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Hello!

Welcome to a very special issue of *Crochet Essentials*. For this issue we've worked with our friends at Hooooked to bring you a collection of crochet patterns from their amazing designers. As well as the chunky homewares and super-cute toys that Hooooked is renowned for, we've also brought you a range of quick makes, accessories and stylish ideas that we're sure you'll love to make. You can find all the yarn you need to make all of the patterns in this magazine at www.hooooked.co.uk

If you're new to crochet, don't worry – there's plenty in here that you'll be able to make. Start with our guide to all the basic stitches at the back of the magazine, and take your pick from the simple, chunky designs throughout the magazine. If you're more experienced, why not stretch your skills with one of our tutorials, like the Freyja Hat & Mitts (page 64) that use a clever colourwork technique?

I don't know about you, but this year I'm hoping to crochet myself at least one blanket, and there are several to choose from in here. I tend to relish a challenge, so I think I might try Lilly's Sunset Blanket (page 16), but in shades of blue and green to fit in with my living room. I'm always pretty busy though, so I might opt for the chunky granny square rug by Hooooked (page 8) instead!

Happy hooking,

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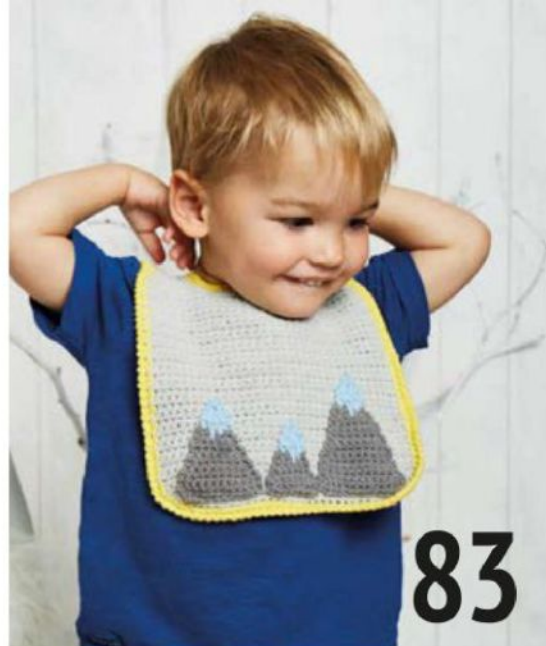
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WHAT'S NEW

What's going on in the wonderful world of crochet and yarn

MEET KPC YARN.

With over 70 years of experience in the textile industry, this Hong Kong company really knows its yarn, and now it's bringing its experience to the UK from www.hoooked.co.uk. Not only does it have a stunning range of yarn from 4-ply up to chunky in brilliant colours but it also has some beautiful patterns. If you're a knitter, check out the new patterns by top designer Emma Wright of www.emmaknitted.co.uk – they're gorgeous! Turn to page 79 to crochet Emma's super Bobble Beanie.



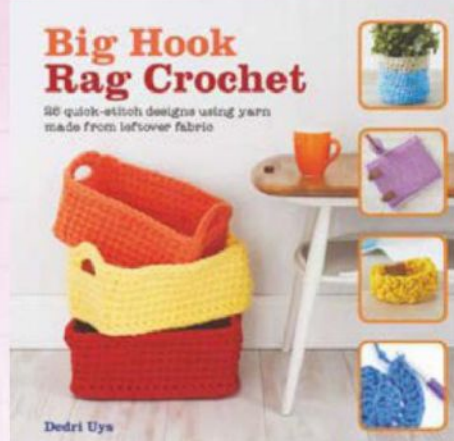
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Have a flick through our top picks for crocheting with chunky yarn

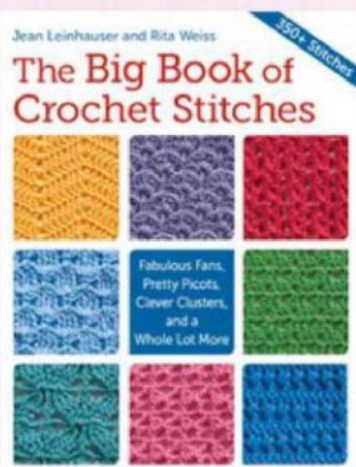
Big Hook Rag Crochet By Dedri Uys
 (Search Press, £11.99)

If you're looking for inspiration for T-shirt and ribbon yarn, look no further than this brilliant book by superstar designer Dedri Uys, whose name you may recognise from

the Sophie's Universe crochet-along. It's packed with ideas for quick and easy makes.


The Big Book of Crochet Stitches
 By Rita Weiss and Jean Leinhauser
 (Martingale, £14.99)

You can go your own way with this brilliant stitch dictionary – create your own blankets, cushions, accessories and more. With over 350 stitches to choose from, you'll never be stuck for inspiration again!


Supersize Crochet By Sarah Shrimpton
 (Search Press, £14.99)

Give your home a lift with these speedy patterns by Sarah Shrimpton. We love her use of colour and the way she creates

such stunning designs using only the simplest of stitches.

GOING GREEN

We're excited to get our hooks into this new eco-friendly yarn from Hooooked. EkoYarn is made entirely from recycled textiles and comes in a beautiful range of 27 colours, which are created without dyeing. Second-hand textiles are collected within the European Union and sorted by fibre type and colour before being recycled into this fab chunky yarn. £7.97 from www.hooooked.co.uk



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 #craftastherapy
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WONDERWOOL WALES 2018

Returning with its trademark vibrancy, the annual Wonderwool Wales natural fibre extravaganza will return on 28th and 29th April to the Royal Welsh Showground in Bulith Wells. This year, make sure you head down to the Woolschools at the event, a selection of hands-on workshops that get participants creating and perfecting skills with industry experts. Find out more about the show at www.wonderwoolwales.co.uk

KNITTING & STITCHING SHOW

You can't beat a yarny event, and the Knitting and Stitching Show is undoubtedly one of our favourites on the calendar. The spring show, which will be held at Olympia, London, will open its doors to crafters 1st – 4th March 2018. With workshops available (make sure you book these in advance), there is something for everyone to learn or take away. Tickets are on sale now and are available from www.theknittingandstitchingshow.com/spring or by calling 0844 581 1319.





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for this cushion at
www.hooked.co.uk

HOOOKED HOME COLLECTION

Whip up these stylish homewares in no time, using colourful chunky yarn

Project Hooooked Design Team

LAVENDER RUG

GRANNY SQUARE (make 15)

With first A, chain 6. Sl st into first ch to form a ring.

Rnd 1: 3 ch, 2 tr, 2 ch, [3 tr, 2 ch] 3 times, sl st in 3rd of beg 3 ch to join. 12 tr, 3 2ch-sps.

Rnd 2: [Sl st in next st] twice, change to B, sl st in next st. [3 ch, 2 tr, 2 ch, 3 tr] in 2ch-sp, 2 ch, *[3 tr, 2 ch, 3 tr] in 2ch-sp, 2 ch; rep from * twice, sl st in 3rd of beg 3 ch. 24 tr, 8 2ch-sps.

Rnd 3: [Sl st in next st] twice, change to C, sl st in next st. [3 ch, 2 tr, 2 ch, 3 tr] in 2ch-sp, 2 ch, *3 tr in next 2ch-sp, 2 ch, [3 tr, 2 ch, 3 tr] in 2ch-sp, 2 ch; rep from * twice, 3 tr in next 2ch-sp, 2 ch, sl st in 3rd of beg 3 ch.

Fasten off.

FINISHING

Join the squares together using C and sl st. (3 rows of 5 squares). Join yarn in any corner and work 3 rnds of tr, working 5 tr into each corner st. Work first rnd in D, second rnd in B and third rnd in A. Whip-stitch around last row to decorate and make edge more sturdy.

POUFFE

Work into back loop only throughout.

TOP PIECE

Rnd 1: Working into a magic ring, 12 tr. 12 sts

Rnd 2: [2 tr in next st] 12 times. 24 sts

Rnd 3: [1 tr, 2 tr in next st] 12 times. 36 sts

Rnd 4: [2 tr, 2 tr in next st] 12 times. 48 sts

Rnd 5: [3 tr, 2 tr in next st] 12 times. 60 sts

Rnd 6: [4 tr, 2 tr in next st] 12 times. 72 sts

Rnd 7: [5 tr, 2 tr in next st] 12 times. 84 sts

Rnd 8: [6 tr, 2 tr in next st] 12 times. 96 sts

Rnds 9-11: Tr around.

Rnd 12: [6 tr, 1 tr2tog] 12 times. 84 sts

Rnd 13: [5 tr, 1 tr2tog] 12 times. 72 sts

Rnd 14: [4 tr, 1 tr2tog] 12 times. 60 sts

Rnd 15: [3 tr, 1 tr2tog] 12 times. 48 sts

Dc in next st. Sl st in next st. Fasten off leaving a long tail (approximately 1.5m)

BOTTOM PIECE

Rnd 1: Working into a magic ring, 12 tr. 12 sts

Rnd 2: [2 tr in next st] 12 times. 24 sts

Rnd 3: [1 tr, 2 tr in next st] 12 times. 36 sts

Rnd 4: [2 tr, 2 tr in next st] 12 times. 48 sts

Dc in next st. Sl st in next st. Fasten off.

MAKING UP

Place the cushion insert into top piece and cover with the bottom piece. Join top and bottom using the long tail of yarn. Either join by crocheting dc around or if you want to be able to remove insert and wash cover, use a tapestry needle and sew the pieces together. Weave in ends.

VASE COVER

The vase is worked in a continuous spiral without joining or using turning chains. You do not need to keep track of the 'start'. Make the base so that it is slightly smaller than the bottom of your vase to ensure the cover is a snug fit. Working into a magic ring, 12 tr. *1 tr in next st, 2 tr in next st; rep from * until the base is almost the same size as the bottom of your vase. Dc into next st, sl st into next st. Do not fasten off.

You will now work the sides of the cover.

3 ch, *1 tr in next st; rep from * until the sides reach desired height. Dc into next st.

Sl st around. Fasten off.



YARN USED

Hooooked Zpagetti

Rug: 1 ball each in Glamour Dance (A), Spicy Purple (B), Lila Angel (C), Candy Pink (D)

Pouffe: 4 balls in Hippy Pink

Vase Cover: ¼ ball in Flying White

ABOUT THE YARN

Super chunky; 120m per 850g ball; 100% recycled textile

HOOOK USED

Rug & Pouffe: 12mm

Vase cover: 10mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

tapestry needle
65-70cm-diameter,
30-35cm high
cushion insert
1 old T-shirt
in colour to
match pouffe

SIZING

Rug: 120x80cm

Pouffe: 70cm diameter,
40cm high

Vase: 22cm tall, 10cm diameter (pattern can easily be adjusted to fit other sizes)



LIZZY & MAX THE FROGS

The frog prince has met his princess! This cute pair are easy to make and so much fun to play with

Project Hoooked Design Team

BASIC FROG BODY

The frog is made in the amigurumi style, in a spiral without slip stitching or turning chains. Use st marker or waste yarn to keep track of the first st of each rnd.

HEAD

Curves for top of head (make 2)

Rnd 1: With MC, working into a magic ring, 5 dc. 5 sts

Rnd 2: [2 dc in next st] 5 times. 10 sts

Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] 5 times. 15 sts

Rnd 4: [2 dc, 2 dc in next st] 5 times. 20 sts

Rnds 5-6: Dc around.

First curve: Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing together the hole between the curves.

Second curve: Do not fasten off. Continue:

Rnd 7: Take the first curve and insert hook into the first st after the point where you fastened off. Dc 20 around first curve, then continuing around second curve, dc 20. 40 sts

Rnd 8: [7 dc, 2 dc in next st] 5 times. 45 sts

Rnd 9: [8 dc, 2 dc in next st] 5 times. 50 sts

Use the yarn tail to sew the hole in the middle of the two curves together.

Rnd 10: [9 dc in FLO, 3 dc in next st] 5 times. 60 sts

Rnd 11-13: Dc around.

Rnd 14: [10 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times. 55 sts

Rnd 15: [9 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times. 50 sts

Rnd 16: [8 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times. 45 sts

Rnd 17: Dc around. 45 sts

Rnd 18: [7 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times. 40 sts

Rnd 19: [6 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times. 35 sts

Rnd 20: [5 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times. 30 sts

Rnd 21: [4 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times. 25 sts

Rnd 22: [3 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times. 20 sts

Rnd 23: [2 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times. 15 sts

Stuff the head firmly, making sure the curves at the top of the head and section around Rnd 10 are stuffed well.

Rnd 24: [1 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times. 10 sts

Rnd 25: [1 dc2tog] 5 times. 5 sts

Fasten off.

BODY

Rnd 1: Working into a magic ring, 5 dc. 5 sts

Rnd 2: [2 dc in next st] 5 times. 10 sts

Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] 5 times. 15 sts

Rnd 4: [2 dc, 2 dc in next st] 5 times. 20 sts

Rnd 5: [3 dc, 2 dc in next st] 5 times. 25 sts

Rnd 6: [4 dc, 2 dc in next st] 5 times. 30 sts

Rnd 7: [5 dc, 2 dc in next st] 5 times. 35 sts

Rnd 8: Dc around.

Rnd 9: [5 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times. 30 sts

Rnd 10: [4 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times. 25 sts

Rnd 11: Dc around.

Rnd 12: [3 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times. 20 sts

Rnd 13: Dc around.

Rnd 14: [2 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times. 15 sts

Rnd 15: Dc around.

Fasten off, stuff the body and sew the head to the top of the body.

ARMS & LEGS (MAKE 4)

These are worked in rows. Turning chains do not count as a stitch. Chain 25.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, 24 dc. Turn. 24 sts

Rows 2-4: 1 ch, dc across. Turn. Fasten off leaving a long tail.

Fold in half lengthwise and sew the first and fourth row together with the tail.



YARN USED

Hoooked
RibbonXL

Each Frog

Hooked
RibbonXL

2 balls

Salad Green
RXL30 (MC)

Small amount
in Black

Night (CC1)

Small amount
in Pearl White

RXL28 (CC2)

Small amount
in Sweet Pink

RXL40 (CC3)

Lizzy's Dress

1 ball Sweet
Pink RXL40

(MC)

1 ball

Bubblegum
Pink RXL27

(CC1)

Max's Trousers

1 ball Dutch
Orange RXL36

ABOUT THE YARN

Super chunky;
120m per
250g ball;
80% cotton,
20% other
recycled fibre

HOOKE USED

9mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

tapestry needle
3 buttons
toy stuffing
tapestry needle



Tip: If you want the arms and legs to be a little bit firmer, take 2 pipe cleaners for each arm/leg and insert them between the arms and legs before you close them.

Sew the arms onto the side of the body just beneath the head.
Sew the legs to the bottom of the body, a little bit towards the front so that the frog can sit down.

HANDS (MAKE 2)

Chain 4, join with a sl st to make a ring.

Row 1: [6 ch, dc into ring] 3 times. Turn.
Three 6 ch loops made.

Row 2: 1 ch, [8 dc into 6ch loop] 3 times, sl st into ring.

Fasten off.

Sew the hands to the legs.

FEET (MAKE 2)

Chain 4, join with a sl st to make a ring.

Row 1: [10 ch, dc into ring] 3 times. Turn.
Three 10ch loops made.

Row 2: 1 ch, [12 dc into 10ch loop] 3 times, sl st into ring.

Fasten off.

Sew the feet to the legs.

EYES (MAKE 2)

Rnd 1: With CC2, working into a magic ring, 6 dc. 6 sts

Rnd 2: [2 dc in next st] 6 times. 12 sts

Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 18 sts

Rnd 4: [2 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times, sl st in next st. 24 sts

Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing the eyes onto the head.

PUPILS (MAKE 2)

Rnd 1: With CC1, working into a magic ring, 6 dc. 6 sts

Rnd 2: [2 dc in next st] 6 times, sl st in next st. 12 sts

Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing the pupils onto the eyes.

Sew the eyes onto the head then sew the pupils onto the eyes.

MOUTH

With CC3, embroider a big smile!

LIZZY'S DRESS

Unless otherwise stated, turning chains do not count as a st.

TOP PART OF DRESS

With MC, chain 22.

Row 1: Starting in the 3rd ch from hook, 20 tr. Turn. 20 sts

Row 2: 2 ch, tr across. Turn.

Row 3: 2 ch, *2 tr in next st; rep from * to end. 40 sts

You will now be working in the round.
This part is made in the amigurumi style, in a spiral without slip stitching or turning chains. Use st marker or waste yarn to keep track of the first st of each rnd.

Rnd 4: 1 tr in the first st from the last row (joins to work in the round). Tr around. 40 sts

Rnd 5: Tr around.

Rnd 6: *3 htr in next st; rep from * to end. Miss 1 stitch, sl st in next st. 120 sts
Fasten off.

BOTTOM PART OF DRESS

This part is made in the amigurumi style, in a spiral without slip stitching or turning chains. Use st marker or waste yarn to keep track of the first st of each rnd. Chain 40. Join to work in the rnd, being careful not to twist.

Rnd 1: 2 ch, tr around. 40 sts

Rnd 2: *2 tr in next st; rep from * to end. 80 sts

Rnd 3: Tr around. Miss 1 st, sl st in next st.

Optional: If you want the border of the dress another colour, change colour here.

Rnd 4: 2 ch, 4 tr in first st, miss 1 st, 1 dc in next st, *miss 1 st, 5 tr in next st, miss 1 st, 1 dc; rep from * to end. Join with sl st in 2nd ch at start of rnd.

Fasten off.

MAKING UP

Weave in ends.

Using a length of MC yarn or thread in a matching colour, sew the bottom part of the dress to the inside of the top part, approximately 4 rows up from the bottom. You can now dress Lizzy by pulling the dress up over her legs. You can sew the first 3 rows from the upper half of the dress together to secure the dress or If you want to dress/undress Lizzy, sew a button onto the back instead. Use a button that fits between the trebles.

MAX'S TROUSERS

Unless otherwise stated, turning chains do not count as a st.

MAKE FLAP (TOP FRONT OF TROUSERS)

Chain 7.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, 6 dc. Turn. 6 sts

Rows 2-4: 1 ch, 6 dc. Turn. You will now join to work in the round.

Rnd 5: 34 ch, dc in opposite side of flap.

Rnd 6: 5 dc (across flap), dc to end. 40 sts

Rnds 7-14: Dc around.

MAKE LEG

Rnd 15: 3 dc, 2 ch. Count back 22 sts and 1 dc in this st (to join for first leg).

Rnds 16-19: Dc around.

Sl st in next st to end.

Fasten off.

Work more rnds if you would like longer legs!

Attach yarn to the other leg and rep rnds 16-19 for second leg.

SHOULDER STRAPS

Attach yarn in the corner of front flap.

10 ch, count 14 sts around to back from side of flap and work 1 dc in 14th st.

Put the trousers onto the frog and make second strap on the other side of flap.

FINISHING

Sew two buttons at the front of the trousers.

Weave in ends.





SHINE BRIGHT LIKE A DIAMOND

This fun twist on a granny square will be your new favourite – turn it into a blanket or a lovely chunky cowl

Project Sherrie Yabsley

FIRST SQUARE (MAKE 4)

Using MC, chain 4, join to first ch with sl st to form a ring

Rnd 1: 3 ch (counts as first tr here and throughout), 2 tr in ring, 2 ch, [3 tr into ring, 2 ch] three times, join with sl st into 3rd of beg 3 ch, sl st to corner ch-sp. 12 tr, 4 2ch-sp

Rnd 2: 3 ch [2 tr, 2 ch, 3 tr] into ch-sp (one corner made), * 1 ch, [3 tr, 2 ch, 3 tr] into next ch-sp; rep from * two more times, 1 ch. Join with sl st into 3rd of beg 3 ch, sl st to corner ch-sp.

Rnd 3: Do not fasten off MC.

With CC2, join in same ch-sp, 3 ch, 2 tr, 2 ch, 3 tr in same ch-sp, 1 ch (corner made) change to MC, 3 tr into next 1 ch-sp, change to CC2, 1 ch, 3 tr, 2 ch, 3 tr, 1 ch (2nd corner made) change to MC, 3 tr into 1ch-sp, change to CC2, 1 ch 3 tr, 2 ch, 3 tr, 1 ch (3rd corner made) change to MC, 3 tr into 1ch-sp, change to CC2, 1 ch, 3 tr, 2 ch, 3 tr, 1 ch (last corner made) change to MC, 3 tr into 1 ch-sp, change to CC2, 1 ch. Join with sl, st into 3rd of beg 3 ch, sl st across to corner ch-sp. Fasten off MC.

Rnd 4: 3 ch, [2 tr, 2 ch, 3 tr] in same corner, * [1 ch, 3 tr into ch-sp] twice, 1 ch, [3 tr, 2 ch, 3 tr] in next corner; rep from * twice more, [1 ch, 3 tr into ch-sp] twice, 1 ch, join with sl st into top of beg 3 ch. Fasten off.

Rnd 5: Using CC1 join with sl st to any st, dc around. Fasten off.

SQUARE 2 (MAKE 3)

Repeat rnds 1-5 changing CC2 for CC3.

SQUARE 3 (MAKE 3)

Repeat rnds 1-5 changing CC2 for CC4.

MAKING UP

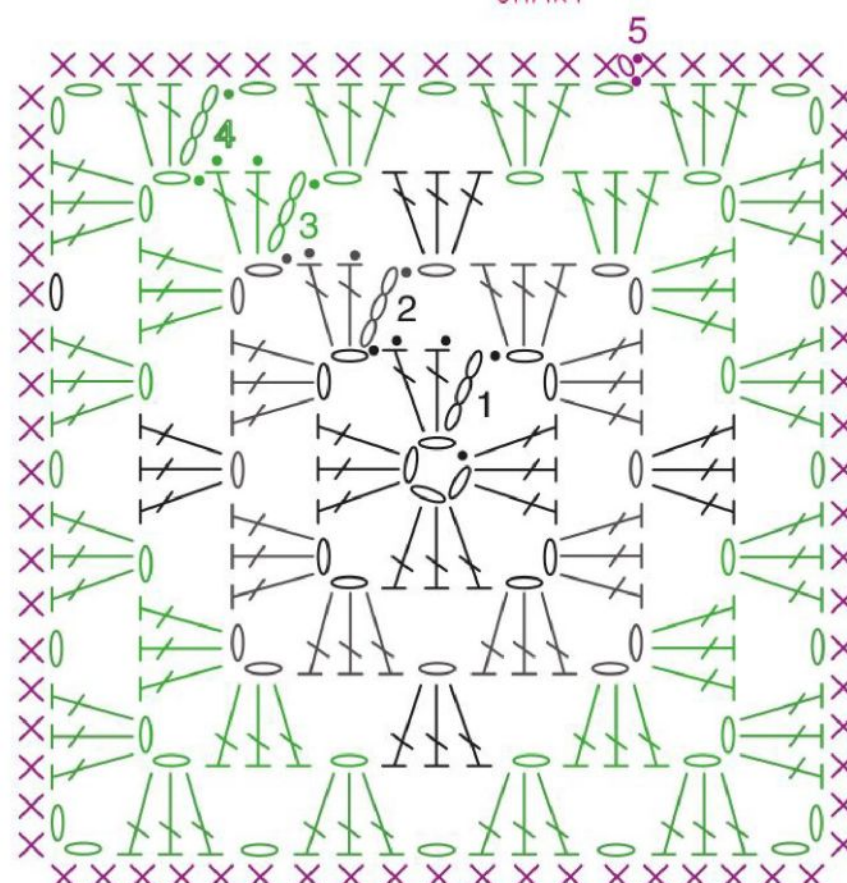
Start by placing squares in the order you wish, using CC1 join squares together using dc with RS together, dc through both back loops only, continue dc across horizontally and then repeat this method of joining

vertically. You should have a panel of 10 squares joined together with one horizontal join and four vertical joins. Now complete your cowl by joining the two short vertical edges together. Fasten off, weave all ends.

EDGING

Using CC1 join in any st and dc around top and bottom edge. Fasten off, weave in ends.

CHART



- sl st
- ch
- × dc
- ┆ tr



YARN SUGGESTION

KPC Glencoul
Chunky
2 balls each in
Beehive (MC),
Ivory (CC1)
1 ball each in
Smoky Grape
(CC2), Peacock
(CC3), Forest
Fruit (CC4)

ABOUT THE YARN

Chunky; 87m
per 100g; 70%
Merino wool,
30% cotton

TENSION

Square
measures
16cm

HOOK USED

6mm

OTHER SUPPLIES
tapestry needle
scissors

SIZING

35x44cm



LILLY'S SUNSET BLANKET

Inspired by lazy evenings spent soaking up the last of the sun, Veronika's blanket is a celebration of ombré hues

Project Veronika Cromwell

SUNSET BLOCK (MAKE 16)

Rnd 1: With A working in magic ring, 8 dc, join with sl st in first st. Fasten off. 8 dc

Rnd 2: Join B in any dc with sl st, 5 ch (counts as first tr and 2 ch), 1 tr in the dc at the bottom of 5 ch; * V-st in next dc; rep from * 6 more times, sl st in 3rd ch of beg 5 ch to join. 16 tr

Rnd 3: With B, sl st in next 2ch-sp, 1 ch, *4 dc in 2ch-sp; rep from * 7 more times, join with sl st in first st. Fasten off. 32 dc

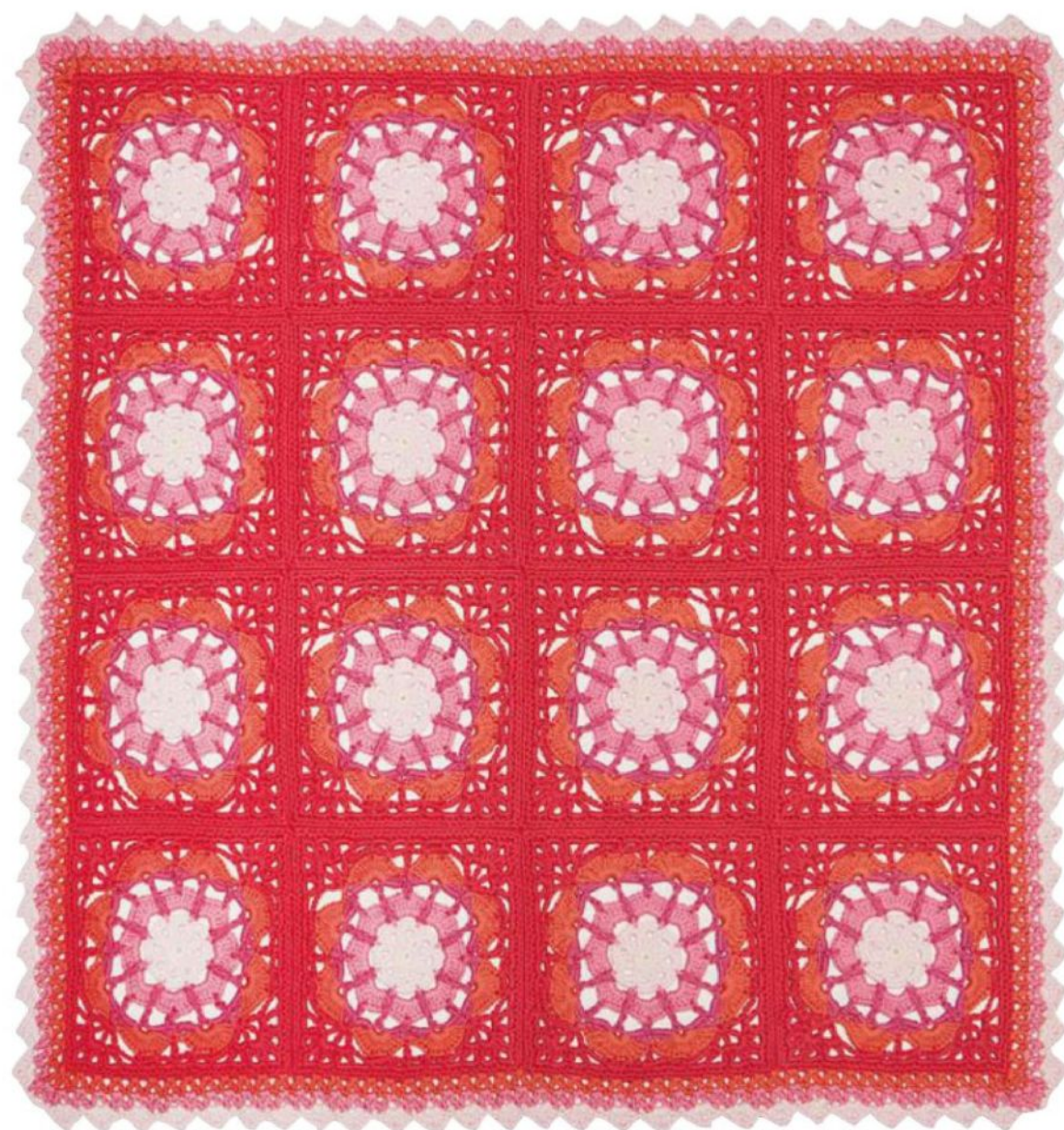
Rnd 4: Join C in first dc from prev rnd, *5 ch, miss 3 dc, 1 dc; rep from * 7 more times working the last dc in the first dc from prev rnd.

