: Working evenly as before, make 16 dc in each square down 1st side of blanket, working [1 dc, ch 1, 1 dc] in next corner ch-1 sp - 130 dc along side 1
Bottom: Make 16 dc in each square across the bottom, working [1 dc, ch 1, 1 dc] in next corner ch-1 sp - 162 dc along bottom of panel

Side 2: Make 16 dc in each square up 2nd side of blanket. Join with a sl st to beg dc, fasten off – 130 dc along side 2 – total of 584 dc, 4 x ch-1 sps Round 2: Join Yarn C in any st, ch 1 (does not count as a st), 1 htr in each st around, working [1 htr, ch 3, 1 htr] in each corner ch-1 sp. Join with a sl st to 1 ch, do not fasten off – 592 htr, 4 x ch-3 sps

Round 3: Ch 2 (counts as 1 htr), 1 htr in each st around, working [1 tr, ch 3, 1 tr] in each corner ch-1 sp. Join with a sl st to beg ch 2, fasten off – 592 htr, 8 x tr, 4 x ch-3 sps

Round 4: Join Yarn A in any st, ch 2 (counts as 1 htr), 1 htr in each st around, working [1 tr, ch 3, 1 tr] in each corner ch-1 sp. Join with a sl st to beg ch 2, fasten off – 600 htr, 8 x tr, 4 x ch-3 sps

Round 5: Join Yarn E in any tr st before a ch-3 corner sp, ch 1 (does not count as a st), 1 dc in same st, [1 dtr, 1 dc, ch 1, 1 dc, 1 dtr] in ch-3 sp, skip next st, 1 dc in next st, * [1 dtr in next st, 1 dc in next st] rep from [to] across, making last dc in st before next corner ch-3 sp**, [1 dtr, 1 dc, ch 1, 1 dc, 1 dtr] in ch-3 sp, skip next st, 1 dc in next st*; rep from * to * twice more, and from * to ** once more, leaving out the last dc. Join with a sl st to beg dc, fasten off – 604 sts (151 sts along each side made of 75 dtr and 76dc), 4 corners of [1 dtr, 1 dc, ch 1, 1 dc, 1 dtr]



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To Finish:

If desired you can block out your blanket. This helps to define the shape and the stitches too. If you would like to block your blanket, lay it flat and pin it out, stretching it very gently to the measurements given. Cover with damps cloths and leave to dry.

Alternatively you could steam block with an iron, but make sure that you do this on the reverse (wrong side) and do not let the iron touch the blanket. For best results you can place a cloth on the blanket to protect the yarn from the iron.

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