Rnd 5: With C, sl st in 5 ch-sp; [3 ch (counts as 1 tr), 3 tr, 2 ch, 4 tr] in 5 ch-sp; * [4 tr, 2 ch, 4 tr] in next 5 ch-sp; rep from * 6 more times, sl st to 3rd ch of beg 3-ch. Fasten off. 64 tr

Rnd 6: Join D in any 2 ch-sp from prev rnd, 7 ch (counts as 1 tr + 4 ch), 1 RdtrF around dc from Rnd 4, 4 ch, 1 tr in next 2 ch-sp; *4 ch, 1 RdtrF around dc below, 4 ch, 1 tr in next 2 ch-sp; rep from * 6 more times, sl st to 3rd ch of beg 7 ch to join instead of the last tr. 8 tr, 8 RdtrF

Rnd 7: With D, sl st in 4 ch-sp, *5 dc in 4 ch-sp, 1 ch, 5 dc in next 4 ch-sp, 3 ch; rep from * 7 more times; join with sl st to first st. Fasten off. 80 dc

Rnd 8: Join E in 3 ch-sp, * 13 tr in next 1ch-sp, 1 dc in 3 ch-sp; rep from * 7 more times, join with sl st to first 3 ch-sp. Fasten off. 104 tr, 8 dc



Rnd 9: Join F in any dc from prev rnd, [5 ch (counts as 1 tr + 2 ch), 1 tr, 2 ch, V-st] in dc at the bottom of 5 ch; * 4 ch, miss 6 tr, 1 dc, 6 ch, miss 6 tr, 1 tr in next dc, 6 ch, miss 6 tr, 1 dc, 4 ch, [V-st, 2 ch, V-st] in next dc; rep from * 2 more times, 4 ch, miss 6 tr, 1dc, 6 ch, 1 tr in next dc, 6 ch, miss 6 tr, 1 dc, 4 ch, sl st in 3rd ch of beg 5 ch.

Rnd 10: With F, sl st in 2 ch-sp, 5 ch (counts as 1 tr and 2 ch), 1 tr in the same 2 ch-sp, * 3 V-st in next 2ch-

sp, 1 V-st in next 2ch-sp, 2 ch, 1 dc in next dc, 2 ch, miss 2 tr of Rnd 9 below, 1 dc in next tr from Rnd 9 working over Rnd 9 chain, 2 ch, 1 dc in next tr, 2 ch, miss 3 tr of Rnd 9 below, 1 dc in next tr from Rnd 9 working over Rnd 9 chain, 2 ch, 1 dc in next dc, 2 ch, V-st in next 2ch-sp; rep from * 3 more times, sl st to 3rd ch of beg 5 ch instead of last V-st.

Rnd 11: With F, sl st to next 2 ch-sp, *[3 dc in next 2 ch-sp] across to



YARN USED

KPC
Novomerino DK
1 ball in Ivory (A)
2 balls each in Sherbert (B), Smoothie (C), Get Ready (D)
3 balls each in Vermillion (E)
4 balls in Flame (F)

ABOUT THE YARN

DK; 107m per 50g ball; 100% ultra-fine Merino wool

TENSION

Each square measures 19cm

HOOK USED

4mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

tapestry needle
scissors

SIZING

Finished blanket 85cm square including the border

corner, [2 dc, 2 ch, 2 dc] in corner 2ch-sp; rep from * around, sl st to first dc. 96 dc

Rnd 12: With F 1 ch, 1 dc in each dc from prev rnd, work [1 dc, 2 ch, 1 dc] in each corner 2ch-sp, sl st to first dc. Fasten off. 104 dc

JOINING

Join all motifs using your preferred method – Veronika has used a double crochet join through BLO with RS of blocks facing, meaning the seam is on the reverse of the blanket.

BORDER

Rnd 1: Join E in any corner 2 ch-sp, [5 ch (counts as 1 tr and 2 ch), 1 tr, 2 ch, V-st] in same corner 2 ch-sp, * miss 2 dc, V-st in next; rep from * 48 more times, [V-st, 2 ch, V-st] in corner 2 ch-sp; rep from * around, sl st to 3rd ch of beg 5 ch. Fasten off.

Rnd 2: Join C in any corner 2 ch-sp,

[5 ch (counts as 1 tr and 2 ch), 1 tr, 2 ch, V-st] in corner 2 ch-sp, * 5 1 V-st, [V-st, 2 ch, V-st] in corner 2 ch-sp; rep from * around, sl st to 3rd ch of beg 5 ch. Fasten off.

Rnd 3: Join B in any corner 2 ch-sp, 3 dc in same 2 ch-sp, * 1 dc in next V-st, [3 tr, 3 ch picot, 3 tr] in next V-st; rep from * 25 more times, 3 dc in corner 2 ch-sp; rep from * around, sl st to first dc. Fasten off.

Special abbreviations

V-st (V-stitch): [1 tr, 2 ch, 1 tr] in same st

Picot: 3 ch, sl st to first ch

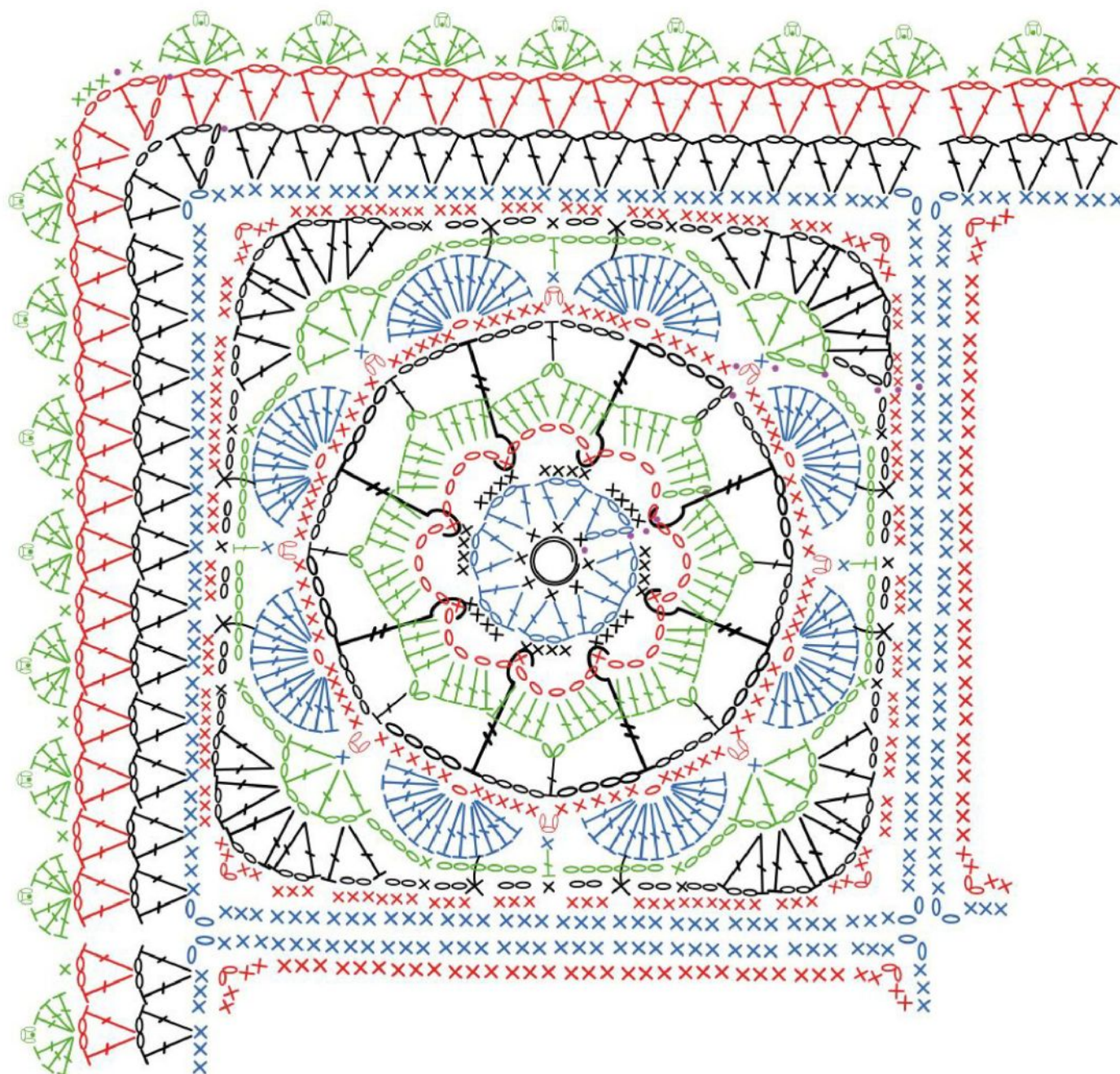
RdtrF (Raised double treble Front): Work dtr around post of indicated st

WHY NOT TRY...



flipping the colours for a lighter, brighter look?

CHART



magic ring



dc



ch



tr



dc over ch



RdtrF



3 ch-picot



sl st



V st

PRETTY IN PINK

Whatever your mood, there's a shade of pink to suit



Floral notebooks, £5.99
TKMaxx



Purrrfect hot water bottle,
£14 **Paperchase**



Heart pillow, £3 **Primark**



Power Up mug, £12
Oliver Bonas



Neon flamingo light, £10
Primark



Pea coat, £69
Dorothy Perkins



Painted cats oven gloves, £15
Cath Kidston

Hooooked RibbonXL
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Roma bag kit, £19.58
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AKIO THE DRAGON

This adorable Japanese dragon, whose name means 'clever boy', is a water dragon who loves swimming in the sea!

Project Hoooked Design Team

Akio is made in the amigurumi style, in a spiral without slip stitching or turning chains. Use st marker or waste yarn to keep track of the first st of each rnd.

HEAD & BODY

Rnd 1: With MC, working into a magic ring, 6 dc. 6 sts

Rnd 2: [2 dc in next st] 6 times. 12 sts

Rnd 3: [2 dc in next st] 6 times. 24 sts

Rnd 4: [3 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 30 sts

Rnd 5: [4 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 36 sts

Rnd 6: [5 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 42 sts

Rnd 7: [6 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 48 sts

Rnd 8: [7 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 54 sts

Rnds 9-24: Dc around.

Rnd 25: [8 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 60 sts

Rnds 26-27: Dc around.

Rnd 28: [4 dc, 1 dc2tog] 10 times. 50 sts

Rnd 29: [3 dc, 1 dc2tog] 10 times. 40 sts

Rnd 30: [2 dc, 1 dc2tog] 10 times. 30 sts

Stuff firmly.

Rnd 31: [1 dc, 1 dc2tog] 10 times. 20 sts

Rnd 32: [3 dc, 1 dc2tog] 4 times. 16 sts

Rnd 33: [2 dc, 1 dc2tog] 4 times. Sl st in next st. 12 sts

Fasten off, leaving a long tail. Fill with stuffing. Weave tail through last 12 sts and pull tight to close.

TAIL

Rnd 1: With CC1, working into a magic ring, 4 dc. 4 sts

Rnd 2: [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] twice. 6 sts

Rnd 3: [2 dc, 2 dc in next st] twice. 8 sts

Rnd 4: With CC2, dc around.

Rnd 5: [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] 4 times. 12 sts

Rnd 6: Dc around.

Rnd 7: [2 dc, 1 dc in next st] 4 times. 16 sts

Rnd 8: Dc around. Sl st in next st.

Rnd 9: With MC, [3 dc, 2 dc in next st] 4 times. 20 sts

Rnd 10: Dc around.

Rnd 11: Dc around, finish with a sl st into the first stitch.

Flatten the end of the tail and join the two sides together using dc. Fasten off.

LEGS (MAKE 2)

Rnd 1: With MC, working into a magic ring, 6 dc. 6 sts

Rnd 2: [2 dc in next st] 6 times. 12 sts

Rnds 3-4: Dc around. 12 sts

Rnd 5: [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 18 sts

Rnds 6-8: Dc around. 18 sts

Finish round 8 with a sl st into the first stitch.

Stuff leg.

Rnd 9: Flatten the end of the leg

and join the two sides together using dc. Fasten off.

EARS (MAKE 2)

Rnd 1: With MC, working into a magic ring, 6 dc. Sl st into the first stitch.

Fasten off.

MAKING UP

With MC, sew the legs onto the side of the body approximately 21 rnds down from the top.

Sew the tail onto the bottom of the body at the back. To keep the tail upright, sew it onto the back, halfway up the tail.

Sew the ears onto the top of the head.

Using black yarn, embroider a mouth and two little crosses for the eyes, using photo as a guide.

With CC1, embroider a line around body, towards the bottom, using photo as a guide.



YARN USED

Hoooked

RibbonXL

2 balls

green (MC)

small amount

in Dark

Blue (CC1)

small amount

in Light Blue

(CC2)

small amount

of black

yarn for

embroidering

eyes & mouth

ABOUT THE YARN

Super chunky;

120m per 250g

ball;

80% cotton,

20% other

recycled fibre

HOOKE USED

10mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

toy stuffing

tapestry needle



PURPLISH DIAMOND SWEATER

This jumper is much simpler to make than it looks – you only work one colour at a time

Project Lena Fedotova

Special abbreviations

Beginning diamond (Beg D)

patt: 1 tr in each 1ch-sp, [1 tr, 2 ch, 1 tr] in each corner 2ch-sp, work chains between each single tr as indicated

Increase Diamond (Inc D) patt:

[1 tr in ch-sp before diamond, tr across diamond, 1 tr in ch-sp after diamond, ch as indicated for each rnd] around, noting ch length for marked corner

Decrease Diamond (Dec D)

patt: [Miss first tr of diamond, tr across diamond to last st, miss last st, ch as indicated for each rnd] around, noting ch length for marked corner. Note that there are no tr in the corners, only the indicated number of ch sts

Increase (inc):

2 tr in same st

Foundation tr (ftr):

3 ch (counts as 1st tr), yrh, insert hook in first ch, yrh, draw through one loop (base chain made), [yrh, draw through two loops] twice (2nd tr complete), yrh, insert hook in both loops of the base ch just made, yrh, draw through one loop, [yrh, draw through two loops] twice (3rd tr complete). Work 1 or 2 ch after tr as instructed, and beg all ftr sts after each ch-sp in the previous ftr

This sweater is worked seamlessly top down in the round with the RS always facing up.

The diamond stitch pattern uses two of the most basic crochet stitches: treble crochet and chains. Alternate two colours at a time, but use only one colour in each round. The process is easy, yet it is fascinating to watch the colour changes and see the diamonds take shape.

The rest of the sweater is worked in treble crochet with one chain between each tr group to create the vertically oriented stripe pattern.

First 3 ch of each rnd counts as one tr throughout. Join round with sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch. This pattern is worked in the round with RS always facing, do not turn.

Except when starting with a new colour, work each colour into stitches of the same colour and work all new sts in front of previous sts, leaving previous sts on WS. After completing the round, PM in loop and leave yarn on RS.

Move corner markers up each rnd, pay attention to the instructions given at the beg of each rnd for the corner sts.

Rnd 1: With MC, 3 ftr, 2 ch, pm for corner, [5 ftr, 1 ch] twice, 5 ftr, 2 ch, pm for corner, [5 ftr, 1 ch] 6 (7, 7, 8, 8) times, 5 ftr, 2 ch, pm for corner, [5 ftr, 1 ch] twice, 5 ftr, 2 ch, pm for corner, [5 ftr, 1 ch] 6 (7, 7, 8, 8) times, 2 ftr, join with sl st in first st of rnd. 100 (110, 110, 120, 120) ftr

Rnd 2: Join CC1 in any 2ch-sp, [5 ch, 1 tr] in same 2ch-sp, [Beg D, 5 ch] around, join. 22 (24, 24, 26, 26) tr

Rnd 3: With MC and with 6 chs in each corner and 3 chs between all other diamonds, 3 ch, 1 tr, 6 ch, Dec D around to last 2 sts, miss 1 st, 1 tr, join. 60 (66, 66, 72, 72) tr

Rnd 4: With CC1 and with 2 chs in each corner and 3 chs between all other diamonds, ch 3, 1 tr in 2ch-sp, 2 ch, Inc D around to last 5ch-sp, 1 tr in 5ch-sp, join. 66 (72, 72, 78, 78) tr

Rnd 5: With MC and with 10 sts in each corner and 5 chs between all other diamonds, 13 ch, Dec D around to beg, join. Fasten off. 20 (22, 22, 24, 24) tr

Rnd 6: With CC1 and with 2 chs in each corner and 1 ch between all other diamonds, 3 ch, 1 tr, 1 tr in 2ch-sp, 2 ch, Inc D around to last 3ch-sp, 1 tr in 3ch-sp, 1 tr, join. Continue with CC1. 110 (120, 120, 130, 130) tr



YARN USED

KPC

Novomerino
DK 9 (9, 10, 10, 11) balls in Beetroot (MC)
2 balls each in Cayenne (CC1), Sherbert (CC2)

ABOUT THE YARN

DK; 107m per 50g ball; 100% ultra-fine Merino wool

TENSION

1 PR (7 dc, 1 ch) x 3 rows = 4cm

HOOK USED

4mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

6 st markers

SIZING

S (M, L, 1X, 2X) designed to fit with 6cm positive ease. See schematic (over) for finished measurements



Rnd 7: With 2 chs in each corner and 1 ch between all other diamonds, 3 ch, 2 tr, 1 tr in 2ch-sp, 2 ch, Inc D around to last ch-sp, 1 tr in 1ch-sp, 2 tr, join. 154 (168, 168, 182, 182) tr

Rnd 8: Join CC2 in any 2ch-sp, [7 ch, 1 tr] in same 2ch-sp, [Beg D, 7 ch] around. 24 (26, 26, 28, 28) tr

Rnd 9: With CC1 and with 6 chs in each corner and 3 chs between all other

diamonds, 3 ch, 2 tr, 6 ch, Dec D around to last 3 sts, miss 1 st, 2 tr, join. 110 (120, 120, 130, 130) tr

Rnd 10: With CC2, as Rnd 4, except with 5 chs between all other diamonds. 72 (78, 78, 84, 84) tr

Rnd 11: With CC1 and with 10 chs in each corner and 5 chs between all other diamonds, 3 ch, 1 tr, 10 ch, Dec D around to last 2 sts, miss 1 st, 1 tr, join. 66 (72, 72, 78, 78) tr

Rnd 12: With CC2, as Rnd 6, except with 3 chs between all other diamonds. 120 (130, 130, 140, 140) tr

Rnd 13: With CC1 and with 14 chs in each corner and 7 chs between all other diamonds, 17 ch, Dec D around to beg, join. Fasten off. 22 (24, 24, 26, 26) tr

Rnd 14: With CC2 and with 2 chs in each corner and 1 ch between all other diamonds, 3 ch, 2 tr, 1 tr in 2ch-sp, 2 ch, Inc D around to last 3ch-sp, 1 tr in 3ch-sp, 2 tr, join. 168 (182, 182, 196, 196) tr

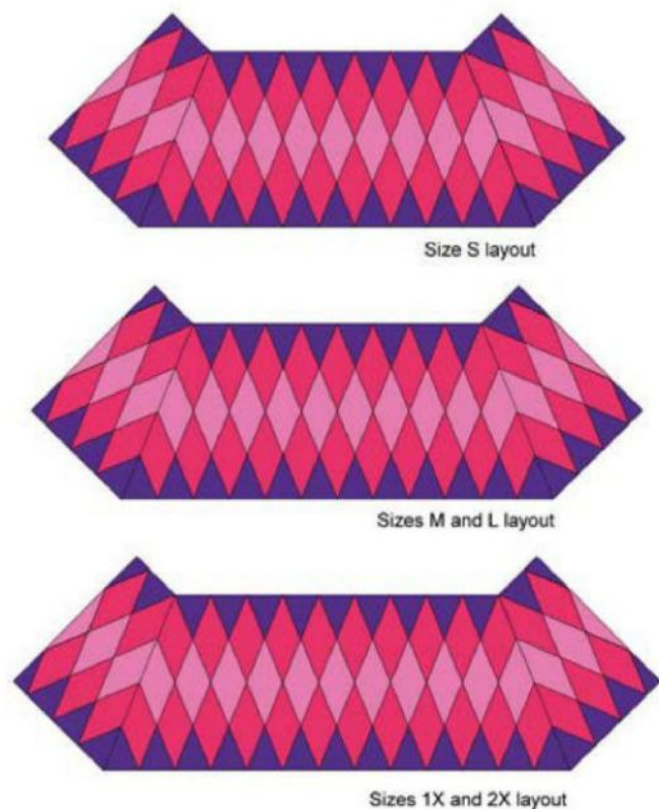
Rep rnds 8-14, beg with CC1, then rnds 8-13, beg with MC. Do not cut MC yarn, proceed to Body. 26 (28, 28, 30, 30) tr

BODY

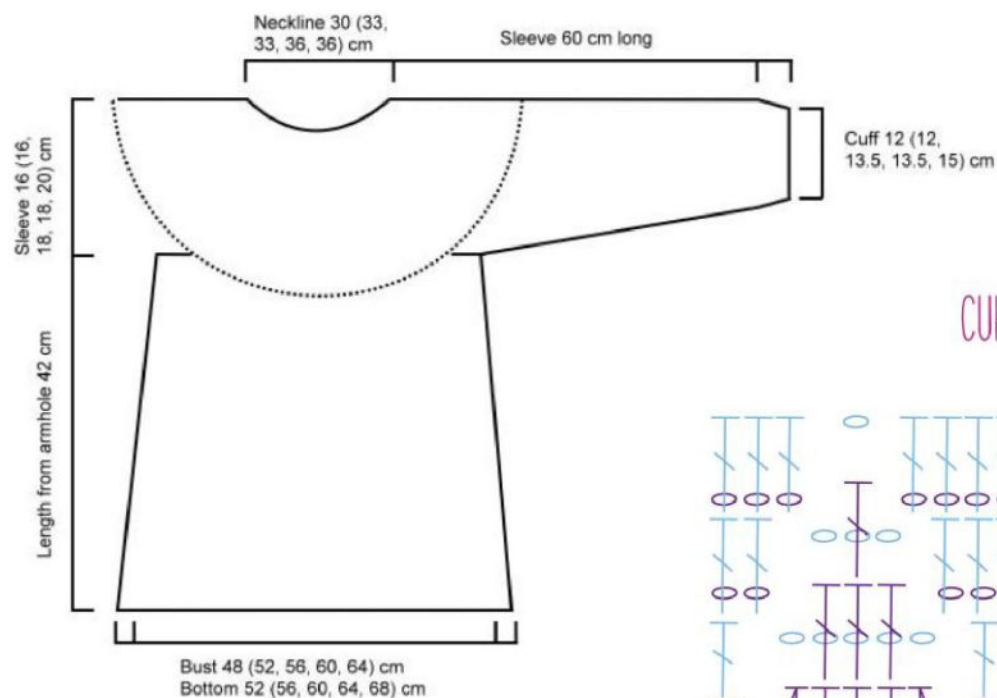
Note: For next rnd, beg 1st ftr in same 2ch-sp, beg next ftr in base ch of ftr just worked, and beg last ftr in base ch and next 2ch-sp at same time (to have first and last 2ch-sps connected with first and last ftr).

Rnd 1: 3 ch, 2 tr, 1 tr in 2ch-sp, 1 ch, 7 (7, 14, 14, 21) ftr, miss all sts to next marked 2ch-sp, [1 ch, Inc Diamond] to next 2ch-sp, 1 ch, 7 (7, 14, 14, 21) ftr, miss all sts to next marked 2ch-sp, [1 ch, Inc Diamond] to last 3ch-sp, 1 tr in 3ch-sp, 2 tr, join. 168 (182, 196, 210, 224) tr

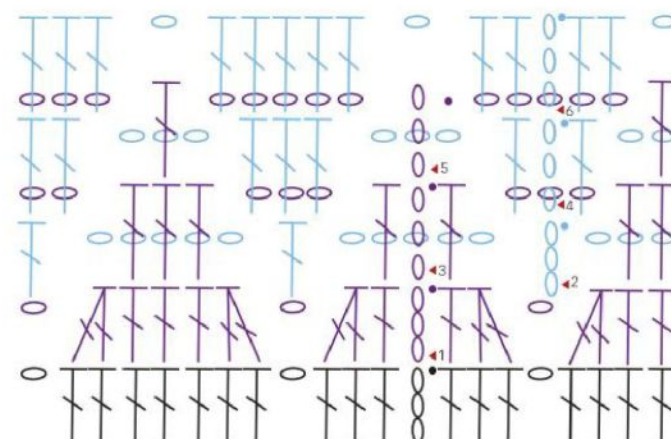
YOKE LAYOUT



SCHEMATIC



CUFF CHART



Rnds 2-19 (or to slightly under your wasit line): 3 ch, 3 tr, 1 ch, [7 tr, 1 ch] around, 3 tr, join.

HIP SHAPING

Rnd 20: 3 ch, 3 tr, 1 ch, [3 tr, inc, 3 tr], 1 ch, [7 tr, 1 ch] 11 (12, 13, 14, 15) times, [3 tr, inc, 3 tr], 1 ch, [7 tr, 1 ch] to last 3 sts, 3 tr, join. 170 (184, 198, 212, 226) tr

Continue in st patt [7 tr, 1 ch], working the est increases as foll:

Rnd 21: [4 tr, 1 ch, 4 tr].

Rnd 22: [3 tr, inc, 1 ch, inc, 3 tr]. 174 (188, 202, 216, 230) tr

Rnd 23: [5 tr, 1 ch, 5 tr].

Rnd 24: [4 tr, inc, 1 ch, inc, 4 tr]. 178 (192, 206, 220, 234) tr

Rnd 25: [6 tr, 1 ch, 6 tr].

Rnd 26: [5 tr, inc, 1 ch, inc, 5 dc]. 182 (196, 210, 224, 238) tr

EDGING

Rnd 27: As Body Rnd 2.

Rnd 28: Join CC2 in any ch-sp, 10 ch, [1 tr in next ch-sp, 7 ch] around, join. 26 (28, 30, 32, 24) tr

Rnd 29: With MC, 3 ch, 2 tr, 3 ch, [Dec D, 3 ch] around to last 3 sts, miss 1 st, 2 tr, join. 130 (140, 150, 160, 170) tr

Rnd 30: With CC2, 3 ch, 1 tr in 7ch-sp, 5 ch,

[Inc D, 5 ch] around to last 7ch-sp, 1 tr in 7ch-sp, join. 78 (84, 90, 96, 102) tr

Rnd 31: With MC, 3 ch, 1 tr, 5 ch, [Dec D, 5 ch] around to last 2 sts, miss 1 st, 1 tr, join. 78 (84, 90, 96, 102) tr

Rnd 32: With CC2, 3 ch, 1 tr, 1 tr in 5ch-sp, 3 ch, [Inc D, 3 ch] around to last 5ch-sp, 1 tr in 5ch-sp, 1 tr, join. 130 (140, 150, 160, 170) tr

Rnd 33: With MC, 10 ch, [Dec D, 7 ch] around, join. Fasten off. 26 (28, 30, 32, 24) tr

Rnd 34: With CC2, 3 ch, 2 tr, 1 tr in 3ch-sp, [Inc D, 1 ch] around to last 3ch-sp, 1 tr in 3ch-sp, 2 tr, join. Continue with CC2. 182 (196, 210, 224, 238) tr

Rnd 35: Dc in each st and 1ch-sp around. Fasten off. 208 (224, 240, 256, 272) dc

SLEEVE

Join MC in 4th ftr of underarm.

Rnd 1: 3 ch, 3 tr, 1 ch, [Inc D, 1 ch] around to next ftr, 7 tr, 1 ch, [Inc D, 1 ch] to last 3ch-sp, 1 tr in 3ch-sp, 2 tr, join. 56 (56, 63, 63, 70) tr

Rnds 2-30 (or to desired length; cuff will add 4cm): 3 ch, 3 tr, 1 ch, [7 tr, 1 ch] around, 3 tr, join.

CUFF

Rnd 1: 3 ch, 1 tr, 1 tr2tog, 1 ch, [1 tr2tog, 3 tr, 1 tr2tog, 1 ch] around to last 3 sts, 1 tr2tog, 1 tr, join. 40 (40, 45, 45, 50) tr

Rnd 2: Join CC2 in any ch-sp, 8 ch, [1 tr in next 1ch-sp, 5 ch] around, join. 8 (8, 9, 9, 10) tr

Rnd 3: With MC, 3 ch, 1 tr, 3 ch, [Dec D, 3 ch] around to last 2 sts, miss 1 st, 1 tr, join. 24 (24, 27, 27, 30) tr

Rnd 4: With CC2, 3 ch, 1 tr in 5ch-sp, 3 ch, [Inc D, 3 ch] around to last ch-sp, 1 tr in 5ch-sp, join. 24 (24, 27, 27, 30) tr

Rnd 5: With MC, 8 ch, [Dec D, 5 ch] around, join. Fasten off. 8 (8, 9, 9, 10) tr

Rnd 6: With CC2, 3 ch, 1 tr, 1 tr in 3ch-sp, 1 ch, [Inc D, 1 ch] around to last 3ch-sp, 1 tr in 3ch-sp, 1 tr, join. 40 (40, 45, 45, 50) tr

Rnd 7: With CC2, dc in each st and 1ch-sp around, join. Fasten off. 48 (48, 54, 54, 60) dc

Repeat for second sleeve.

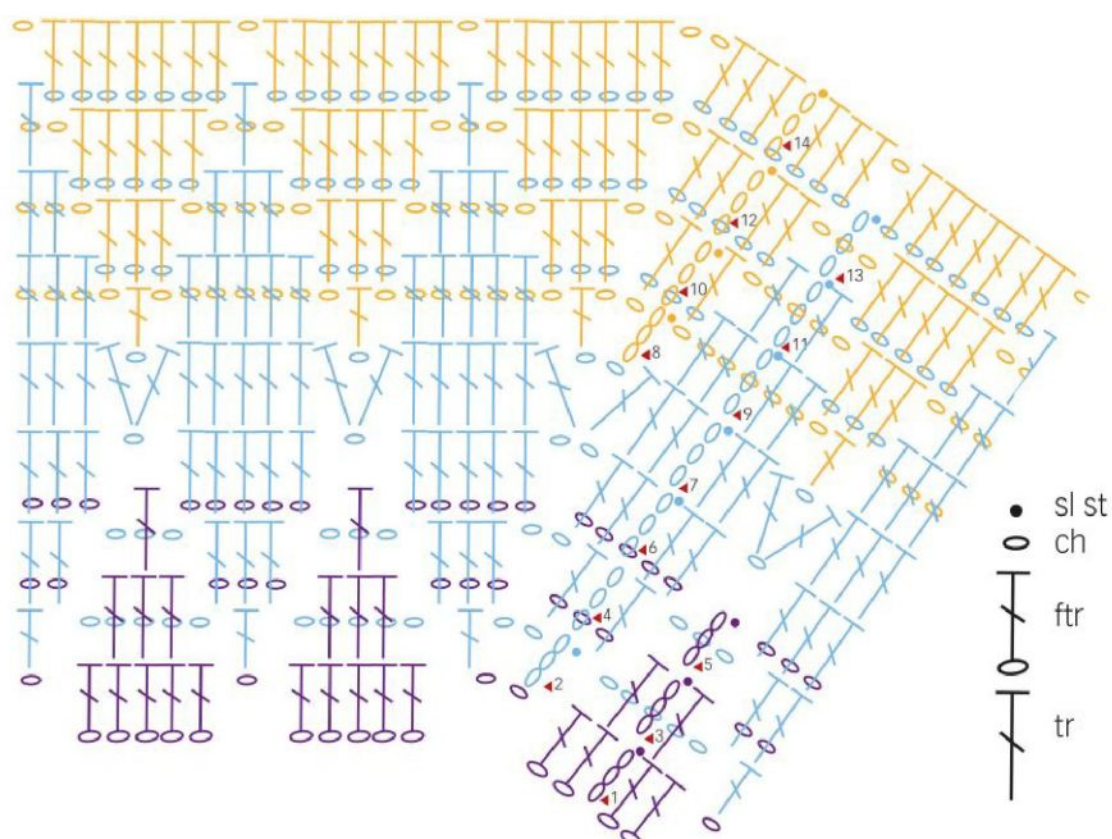
NECKLINE EDGING

Join MC at centre back, dc around, join.

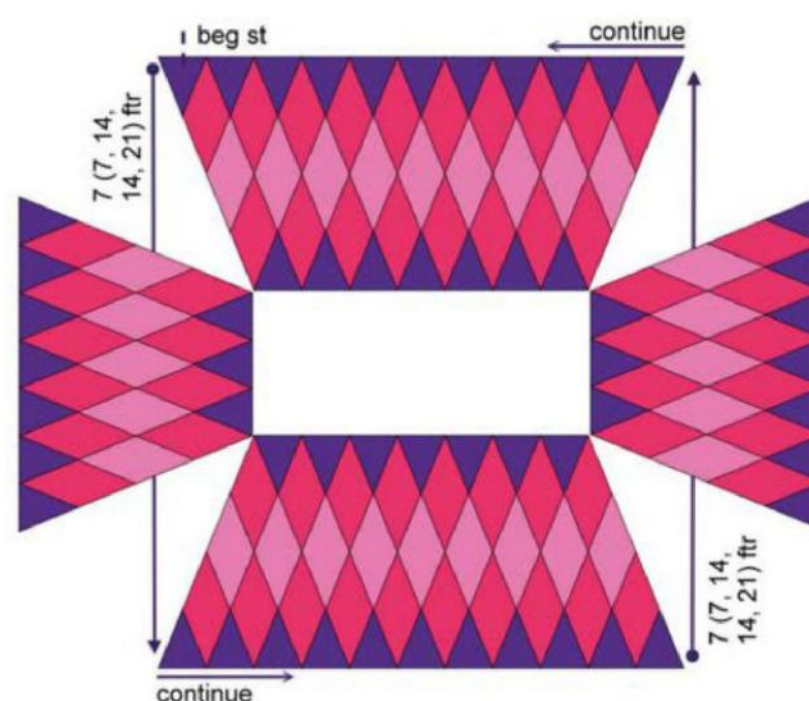
FINISHING

Weave in ends and block to given dimensions.

YOKE CHART



JOINING IN THE ROUND



BRIGHT BUNTING

Turn a couple of balls of colourful cotton yarn into some fun bunting for your home

Project Anni Howard





YARN SUGGESTION

KPC
Glencoul DK
1 ball each in
Flame (MC),
Confetti (CC1),
Get Ready
(CC2), Key
Lime (CC3),
Persimmon
(CC4)

ABOUT
THE YARN

DK; 116m
per 50g; 70%
Merino wool,
30% cotton

TENSION

5 ch sps x 10
rows = 10cm
measured
over flag patt

HOOK USED

4mm

OTHER SUPPLIES
tapestry needle

SIZING

5m (adjustable).
Each flag
measures
13cm across
and 13cm
down to point

FLAGS

Make 30 flags in total, 8 each in CC2, MC and CC1, 3 each in CC4 and CC3. Chain 5. Join with sl st to form ring.

Row 1 (RS): 4 ch (counts as first tr and 1 ch now and throughout), [1 tr, 1 ch, 1 tr] into ring. Turn. 3 tr

Row 2: 4 ch, 1 tr into ch-sp, 1 ch, [1 tr, 1 ch, 1 tr] into last ch-sp. Turn. 4 tr

Row 3: 4 ch, *1 tr into ch-sp, 1 ch; rep from * to last ch-sp, [1 tr, 1 ch, 1 tr] into last ch-sp. Turn. 5 tr

Rows 4-10: As Row 3. 12 tr
Fasten off.

FLAG EDGINGS

On CC2 flags make three in MC, three in CC1, one in CC4 and one in CC3.

On MC flags make three in CC2, three in CC1, one in CC4 and one in CC3.

On CC1 flags make three in MC, three in CC2, one in CC4 and one in CC3.

On CC4 and CC3 flags make one each in MC, CC1 and CC2.

With RS facing and working down side, join yarn to first ch-sp at top of flag, 3 ch, 3 tr into same ch-sp, [sl st into next ch-sp, 4 tr into next ch-sp] four times, sl st into next ch-sp, [3 tr, 3 ch, 3 tr] into beg ring at point, [sl st into next ch-sp, 4 tr into next ch-sp] five times. Fasten off.

FLOWERS

CENTRES

Make 30 centres in total, 18 in CC4 and 12 in CC3.

Chain 5. Join with sl st to form ring.

Rnd 1: 2 ch, 11 dc into ring, sl st to top of 2 ch. 12 dc
Fasten off.

PETALS

On CC4 centres, make six each in CC2, MC and CC1.

On CC3 centres, make three each in CC2, MC, CC1 and CC4.
Join yarn to any st.

Rnd 1: 2 ch, [1 tr, 1 dc] into same st as join, sl st into next st, *[1 dc, 1 tr, 1 dc] in next st, sl st into next st; rep from * to end.

Fasten off.

SPHERES

Make 30 spheres in total, four each in CC2, MC, CC1, CC4 and 14 in CC3.

Rnd 1: Working into a magic ring, 6 dc.

Rnd 2: [2 dc in next st] 6 times. 12 sts

Rnds 3-4: Dc around.

Rnd 5: [Dc2tog] 6 times. 6 sts

Pull magic ring tight and leave end in sphere. Lightly stuff.

Using a tapestry needle, weave yarn through tops of rem 6 sts and draw up tight to close sphere.

Fasten off.

CORD

With CC3, make a crochet ch approximately 5m in length.

MAKING UP

Either place the flags, flowers and spheres randomly or use photo as a guide.

Thread flags onto chain.

Sew flowers at top of some flags. Some spheres hang individually and some in pairs.

For individual spheres, cut a 15cm length of CC3 and attach, then sew other end to chain, allowing for a 5cm drop.

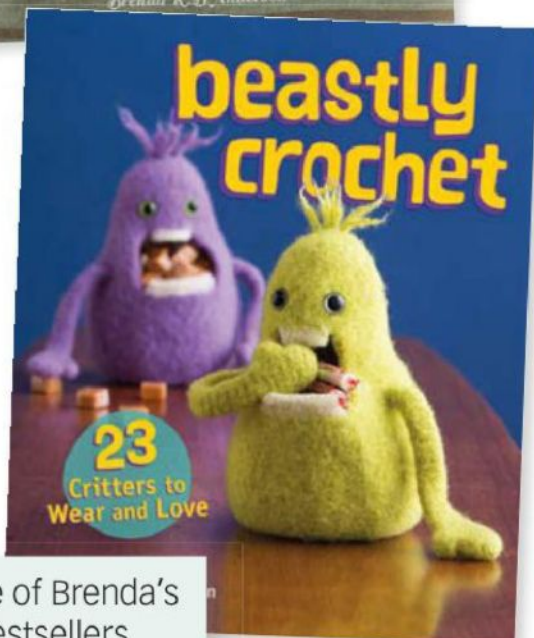
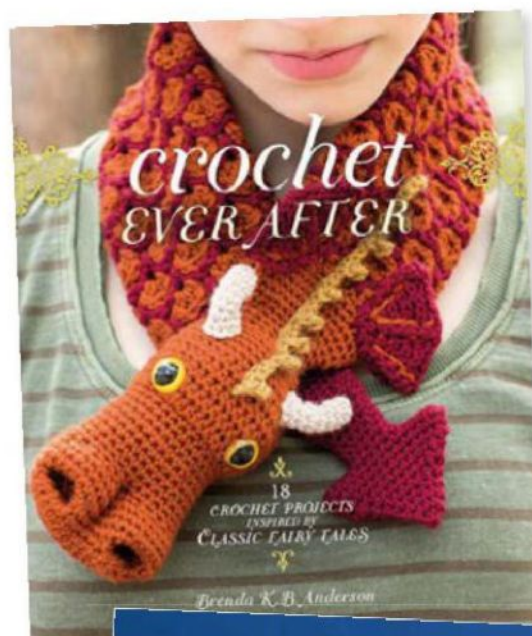
For spheres in pairs cut a 20cm length of CC3 and attach to both spheres so they are approximately 10cm apart. Tie onto chain.

Meet the MAKER



Brenda K. B. Anderson

Brenda spends her days making adorable puppets and mascots, and her nights with hook in hand, which helps explain why she's the master of adding real character to her crochet projects



Some of Brenda's bestsellers

Saint Paul, Minnesota, is where I call home. I live with my handsome husband (who never complains about my yarn hoarding), my twin toddlers (who strangely enjoy leafing through my stitch dictionaries), and my hairy baby, Mr. Kittypants (who thankfully has absolutely no interest in yarn). After the kids go to bed, I sit on the couch and play with yarn.

During the day, I am a Lead Costume Technician at VStar Entertainment. This is a super-creative job where I make patterns and construct mascots, puppets and other adorable creatures. VStar is known for its life-size *Sesame Street* costumes and has partnered with Nickelodeon on several projects, most recently the *Paw Patrol Live* show. Working for VStar has helped me cultivate an eye for what makes things cute – not only how to achieve facial expressions, but also what kinds of shapes and proportions make an overall pleasing shape. Being surrounded by cute things all day really affects how I see the world and in turn, how I design my crochet projects.

My mum taught my sister and I how to crochet when we were very young, I suspect it was to keep us out of trouble. We used to crochet-chain race by seeing who could get their crochet chain to reach the other end of the room first.

The best thing you can do to create character is take your time – moving an eyelid or eyebrow a fraction of an inch can completely change the expression. Eyelids and eyebrows that slope downward can look angry, whereas if they slope upward they can look sad. It depends on the combination of all of the features – you may have sad eyebrows, but with a smiling mouth your creature might look sheepish. The placement of the pupils as well as the size and proportion to the eye-white also makes a difference. Play around with features; cut circles out of paper and see what happens when you put them in different positions.

Having said that, carefully planning my design work isn't my strong point, I rarely even swatch and only do that when I am making something big like a garment or blanket. When it is something small I just



INTERVIEW

Brenda's favourite cuties (left) and one of her fun book designs



At work with Paw Patrol (above) and Cookie Monster (left)

wing it, which makes for a lot of do-overs but I don't mind. I always think of my beginning attempts as being the swatches.

I absolutely love garment and accessory projects for very different reasons. For garments, I feel that there is so much room for crochet innovation. Crochet garments still seem to have a bad reputation for being stiff, out of date, and dowdy – I feel the need to prove that this is not true. Accessories are definitely what I gravitate toward nowadays (hello, twin toddlers!). They are exciting little experiments as you get to try out fun new stitches, or an interesting/unusual construction without investing too much time and materials.

For me, making toys is the most intuitive project – it doesn't have to fit anyone, or be practical, it just has to be something that makes people want to squeal and hug it. These are like a little brain vacation with more creating, less planning.

When planning projects for a new book, usually I have questions like: "Is this dragon scarf too weird?" and "Will anyone ever make this?" I have found that for me, sometimes it is hard to tell when I am about to cross the line between hilariously-awesome to OK-that's-just-weird-now. Seeing the book in print is the most exciting thing about the whole process, and yes, I did jump up and down and squeal when I first saw each book.

The best thing you can do is take your time, moving an eyelid, or eyebrow even just a fraction of an inch can completely change the expression

Cover star



Brenda's project palette

When I was a child, my parents had a beautiful Polish papercutting hanging in the hallway that I really loved but wasn't allowed to touch. This snuggly bunny has a tummy covered in embroidery that was inspired by.... you guessed it, the bright colours and mirror imagery of Polish papercutting!

SNUGGLE BUNNY

Brenda's design turns a simple bit of amigurumi into something truly special, embellishing with a clever use of embroidered lace motifs

Project Brenda K.B. Anderson





YARN SUGGESTION

KPC Novomerino
Aran
3 balls in
Parakeet (MC)
1 ball in
Cornfield (CC)

ABOUT
THE YARN

Aran; 75m per
50g ball;
100% ultra-fine
Merino wool

TENSION

18 sts x 20
rnds = 10cm
measured over
dc worked in
the Rnd. OR
work rnds 1-10
of belly. Circle
measures 10cm
in diameter

HOOKS USED

3.75mm
2.25mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

6 stitch markers
toy stuffing
tapestry needle
8cm-wide
cardboard (for
making pompom
tail)
embroidery
needle
quilter's pins
lace fabric
similar in colour
to tummy

SIZING

Bunny: 31cm tall
(not including
ears)
Bunny ears:
18cm tall

Inner ears and facial features are worked flat, in turned rows. Turning chains do not count as a stitch.

The patterns for the bunny's body, tummy, outer ears, arms, legs, and flower (at ear) are worked in the amigurumi style, in a spiral without slip stitching or turning chains. Do not turn your work at the end of the rnd. Use a removable stitch marker to mark the end of the rnd.

Bunny body begins at the bottom and is worked in a spiral to the top of bunny's head.

Unless otherwise instructed, to make an increase work 2 dc into a stitch. Unless otherwise instructed, to make a decrease work moddc2tog across next two stitches. Outer ears, inner ears, tummy, arms, legs, flower (at ear), whiskers, eyes and nose/mouth outlines are all crocheted separately and stitched onto bunny. You may choose to forgo the directions for the facial features and embroider them directly onto the face instead. However, crocheting them first makes it much easier to get a symmetrical and tidy face. Embroidery on tummy is created by using pieces of purchased lace as a template, and filling it in with satin stitch embroidery.

BUNNY

Rnd 1: Using larger hook and MC, working into a magic ring, 6 dc.

Rnd 2: 2 dc into each st around. 12 sts

Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc into next st, pm in last st] 6 times. 18 sts, 6 markers placed

Move markers up each rnd. Use contrasting marker to mark last st of rnd.

Rnds 4-18: Dc around, increasing once between each set of markers (6 increases per Rnd). Make your increases in a different location each rnd so that they do not end up stacked on top of each other. 108 sts at end of Rnd 18

Rnds 19-36: Dc around.

Rnds 37-44: Dc around, decreasing once between each set of markers (6 decreases per rnd). Make your decreases in a different location each rnd so

that they do not end up stacked on top of each other. 60 sts at end of Rnd 44

Rnds 45 & 46: Dc around. Remove first, 3rd and 5th stitch markers (3 stitch markers remain).

Rnds 47-54: for next 8 rnds: Dc around, increasing once between each set of markers (3 increases per rnd). 84 sts at end of Rnd 54

Rnds 55-66: Dc around. 84 sts

Rnds 67-79: Dc around, decreasing twice between each set of markers (6 decreases per rnd). 6 sts

Stuff bunny firmly when hole in top is about the size of your fist. Continue adding toy stuffing as you work.

Sl st to fasten leaving long tail. Using yarn needle, weave yarn tail through each of remaining 6 sts and pull tight to close hole in top of bunny. Weave in ends securely.

OUTER EAR

Rnd 1: Using larger hook and MC, working into a magic ring, 6 dc. Use st marker to mark last st of rnd. Move marker up as work progresses.

Rnds 2-10: Dc around making 2 increases each rnd. Place each increase in a different place each rnd. 24 sts at end of Rnd 10

Rnds 11-22: Dc around making 1 increases each rnd. 36 sts at end of Rnd 22

Rnds 23-36: 1 dc each st. 36 sts. Fasten off, leaving a long tail.

INNER EAR (WORKED IN TURNED ROWS)

Using Larger hook and CC, chain 25.

Row 1: Beginning with the 2nd ch from hook and working into the bottom of the chain, 1 sl st, 1 dc, 2 htr, 4 tr, 16 dtr sts. Turn. 24 sts

Row 2: 2 ch, 17 dtr, 4 tr, 2 htr, dc in last st. Turn.

Row 3: 1 ch, 1 sl st, 1 dc, 2 htr, 4 tr, 16 dtr. Turn.

Edging row: 1 ch, 1 dc in next 24 sts, 1 dc into tip of ear, 1 dc in next 24 sts.

Fasten off leaving long tail for sewing inner ear into outer ear.

ARMS

Rnd 1: Using larger hook and MC, working into a magic ring, 6 dc.

Use st marker to mark last st of rnd. Move marker up as work progresses.

Rnd 2: 2 dc in each st. 12 sts

Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 18 sts

Rnd 4: [2 dc in next st, 1 dc in next 2 sts] 6 times. 24 sts

Rnds 5 & 6: Dc around.

Rnds 7-11: Dc around making 2 decreases each rnd. Place decreases in a different place each rnd so that you are not making a decrease stitch into the decrease from the previous rnd.

Rnds 12-15: Dc around. 12 sts. Fasten off leaving long tail for sewing. Stuff arms firmly in hand portion but lightly near top of arm.

LEGS

Work rnds 1-4 of directions for arms.

Rnd 5: [Dc in next 2 sts, 2 dc in next st, 1 dc in next st] 6 times. 30 sts

Rnds 6 & 7: Dc around.

Rnds 8-14: Dc around making 2 decreases each rnd. 16 sts. Place decreases in a different place each rnd so that you are not making a decrease stitch into the decrease from the previous rnd.

Rnds 15 & 16: Dc around. 16 sts. Fasten off leaving long tail for sewing. Stuff legs firmly in foot but lightly near top of leg.

TUMMY

Rnd 1: Using larger hook and CC, working into a magic ring, 6 dc.

Rnd 2: 2 dc into each st around. 12 sts

Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc into next st, pm in last st] 6 times. 18 sts, 6 markers placed

Move markers up each rnd. Use a contrasting stitch marker to mark the last st of rnd.

Rnds 4-12: Dc around, increasing once between each set of markers (6 increases per Rnd). Make your increases in a different location each rnd so that they do not end up stacked on top of each other. 72 sts at end of Rnd 12

Rnds 13-14: Dc around, increasing 4 times per rnd. 84 sts at end of Rnd 14

Fasten off leaving long tail for sewing tummy to front of bunny.



EYES (MAKE 2)

Using embroidery floss and smaller crochet hook, chain 11. Starting in 2nd ch from hook, and working into the bottom ridge of the ch, 1 sl st in next 7 chs, *4 ch, beg with 2nd ch from hook and working into the bottom ridge of the chain 1 sl st in next 3 sts, ** 1 sl st into each of next 2 sts of original chain; rep from * to **, 1 sl st in last st of original ch. Fasten off leaving long tail for sewing.

NOSE/MOUTH

Using embroidery floss and smaller crochet hook, chain 12. Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in bottom ridge of ch, 1 sl st in next 4, 5 ch, beg with 2nd ch from hook and working in bottom ridge of ch, 1 sl st in next 4, returning to original ch, 1 sl st in next 2 sts, 6 ch, beg with 2nd ch from hook and working in bottom ridge of ch, 1 sl st in next 5, returning to original ch, 1 sl st in last 5 sts.

FLOWER CENTRE

Rnd 1: Using red embroidery floss and smaller hook, working into a magic ring, 6 dc, do not join, pull on beginning yarn tail to tighten loop. 6 sts

Rnd 2: 2 dc in each st. 12 sts

Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] around. 18 sts

Rnd 4: Sl st in each st. Fasten off.

PETALS (MAKE 5)

Rnd 1: Using yellow embroidery floss and smaller hook, working into a magic ring, 6 dc, do not join, pull on beginning yarn tail to tighten loop. 6 sts

Rnd 2: 2 dc in each st. 12 sts

Rnds 3-5: Dc around. 12 sts

Rnd 6: [1 dc, moddc2tog] 4 times. 8 sts
Sl st to fasten off leaving long tail for sewing.

Fold petal flat. Using ending tail, whip-stitch opening of petal closed. Butt the ending edge of the petal up with the last dc Rnd of the flower centre, and whip stitch the edges together being careful not to stitch around/into the slip stitches. (The slip stitches will help hide your whip stitches.)

FINISHING

Block ear pieces if necessary. Fold outer ear flat. Place inner ear on top of outer ear and pin into place. Using yarn ends and tapestry needle, sew around edge of inner ear to attach it to the outer ear. Take care to only stitch through top layer of outer ear. Curl the base of outer ear



into a tube and using MC yarn tails and tapestry needle, stitch edges of outer ear to each other for about 3cm. Pin ears to top of head and stitch in place using MC and tapestry needle. Pin Tummy to front of bunny body. Use CC to stitch tummy to body. Fold opening of each arm flat and whip stitch closed. Repeat for each leg. Pin, and then stitch arms and legs to bunny body using photos as reference. Using ending tail, stitch flower to bunny's ear.

TAIL (POMPOM)

Wrap each colour around cardboard 80 times.

Cut a piece of MC to 40cm and set aside. Wrap each colour of yarn loosely around piece of cardboard about 80 times.

Carefully remove loops from cardboard and center them over the 40cm piece of yarn. Tie yarn around the centre of loops – make sure you tie a very tight knot.

Use scissors to cut all of the loops of the pompom, being careful not to cut either of the two longer strands that were used to tie the pompom together. Fluff pompom, and trim ends of pompom into a 6cm ball. Using tapestry needle and long strands of MC, attach pompom to back of bunny.



FACIAL FEATURES

Pin each eye, nose/mouth, and whiskers to head. Using ending tail and embroidery needle, stitch each piece to bunny's face. Using embroidery needle and pink embroidery floss, satin stitch a triangle onto bunny's face within the outlines for nose.

EMBROIDERY ON TUMMY (SEE PHOTOS)

1 Carefully cut lace motifs out of purchased lace yardage. It is OK to trim down motifs if you only want to use part of it.

2 Pin lace motifs to tummy. If you want mirror image embroidery, just flip a second piece over and pin to bunny with wrong side up. (You will be covering these motifs completely with embroidery so it doesn't matter which side of the lace is

showing). You can even combine parts of different motifs together if you want. Using lace for a template helps you clearly envision how the embroidery will look when it is finished. You can easily move your motifs around until you are happy with the placement of all of the pieces.

3 - 8 Using Embroidery floss and embroidery needle, fill in the lace motifs with satin stitches following example in photo. Be very careful not to pull too tightly on the embroidery floss, as this will constrict and/or distort the fabric.

9 - 11 Make French knots at center of flowers, and/or use chain stitch embroidery, or a backstitch to make outlines if desired.

Be sure your lace has motifs large enough to embroider - avoid fine, all-over patterns. You may want to wait to buy the lace until you have finished the bunny - so you can see if you like the size and shape of the lace pieces



RAMBLING ROSE WRIST WARMERS

Take one simple pattern for mitts and use your cross-stitch skills to turn them something special! !

Project Emma Friedlander-Collins

Using A, chain 34.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, dc across changing to B in last st. Turn. 33 sts

Row 2: 2 ch, *1 dc, miss 1 st, 1 ch; rep from * to last st, 1 dc in last st changing to C. Turn.

Row 3: 2 ch *1 dc in ch-sp, 1 ch; rep from * to last st, 1 dc in last st changing to D. Turn.

Row 4: 2 ch *1 dc in ch-sp, 1 ch; rep from * to last st, 1 dc in last st changing to E. Turn.

Row 5: 2 ch, *1 dc in ch-sp, 1 ch; rep from * to last st, 1 dc in last st changing to F. Turn.

Row 6: 1 ch, *1 dc in ch-sp, 1 dc in next st; rep from * across. Turn.

Rows 7-16: 1 ch, dc across. Turn.

Row 17: 1 ch, 1 dc in same st, dc across. 34 sts

Row 18: 1 ch, dc across. Turn.

Row 19: 1 ch, dc across to last st, 2 dc in last st. Turn. 35 sts

Row 20: 1 ch, dc across. Turn.

Row 21: Rep Row 17. 36 sts

Row 22: Rep Row 18.

Row 23: Rep Row 17. 37 sts

Row 24: Rep Row 18.

Row 25: Rep Row 17. 38 sts

Row 26: Rep Row 18.

Row 27: Rep Row 17. 39 sts

Row 28: Rep Row 18.

Row 29: Rep Row 17. 40 sts

Rows 30-31: Rep Row 18. Fasten off.

Row 32: Turn, miss 4 st and join yarn back in, 1 ch, 31 dc. Turn. 32 sts

Rows 33-38: 1 ch, dc across. Turn. Change to D in final st of Rnd 38.

Row 39: Rep Row 2, changing to C in final st.

Row 40: Rep Row 3 changing to F in final st.

Row 41: Rep Row 6. Fasten off.

FINISHING

Work cross stitch pattern into surface of each wrist warmer and sew edges together, leaving the thumb hole open.



YARN USED

KPC
Novomerino DK
1 ball each in
Vermillion (A),
Smoky Grape
(B), Confetti
(C), Key Lime
(D), Mango (E),
Ivory (F)

ABOUT THE YARN

DK; 107m
per 50g ball;
100% ultra-fine
Merino wool

TENSION

20 sts x 22
rows = 10cm
measured
over dc

HOOKE USED

4mm

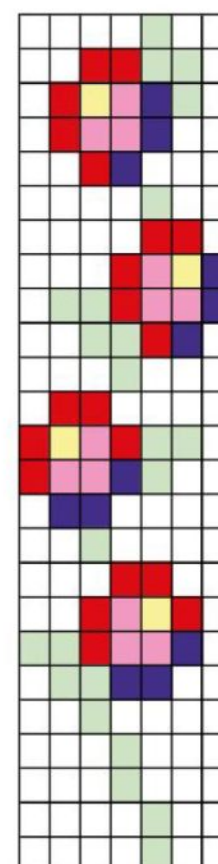
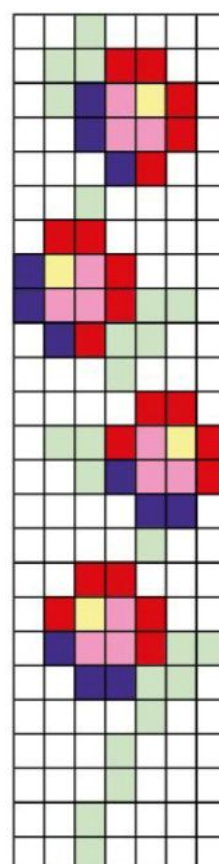
SIZING

19x9cm

CHARTS

LEFT

RIGHT



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Special abbreviations

Puff stitch (ps): [Yrh, insert hook in indicated st, yrh, pull] twice in same st or sp, yrh, draw through all 5 loops on hook

HEXAGON POUFFE

Add a stylish European touch to your home with this modern pouffe, made up of easy hexagon and pentagon motifs

Project Hoooked Design Team

This pouffe is made up of 20 hexagons and 12 pentagons. You work the pieces one by one and then sew the pieces of this crochet puzzle together in one go.

The sides of the hexagons and pentagons fit each other with 5 stitches. There will be 1 stitch over in each corner of the hexagon. The sides of the hexagons fit each other with 6 stitches. Unless otherwise stated, turning chains do not count as a stitch.

HEXAGON (MAKE 20)

Rnd 1: With CC1, working into a magic ring, 2 ch (does not count as a st), 9 ps. Join with sl st into top of first ps. Turn. 9 ps

Rnd 2: With CC2, 2 ch, [2 ps in next st] 9 times. Join with sl st into top of first ps. Turn. 18 ps

Rnd 3: With MC, 2 ch, [2 ps, 2 ps in next st] 6 times. Join with sl st into top of first ps. Turn. 24 sts

Rnd 4: 1 ch, [3 dc, 3 dc in next st] 6 times. Join with sl st into top of first st. 36 d. Fasten off.

Your piece has 6 stitches on each of the six sides. Make yourself a cup of tea and enjoy the moment, before getting busy on producing the rest – you need to make a total of 20 hexagons for this pouffe.

PENTAGON (MAKE 12)

Rnd 1: Using MC, working into a magic ring, 2 ch, 12 ps. Join with sl st into top of first ps. Turn. 12 ps

Rnd 2: 2 ch, [2 ps in next st] 12 times. 1

ch, join with sl st into top of first ps. 25 sts

Your piece has 5 stitches on each of the five sides.

MAKING UP

Using MC, begin at the top of the pouffe and sew the pieces together one by one following the diagrams.

STUFFING THE POUFFE

Before finishing the pouffe completely, you need to stuff it with a suitable and firm stuffing. Make sure the stuffing is not too small and there is enough tension on the cover to make a beautiful shaped and round pouffe. You can add a bit of extra foam or polystyrene beads to your ready-made pouffe filler if necessary.

FINISHING

Weave in ends.



YARN USED

Hoooked
RibbonXL
4 balls
white (MC)
CC1 (Rnd 1 of
hexagon): 6m
per hexagon –
120m total
CC2 (Rnd 2 of
hexagon): 7m
per hexagon –
140m total

ABOUT THE YARN

Super chunky;
120m per
250g ball;
80% cotton,
20% other
recycled fibre

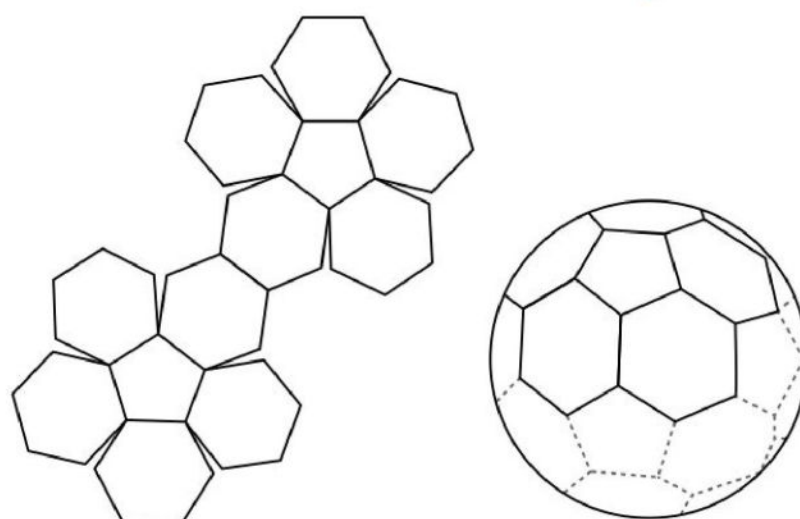
HOOKE USED

10mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

65cm-diameter
ready-made
pouffe filler

MAKING UP DIAGRAMS





SYDNEY THE KOALA

Say “g’day, mate” to your newest friend – this adorable koala can be made in just a couple of hours in chunky yarn

Project Hooooked Design Team

Sydney is made in the amigurumi style, in a spiral without slip stitching or turning chains. Use stitch marker or waste yarn to keep track of the first st of each rnd.

HEAD

- Rnd 1:** With MC, working into a magic ring, 6 dc. 6 sts
Rnd 2: [2 dc in next st] 6 times. 12 sts
Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 18 sts
Rnd 4: [2 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 24 sts
Rnd 5: [3 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 30 sts
Rnd 6: [4 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 36 sts
Rnd 7: Dc around.
Rnd 8: [5 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 42 sts
Rnd 9: [6 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 48 sts
Rnd 10: [7 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 54 sts
Rnds 11-14: Dc around.
Rnd 15: [7 dc, 1 dc2tog] 6 times. 48 sts
Rnd 16: [6 dc, 1 dc2tog] 6 times. 42 sts
Rnd 17: [5 dc, 1 dc2tog] 6 times. 36 sts
Rnd 18: [4 dc, 1 dc2tog] 6 times. 30 sts
Rnd 19: [3 dc, 1 dc2tog] 6 times. 24 sts
Rnd 20: [2 dc, 1 dc2tog] 6 times. 18 sts
 Stuff the head.
Rnd 21: [1 dc, 1 dc2tog] 6 times. 12 sts

- Rnd 22:** [1dc2tog] 6 times, sl st in next st. 6 sts
 Fasten off leaving a long tail. Weave tail through last 6 sts and pull tight to close.

BODY

- Rnd 1:** With MC, working into a magic ring, 6 dc. 6 sts
Rnd 2: [2 dc in next st] 6 times. 12 sts
Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 18 sts
Rnd 4: [2 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 24 sts
Rnd 5: [3 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 30 sts
Rnd 6: [4 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 36 sts
Rnd 7: [5 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 42 sts
Rnd 8: [6 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 48 sts
Rnd 9: 15 dc in MC, 18 dc in CC1, 15 dc in MC.
Rnds 10-14: As Rnd 9.
 Fasten off loose ends inside body.
Rnd 15: [10 dc, 1 dc2tog, 4 dc] in MC, [6 dc, 1 dc2tog, 10 dc, 1 dc2tog] in CC1, [10 dc, 1 dc2tog] in MC. 44 sts
Rnd 16: [9 dc, 1 dc2tog, 4 dc] in MC, [5 dc, 1 dc2tog, 9 dc, 1 dc2tog] in CC1, [9 dc, 1 dc2tog] in MC. 40 sts
Rnd 17: [8 dc, 1 dc2tog, 4 dc] in MC, [4 dc, 1 dc2tog, 8 dc, 1 dc2tog] in CC1, [8 dc, 1 dc2tog] in MC. 36 sts
Rnd 18: [7 dc, 1 dc2tog, 5 dc] in MC, [2 dc, 1 dc2tog, 7 dc, 1 dc2tog] in CC1, [7 dc, 1 dc2tog] in MC. 32 sts
Rnd 19: [6 dc, 1 dc2tog] twice in

MC, 6 dc in CC1, [1 dc2tog, 6 dc, 1 dc2tog] in MC. 28 sts
 Fasten off loose ends.

Rnd 20: With MC, [5 dc, 1 dc2tog] 4 times. 24 sts

Rnd 21: [2 dc, 1 dc2tog] 6 times. 18 sts

Stuff body.

Rnd 22: [1 dc, 1 dc2tog] 6 times. 12 sts

Rnd 23: [1 dc2tog] 6 times, sl st in next st. 6 sts

Fasten off leaving a long tail. Weave tail through last 6 sts and pull tight to close.

EARS (MAKE 2)

- Rnd 1:** With CC1, working into a magic ring, 6 dc. 6 sts
Rnd 2: [2 dc in next st] 6 times. 12 sts
Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 18 sts
Rnd 4: [2 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times, sl st in next st. 24 sts
 Fasten off.
Rnd 5: With MC, join yarn with sl st to any dc. 19 dc, 1 htr, 2 tr, 1 htr, 1 dc.
Rnd 6: Dc around.
Row 7: [2 dc, 1 dc2tog] 6 times. 18 sts
Rnd 8: [1 dc, 1 dc2tog] 6 times. 12 sts
Rnd 9: [1 dc2tog] 6 times, sl st in next st. 6 sts
 Fasten off leaving a long tail. Weave tail through last 6 sts and pull tight to close.



YARN USED

Hooooked
 RibbonXL
 3 balls Stone
 Grey RXL31
 (MC)
 1 ball Sandy
 Ecru RXL33
 (CC1)
 Small amount
 in Black Night
 RXL26 for
 nose and
 embroidering
 eyes (CC2)

ABOUT THE YARN

Super chunky;
 120m per
 250g ball;
 80% cotton,
 20% other
 recycled fibre

HOOOOK USED

10mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

Toy stuffing
 Tapestry
 needle
 Stitch marker
 or waste yarn

SIZING

Approximately
 40cm tall



To give Sydney his cheeky wild look, you can add some fluff to his ears. Cut 10x23cm pieces of MC and 10x23cm pieces of CC1. Take a dark and a light grey piece together, thread onto tapestry needle and pull through the dc at the pointy tip of the ear and fasten with a knot. Place 2 more sets of dark/light threads above and 2 sets below. Repeat for other ear.

HIND PAWS (MAKE 2)

Rnd 1: With MC, working into a magic ring, 6 dc. 6 sts
Rnd 2: [2 dc in next st] 6 times. 12 sts
Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 18 sts
Rnd 4: [2 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 24 sts
Rnd 5: [2 dc, 1 dc2tog] 6 times. 18 sts
Rnd 6: Dc around.
Rnd 7: [1 dc, 1 dc2tog] 6 times. 12 sts
Rnds 8-10: Dc around.
 Stuff paw.
Rnds 11-14: Dc around.
 Stuff the rest of the paw, but not too much.

Close the paw by holding the edges of rnd 14 together and crocheting together using dc. Fasten off.

FRONT PAWS (MAKE 2)

Rnd 1: With MC, working into a magic ring, 6 dc. 6 sts
Rnd 2: [2 dc in next st] 6 times. 12 sts
Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 18 sts
Rnd 4: Dc around.
Rnd 5: [1 dc, 1 dc2tog] 6 times. 12 sts
Rnd 6: Dc around.
Rnd 7: [1 dc, 1 dc2tog] 4 times. 8 sts
 Stuff the paw.
Rnds 8-13: Dc around.
 Stuff the rest of the paw, but not too much. Close the paw by holding the edges of rnd 13 together and crocheting together using dc. Fasten off.

NOSE

Rnd 1: With CC2, working into a magic ring, 7 dc. 7 sts

Rnd 2: 2 dc in next st, 2 htr in next st, 2 tr in next st, 2 htr in next st, [2 dc in next st] 3 times. 14 sts

Rnd 3: 2 dc, 1 htr, 3 tr, 1 htr, 4 dc, sl st in next st.
 Fasten off.

MAKING UP

Using picture as a guide, sew head onto top of body. Sew ears onto head with the pointy tips up in the air. Sew hind paws onto the lower sides of body. Sew front paws onto the sides of body, just below head. Sew nose onto head, adding a small amount of stuffing before completely attaching. With CC2, embroider the eyes, placing them approximately 3 dc away from the nose. Weave in ends.

HOOOOK A RAINBOW

We can't get enough of the shades of Hooooked Zpagetti – there are over 100 to choose from!



1 – Red Lips 2 – Bright Orange 3 – Yellow Beach 4 – Velvet Green 5 – Blue Elemental 6 – Blue Fish 7 – Glamour Dance

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QUARTZ RAINBOW BLANKET

This simple block design sparkles in Rosina's crystal-inspired throw

Project Rosina Northcott



DESIGNER'S TIP

Slip stitches replace the 1 ch between tr and PS during joining on the final round. If you don't feel ready to try the Join-As-You-Go technique, you can make all the squares first and sew them together

MOTIF (MAKE 130)

Make 15 Smokey Berry, 18 Cardinal, 9 Violet, 16 Mouse Grey, 13 Light Blue, 12 Light Green, 10 Emerald, 11 Candy Pink, 8 Royal, 8 Light Yellow, 6 Rose & 4 Smokey Orange

Chain 5. Join with a sl st to make a ring.

Rnd 1: 1 ch, [1 PS into ring, 1 ch] 8 times, join with sl st in top of first PS. 8 PS

Rnd 2: Sl st into next 1ch-sp, 3 ch (counts as first tr), 2 tr into same beg 1ch-sp, 1 ch, *1 PS in next 1ch-sp, 1 ch, [3 tr, 2 ch, 3 tr] in next 1ch-sp, 1 ch; rep from * twice, 1 PS in next 1ch-sp, 1 ch, 3 tr in beg 1ch-sp, join with 1 htr in top of beg 3-ch. 4 PS, 24 tr

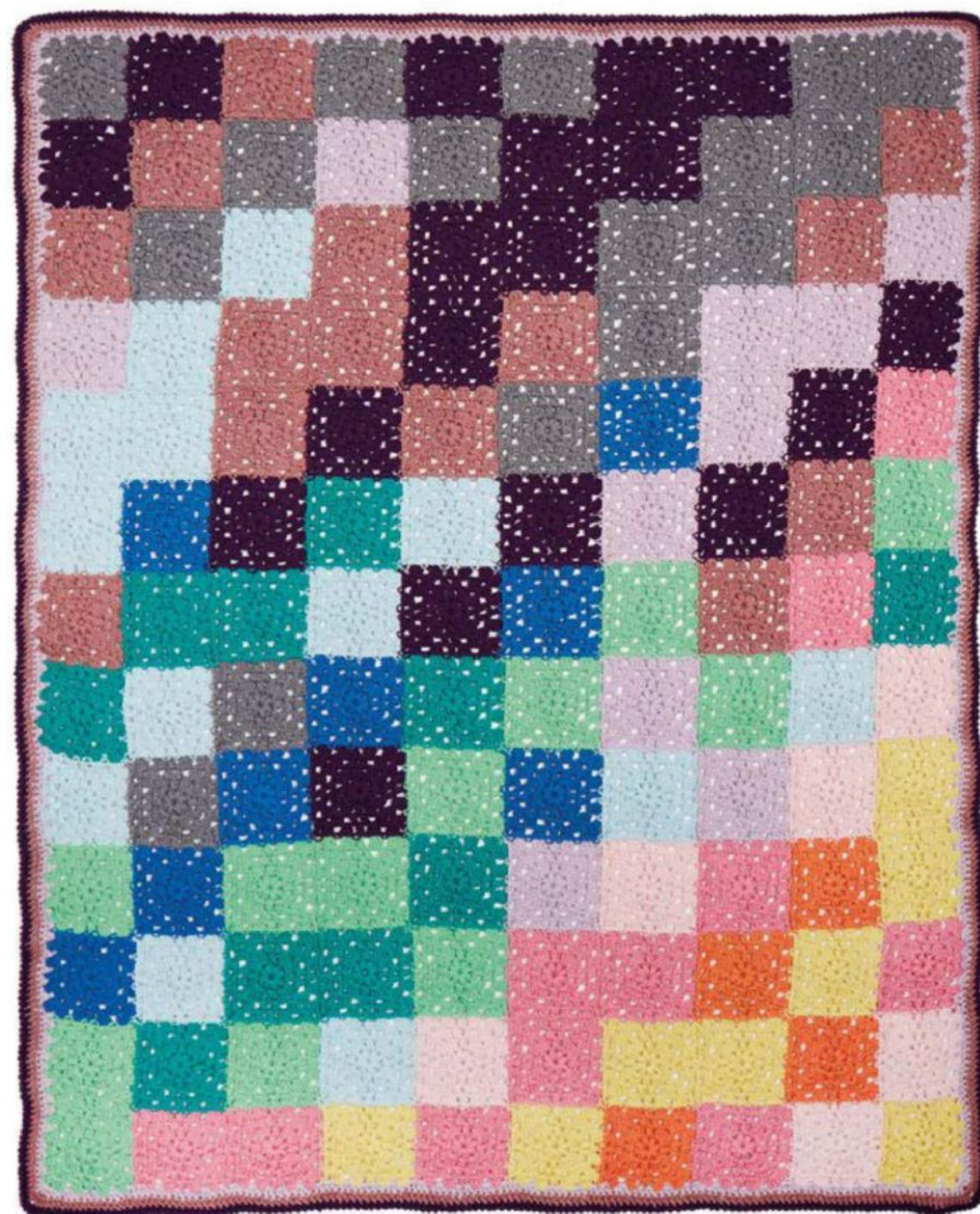
Rnd 3: 3 ch, 2 tr in same beg 2ch-sp, 1 ch, *[1 PS in next 1ch-sp, 1 ch] twice, [3 tr, 2 ch, 3 tr] in next 2ch-sp, 1 ch; rep from * twice, [1 PS in next 1ch-sp, 1 ch] twice, 3 tr in beg 2ch-sp, join with 1 htr in top of beg 3-ch. 8 PS, 24 tr

Rnd 4: 3 ch, 2 tr in same beg 2ch-sp, 1 ch, *3 tr in next 1ch-sp, 1 ch, 1 PS in next 1ch-sp, 1 ch, 3 tr in next 1 ch-sp**, 1 ch, [3 tr, 2 ch, 3 tr] in next 2ch-sp, 1 ch; rep from * 3 times, ending last rep at **, 2 ch, join with sl st in top of beg 3-ch. Fasten off. 4 PS, 48 tr

Make the first square as per the pattern. Subsequent squares are joined as you go while crocheting Rnd 4. The squares are joined by working a sl st between each 3tr-cluster and each PS of the adjoining squares. Join squares using colour layout as a guide.

(1-4) Joining One Side: Complete three sides of Rnd 4 up to last unused 2ch-sp, 3 tr in corner 2ch-sp, sl st into corresponding corner 2ch-sp of adjacent square, *1 ch, 3 tr in same corner 2ch-sp of first square, sl st into next 1ch-sp of adjacent square, 3 tr, sl st, 1 PS, sl st, 3 tr, sl st**, 3 tr in beg 2ch-sp, sl st, 1 ch, join with sl st to 3rd of beg 3-ch.

(5-9) Joining Two Sides: Complete two sides of Rnd 4 on working (first) square up to the 2ch-sp, 3 tr in corner 2ch-sp, sl st into corresponding corner 2ch-sp of adjacent (2nd)



square; rep from * to ** of Joining One Side, 3 tr in 2ch-sp, sl st in 2ch-sp of 2nd square, sl st in 2ch-sp of next adjacent (3rd) square; rep from * to end of Joining One Side.

BORDER

Rnd 1: Join A to any of the four corner-of-blanket 2ch-sps, 3 ch, 2 tr in same beg 2ch-sp, *[3 tr in next 1ch-sp, [2 tr in next 1ch-sp] twice, 3 tr in next 1 ch-sp, [2 tr in joined-corner 1ch-sp] twice] across to next corner-of-blanket 2ch-sp**, [3 tr, 2 ch, 3 tr] in 2ch-sp; rep from * around ending last rep at **, 3 tr in beg 2 ch-sp, 2 ch, join with sl st to top of beg 3-ch. Fasten off. 668 tr

Rnd 2: Join B to any corner 2ch-sp, 3 ch, 2 tr in same beg 2ch-sp, tr across to next 2ch-sp, *[3 tr, 2 ch, 3 tr] in 2ch-sp, tr across to next 2ch-sp; rep from * around, 3 tr in beg 2ch-sp, 2 ch, join with sl st to top of beg 3-ch. Fasten off. 692 tr

Rnd 3: Join C to any st, 1 ch, dc

around placing 3 dc in each corner 2ch-sp, join with sl st to first dc. 704 dc

Rnd 4: 1 ch, crab st around, join with sl st to first st. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Special stitches

Puff stitch (PS): [Yrh, insert hook into 1ch-sp, yrh, pul] 3 times into same sp, yrh, draw through all 7 loops on hook, 1 ch (Note: the 1 ch is part of the puff stitch and isn't mentioned in the pattern)

Crab stitch: Insert hook in next st to the right from front to back, yrh, pul, yrh, draw through both loops on hook



YARN USED

KPC
Novomerino
Aran
5 balls each in Thunder (B), Ocean (C)
4 balls each in Smoky Grape (A), Parakeet
3 balls each in Key Lime, Big Apple, Confetti
2 balls each in Blue Steel, Mango
Smoothie
1 ball in Honey

ABOUT THE YARN

Aran; 75m per 50g ball; 100% ultra-fine Merino wool

TENSION

Each motif measures 11.5cm square

HOOK USED

4.5mm

SIZING

122x155cm



FERIA WRAP

'Feria' means fair in Spanish – it's easy to see how this lacy stole is inspired by these fantastically bright carnivals held in each town every year

Project Elisabeth Davis de Herraiz

With A, chain 254.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, 1 dc, *2 ch, miss 2 ch, 1 shell, 2 ch, miss 2 ch, 1 dc; rep from * to end. Turn. *42 shells, 43 dc*

Row 2: 5 ch (counts as first tr and 2 ch), *miss 1 tr, 1 dc, 3 ch, miss 2 tr, 1 dc, 2 ch, miss 1 tr, 1 tr, 2 ch; rep from * across, omitting final 2 ch on last rep. Turn. *43 tr, 84 dc*

Row 3: 6 ch (counts as first tr and 3 ch), miss 1 dc, 1 dc in 3ch-sp, *2 ch, miss [1 dc, 2ch-sp], 1 shell, 2 ch, miss 1 dc, 1 dc in 3ch-sp; rep from * across to last dc, miss [1 dc, 2ch-sp], 3 ch, 1 tr. Turn. *41 shells, 44 sts*

Row 4: 1 ch (does not count as st now and throughout), 1 dc, 2 ch, miss 3ch-sp, *1 tr, 2 ch, miss [2ch-sp, 1 tr], 1 dc, 3 ch, miss 2 tr, 1 dc, miss [1 tr, 2ch-sp]; rep from * across to last dc, 1 tr, 2 ch, miss 3ch-sp, 1 dc. Turn. *42 tr, 84 dc*

Row 5: 1 ch, 1 dc, 2 ch, miss 2ch-sp, *1 shell, 2 ch, miss 1 dc, 1 dc in 3ch-sp, 2 ch, miss [1 dc, 2ch-sp]; rep from * across to last tr, 1 shell, 2 ch, miss 2ch-sp, 1 dc. Turn. *42 shells, 43 dc*

Rows 6-13: Rep rows 2-5 twice.

Rows 14-16: Rep rows 2-4 once. Fasten off.

Row 17: With B, as Row 5.

Rows 18-29: Rep rows 2-5 three times.

Rows 30-32: Rep rows 2-4 once.

Rows 33-45: With C, rep rows 17-29.

Rows 46-47: Rep rows 2-3 once. Fasten off.

BORDER

Row 1: Join B to corner of either short side, evenly space 97 htr along short side. Turn.

Row 2: 8 ch (counts as first tr and 5 ch), *miss 5 sts, 1 shell, 5 ch, miss 5 sts, 1 dc, 5 ch; rep from * 6 more times, miss 5 sts, 1 shell, 5 ch, miss 5 sts, 1 tr. Turn. *7 shells*

Row 3: 1 ch (does not count as st), 1 dc, *2 ch, 1 dc in 5ch-sp, 4 ch, [1 dc, picot, 1 dc] in centre stitch of

shell, 4 ch, 1 dc in 5ch-sp, 2 ch, 1 dc; rep from * 7 more times. *36 dc*
Rep rows 1-3 on the other short side of wrap.

Weave in all ends and block to measurements.

Special abbreviations

Shell: 5 tr in same st

Picot: 3 ch, sl st in first ch



YARN USED

KPC Glencoul
4-ply
1 ball each in
Mango (A),
Berry Bliss (B),
Sorbet (C)

ABOUT THE YARN

4-ply; 175m per
50g ball; 70%
Merino wool,
30% cotton

TENSION

12 rows =
10cm over
st patt

HOOK USED

3.5mm

SIZING

Before
blocking:
38cm deep x
170cm wide
After blocking:
50cm deep x
190cm wide





FLAMINGO CUSHION

This amazing design uses colourwork in a new way – making a fabulous flamingo from puff stitches!

Project Sylvia Margaret Designs

For the motif, you will carry both A and B with you as you work, working your stitches over the yarn not in use. When changing colour, work st before to final yrh and pull through in first colour, yrh and pull through with next colour.

As you are only working one grey and one black stitch you do not need to carry these with you. When you get to these stitches, add in the new yarn in the same method as above. Leave long tails and secure firmly.

FLAMINGO MOTIF

Work rnds 1-8 using chart for colour changes.

Rnd 1: With A and B held together and working into a magic ring, 2 ch, 6 PS in magic ring, pull tail to close ring, sl st in first PS to join. 6 PS

Rnd 2: Sl st in next sp before PS, [2 PS in each sp] around, sl st in first PS to join. 12 PS

Rnd 3: Sl st in next sp before PS, [2 PS in next sp, 1 PS in next sp] around, sl st in first PS to join. 18 PS

Rnd 4: Sl st in next sp before PS, [2 PS in next sp, 2 PS in next sp] around, sl st in first PS to join. 24 PS

Rnd 5: Sl st in next sp before PS, [2 PS in next sp, 3 PS in next sp] around, sl st in first PS to join. 30 PS

Rnd 6: Sl st in next sp before PS, [2 PS in next sp, 4 PS in next sp] around, sl st in first PS to join. 36 PS

Rnd 7: Sl st in next sp before PS, [2 PS in next sp, 5 PS in next sp] around, sl st in first PS to join. 42 PS

Rnd 8: Sl st in next sp before PS, [2 PS in next sp, 6 PS in next sp] around, sl st in first PS to join. 48 PS

Fasten off and weave in ends.

CUSHION FRONT

Rnd 1: With C, working into the edge of the Flamingo Motif hexagon, dc in each st and sp around. 96 sts
Fasten off. Join E in dc on Rnd 1, which correspond to the left-hand PS of an increase from the Flamingo Motif.

Rnd 2: *1 ch, 3 dc, 3 htr, 4 tr, 3 htr, 3 dc; rep from * around, join with sl st in first dc of rnd. 96 dc
Fasten off. Join D in same st.

Rnd 3: [15 dc, 2 dc in next] around, join with sl st in first st of rnd. 102 sts

Fasten off. Join E in same st.

Rnd 4: [16 dc, 2 dc in next st] around, join with sl st in first st of rnd. 108 sts

Rnd 5: [2 dc in next st, 17 dc] around, join with sl st in first st of rnd. 114 sts

Join in A and carry with you for the next rnd.

Rnd 6: Flip work so working with the wrong side facing you, 2 dc [with A make bobble stitch, with E 4 dc] 3 times, with A make 1 bobble stitch in next st, *with E 2 dc in next st, 2 dc, with A make bobble stitch in next st, with E 4 dc, with A make bobble stitch in next st, with E 4 dc, with A make bobble

stitch in next, with E 4 dc, with A make bobble stitch in next; rep from * finishing with 2 dc in last st join with sl st in first st of rnd. 120 sts, 24 bobbles made

Fasten off A, but not E.

Rnd 7: Flip work again so you are now working with the right side facing you, [19 dc, 2 dc in next] around, join with sl st in first st of rnd. 126 sts

Rnd 8: [20 dc, 2 dc in next] around, join with sl st in first st of rnd. 132 sts
Fasten off E, join C in same st.

Rnd 9: [21 dc, 2 dc in next st] around, join with sl st in first st of rnd. 138 sts

Fasten off C, join D in same st.

Rnd 10: 2 ch, [2 htr in next st, 22 htr] 5 times, 2 htr in next st, 21 htr, join with sl st in beg 2 ch. 144 sts

CUSHION BACK

Rnd 1: With B, working into magic ring, 3 ch (counts as 1 tr), 11 tr in ring, join with sl st in beg 3 ch, pull tail to close ring. 12 sts

Fasten off B, join A in any st.

Rnd 2: 3 ch, 1 tr in base of 3 ch, 2 tr in each stitch, join with sl st in beg 3 ch. 24 sts

Fasten off A, join C in any st.

Rnd 3: 2 ch, [2 htr in next st, 1 htr in next] 11 times, 2 htr in last st, join with sl st in beg 2 ch. 36 sts

Fasten off C, join E in any st.

Rnd 4: 2 ch [2 htr in next st, 2 htr] 11 times, 2 htr in next st, 1 htr, join with sl st in beg 2 ch. 48 sts

Fasten off E, join D in any st.

Rnd 5: 2 ch, [2 htr in next st, 3 htr] 11 times, 2 htr in next st, 2 htr, join with sl st in beg 2 ch. 60 sts



YARN SUGGESTION

KPC
Novomerino
Aran
1 ball each
in Ivory (A),
Confetti (B),
black (C),
Thunder (D),
Lagoon (E)

ABOUT THE YARN

Aran; 75m
per 50g ball;
100% ultra-fine
Merino wool

TENSION

Motif measures
20cm diameter

HOOK USED

5mm

SIZING

Approximately
35cm diameter



Fasten off D, join E in any st.

Rnd 6: 2 ch, [2 htr in next, 4 htr] 11 times, 2 htr in next st, 3 htr, join with sl st in beg 2 ch. 72 sts

Fasten off E, join A in any st.

Rnd 7: 2 ch, [2 htr in next, 5 htr] 11 times, 2 htr in next st, 4 htr, join with sl st in beg 2 ch. 84 sts

Fasten off A, join B in any st.

Rnd 8: 2 ch, [2 htr in next, 6 htr] 11 times, 2 htr in next st, 5 htr, join with sl st in beg 2 ch. 96 sts

Fasten off B, join C in any st.

Rnd 9: 2 ch, [2 htr in next, 7 htr] 11 times, 2 htr in next st, 6 htr, join with sl st in beg 2 ch. 108 sts

Fasten off C, join E in any st.

Rnd 10: 2 ch, [2 htr in next, 8 htr] 11 times, 2 htr in next st, 7 htr, join with sl st in beg 2 ch. 120 sts

Fasten off E, join D in any st.

Rnd 11: 2 ch, [2 htr in next, 9 htr] 11 times, 2 htr in next st, 8 htr, join with sl st in beg 2 ch. 132 sts

Fasten off D, join A in any st.

Rnd 12: 2 ch, [2 htr in next, 10 htr] 11 times, 2 htr in next st, 9 htr, join with sl st in beg 2 ch. 144 sts

Fasten off A, join D in any st.

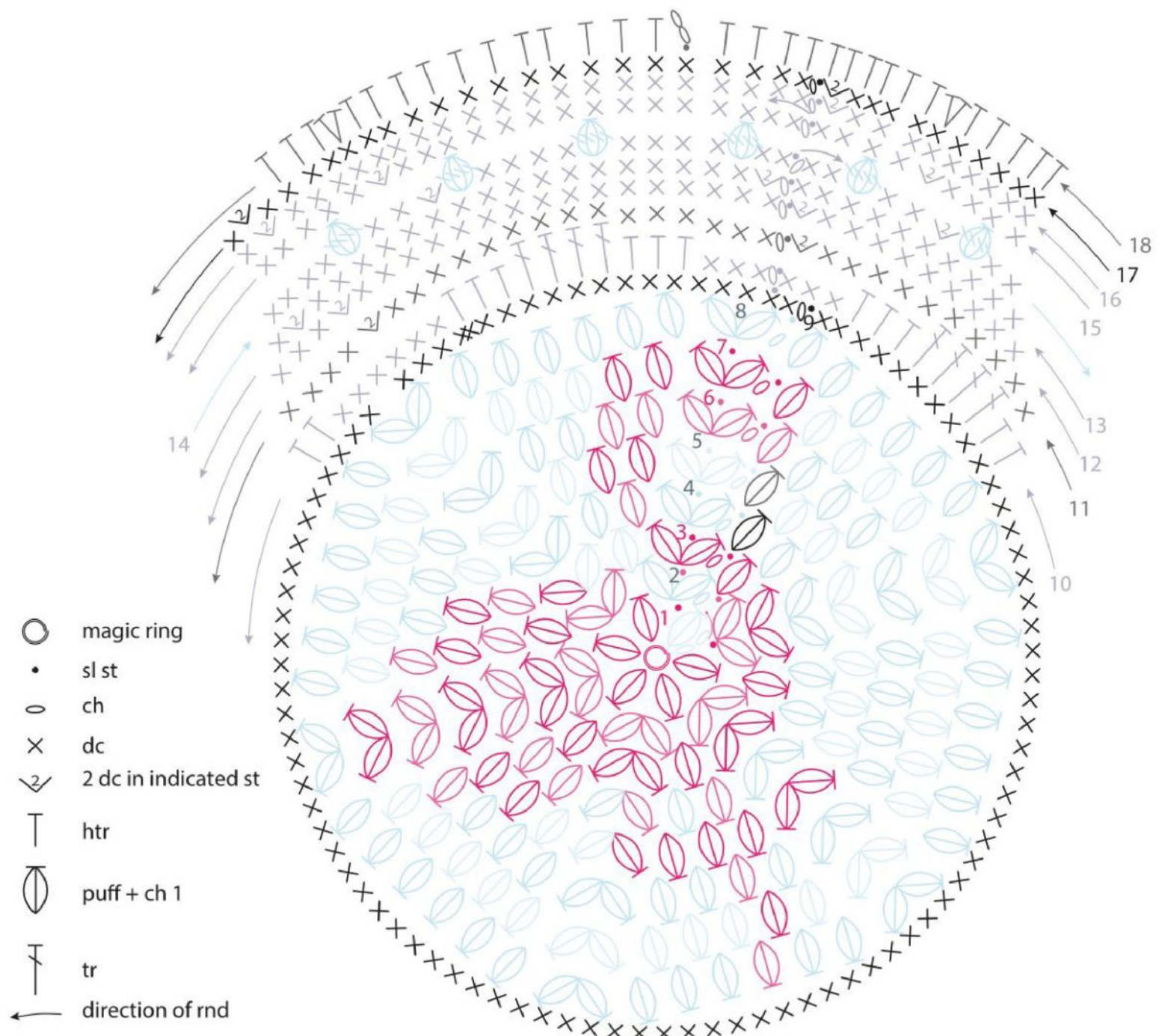
Rnd 13: 2 ch, htr around, join with sl st in beg 2 ch.

MAKING UP

Rnd 1: With WS of the Cushion Front and Cushion Back held together (and Cushion Front facing to you) with D, dc around edge through both pieces. Stuff firmly before finishing the round.

Next Rnd: Crab stitch around.

CHART



“As you're only working one stitch in grey and black, don't carry it along that rnd”

Special stitches

Puff stitch (PS): [Yrh, insert hook into st, yrh, pul] 3 times into same stitch, yrh, draw through all 7 loops on hook. Secure with sl st

Bobble St: [Yrh, insert hook into st, yrh, pul, yrh draw through 2 loops] 5 times into same stitch, draw through all 6 loops on hook. Secure with sl st

Crab stitch: Insert hook in next st to the right from front to back, yrh, pul, yrh, draw through both loops on hook

TOTALLY TROPICAL

Pour yourself a piña colada and treat yourself to some of these tropical treasures



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Hoooked



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Debenhams



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DotComGiftShop

CHARLEY THE HIPPO

There's something especially satisfying about making this big cuddly hippo with big cuddly ribbon yarn

Project Hooooked Design Team



Charley is made in the amigurumi style, in a spiral without slip stitching or turning chains. Use st marker or waste yarn to keep track of the first st of each rnd.

Charley is a suitable project for beginners. The challenge is the assembly of the big, wide open mouth with two teeth sticking out of the bottom jaw. The panicky and slightly cross eyes are obtained by sewing the eyes close to each other on the head with the black pupils on the inside close to each other.

Depending on your technique and way of working, for example you may work your stitches loosely, or you are using a stuffing like straw or polystyrene beads that may fall out through the crochet stitches, then it can be worthwhile to make a lining (for the body and mouth). You can use an old jersey T-shirt matching the colour of the yarn.

TAIL

Rnd 1: With CC2, working into a magic ring, 4 dc. 4 sts

Rnd 2-4: Dc around. 4 sts

Rnd 5: [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] twice. 6 sts

Rnd 6: [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] 3 times. 9 sts

Rnd 7: [2 dc, 2 dc in next st] 3 times. 12 sts

Rnd 8: Dc across. Finish with a sl st in next st.

Flatten the tail and join the two sides together using dc. Fasten off.

EARS (MAKE 2)

Rnd 1: With MC, working into a magic ring, 6 dc. 6 sts

Rnd 2: [2 dc in next st] 6 times. Finish with a sl st in next st. 12 sts
Fasten off.

EYES (MAKE 2)

Rnd 1: With CC3, working into a magic ring, 6 dc. Finish with a sl st in next st. 6 st

Fasten off.

Using a little bit of CC4 embroider a pupil on the white part of the eye, using photo as a guide. Fasten off and secure thread on back side of eye.

MAKING UP

Teeth:

With CC3 sew the teeth onto the corners of the lower jaw of the mouth, stuffing them firmly before you finish sewing them on.

Mouth:

With MC sew the upper jaw of the mouth onto the front of the head of the hippo. Stuff the mouth so it's nice and firm, it needs to stay wide open. Now sew the bottom jaw of the mouth onto the head, stuffing firmly before you finish sewing it on.

Legs:

With CC2 sew the legs onto the body of the hippo, ensuring the legs are placed nicely next to each other. Stuff legs firmly before you finish sewing them on.

Tail:

With CC2 sew the tail onto the back of the body.

Ears:

With MC sew the ears onto the top of the head.

Eyes:

With CC3 sew the eyes onto the head just above the mouth. Take your time to place the eyes correctly, using photo as a guide.



YARN USED

Hoooked

RibbonXL

3 balls dark green (MC)

1 ball

pink (CC1)

½ ball light brown (CC2)

Small amount in white (CC3)

Small amount in black (CC4)

ABOUT THE YARN

Super chunky;

120m per

250g ball;

80% cotton,

20% other

recycled fibre

HOOKE USED

10mm hook

OTHER SUPPLIES

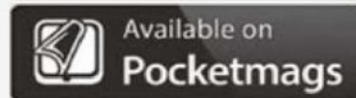
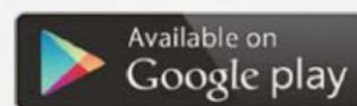
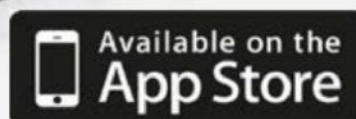
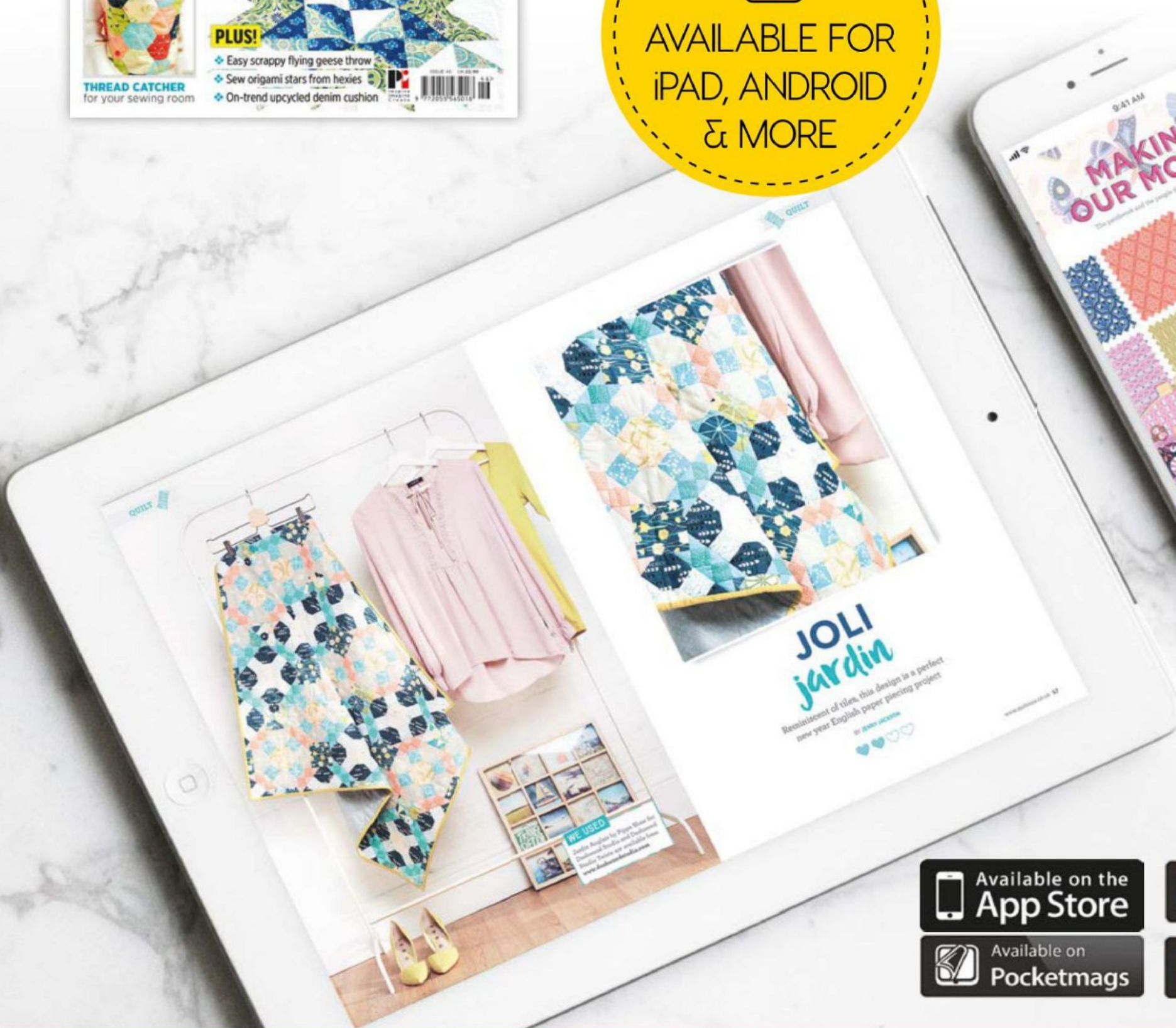
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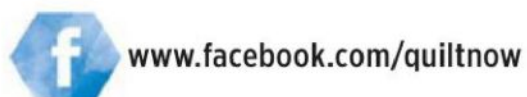




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SARDEGNA SHOULDER BAG

This bag is both lightweight and sturdy, making it perfect for taking away on your holidays this year

Project Hoooked Design Team

This pattern is worked in a spiral without slip stitching or turning chains. Use stitch marker or waste yarn to keep track of rounds.

BAG BASE

Pull out approximately half a metre of yarn and thread onto tapestry needle. Sew around the bag base, bringing needle up from below and taking yarn over the edge of the base and through the next hole from below. Join the start and end with a knot.

(Find a super-helpful how-to video at

<https://goo.gl/1jz7ss>

BAG

Rnds 1-18: Dc around.

Rnd 19: Sl st around. Fasten off.

Sew handles onto sides of bag.

TASSEL

Wrap the Zpagetti a few times around a piece of card of approximately 10cm wide. Cut along the yarn at the bottom edge. Remove the card and wrap a length of yarn around the tassel and make a knot to secure. Trim the tassel end to neaten and attach the tassel to a key chain or swivel snap hook.



YARN USED

Hoooked
Zpagetti
1 ball in
Beige Doré

ABOUT THE YARN

Super chunky;
120m per
850g ball;
100% recycled
textile yarn

HOOKE USED

12mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

bag base
32x10cm
2 handles
swivel snap
and D ring

SIZING

30x25cm





YARN SUGGESTION

KPC

Novomerino DK
1 ball each in
Sorbet (MC) or
Brittany (MC),
Ivory (CC)

ABOUT THE YARN

DK; 107m
per 50g ball;
100% ultra-fine
Merino wool

TENSION

5 sts x 7
rows = 10cm
measured
over htr

HOOK USED

4.5mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

tapestry needle

SIZING

Newborn
(Baby, Toddler)

BABY BUNNY HATS

How cute are these bunny ear beanies? They're perfect Easter treats for those a bit too young to appreciate the wonders of chocolate!

Project Hannah Cross

HAT CROWN

This section is worked entirely in BLO.

With MC, chain 2.

Rnd 1: 10 htr in 2nd ch from hook, sl st in first htr to join. 10 sts

Rnd 2: 1 ch (does not count as st here and throughout), 2 htr in each st, sl st in first st to join. 20 sts

Rnd 3: 1 ch, *2 htr in next st, 1 htr; rep from * around, sl st in first st to join. 30 sts

Rnd 4: 1 ch, *2 htr in next st, 2 htr; rep from * around, sl st in first st to join. 40 sts

Rnd 5: 1 ch, *2 htr in next st, 3 htr; rep from * around, sl st in first st to join. 50 sts

Rnd 6: 1 ch, *2 htr in next st, 4 htr; rep from * around, sl st in first st to join. 60 sts

BABY & TODDLER SIZES ONLY:

Rnd 7: 1 ch, *2 htr in next st, 5 htr; rep from * around, sl st in first st to join. 70 sts

TODDLER SIZE ONLY:

Rnd 8: 1 ch, *2 htr in next st, 6 htr; rep from * around, sl st in first st to join. 80 sts

HAT BODY

This section is worked entirely in BLO.

Next Rnd: 1 ch, htr around, sl st in first st to join. 60 (70, 80) sts
Rep this rnd 7 (9, 11) times.

HAT CUFF

This section is worked in both loops.

Rnd 1: 1 ch, *1 RtrF, 1 RtrB; rep from * around, sl st in first st to join. 60 (70, 80) sts

Rnd 2: As Rnd 1.

Rnd 3: 1 ch, crab st around edge, sl st in first st to join. 60 (70, 80) sts

OUTER EARS

Worked in the amigurumi style, in a spiral without turning or joining each rnd with a sl st.

With MC, chain 2.

Rnd 1: 6 dc in 2nd ch from hook. 6 sts

Rnd 2: 2 dc in each st around. 12 sts

Rnd 3: *2 dc in next st, 1 dc; rep from * around. 18 sts

Rnds 4-18: Dc around.

INNER EARS

Worked in the amigurumi style, in a spiral without turning or joining each rnd with a sl st.

With CC, chain 2.

Rnd 1: 6 dc in 2nd ch from hook. 6 sts

Rnd 2: 2 dc in each st around. 12 sts

Rnds 3-12: Dc around.

MAKING UP

Sew the ear inners to the outers, shape ears and sew in place on top of the hat using photo as a guide.





WILD GOOSE CHASE

Based on a classic quilting block called flying geese, Esme's throw is a stylish addition to any home

Project Esme Crick

Refer to **Colour chart** for colour combinations, make 48 squares in total.

With Yarn A and larger hook, chain 4. Join with sl st in first ch to form a ring.

Rnd 1 (RS): Working into ring, 3 ch (counts as first tr now and throughout), 2 tr, 2 ch, 3 tr, 1 ch, **1** change to Yarn B by dropping Yarn A to rear of work, then draw Yarn B through working loop, 1 ch, [3 tr, 2 ch] twice, sl st in top of beg 3 ch (made in Yarn A) to join. **2** Gently tie loose end of Yarn B onto Yarn A at change-over point to secure. Turn. 12 tr

Rnd 2 (WS): Continuing with Yarn B, [sl st, 3 ch, 1 tr] into first 2ch-sp, **3** *tr across to 2ch-sp, [2 tr, 2 ch, 2 tr] into 2ch-sp, tr across to 2ch-sp, [2 tr, 1 ch] into 2ch-sp, drop Yarn B to rear of work, draw a loop of Yarn A to the height of a treble st (this strand does not count as a st throughout, it should be ignored!), **4** 1 ch, 2 tr in same



YARN SUGGESTION

KPC

Novomerino
Aran
4 balls in
Cornfield (MC)
2 balls in
Caramel (MC2)
1 ball each
in Blue Steel,
Peacock,
Thunder,
Ocean, Honey

ABOUT THE YARN

Aran; 75m
per 50g ball;
100% ultra-fine
Merino wool

TENSION

Each square
measures
approximately
17cm square

HOOK USED

6mm
5.5mm

SIZING

Finished throw
measures
approximately
100x136cm





2ch-sp as Yarn B, **5** gently pull Yarn B to secure, tr across to 2ch-sp, [2 tr, 2 ch, 2 tr] in 2ch-sp, tr across to last 2ch-sp, [2 tr, 2 ch] into 2ch-sp, sl st in top of beg 3 ch (made in Yarn B) to join. Turn. 28 tr

Rnd 3 (RS): Continuing with Yarn A, [sl st, 3 ch, 1 tr] into first 2ch-sp, tr across to 2ch-sp, [2 tr, 2 ch, 2 tr] into 2ch-sp, tr across to 2ch-sp, [2 tr, 1 ch] into 2ch-sp, change to Yarn B as described in Rnd 2, **6** 1 ch, 2 tr in same 2ch-sp as Yarn A, gently pull Yarn A to secure, tr across to 2ch-sp, [2 tr, 2 ch, 2 tr] in 2ch-sp, tr across to last 2ch-sp, [2 tr, 2 ch] into 2ch-sp, sl st in top of beg ch-3 (made in Yarn A) to join. Turn. 44 tr

Rnd 4: As Rnd 2. 60 tr

Rnd 5: As Rnd 3. Fasten off both yarn colours. Weave in ends securely. 76 tr

Block squares. Arrange as per Layout Guide and join together with MC by placing 2 squares with RS tog, sl st through BLO of each square at the same time along bordering edges.

EDGING

Rnd 1: With MC2 and smaller hook (for a slightly tighter edging), join to first st after any corner, 1 ch, *dc across to next corner, [1 dc, 2 ch, 1 dc] into corner; rep from * around, join with sl st in first dc.

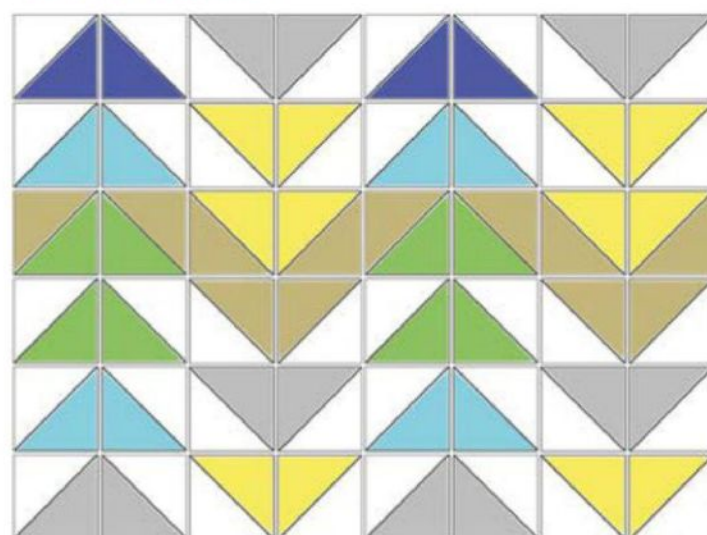
Rnd 2: As Rnd 1. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

COLOUR CHART

Make the following number of squares in the yarns listed below for 48 squares in total.

A	B	Number to make
Cornfield	Ocean	4
Cornfield	Peacock	8
Cornfield	Blue Steel	4
Cornfield	Thunder	12
Cornfield	Caramel	4
Cornfield	Honey	8
Caramel	Blue Steel	4
Caramel	Honey	4

LAYOUT DIAGRAM



**YARN USED**

Hoooked
RibbonXL
1 spool each in
Lemon Yellow
(A), Sandy Ecru
(B), Bubblegum
Pink (C)

**ABOUT
THE YARN**

Super chunky;
120m per
250g spool;
80% cotton,
20% synthetic

TENSION

Each block
measures
approximately
19cm

HOOK USED

10mm
12mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

large-eye
tapestry needle
40cm cushion
insert

SIZING

Finished
cushion is
40cm square

HUGS & KISSES

These easy X and O blocks are perfect for a quick cushion using super chunky Hoooked yarn

Project Hoooked Design Team

X (MAKE 1 IN A & B AND 1 IN B & C)

With first colour, chain 4, sl st in first st to make a ring.

Rnd 1: 3 ch (counts as 1 tr here and throughout), 2 tr into ring, 2 ch, [3 tr in ring, 2 ch] 3 times, join with sl st in beg 3 ch.

Fasten off first colour, join second colour in any 2ch-sp.

Rnd 2: 3 ch, [2 tr, 2 ch, 3 tr] in same ch-sp, 1 ch, *[3 tr, 2 ch, 3 tr] in next ch-sp, 1 ch; rep from * 3 times, join with sl st in beg 3 ch.

Fasten off second colour, join first colour in any 1ch-sp with sl st.

Rnd 3: *[1 tr into st below from Rnd 1, sl st into 1ch-sp on current rnd] 3 times, 2 ch, miss 1 st on current rnd, sl st into next st, 2 ch, sl st into 2ch-sp, 2 ch, miss 1 st, sl st into next st, 2 ch, sl t into next 1ch-sp; rep from * 4 times, join with sl st in first st of rnd.

Fasten off first colour, join second colour in any first st of 3 tr group on Rnd 3.

Rnd 4: 4 ch (counts as 1 dtr), 1 dtr in same st, *2 ch, miss 1 st, 2 dtr in next st, [1 tr, 2 htr] in next ch-sp, [2 dc in next ch-sp] twice, [2 htr, 1 tr] in next ch-sp** 2 dtr in next tr; rep from * around, ending final rep at **, join with sl st in beg 4 ch.

Fasten off and block.

O (MAKE 2)

With A, chain 4, sl st in first st to make a ring.

Rnd 1: 3 ch, 11 tr into ring, join with sl st in beg 3 ch.

Fasten off A, join B into any st.

Rnd 2: 3 ch, 1 tr in same st, [2 tr in each st around]. 24 sts

Fasten off B, join A into any st.

Rnd 3: 3 ch, [1 tr, 2 ch, 2 tr] in same st, 5 tr, * [2 tr, 2 ch, 2 tr] in same st,

5 tr; rep from * 3 times, join with sl st in beg 3 ch.

Rnd 4: 2 ch (counts as 1 htr), 1 htr, *[2 htr, 2 ch, 2 htr] in ch-sp, 9 htr; rep from * around, ending with 7 htr on last rep, join with sl st in beg 2 ch.

MAKING UP

With tapestry needle, sew one X to O block and one O to X block. Join these blocks together for the cushion front.

With 12mm hook and leftover colours, make a 40cm granny square for back of cushion.

To join, sl st through BLO around, inserting cushion pad before closing up the final side.

Step-by-step guide

BEST EVER

COLOURWORK

Crochet colourwork – sometimes friend, sometimes foe. However, Brenda K.B. Anderson teaches us her foolproof trick for getting the cleanest, most defined colourwork ever!



Brenda K. B. Anderson

Try to imagine how you build a brick wall row on row – you’ll notice a definite parallel to how crochet is worked. The stitches sit slightly to the left (or right if you’re left-handed!) of the stitch on the previous row as you work into the top of it. The only time this ever proves to be a problem is when it comes to crochet colourwork. Even in best conditions, working in the round so that you’re always on the right side, you’ll find you have a directional slant to your design – and don’t even start us on working in rows.

So the question is, how can we tidy up

this technique to make for perfectly crisp colourwork? While sometimes working in BLO for colourwork sections is enough, this new-to-us technique used by Brenda in her design this issue is an even more ingenious solution.

She does it using a stitch called a ‘split extended double crochet’ – and we promise, it’s not as complicated as it sounds. First up, let’s tackle an extended double crochet, as you’ll need a row of this as a base to be able to work a split row for your colourwork.

EXTENDED DOUBLE CROCHET (EDC)

- 1** Insert hook into next st, yrh and pull up loop – standard for starting a dc st.
- 2** Now yrh and pull through just one loop – this extra loop gives the space you’ll work into with the split st, so identifying it now is key!
- 3** Yrh and pull through two loops – finishing off a dc as normal.

SPLIT EXTENDED DOUBLE CROCHET (SEDC)

Now onto the colourwork section. An sedc is exactly like a regular edc stitch, except that you are inserting your hook into a different part of the stitch (the loop you identified earlier which is a little further down within the post of the stitch). When you make an extended double crochet stitch, there are three separate parts of the stitch: there are two vertically oriented chains that together make up the post of the stitch, and then one horizontal chain across the top (you may call this the ‘hat’).

Usually we work under that horizontal top of the stitch (the ‘hat’), however, in order to make a split stitch, we need to insert the hook into the middle of the second vertical chain.

In other words: as you make an edc stitch you will insert your hook **4**, yrh and pull up a loop **5**, you then yrh a second time and pull through just one loop (this loop creates the bottom of the 2 vertical chains) **6**, then we yrh again and pull through





both remaining loops on hook - the first of these remaining 2 loops creates another vertical chain (This is where we need to insert the hook when we make a split edc st) and the second of these remaining 2 loops creates the hat on top of the stitch (where we normally work into).

Make sure that your hook goes into the middle of the specified loop, and not just next to it (which is very easy to do).

When working with two colours, remember you can carry the unused colour along the back of the yarn.

Do this by wrapping the unused colour to the front of the work before the final yrh and pulling through the rem loops on the hook.

7 8

When changing colour, use the next colour as the final yrh and pull through of the sedc 9 and continue to work the next st as set. 10



1



2



3



4



5



6



7



8



9



10

“This set is named after the Norse goddess of love and beauty, who cries tears of red gold and rides around on a chariot pulled by two cats – how cool is that?”



FREYJA HAT & MITTENS

Put Brenda's colourwork technique to the test for this hat and mittens set and get set for autumn!

Project Brenda K B Anderson

Note: Turning chs do not count as a stitch when working the ribbing, but they do count as a stitch when working the body of the mitten.

COLOURWORK

When working from colour chart, beg 2 ch counts as first sedc of round. On stitch before colour change, work last yrh with new colour. At the end of each round, always change to the same colour as the beg 2 ch. This allows you to make the sl st join with same colour as beg 2 ch. If the first st of next round is a different colour, after you have made the sl st join, yrh with new colour and 1 ch, pull on tail from old colour to tighten loop of old colour until it disappears. If the second st of round is a different colour than the beg 2 ch, make the 2 ch as normal, then yrh with new colour and pull up loop. Carry colour not in use along the top edge of work and crochet around it (encasing it) as you work. As you work make sure that the yarn you are carrying does not constrict your stitches. Every few stitches after a colour change, pull on the end of the carried yarn, so that you know it is not too loose, then pull on the fabric so that you know it is not too tight. When you need to change colours drop the working yarn and pick up the yarn you have been carrying along. If you always drop the MC to the back and the CC to the front, you can avoid tangling your yarn. When working from chart you will always read a chart from right to left if you crochet right handed (or left to right if you crochet left handed).



Special abbreviations

sedc: See pages 62-63

BLO: back loop only

Edc – extended double crochet: Insert hook into next st, yrh and pull up loop, yrh and pull through just one loop, yrh and pull through two loops

Esc2tog – extended double crochet two stitches together: This is worked over the next 2 stitches, and decreases your stitch count by 1 stitch. Insert hook into next st, yrh and pull up loop, yrh and pull through just one loop, insert hook into following st, yrh and pull up loop, yrh and pull through just one loop, yrh and pull through all three loops



YARN USED

KPC Glencoul
4-ply
2 balls in
Gum (MC)
1 ball each in
Beehive (CC1),
Ivory (CC2)

ABOUT THE YARN

4-ply; 175m per
50g ball;
70% Merino,
30% cotton

TENSION

Mittens: 23 sts
x 20 rounds =
10cm over edc
using 2.75mm
hook
Hat: 21 sts x 19
rounds = 10cm
over edc using
3.25mm hook

HOOK USED

2.75mm
3.25mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

stitch markers
tapestry needle
10cm-wide
cardboard

SIZING

Mittens:
19.5cm around,
25cm long
including cuff
Hat: Ribbing
circumference
45cm, 26cm
top to bottom
with ribbing



MITTENS

RIGHT MITTEN

CUFF

With MC chain 21.

Row 1: Beginning with the second ch from hook and working into the bottom of the chain, 1 htr into each st across. 20 sts

Rows 2-30: 1 ch (turning chain does not count as a stitch when making ribbing), turn, htr blo across. 20 sts

1 ch, turn as if to work another row, place last row worked in front of foundation ch. Sl st tog through back loops of each layer. 20 sl sts across

Do not fasten off.

Leave sl st seam on outside (this will remain on the RS of work). Rotate in order to begin working along row ends.

BODY OF MITTEN

Using stitch markers, divide top edge of ribbing into 4 equal sections.

Rnd 1: 1 ch (does not count but in future rounds of mitten beginning ch will count), work 11 edc into the each section for a total of 44 edc around, sl st into first edc to join.

Rnd 2: 2 ch (counts as first edc now and throughout) 24 edc, 3 edc next st, 18 edc, sl st in top of beg 2 ch to join. 46 sts

Rnd 3: 2 ch, edc around, sl st in top of beg 2 ch to join.

Rnd 4: 2 ch, 25 edc, 3 edc in next st, 19 edc, sl st in top of beg 2 ch to join. 48 sts

Rnd 5: As Rnd 3.

Rnd 6: 2 ch, 26 edc, 3 edc in next st, 20 edc, sl st in top of beg 2 ch to join. 50 sts

Rnd 7: As Rnd 3.

Rnd 8: 2 ch, 27 edc, 3 edc in next st, 21 edc, sl st in top of beg 2 ch to join. 52 sts

Rnd 9: As Rnd 3.

Rnd 10: 2 ch, 28 edc, 3 edc in next st, 22 edc, sl st in top of beg 2 ch to join. 54 sts

Rnd 11: As Rnd 3.

Rnd 12: 2 ch, 29 edc, 3 edc in next st, 23 edc, sl st in top of beg 2 ch to join. 56 sts

Rnd 13: As Rnd 3.

Rnd 14: 2 ch, 30 edc, 3 edc in next st, 24 edc, sl st in top of beg 2 ch to join. 58 sts

Rnd 15: As Rnd 3.

Rnd 16: 2 ch, 23 edc, miss next 17 edc (for thumb), ch 3, 17 edc, sl st in top of beg 2 ch to join. 44 sts not including thumb.

Rnd 17: 2 ch, edc around, sl st in top of beg 2 ch to join. 44 sts

Rnds 18-32: Work next 15 rounds from Chart B in sedc stitch pattern.

Rnd 33: 2 ch, edc around, sl st in top of beg 2 ch to join. 44 sts

DECREASE FOR TOP OF MITTEN

Rnd 34: 2 ch [edc2tog, 17 edc, edc2tog] twice, sl st in top of beg 2 ch to join. 40 sts

Rnd 35: 2 ch, [edc2tog, 15 edc, edc2tog] twice, sl st in top of beg 2 ch to join. 36 sts

Rnd 36: 2 ch, [edc2tog, 13 edc, edc2tog] twice, sl st in top of beg 2 ch to join. 32 sts

Rnd 37: 2 ch, [edc2tog, edc2tog, 7 edc, edc2tog, edc2tog] twice, sl st in top of beg 2 ch to join. 20 sts

Rnd 38: 2 ch (counts) [edc2tog, edc2tog, 3 edc, edc2tog, edc2tog] twice, sl st in top of beg 2 ch to join. 12 sts

Fasten off, leaving a long tail. Using tapestry needle and yarn tail, sew top of mitten closed using whip st.

THUMB

Join in first missed st. 17 edc, 1 edc into side edge of stitch where thumb meets hand, 1 edc into each if the 3 chs of hand made in round 16, 1 edc into side edge of where thumb meets hand. 22 sts

Next Rnd: 17 edc, edc2tog, 1 edc, edc2tog. 20 sts

Next 9 rnds: Edc around. 20 sts

Next Rnd: Edc2tog 10 times, fasten off leaving long tail.

Using yarn needle, weave yarn tail through the front loop of each of the remaining 10 sts and pull tight to close the top of thumb. Using yarn needle and beginning yarn tail for thumb, sew closed any small holes where thumb meets hand.

Weave in ends, block.

LEFT HAND

Work cuff same as for Right Hand.

BODY OF MITTEN

1 ch (does not count), 44 edc around, sl st into first edc to join.

Rnd 2: 2 ch (counts as first edc now and throughout) 18 edc, 3 edc next st, 24 edc, sl st in top of beg 2 ch to join. 46 sts

Rnd 3: 2 ch, edc around, sl st in top of beg 2 ch to join.

Rnd 4: 2 ch, 19 edc, 3 edc in next st, 25 edc, sl st in top of beg 2 ch to join. 48 sts

Rnd 5: As Rnd 3.

Rnd 6: 2 ch, 20 edc, 3 edc in next st, 26 edc, sl st in top of beg 2 ch to join. 50 sts

Rnd 7: As Rnd 3.

Rnd 8: 2 ch, 21 edc, 3 edc in next st, 27 edc, sl st in top of beg 2 ch to join. 52 sts

Rnd 9: As Rnd 3.

Rnd 10: 2 ch, 22 edc, 3 edc in next st, 28 edc, sl st in top of beg 2 ch to join. 54 sts

Rnd 11: As Rnd 3.

Rnd 12: 2 ch, 23 edc, 3 edc in next st, 29 edc, sl st in top of beg 2 ch to join. 56 sts

Rnd 13: As Rnd 3.

Rnd 14: 2 ch, 24 edc, 3 edc in next st, 30 edc, sl st in top of beg 2 ch to join. 58 sts

Rnd 15: As Rnd 3.

Rnd 16: 2 ch, 17 edc, miss next 17 edc (for thumb), ch 3, 23 edc, sl st in top of beg 2 ch to join. 44 sts not including thumb

Beginning with Rnd 17, work as for Right Mitten.

HAT

RIBBING

With MC and smaller hook, chain 11.

Row 1: Beginning with the second ch from hook and working into the bottom of the chain, 1 htr into each st across. 10 sts

Rows 2-78: 1 ch (turning chain does not count as a stitch when making ribbing), turn, htr blo across. 10 sts

1 ch, turn as if to work another row, place last row worked in front of foundation ch. Sl st tog through back loops of each layer. 10 sl sts across

Do not fasten off.

Leave sl st seam on outside (this will remain on the RS of work). Rotate in order to begin working along row ends.

BODY OF HAT

Using stitch markers, divide top edge of ribbing into 4 equal sections.

Rnd 1: 1 ch (does not count but in future rounds of hat beginning ch will count), work 28 edc into the first section, 28 edc into the 2nd section, 27 edc into the 3rd section and 28 edc into the 4th section for a total of 110 edc around, sl st into first edc to join.

Change to larger hook

Work 2 rounds of edc

Work next 5 rounds from chart A in sedc.

Work one round of sedc in MC.

Work next 15 rounds of sedc following chart B.

Work one round of sedc in MC.

Work next 5 rounds of sedc following chart A.

Work one round of sedc in MC.

Hat will be worked in MC from now on.

DEC FOR TOP OF HAT:

Rnd 1: [9 edc, edc2tog] 10 times. 100 sts

Rnd 2: Edc around.

Rnd 3: [8 edc, edc2tog] 10 times. 90 sts

Rnd 4: Edc around.

Rnd 5: [7 edc, edc2tog] 10 times. 80 sts

Rnd 6: Edc around.

Rnd 7: [6 edc, edc2tog] 10 times. 70 sts

Rnd 8: Edc around.

Rnd 9: [5 edc, edc2tog] 10 times. 60 sts

Rnd 10: Edc around.

Rnd 11: [4 edc, edc2tog] 10 times. 50 sts

Rnd 12: Edc around.

Rnd 13: [3 edc, edc2tog] 10 times. 40 sts



Change to smaller hook.

Rnd 14: Edc2tog 20 times.

Rnd 15: Edc2tog 10 times.

Cut yarn, using tapestry needle, run yarn tail through remaining 10 sts and pull tight to close the top of hat. Weave in ends. Block.

Fluff pom-pom and trim ends into a 7.5 cm ball. Using yarn needle and long strands of CC2, attach pom-pom to top of hat.

POMPOM

Cut two pieces of CC2 to 40cm and set aside. Wrap yarn loosely around piece of cardboard about 500 times. Tie the centre of the loops in a tight knot on each side of the cardboard. Carefully remove loops from cardboard and tie the two centres together in a very tight knot using yarn tails from one of the centres. Use scissors to cut all of the loops of the pom-pom, being careful not to cut either of the two longer strands that were used to tie the pom-pom together.

CHART 1

11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
											5
											4
											3
											2
											1

■ MC ■ CC1 □ CC2

CHART 2

22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
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MO THE ELEPHANT

Baby elephants are so cute – and they're said to bring good luck too, making this a perfect gift

Project Hoooked Design Team



Mo is made in the amigurumi style, in a spiral without slip stitching or turning chains. Use stitch marker or waste yarn to keep track of the first st of each rnd.

LEGS (MAKE 4)

Rnd 1: Working into a magic ring, 5 dc. 5 sts

Rnd 2: [2 dc in next st] 5 times. 10 sts

Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] 5 times. 15 sts

Rnds 4-6: Dc around.

First 3 legs only: Fasten off, leaving a long tail. The legs will be sewn together in the centre, using the tails.

Fourth leg: Do not fasten off.

Rnd 7 (joining rnd): 8 dc, take the 2nd leg and join to first by working 10 dc around. Ensure the long tails are in the middle. Take the 3rd leg and work 10 dc around, then work 10 dc around the 4th leg. You now have 4 legs in a row.

Join first and last legs. Count back 40 sts. Insert your hook in the 40th st (in the first leg) and work 1 dc in the next 2 sts. 40 sts

Rnd 8: [7 dc, 2 dc in next st] 5 times. 45 sts

Rnd 9: [8 dc, 2 dc in next st] 5 times. 50 sts

Using the long tails in the centre, sew the legs together.

BODY

Rnd 10: Dc around.

Rnd 11: [8 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times. 45 sts

Rnd 12: Dc around. 45 sts

Rnd 13: [7 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times. 40 sts

Rnd 14: [6 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times. 35 sts

Rnd 15: [5 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times. 30 sts

Rnd 16: [4 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times. 25 sts

Rnd 17: [3 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times. 20 sts

Stuff the legs and body firmly.

Rnd 18: [2 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times. 15 sts

Rnd 19: [1 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times. 10 sts

Rnd 20: [1 dc2tog] 5 times. 5 sts

Fasten off.

HEAD & TRUNK

Rnd 1: Working into a magic ring, 6dc. 6 sts

Rnd 2: [2 dc in next st] 6 times. 12 sts

Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 18 sts

Rnd 4: [2 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 24 sts

Rnd 5: [3 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 30 sts

Rnd 6: [4 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 36 sts

Rnd 7: [5 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 42 sts

Rnd 8: [6 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 48 sts

Rnds 9-13: Dc around.

Rnd 14: [6 dc, 1 dc2tog] 6 times. 42 sts

Rnd 15: [5 dc, 1 dc2tog] 6 times. 36 sts

Rnd 16: [4 dc, 1 dc2tog] 6 times. 30 sts

Rnd 17: [3 dc, 1 dc2tog] 6 times. 24 sts

Rnd 18: Dc around.

Rnd 19: [2 dc, 1 dc2tog] 6 times. 18 sts

Rnds 20-22: Dc around.

Stuff the head firmly.

Rnd 23: [1 dc, 1 dc2tog] 6 times. 12 sts

Rnds 24-25: Dc around.

Rnd 26: [1dc, 1 dc2tog] 4 times. 8 sts

Continue to stuff head and trunk firmly.

Rnds 27-28: Dc around. 8 sts

Rnd 29: [1 dc2tog] 4 times. 4 sts

Fasten off, pulling the thread firmly through the trunk. Squeeze the head, so that the stuffing is evenly distributed through the head and the trunk. Sew the head and the body together. The trunk should touch the ground when the elephant stands on its feet.

EARS (MAKE 2)

Rnd 1: Working into a magic ring, 6 dc. 6 sts

Rnd 2: [2 dc in next st] 6 times. 12 sts

Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 18 sts

Rnd 4: [2 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 24 sts

Rnd 5: [3 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 30 sts

Rnd 6: [4 dc, 2 dc in next st] 6 times. 36 sts

Rnd 7: [5 dc, 2dc in next st] 6 times. 42 sts

Rnd 8: Dc around.

Rnd 9: [5 dc, 1 dc2tog] 6 times. 36 sts

Rnd 10: [4 dc, 1 dc2tog] 6 times. 30 sts

Rnd 11: [3 dc, 1 dc2tog] 6 times. 24 sts

Fasten off and pull the thread through the ear. Fold the ears and sew together. Sew the ears on the head matching the top of the ears in the middle of the first light row.

EYES

Using the picture as a guide, double satin stitch the eyes over 2 rows, using some black RibbonXL or other black yarn.

TAIL

Using the picture as a guide for positioning the tail, take a length of thread and fold in half, then pull a loop through a dc. 6 ch. Fasten off. Cut 4 lengths of yarn and pull these through the last ch from the tail. Tie off the threads to secure and cut them to the same length.

Weave in ends.



YARN USED

Hoooked
RibbonXL
2 balls in
main colour
Small amount
in Black Night
RXL26 (for
embroidering
eyes) &
contrast (for
embossing
heart)

ABOUT THE YARN

Super chunky;
120m per
250g ball; 80%
cotton, 20%
other recycled
fibres

HOOKE USED

9mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

toy stuffing
tapestry needle

SIZING

Approximately
35cm tall



ROSE GARDEN BLANKET

Megan's pretty throw is designed in calming shades of blue for a serene make that'll find a home in any room

Project Megan Hocking

SQUARE (MAKE 6, BEGIN 3 WITH A AND 3 WITH B)

With A (B), 7 ch, sl st to first ch to join.

Rnd 1: Working into ring, 2 ch, 2trcl, 3 ch, [3trcl, 3 ch] 7 times, sl st into 2trcl to join. *8 clusters*

Rnd 2: 2 ch, [2trcl, 3 ch, 3trcl] into 3ch-sp, *[3trcl, 3 ch, 3trcl] in next 3ch-sp; rep from * around, sl st into 2trcl to join. Fasten off and join B (A) to any 3ch-sp. *16 clusters*

Rnd 3: 3 ch (counts as 1 tr now and throughout), 3 tr in same beg 3ch-sp, 3 ch, *4 tr in next 3ch-sp, 3 ch; rep from * around, sl st in top of beg 3 ch to join. *32 tr*

Rnd 4: Sl st across to 3ch-sp, 1 ch (counts as first dc now and throughout), 3 dc in same beg 3ch-sp, 6 ch, *4 dc in next 3ch-sp, 6 ch; rep from * around, sl st in beg 1 ch to join. *32 sts*

Rnd 5: Sl st across 2 dc, 1 dc, 12 tr in 6ch-sp, *miss 2 dc, 1 dc, 12 tr in 6ch-sp; rep from * around, sl st in beg dc to join. Fasten off. Join C to any dc. *104 sts*

Rnd 6: 7 ch (counts as 1 dtr, 3 ch), 1 dtr in same beg st, *3 ch, miss 6 tr, 1 dc, 3 ch, miss 5 tr, [1 dtr, 3 ch, 1 dtr] in next dc, 3 ch, miss 6 tr, [2 dtr, 3 ch, 2 dtr] in next tr, 3 ch**, miss 5 tr [1 dtr, 3 ch, 1 dtr] in next dc; rep from * around, ending last rep at **, sl st in 4th of beg 7 ch to join. Fasten off. Join A (B) to corner 3ch-sp. *36 sts*

Rnd 7: 4 ch (counts as 1 dtr now and throughout), [1 dtr, 3 ch, 2 dtr] in same beg 3ch-sp, 1 ch, [3 tr in next 3ch-sp] 6 times, 1ch, *[2 dtr, 3 ch, 2 dtr] in corner 3ch-sp, 1 ch, [3 tr in next 3ch-sp] 6 times, 1 ch; rep from * around, sl st in top of beg 4 ch to join. *88 sts*

Rnd 8: Sl st across to 3ch-sp, [4 ch, 1 dtr, 3 ch, 2 dtr] in same beg 3ch-sp, *[1 tr, 1 ch, 1 tr] in next 1ch-sp, [miss 1 st, [1 tr, 1 ch, 1 tr] in next st] 9 times, [1 tr, 1 ch, 1 tr] in next 1ch-



YARN SUGGESTION

Hooooked Eco
Barbante
3 balls in
Provence (A)
2 balls in
Ultramarine (B)
4 balls in
Lotus (C)

ABOUT THE YARN

Aran; 204m per
200g ball;
85% cotton,
15% synthetic

TENSION

15 sts x 8
rows = 10cm
measured
over tr

HOOOOK USED

5mm

SIZING

130x90cm

Special abbreviations

2trcl: [Yrh, insert hook into indicated st or sp, yrh, pul, yrh, draw through 2 loops] 2 times in same st or sp, draw through all 3 loops on hook

3trcl: [Yrh, insert hook into indicated st or sp, yrh, pul, yrh, draw through 2 loops] 3 times in same st or sp, draw through all 4 loops on hook

3dtrcl: {Yrh twice, insert hook into indicated st or sp, yrh, pul, [yrh, draw through 2 loops] twice,} 3 times in same st or sp, draw through all 4 loops on hook

Picot: 3 ch, sl st into first ch made

sp**, [2 dtr, 3 ch, 2 dtr] in corner 3ch-sp; rep from * around, ending last rep at **, sl st in top of beg 4 ch to join. Fasten off. Join C to any 3ch-sp. 104 sts

Rnd 9: [4 ch, 1 dtr, 3 ch, 2 dtr] in same beg 3ch-sp, *2 ch, [2 tr in next 1ch-sp, 2 ch] 11 times**, [2 dtr, 3 ch, 2 dtr] in corner 3ch-sp; rep from * around, ending last rep at **, sl st in top of beg 4 ch to join. 104 sts

Rnd 10: Sl st across to 3ch-sp, [4 ch, 1 dtr, 3 ch, 2 dtr] in same beg 3ch-sp, *2 ch [3dtrcl in next 2ch-sp, 2 ch] 12 times**, [2 dtr, 3 ch, 2 dtr] in corner 3ch-sp; rep from * around, ending last rep at **, sl st in top of 4 ch to join. 64 sts

Rnd 11: Sl st across to 3ch-sp, [4 ch, 1 dtr, 3 ch, 2 dtr] in same beg 3ch-sp, *2 ch, [3 tr in next 2ch-sp, 2 ch] 13 times**, [2 dtr, 3 ch, 2 dtr] in corner 3ch-sp; rep from * across, ending last rep at **, sl st in top of beg 4 ch to join. Fasten off. 172 sts

JOINING THE SQUARES

Arrange the squares in a checkerboard-style, with two columns of three. Take two squares from the long side and place them with WS together. Join C to the corner of the square nearest to you. When missing sts, count each 2ch-sp as 2 sts.

Row 1: 1 dc, 3 ch, dc in corner 3ch-sp of back square, 4 ch, dc in next 2ch-sp of front square, 3 ch, 1 dc in 2ch-sp of back square, *4 ch, [miss 2 sts, 1 dc] on front square, 3 ch, 1 dc in corresponding st on back square; rep from * across to end of side, placing last dc in corner 3ch-sp of back square. Fasten off.

Rep Row 1 three times until you have two columns each three squares long. Place the columns with WS together and *rep Row 1** to the previous join, 4 ch, 1 dc in 3ch-sp between squares, 3 ch, 1 dc in next 3ch-sp between squares, 4 ch; rep from * to end of the last square, ending last rep at **. Fasten off and weave in ends.

BORDER

Join A to any corner-of-blanket 3ch-sp.

Rnd 1: [4 ch, 1 dtr, 3 ch, 2 dtr] in same beg 3ch-sp, 2 ch, [1 tr, 1 ch, 1 tr] in next 2ch-sp, 2 ch, miss 2 sts, *[1 tr, 1 ch, 1 tr] in next st, 2 ch, miss 2 sts; rep from * to next 2ch-sp, [1 tr, 1 ch, 1 tr] in 2ch-sp, 2ch**, [[1 tr, 1 ch, 1 tr] in 3ch-sp, 2 ch] 3 times, [1 tr, 1 ch, 1 tr] in 2ch-sp, 2 ch, miss 2 sts; rep from * across to end of side and finishing side at **, [2 dtr, 3 ch, 2 dtr] in corner-of-blanket 3ch-sp; rep from * around, sl st in top of beg 4 ch to join. Fasten off. Join B to

any corner 3ch-sp. 332 sts

Rnd 2: [4 ch, 1 dtr, 3 ch, 2 dtr] in same beg 3ch-sp, 2 tr in next 2ch-sp, *[1 tr in next 1ch-sp, 2 tr in next 2ch-sp] across to next 3ch-sp**, [2 dtr, 3 ch, 2 dtr] in corner 3ch-sp; rep from * around, ending last rep at **, sl st in top of beg 4 ch to join. Fasten off. Join C to any corner 3ch-sp. 490 sts

Rnd 3: [4 ch, 1 dtr, 3 ch, 2 dtr] in same beg 3ch-sp, 3 ch, *[1 htr, 3 ch, miss 2 sts] across to next 3ch-sp**, [2 dtr, 3 ch, 2 dtr] in 3ch-sp; rep from * around, ending last rep at **, sl st in top of beg 4 ch to join. 158 sts

Rnd 4: Sl st across to 3ch-sp, [4 ch, 1 dtr, 3 ch, 2 dtr] in same beg 3ch-sp, *[4 tr in next 3ch-sp] across to corner**, [2 dtr, 3 ch, 2 dtr] in corner 3ch-sp; rep from * around, ending last rep at **, sl st in top of beg 4 ch to join. Fasten off. Join B to any corner 3ch-sp. 680 sts

Rnd 5: [4 ch, 1 dtr, 3 ch, 2 dtr] in same beg 3ch-sp, *3 ch, miss 2 sts, 1 dc in sp before next st (between sts), [5 ch, miss 4 sts, 1 dc in sp before next st] across to next 3ch-sp, 3 ch**, [2 dtr, 3 ch, 2 dtr] in 3ch-sp; rep from * around, ending last rep at **, sl st in top of beg 4 ch to join. 186 sts

Rnd 6: Sl st across to next 3ch-sp, [4 ch, 1 dtr, 3 ch, 2 dtr] in same beg 3ch-sp, *[2trcl,

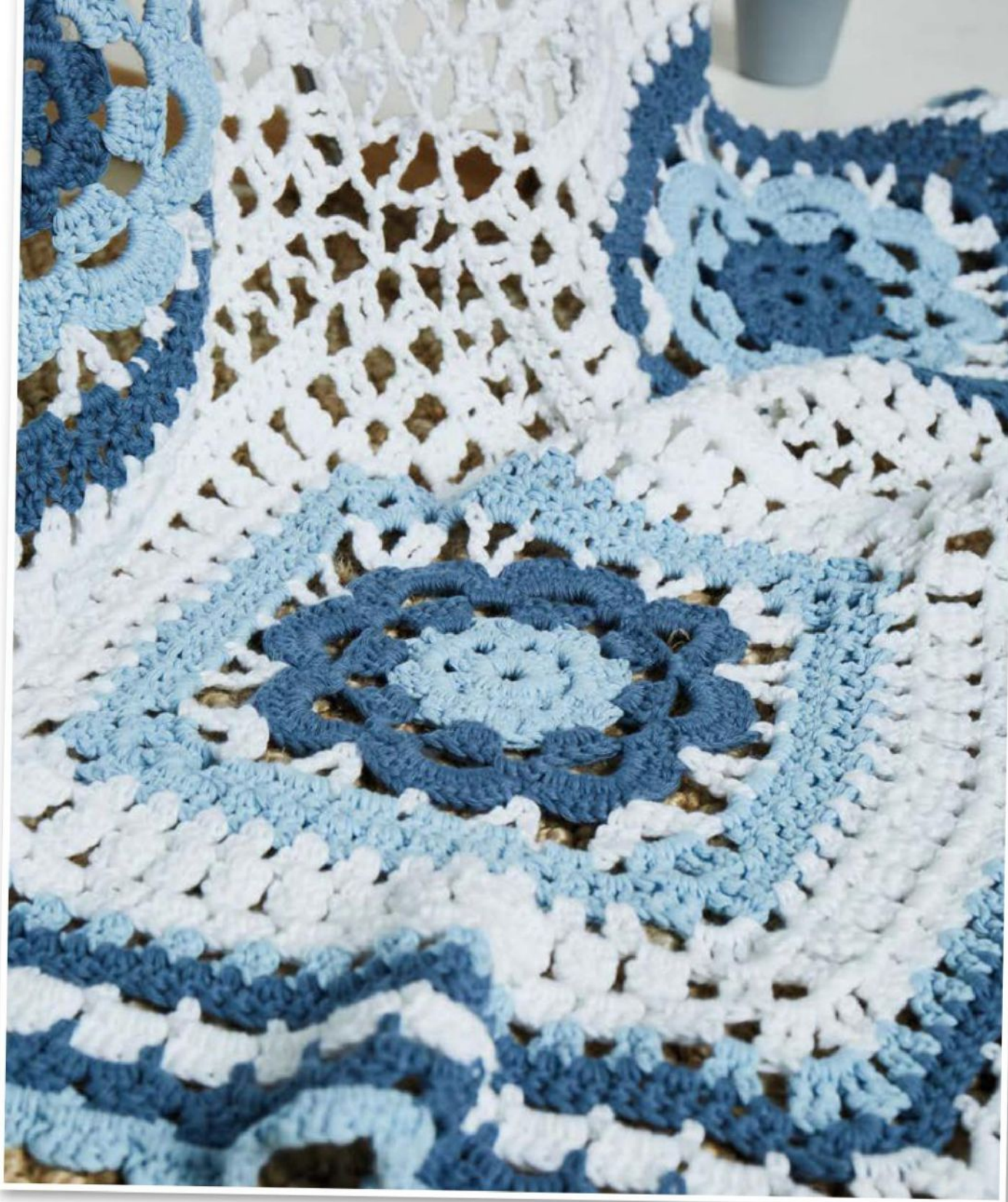
3 ch, 2trcl] in next ch-sp; rep from * across to corner 3ch-sp**, [2 dtr, 3 ch, 2 dtr] in corner 3ch-sp; rep from * around, ending last rep at **, sl st in top of beg 4 ch to join. Fasten off. Join A to any corner 3ch-sp. 396 sts

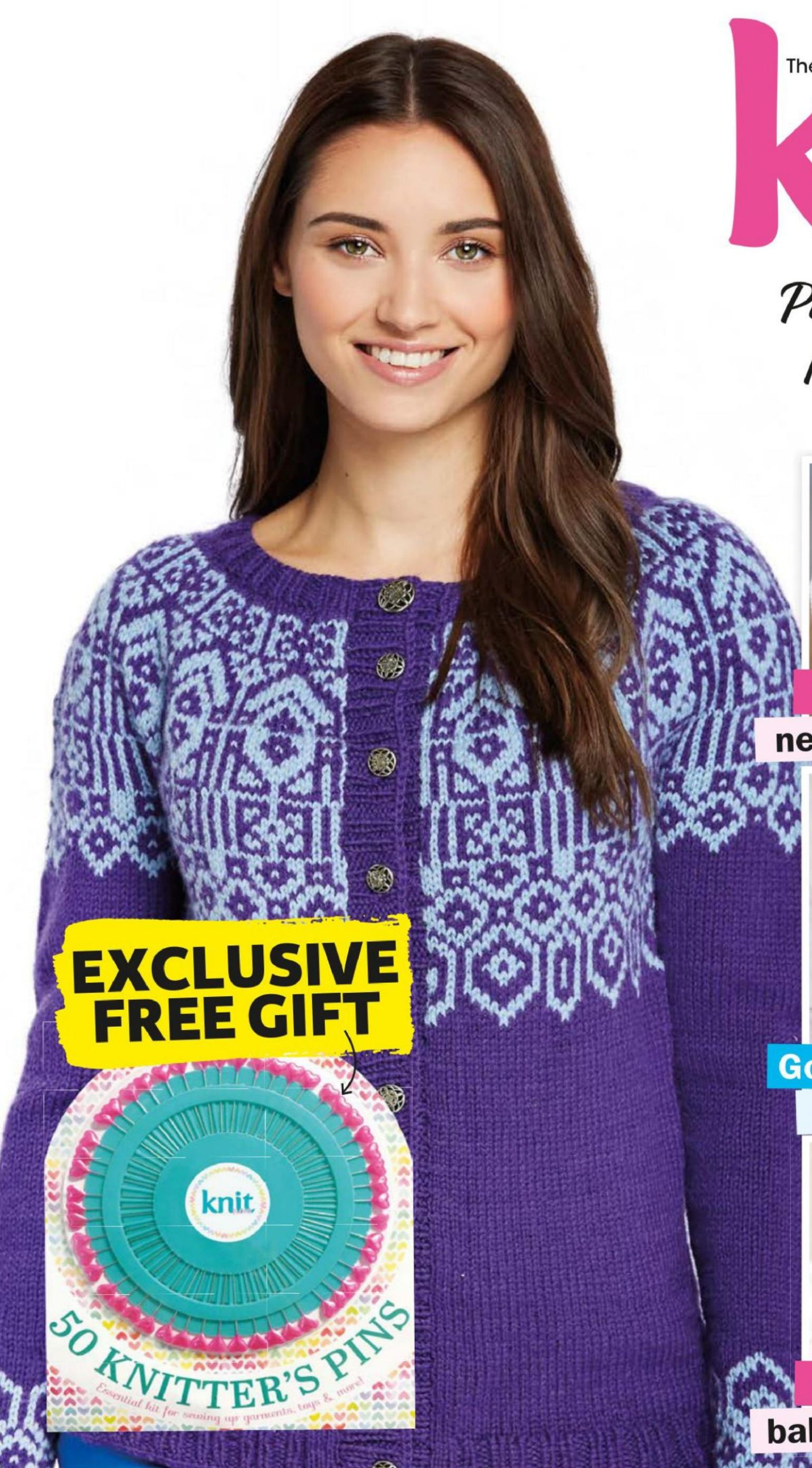
Rnd 7: [4 ch, 1 dtr, 3 ch, 2 dtr] in same beg 3ch-sp, 3 ch, *[1 htr in next 3ch-sp, 3 ch] across to next 3ch-sp**, [2 dtr, 3 ch, 2 dtr] in corner 3ch-sp; rep from * around, ending last rep at **, sl st in top of beg 4 ch to join. 206 sts

Rnd 8: Sl st across to 3ch-sp, [3 ch, 2 tr, picot, 3 tr] in same beg 3ch-sp, 3 ch, *[sl st, 2 ch, 3 tr, 2 ch, sl st] in next 3ch-sp; rep from * across to corner 3ch-sp, 3 ch**, [3 tr, picot, 3 tr] in corner 3ch-sp, 3 ch; rep from * around, ending last rep at **, sl st in top of beg 3 ch to join. 606 tr

FINISHING

Fasten off and weave in ends. Block blanket to size.





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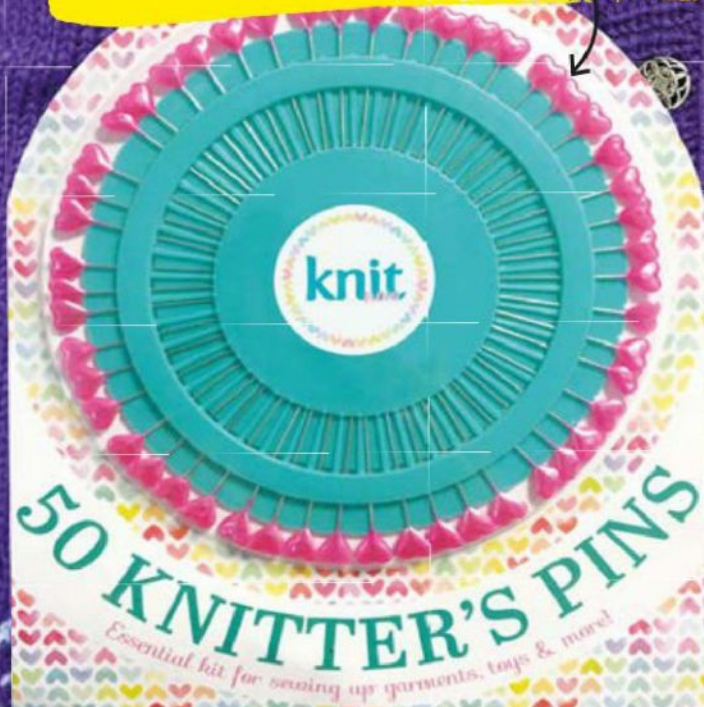


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BOBBLES CITY BAG

Stroll out into the city with this stylish bag on your arm, featuring a bobble texture and a surprisingly simple construction

Project Hoooked

This pattern is worked in a spiral without slip stitching or turning chains. Use stitch marker or waste yarn to keep track of rounds.

Chain 47. Join to work in the rnd, being careful not to twist.

Rnd 1: [1 bbl, 1 dc] 23 times, 1 bbl.
24 bbl, 23 dc

Rnd 2-10: Work in est patt, working bobbles into the dcs of the rnd below, and dcs into the top of the bobbles of the round below.

Rnd 11-15: Dc around.
Fasten off.

MAKING UP

Using MC, sew the bottom edge of the bag on to the bag bottom. Using MC, sew the handles on to the bag.

Optional: Fit a magnetic snap for closing bag.
The perfectionist might like to make a matching lining with a zipper.

Special abbreviations

Bobble (bbl): [Yrh, insert hook in indicated st or sp, yrh, pul, yrh draw through 2 loops on hook] 4 times in same st or sp, yrh, draw through all 5 loops on hook. Push bobble to right side of work



YARN USED

Hoooked
RibbonXL
2 balls in
Denim Blue

ABOUT THE YARN

Super chunky;
120m per
250g ball; 80%
cotton, 20%
other recycled
fibres

HOOKE USED

10mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

2 handles
approximately
50cm long
32x10cm bag
base
Magnetic snap
(optional)

SIZING

Approximately
40x26cm





EAST COAST TREASURES

This stylish nautical wall art is inspired by specific features of the Norfolk coastline: the dunes, the sea, the driftwood and the (occasional!) sunshine

Project: Eline Alcocer

Each mandala is worked in the round, with each round joined using either a slipped stitch or an invisible join:

Joining rounds – block colour mandalas (A & B): Unless otherwise stated, join each round with a slipped stitch.

Joining rounds – multicolour mandala (C): Unless otherwise stated, join each round with an invisible join and cut yarn.

Starting chains – block colour mandalas (A & B): Unless otherwise stated, starting chains do count as a stitch.

Starting stitches – multicolour mandala (C): Each round is started with the appropriate standing stitch (see special stitches). These can be replaced with starting chains if desired.

In some rounds, stitches are worked into the same BLO as a previous round has been worked, insert hook beside stitches worked into shared loops.

MANDALA A

Rnd 1: With A, working into a magic ring, 3 ch, 11 tr. 12 sts

Rnd 2: 1 sl st into sp between tr, 1 ch (does not count as a st), [1 dc between tr, 1 ch] around. Do not join. 12 dc, 12 chs

Rnd 3: 1 sl st in FLO in first dc of rnd 2, pm at beg of rnd. Sl st in FLO around. Join with a sl st in BLO in first dc of rnd 2. Remove marker.

Rnd 4: 5 ch, [1 dtr, 1 ch] around in BLO of rnd 2 dcs. 24 dtr, 24 chs.

Rnd 5: 1 sl st into space between dtrs, 1 ch (does not count as a st). 3 dc in 1ch-sp around. Do not join. 72 sts

Rnd 6: 1 sl st in BLO in each dc around.

Rnd 7: 1 ch (does not count as a st), 1 cs in BLO of sl sts in prev rnd around. Join as follows: cut yarn, pull through, then thread under first cs from front to back using a wool needle.

HINTS & TIPS

If your mandala starts to ruffle at any point, don't worry – it's designed this way and subsequent rounds as well as blocking will straighten it out again



YARN SUGGESTION

KPC

Novomerino DK, 1 ball each in Wicker (A), Caramel (B), Pear Drop (C), Key Lime (D), Parakeet (E), Mango (F), Ocean (G)

ABOUT THE YARN

DK; 107m per 50g ball; 100% ultra-fine Merino wool

TENSION

Rnds 1-7 approximately 10cm after blocking

HOOK USED

3.5mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

18cm, 22cm & 25cm diameter embroidery hoops
1m rod, wooden dowel

SIZING

Mandala A: Approximately 18cm diameter

Mandala B: Approximately 22cm diameter

Mandala C: Approximately 25cm diameter



- Rnd 8:** Reattach yarn to BLO of any rnd 5 dc with a csc (these back lps have already been worked into in Rnd 6. 2 tr in the same st, then [miss 2, 3 tr in BLO of next st] around.
- Rnd 9:** 3 ch, 1 RtrF in next st, 1 htr in next st. [1 htr, 1 RtrF, 1 htr] around, join in top of beg 3-ch.
- Rnd 10:** 3 ch, 1 htr in next st, 1 RtrF in same st, *2 htr, [1 htr, 1 RtrF] in next st; rep from * around. Do not join. 96 sts
- Rnd 11:** 1 sl st in BLO in each dc around.
- Rnd 12:** Rep Rnd 7.
- Rnd 13:** Reattach yarn to the BLO of any rnd 10 htr with a csdc. 1 dc in BLO around. Fasten off and cut yarn.

MANDALA B

With B, working into a magic ring, work rnds 1-11 of Mandala A.

- Rnd 12:** Reattach yarn to the BLO of any RtrF with a csdc. 1 htr, [1 tr, 1 picot] in next st, 1 htr, * 1 dc, 1 htr, [1 tr, 1 picot] in next st, 1 htr; rep from * around. Cut yarn and fasten off. 96 sts
- Rnd 13:** Reattach yarn to any picot with a sl st, 4 ch, *sl st into centre of next picot, 4 ch; rep from * around. Do not join. 24 sl sts, 24 4ch-sps
- Rnd 14:** Rep Rnd 6.
- Rnd 15:** Rep Rnd 7.
- Rnd 16:** Reattach yarn to the BLO of any Rnd 13 sl st with a csdc. 1 dc in BLO around. Fasten off and cut yarn.

MANDALA C

Work rnds 1-8 of Mandala A following these yarn colour instructions.

- Rnd 1:** Using C.
- Rnd 2:** Attach yarn D with a csdc in the space between any tr, 1 ch, finish as for Mandala A.
- Rnd 3:** Attach yarn E to any Rnd 2 dc in

FLO and pm at beg of rnd, finish as for Mandala A.

Rnd 4: Attach yarn F to the BLO of any Rnd 2 dc with a csdc, finish as for Mandala A.

Rnd 5: Attach yarn B to any ch 1 space with a csdc, 2 dc in the same space, finish as for Mandala A.

Rnd 6: With yarn C, as for Mandala A.

Rnd 7: Attach yarn G to the BLO of any Rnd 6 sl st, 1 ch (does not count as a st), finish as for Mandala A.

Rnd 8 (worked in two colours): Attach yarn D to the BLO of any Rnd 5 dc with a csc. 2 tr in the same st (working middle tr in yarn C), then [miss 2, 3 tr in next st (working middle tr in yarn C)] around. Do not cut yarn C.

Rnd 9 (worked in two colours): Attach yarn E to last of any Rnd 8 TR group with a cshtr. 1 htr in next st, 1 RtrF with yarn C, [1 htr, 1 RtrF, 1 htr (working RtrF in yarn C)] around. Do not cut yarn C.

Rnd 10 (worked in two colours): Attach yarn G to first of any Rnd 9 htr with a cshtr. 1 htr, [1 htr with yarn G, 1 RtrF with yarn C] in next st, *2 htr, [1 htr, 1 RtrF in next st (working RtrF in yarn C)]; rep from * around. Do not cut yarn C. 96 sts

Rnd 11: With yarn C, as Rnd 6.

Rnd 12: Attach yarn F to the BLO of first of any Rnd 9 htr with a csc, 2 tr, miss 1, 1 ch. *3 tr, miss 1, 1 ch; rep from * around.

Rnd 13: Attach yarn B to any ch 1 space with a csdc, 3 ch, * 1 dc in ch 1 space, 3 ch; rep from * around.

Rnd 14: Attach yarn D around any ch 3 space with a csdc, 3 dc in the same space, miss 1, 1 ch. * 4 dc, miss 1, 1 ch; rep from * around. 120 sts

Rnd 15: With yarn E, as Rnd 6.

Rnd 16: Attach yarn G to the BLO of any Rnd 13 dc with a csc, 1 ch, 1 tr in same st, * miss 1, [1 tr, 1 ch, 1 tr] in next st; rep from * around. 180 sts

Rnd 17: Attach yarn B around any ch 1 space of Rnd 16 with csdc, miss 2, 1 ch, * 1 dc in next 1ch-sp, miss 2, 2 ch; rep from * around.

Rnd 18: With yarn C, as Rnd 7.

Rnd 19: Reattach yarn to the BLO of any Rnd 17 st with a csdc. 1 dc in BLO around.

Fasten off and cut yarn.

FINISHING

Weave in all ends and wet block. Using a wool needle, attach each mandala to an embroidery hoop by threading yarn through both loops of each final rnd dc and around the hoop. Pull yarn tightly as you go. Tie off and leave a long tail. Using the tails, hang each mandala from a metal rod, wooden dowel or piece of driftwood.

Special abbreviations

CS – crab stitch: Insert hook into next st **on the right** from front to back and pul, yrh and draw through both loops on hook

DTC – double treble crochet: Yrh twice, insert hook in next st and pul, [yrh and draw through first 2 loops on hook] 3 times

CSDC – chainless starting double crochet: Wrap yarn round hook once. Keeping hold of the tail, insert hook, yrh and pul, yrh again and draw through both loops on hook

CSHTR – chainless starting half treble crochet: Wrap yarn round hook twice. Keeping hold of the tail, insert hook, yrh and pul, yrh and draw through all loops on hook

CSTC – chainless starting treble crochet: Wrap yarn round hook twice. Keeping hold of the tail, insert hook, yrh and pul, yrh and draw through first 2 loops on hook, yrh and draw through remaining loops on hook

CSDTC – chainless starting double treble crochet: Wrap yarn round hook three times. Keeping hold of the tail, insert hook, yrh and pul, [yrh and draw through first 2 loops on hook] twice, yrh and draw through remaining loops on hook

RtrF – raised treble front: Yrh, insert hook around the post of the next st working from front to back to front, yrh and pul, yrh and draw through first 2 loops on hook, yrh and draw through remaining loops on hook

Picot: 3 ch, sl st into top of st underneath



YARN SUGGESTION

KPC
Novomerino
Aran
4 balls in
Parakeet

ABOUT THE YARN

Aran; 75m
per 50g ball;
100% ultra-fine
Merino wool

TENSION

3 [1 dc, MB]
sts x 8 rows
= 10cm over
bobble patt

HOOK USED

10mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

85mm
pom-pom
maker
(optional) or
cardboard

SIZING

To fit average
woman's
head –
approximately
52cm
circumference
x 20cm tall

SUPER BOBBLE BEANIE

This stylish, wearable pattern will be a favourite you'll come back to all season long for quick gift!

Project Emma Wright

Note: Make sure to use yarn held double throughout.

Rnd 1: Working into magic ring, 8 dc, sl st into top of first dc made. 8 sts

Rnd 2: 1 ch, 2 dc in each dc, sl st into top of first dc made. 16 sts

Rnd 3: 1 ch, *MB in next st, 1 dc in next st; rep from * to end.

Rnd 4: 1 ch, *2 dc into top of bobble, 2 dc into top of dc from below; rep from * to end. 32 sts

Rnd 5: 1 ch, *MB in next st, 1 dc in next st; rep from * to end.

Rnd 6: 1 ch, *1 dc into top of bobble, 1 dc into top of dc from below; rep from * to end.

Repeat last 2 rnds until hat measures approximately 20cm. Fasten off.

FINISHING

Make two pom-poms using an 85mm

pom-pom maker or cardboard and sew both pom-poms in place. Weave in ends and block to dimensions given in schematic.

Special stitches

Make Bobble (MB): *yrh, insert hook into st, draw yarn through, yrh, pull through first 2 loops on hook; rep from * 3 times more. 5 loops on hook, yrh, pull through all 5 loops, secure with 1 ch



ZIGGY GIRAFFE

Get creative with this adorable giraffe toy and make a version in your favourite colours

Project Hooooked Design Team



YARN USED

Hooooked
RibbonXL
2 balls MC
1 ball CC
OR (for
striped version)
1 ball each in
Bubblegum
Pink RXL27 and
Silver
Grey RXL41
Both versions
Small amount
in Black Night
RXL26 (for
embroidering
the eyes)

ABOUT THE YARN

Super chunky;
120m per
250g ball;
80% cotton,
20% other
recycled fibre

HOOK USED

9mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

toy stuffing
tapestry needle

SIZING

Approximately
40cm tall



Ziggy is made bottom up in the amigurumi style, in a spiral without slip stitching or turning chains. Use st marker or waste yarn to keep track of the first st of each rnd. To make the striped version, change colour after every second row.

LEGS (MAKE 4)

Rnd 1: Working into a magic ring,
5dc. 5 sts

Rnd 2: [2 dc in next st] 5 times.
10 sts

Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] 5 times.
15 sts

Rnds 4-6: Dc around.

First three legs only: Fasten off, leaving a long tail. The legs will be sewn together in the centre, using the tails.

Fourth leg: Do not fasten off. Continue:

Rnd 7: 8 dc, take the 2nd leg and

join to first by working 10 dc around. Ensure the long tails are in the middle. Take the 3rd leg and work 10 dc around, then work 10 dc around the 4th leg. You now have 4 legs in a row.

Join first and last legs.

Count back 40 sts. Insert your hook in the 40th st (in the first leg) and work 1dc in the next 2 sts. 40 sts

BODY

Rnds 8-9: Dc around.

Using the long tails in the centre, sew the legs together.

Rnds 10-11: Dc around.

Rnd 12: [6 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times.
35 sts

Rnd 13: Dc around.

Rnd 14: [5 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times.
30 sts

Rnd 15: Dc around.

Rnd 16: [4 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times.
25 sts

Rnd 17: Dc around.

Rnd 18: [3 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times.
20 sts

Rnd 19: [2 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times.
15 sts

Stuff the legs and body firmly.

NECK & HEAD

Rnds 20-25: Dc around.

Rnd 26: [2 dc, 2 dc in next st] 5 times. 20 sts

Rnd 27: [3 dc, 2 dc in next st] 5 times. 25 sts

Rnd 28: [4 dc, 2 dc in next st] 5 times. 30 sts

Rnd 29: [5 dc, 2 dc in next st] 5 times. 35 sts

Rnd 30: [6 dc, 2 dc in next st] 5 times. 40 sts

Rnds 31-35: Dc around.

Rnd 36: [6 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times.
35 sts

Rnd 37: [5 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times.
30 sts



Rnd 38: [4 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times.

25 sts

Rnd 39: [3 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times.

20 sts

Stuff the neck and head firmly.

Rnd 40: [2 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times. 15 sts

Rnd 41: [1 dc, 1 dc2tog] 5 times.

10 sts

Rnd 42: [1 dc2tog] 5 times. 5 sts

Fasten off.

NOSE

You will crochet an oval, working into both sides of the foundation chain.

Leaving a longer tail of yarn at the beginning (for finishing the nose), chain 4.

Rnd 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, 2 dc in next st, 1 dc, 4 dc in next st turning as you go, work into the other side of the chain, 1 dc in next st, 2 dc in next st. 10 sts

Rnd 2: [1 dc, 2 dc in next st] 5 times. 15 sts

Rnd 3: [2 dc, 2 dc in next st] 5 times. 20 sts

Rnds 4-5: Dc around.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing the nose onto the head. If the stitches at

the front of the nose are a little too far apart then sew them together with the long tail from the beginning. Sew the nose just below the centre of the head, make sure the bottom of the nose touches the bottom of the head. Stuff the nose as you are stitching.

EYES

Using the picture as a guide, double satin stitch the eyes over two rows at each side of the nose, using some black RibbonXL or other black yarn.

EARS (MAKE 2)

Leaving a long tail for sewing the ears onto the head, chain 10. Join to work in the rnd, being careful not to twist.

Rnds 1-2: Dc around. 10 sts

Rnd 3: [2 dc, 1 dc2tog] twice, 2 dc. 8 sts

Rnd 4: Dc around.

Rnd 5: 2 dc, 1 dc2tog, 1 dc, 1 dc2tog, 1 dc. 6 sts

Rnd 6: [1 dc2tog] 3 times. 3 sts

Fasten off and pull the thread through the ear. Fold the ears and sew together. Using the photograph as a guide sew the ears onto the head.

HORNS (MAKE 2)

The horns will be crocheted with a double thread, so make sure these threads are both long. Take a length of thread and fold in half, then pull a loop through a st at the top of the head (between the ears). Work 3 ch with the double thread. Pull the threads through, and tie a knot at the end. Thread the ends back into the horn. They will now be firm enough to stand.

TAIL

Take a length of thread and fold in half, then pull a loop through a dc. Now work 4 ch. Fasten off. Cut 4 lengths of yarn and pull these through the last ch of the tail. Tie off the threads to secure and cut them to the same length.

Weave in ends.

For an extra-cute finish, choose a contrasting thread and stitch little hearts, letters or flowers on the back of the giraffe near the tail.



YARN SUGGESTION

KPC
Glencoul DK
1 ball each in
Peacock (A),
Ivory (B), Iris
(C), Blue
Steel (D)

ABOUT THE YARN

DK; 116m per
50g ball; 70%
Merino wool,
30% cotton

TENSION

10.5 sts x 25
rows = 10cm

HOOK USED

4mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

1.5 litre teapot
2cm diameter
button

SIZING

Each tea
cosy panel
measures
approximately
24cm wide
x 15cm high
Pattern is easily
adapted to fit
any teapot

EMMA'S TEA COSY

We love how Esme's textured design shows off this yarn's stitch definition beautifully!

Project Esme Crick

This pattern is easy to adapt to fit any teapot. Simply adjust your starting ch (using an even-numbered chain) to change the height of the cosy, and add or subtract rows to fit the width.

SIDE PANEL (make 2 the same)

Colour sequence: [A, B, C, B, D, B]
repeat in this order throughout
main pattern, changing colour
where indicated.
With A, chain 26.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd chain from
hook, dc across. Turn. 25 dc

Row 2: 1 ch (does not count as st
throughout), dc across. Turn.

Row 3: 1 ch, 1 dc, *1 bobble, 1 dc;
rep from * across, join next colour
in last st. Fasten off previous
colour. Turn. 12 bobbles

Row 4: As Row 2.

Row 5: 1 ch, 2 dc, *1 bobble, 1 dc;
rep from * across to last st, 1 dc
in last st, join next colour in last st.
Fasten off previous colour. Turn.
11 bobbles

Rep rows 2-5 eight times for 37 rows
(18 stripes) in total. Fasten off. Weave
in all ends.

Special stitches

Bobble: [Yrh, insert hook into
st, yrh, pul, yrh, draw through 2
loops] 3 times into same stitch,
yrh, draw through all 4 loops
on hook

MAKING UP

Top of cosy

Place the two panels together
with RS facing out and stripes
running vertically.
Work all sts fairly tightly.

Rnd 1: With A, join with sl st to
top edge at any point, ch 1, 2 dc
into top of each stripe of colour
around, working around both
pieces across the gaps to join
them, join with sl st to first dc.
72 dc

Rnd 2: 1 ch, dc around, join with sl
st to first dc.

Rnd 3: 1 ch, dc2tog around, join with
sl st to first dc. 36 dc

Rnd 4: As Rnd 3. 18 dc

Rnd 5: 1 ch, dc around, join with sl
st to first dc. Fasten off. Weave
in ends.

Sew bottom seams together at front
(approximately 3cm from base up to
just under teapot spout). Sew a loop
of yarn to one panel of cosy under
handle at rear and sew button on
other panel to fasten.

CLEAR MOUNTAIN BABY BIB

A touch of Scandi minimalist style is just the remedy for baby's messy dinnertime

Project Allison Holloway



With MC, chain 31.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, 30 dc. Turn. 30 sts

Row 2: 1 ch (does not count as st throughout), 2 dc in first st, 28 dc, 2 dc in last st. Turn. 32 sts

Row 3: 1 ch, 2 dc in first st, 30 dc, 2 dc in last stitch. Turn. 34 sts

Row 4: 1 ch, dc across. Turn. 34 sts

Rows 5-34: As Row 4. Turn.

NECK SHAPING

BUTTON/LEFT SIDE

Row 35: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 6 dc, 1 dc2tog. Turn. 8 sts

Row 36: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 4 dc, 1 dc2tog. Turn. 6 sts

Row 37: 1 ch, dc across. Turn. 6 sts

Rows 38-42: As Row 37.

Row 43: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 3 dc, 2 dc in next st. Turn.

Row 44: 1 ch, dc across. Turn.

Row 45: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 3 dc, 2 dc in next st. Turn.

Row 46: 1 ch, 2 dc in next st, 3 dc, 1 dc2tog. Turn.

Row 47: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 3 dc, 2 dc in next st. Turn.

Row 48: 1 ch, 2 dc in next st, 3 dc, 1 dc2tog. Turn.

Row 49: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 3 dc, 2 dc in next st, 16 ch. Turn.

Row 50: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, 15 dc across ch, 4 dc, 1 dc2tog. Turn. 20 sts

Row 51: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 18 dc. Turn. 19 sts

Row 52: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 15 dc, 1 dc2tog. 17 sts

Fasten off. Weave in ends.

BUTTONHOLE/RIGHT SIDE

Starting in first stitch on outer edge, rejoin MC with a sl st.

Rep rows 35-50.

Row 51: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 7 dc, ch 2, miss 2, 4 dc, ch 2, miss 2, 3 dc. Turn. 15 sts

Row 52: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 1 dc, [2 dc into 2ch-sp, 4 dc] twice, 2 dc, 1 dc2tog. 17 sts

Fasten off. Weave in ends.

EDGING

Rnd 1: With RS facing, join CC1 with

a sl st to any edge stitch, 1 ch, dc around placing 1 dc in each st along the straight edges and 2 dc in each st along the outside curves, join with sl st in first dc.

Rnd 2: Crab stitch around, join with sl st in first st.

Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Sew buttons onto neck strap, making sure they line up with buttonholes.

MOUNTAIN 1

With CC2, and leaving a long tail for sewing, chain 10.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, 9 dc. Turn. 9 sts

Row 2: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 5 dc, 1 dc2tog. Turn. 7 sts

Row 3: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 5 dc. Turn. 6 sts

Row 4: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 4 dc. Turn. 5 sts

Row 5: 1 ch, dc across. Turn.

Row 6: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 3 dc. Turn. 4 sts

Change to CC3

Row 7: 1 ch, 1 dc, 1 spk1, 1 spk2, 1 dc. Turn.

Row 8: 1 ch, dc across. Turn.

Row 9: 1 ch, 2 dc2tog. Turn. 2 sts

Row 10: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog.

Leaving a long tail for sewing, fasten off.

MOUNTAIN 2

With CC2, and leaving a long tail for sewing, chain 12.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, 11 dc. Turn. 11 sts

Row 2: 1 ch, dc across. Turn.

Row 3: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 9 dc. Turn. 10 sts

Row 4: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 8 dc. Turn. 9 sts

Row 5: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 7 dc. Turn. 8 sts

Row 6: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 6 dc. Turn. 7 sts

Row 7: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 5 dc. Turn. 6 sts

Row 8: 1 ch, dc across. Turn.

Row 9: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 4 dc. Turn. 5 sts

Row 10: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 3 dc. Turn. 4 sts

Change to CC3.

Rep rows 7-10 of Mountain 1.

MOUNTAIN 3

With CC2 and leaving a long tail for sewing, chain 14.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, 13 dc. Turn. 13 sts

Row 2: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 11 dc. Turn. 12 sts

Row 3: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 10 dc. Turn. 11 sts

Row 4: 1 ch, dc across. Turn.

Row 5: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 9 dc. Turn. 10 sts

Row 6: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 8 dc. Turn. 9 sts

Row 7: 1 ch, dc across. Turn.

Row 8: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 7 dc. Turn. 8 sts

Row 9: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 6 dc. Turn. 7 sts

Rows 10-11: 1 ch, dc across. Turn.

Row 12: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 5 dc. Turn. 6 sts

Row 13: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 4 dc. Turn. 5 sts

Row 14: 1 ch, 1 dc2tog, 3 dc. Turn. 4 sts

Change to CC3.

Rep rows 7-10 of Mountain 1.

MAKING UP

Arrange mountains evenly at bottom of bib, pin in place. Once you are happy with the arrangement, sew in place using yarn tails and tapestry needle.



YARN SUGGESTION

KPC

Glencoul DK
1 ball each in
Lime Wash
(MC), Mango
(CC1),
Thunder (CC2),
Mist (CC3)

ABOUT THE YARN

DK; 116m per
50g ball; 70%
Merino wool;
30% cotton

TENSION

17 sts x 21
rows = 10cm
measured
over dc

HOOKE USED

4mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

2 pale yellow
buttons, 15mm
tapestry needle
sewing needle
pale yellow
sewing thread

SIZING

one size –
6-24 months



SUPER STRIPES

This simple striped beanie & infinity scarf are perfect for beginners, using only simple stitches to create these cosy accessories

Project Hoooked Design Team

BEANIE

Turning chains counts as a st.

With 10mm hook,

Rnd 1: With A, working into a magic ring, 6 tr. 6 sts

Rnd 2: 3 ch, 1 tr in same st, [2 tr in next st] 5 times. With B, sl st into top of 3 ch. 12 sts

Rnd 3: 3 ch, 1 tr in same st, [2 tr in next st] 11 times. With C, sl st into top of 3 ch. 24 sts

Rnd 4: 3 ch, 2 tr in next st, [1 tr, 2 tr in next st] 11 times. With A, sl st into top of 3 ch. 36 sts

Rnd 5: 3 ch, 1 tr, 2 tr in next st, [2 tr, 2 tr in next st] 11 times. With B, sl st into top of 3 ch. 48 sts

Rnd 6: Tr around. With C, sl st into top of 3 ch.

Rnd 7: Tr around. With A, sl st into top of 3 ch.

Rnd 8: 3 ch, 5 tr, 1 tr2tog, [6 tr, 1 tr2tog] 5 times. With B, sl st into top of 3 ch. 42 sts

Rnd 9: 3 ch, 4 tr, 1 tr2tog, [5 tr, 1 tr2tog] 5 times. With C, sl st into top of 3 ch. 36 sts

Rnd 10: 1 ch, 9 dc, 1 dc2tog, [10 dc, 1 dc2tog] twice. 33 sts

Rnd 11: Sl st around. Fasten off.

INFINITY SCARF

Turning chains do not count as a st.

With 12mm hook, and A, chain 23.

Row 1: Starting in 4th ch from hook, 20 tr. 20 sts

Row 2: 3 ch, tr across. Change to B on last step of final tr.

Row 3: 3 ch, tr across.

Row 4: 3 ch, tr across. Change to C on last step of final tr.

Row 5: 3 ch, tr across.

Row 6: 3 ch, tr across. Change to A on last step of final tr.

Row 7: 3 ch, tr across.

Rep rows 2-7 until you have used up all the yarn.

Join both ends of the scarf by sewing them together with a whipstitch.



YARN USED

Hoooked

RibbonXL

1 ball each in

Stone Grey

RXL31 (A), Pearl

White RXL28 (B)

and Bubblegum

Pink RXL27 (C)

Hat in one

colour uses

one ball.

Scarf in one

colour uses

two balls

ABOUT THE YARN

Super chunky;

120m per

850g ball;

100% recycled

textile yarn

HOOKE USED

Beanie: 10mm

Scarf: 12mm



MEET THE ROBOTS



This little tribe of mechanical marvels might not do your tedious chores for you, but they're sure to keep the kids entertained at least!

Project Tracey Coldwell

ROBOT MUMMY

HEAD

- Rnd 1:** In LP working into magic ring, 6 dc.
Rnd 2: 2 dc into next st, 6 times. 12 sts
Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 18 sts
Rnd 4: [2 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 24 sts
Rnd 5: [3 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 30 sts
Rnd 6: 30 dc.
Rnd 7: [4 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 36 sts
Rnds 8-12: 36 dc.
 Fasten off and break yarn. Attach safety eyes and embroider mouth.

BASE OF HEAD

- Rnd 1:** In LP, working into magic ring, 6 dc.
Rnd 2: 2 dc into next st, 6 times. 12 sts
Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 18 sts
Rnd 4: [2 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 24 sts
Rnd 5: [3 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 30 sts
Rnd 6: [4 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 36 sts
 Attach base to head by working 36 dc through all 4 loops of sts around, filling with stuffing before closing. Fasten off and break yarn, weave in ends.



HEAD DOMES

FIRST DOME

- Rnd 1:** In P working into magic ring, 6 dc.
Rnd 2: 2 dc into next st 6 times. 12 sts
Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 18 sts
Rnds 4-6: 18 dc.
Rnd 7: [1 dc, dc2tog] 6 times. 12 sts
 Fasten off and break yarn, fill with stuffing and sew onto head.

SECOND DOME

- Rnd 1:** In DP, working into magic ring, 6 dc.
Rnd 2: 2 dc into next st 6 times. 12 sts
Rnds 3-5: 12 dc.
Rnd 6: [Dc2tog] 6 times. 6 sts
 Fasten off and break yarn, fill with stuffing and sew on top of first dome.

BODY

- Rnd 1:** In LP working into magic ring, 6 dc.
Rnd 2: 2 dc into next st 6 times. 12 sts
Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 18 sts
Rnd 4: [2 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 24 sts
Rnd 5: [3 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 30 sts
Rnd 6: 30 dc.
Rnd 7: [4 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 36 sts
Rnd 8: 36 dc.
Rnd 9: [5 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 42 sts
Rnds 10-15: 42 dc.
 Fasten off and break yarn

BASE OF BODY

- Rnd 1:** In LP, working into magic ring, 6 dc.
Rnd 2: 2 dc into next st 6 times. 12 sts
Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 18 sts
Rnd 4: [2 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 24 sts
Rnd 5: [3 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 30 sts
Rnd 6: [4 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 36 sts
Rnd 7: [5 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 42 sts
 Attach base to body by working 42 dc through all 4 loops of sts around, filling with stuffing before closing. Fasten off and break yarn, weave in ends. Sew head onto body.



ARMS & LEGS (MAKE 5)

- Rnd 1:** In P working into magic ring, 6 dc.
Rnd 2: 2 dc into next st 6 times. 12 sts
Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 18 sts
Rnds 4-6: 18 dc.
Rnd 7: [1 dc, dc2tog] 6 times. 12 sts
 Fasten off and break yarn, fill with stuffing and sew two onto side of body and three onto base of body. Embroider details on the front, and sew on buttons.

ROBOT DADDY

HEAD

- Rnd 1:** In G, working into magic ring, 6 dc.
Rnd 2: 2 dc into next st, 6 times. 12 sts
Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 18 sts
Rnd 4: [2 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 24 sts
Rnd 5: [3 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 30 sts
Rnd 6: 30 dc.
Rnd 7: [4 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 36 sts
Rnds 8-12: 36 dc.
 Fasten off and break yarn. Attach safety eyes and embroider mouth.

BASE OF HEAD

- Rnd 1:** In G, working into magic ring, 6 dc.
Rnd 2: 2 dc into next st, 6 times. 12 sts
Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 18 sts
Rnd 4: [2 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 24 sts
Rnd 5: [3 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 30 sts
Rnd 6: [4 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 36 sts
 Attach base to head by working 36 dc through all 4 loops of sts around, filling with stuffing before closing. Fasten off and break yarn, weave in ends.

HEAD DOMES (MAKE 3)

- Rnd 1:** In B, working into magic ring, 6 dc.



YARN SUGGESTION

KPC
 Glencoul DK
 1 ball each in Parakeet (Y), Persimmon (O), black (B), Big Apple (G), Ivory (B), Vermillion (R), Bridal Rose (LP), Berry Bliss (P), Sorbet (DP)

ABOUT THE YARN

DK; 116m per 50g ball; 70% Merino, 30% cotton

HOOKE USED

3.5mm

OTHER SUPPLIES

2 safety eyes, 10 mm
 toy stuffing
 stitch markers
 beads to decorate

SIZING

Daddy: 21cm tall
 Mummy: 21cm tall
 Baby: 16cm tall

Rnd 2: 2 dc into next st 6 times. 12 sts

Rnds 3-5: 12 dc.

Fasten off and break yarn, fill with stuffing and sew onto head.

BODY

Rnd 1: In G, working into magic ring, 6 dc.

Rnd 2: 2 dc into next st 6 times. 12 sts

Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 18 sts

Rnd 4: [2 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 24 sts

Rnd 5: [3 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 30 sts

Rnd 6: 30 dc.

Rnd 7: [4 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 36 sts

Rnd 8: 36 dc.

Rnd 9: [5 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 42 sts

Rnd 10: 42 dc.

Rnd 11: [6 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times.

48 sts

Rnd 12: 48 dc.

Rnd 13: [7 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times.

54 sts

Change to B.

Rnds 14-17: 54 dc.

Change to G.

Rnds 18-20: 54 dc.

Fasten off and break yarn

BASE OF BODY

Rnd 1: In SG, working into magic ring, 6 dc.

Rnd 2: 2 dc into next st 6 times. 12 sts

Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 18 sts

Rnd 4: [2 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 24 sts

Rnd 5: [3 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 30 sts

Rnd 6: [4 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 36 sts

Rnd 7: [5 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 42 sts

Rnd 8: [6 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 48 sts

Rnd 9: [7 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 54 sts

Attach base to body by working 54 dc through all 4 loops of sts around, filling with stuffing before closing. Fasten off and break yarn, weave in ends.

Sew head onto body.

ARMS (MAKE 2)

Rnd 1: In Y, working into magic ring, 6 dc.

Rnd 2: 2 dc into next st 6 times. 12 sts

Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times.

18 sts

Rnd 4: 18 dc in BLO.

Rnds 5-6: 18 dc.

Rnds 7-15: In B, 18 dc.

Fill with stuffing, squeeze closed, work 9 dc through 4 loops of the arm to close.

Fasten off and break yarn.

Sew onto body.

LEGS

Rnd 1: In B working into magic ring, 6 dc.

Rnd 2: 2 dc into next st 6 times. 12 sts

Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times. 18 sts

Rnd 4: [2 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times.

24 sts

Rnd 5: [3 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times.

30 sts

Rnd 6: [4 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times.

36 sts

Rnd 7: [5 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times.

42 sts

Rnd 8: [6 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times.

48 sts

Rnd 9: BLO 48 dc.

Rnds 10-11: 48 dc.

Change to G.

Rnds 12-14: 48 dc.

Fasten off and break yarn.

Sew onto base of body.

Embroider details on the front and sew on buttons.

ROBOT BABY

Rnd 1: In Y, working into magic ring, 6 dc.

Rnd 2: 2 dc into next st, 6 times. 12 sts

Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times.

18 sts

Rnd 4: [2 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times.

24 sts

Rnd 5: [3 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times.

30 sts

Rnds 6-10: 30 dc.

Fasten off and break yarn. Attach safety eyes and embroider mouth.

BASE OF HEAD

Rnd 1: In Y, working into magic ring, 6 dc.

Rnd 2: 2 dc into next st, 6 times. 12 sts

Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times.

18 sts

Rnd 4: [2 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times.

24 sts

Rnd 5: [3 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times.

30 sts

Attach base to head by working 30 dc through all 4 loops of sts around, filling with stuffing before closing. Fasten off and break yarn, weave in ends.

HEAD DOME

Rnd 1: In O working into magic ring, 6 dc.

Rnds 2-6: 6 dc.

Fasten off and break yarn, fill with stuffing and sew onto head.



BODY

Rnd 1: In O, working into magic ring, 6 dc.

Rnd 2: 2 dc into next st 6 times. 12 sts

Rnd 3: [1 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times.

18 sts

Rnd 4: [2 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times.

24 sts

Rnd 5: [3 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times.

30 sts

Rnd 6: 30 dc.

Rnd 7: [4 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times.

36 sts

Rnd 8: 36 dc.

Rnd 9: [5 dc, 2 dc into next st] 6 times.

42 sts

Rnds 10-13: 42 dc.

Rnd 14: [5 dc, dc2tog] 6 times. 36 sts

Rnd 15: 36 dc.

Rnd 16: [4 dc, dc2tog] 6 times. 30 dc

Rnd 17: 30 dc.

Rnd 18: [3 dc, dc2tog] 6 times. 24 sts

Rnd 19: [2 dc, dc2tog] 6 times. 18 sts

Fill with stuffing.

Rnd 20: [1 dc, dc2tog] 6 times. 12 sts

Rnd 21: [dc2tog] 6 times. 6 sts

Fasten off and break yarn. Weave through remaining 6 sts and pull tight. Weave in ends.

Sew head onto body.

BODY BOX

In B, chain 8.

Rows 1-5: 7 dc, 1 ch, turn.

Fasten off and break yarn.

Sew onto front of body and add details.

ARMS (MAKE 2)

Rnd 1: In Y, working into magic ring, 6 dc.

Rnd 2: 2 dc into next st 6 times. 12 sts

Rnd 3: 12 dc in BLO.

Change to O.

Rnds 4-9: 12 dc.

Fasten off and break yarn, fill with stuffing and sew onto each side of body.

LEARN THE BASICS

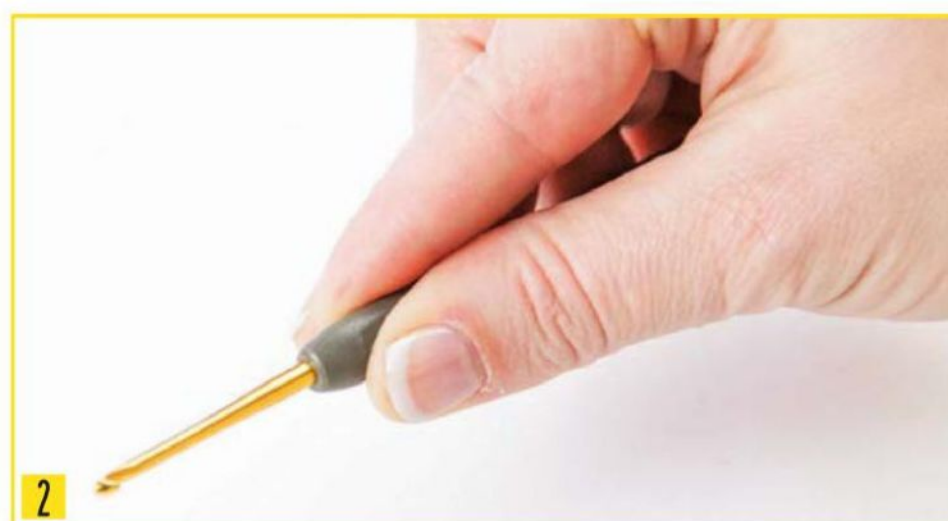
Master the essential crochet techniques you'll need to see you through your next project

HOLDING THE HOOK



PEN METHOD

There's no right or wrong way to hold your hook, but many crocheters find it comfortable to hold it as they would a pen.



KNIFE METHOD

Others prefer the knife method, with the end of the hook resting against the palm of the hand for extra control of the hook.

HOLDING THE YARN



The key is to ensure tension in the yarn. This technique shows the tail held between index finger and thumb, and working end over the middle finger.

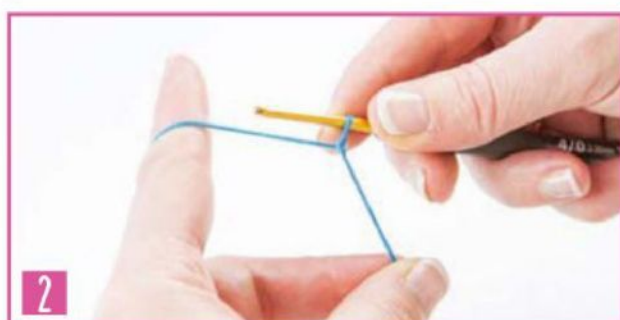
MAKING A SLIPKNOT



Holding the tail end firmly, wrap the working end of the ball of yarn around two fingers to make a loop.



Pull a loop from the working end of the ball of yarn up through the centre of the loop you've just made.



This technique shows the tail end held in between the thumb and middle finger and the working end wrapped around the index finger – see what works best for you!



Remove the loop from your fingers and you should have something that looks like this.



Pull the tail end of the yarn to close the slipknot – it's now ready to be popped onto your crochet hook and pulled tight to close.

CHAIN STITCH (CH)



1 This is what the start of any crochet project looks like – a slipknot on a hook.

2 To begin making your first chain, first wrap the yarn around the hook (yrh).

3 Pull the hook towards the first loop on the hook – always be sure to move the crochet hook and not the yarn to make your stitches – this will catch the yrh in the head of the hook.

4 Continue to move the hook until you pull through your yrh through the first loop on the hook – you’ve made your first chain stitch!



WORKING INTO A CHAIN

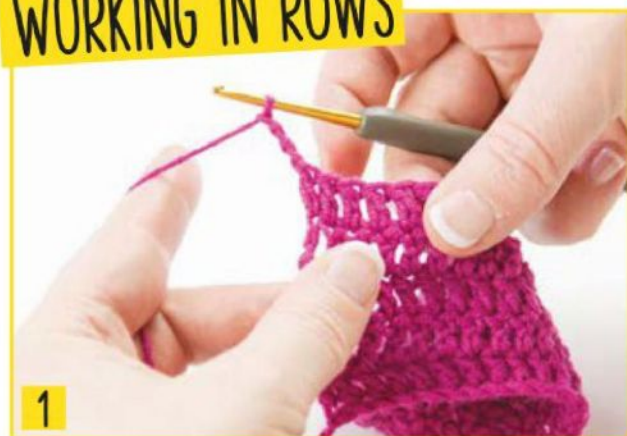


Once you’ve made the required length of chain, you should be left with something looking like this. This is your foundation row, into which Row 1 is worked.

The starting chain instructions often include the turning chain in them already. This example shows a treble crochet, so the stitch is worked into the 4th chain from the hook to create the height needed for the first stitch.

This is what the first treble stitch into a chain looks like – you will then continue to make the next stitch in the next chain all along to the end to create your first row.

WORKING IN ROWS



Once you reach the end of a row, it’s time to work back along the other way. To do this you need to turn the work. This example shows a treble once again, so we’ve made a three chain turning chain.

Then simply turn the work before continuing to work the next row. This produces what is known as a right side (RS) and wrong side (WS) to the crochet fabric – something you’ll come to recognise in no time at all.

TURNING CHAINS



Different stitches have different size turning chains; double crochet is one chain (which is often not counted as a stitch); half treble is two chains; treble is three chains and double treble is four chains.

1 To work in the round, first of all you need a centre ring, into which the first round of stitches are worked into. There are many ways to do this, but for this example, we are first making a chain of four stitches.

2 Next, slip-stitch into the first chain you made to create a centre ring.

3 We are creating treble stitches again, so next up we make a chain of three for the turning chain.

4 The stitches are then worked directly into the centre ring – not into the actual chain stitches themselves as we did when working into a row. This allows us to work many more stitches into the ring, without leaving a large hole in the centre.

WORKING IN THE ROUND



MAGIC RING



A magic ring is a key technique used in the making of toys (also known as amigurumi). It allows you to have even greater control on the size of the hole at the centre ring of your project.



To start off, follow the first few steps for making a slip knot by making a loop around your fingers with the working end of the yarn.



Pull through a loop of the working end of the ball of yarn – place your hook into the new loop; however, this time don't pull the tail to make a slipknot. Hold the centre ring in your fingers to stop it moving.



In this example, we're double crocheting into the magic ring. To secure the magic ring, make one chain.



Then continue to work the number of required double crochet stitches directly into the magic ring, ensuring both the loop and the tail end are caught in the stitches.



Pull the tail end of the yarn and the magic ring will close up as tightly as it is able, depending on the number of stitches.

DOUBLE CROCHET (DC)



1 Insert your hook into the next stitch from front to back.



2 Wrap the yarn round the hook (yrh).



3 Pull up a loop through the stitch. You will now have two loops on the hook.



4 Yarn round the hook again.



5 Pull through both loops on hook. You've made your first double crochet.



DOUBLE CROCHET IS
ESSENTIAL FOR AMIGURUMI

DOUBLE CROCHET 2 TOGETHER (DC2TOG)



1 This stitch is a common decrease in double crochet. First up, work a double crochet stitch as far as Step 3. Then insert your hook into the next stitch, yrh and pull up a loop. You will have three loops on the hook.



2 Yarn round the hook again.



3 Pull through all three loops on the hook.

DOUBLE CROCHET INCREASE (DC INC)



To increase the number of double crochet stitches, simply make more than one double crochet in the same stitch as shown in this example.



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SLIP STITCH (SL ST)



1 Slip stitches are used as joining stitches and in places where you need to move along a row or round without impacting the height of the row. Insert the hook into the next stitch.

2 Yarn round the hook, pull up a loop not only through the stitch, but also the first loop on the hook.

HALF TREBLE (HTR)



1 First up, yarn round the hook.

2 Insert the hook into the next stitch, yrh and pull through one loop. There are three loops on the hook.

3 Yarn round the hook again.

4 Pull through all three loops. One half treble stitch made.



HALF TREBLE 2 TOGETHER (HTR2TOG)

1 Work as for half treble until Step 2.

2 Work steps 1 and 2 again in the next stitch. There are five loops on the hook.

3 Yrh and pull through all five loops.

4 Pull through all three loops. One half treble stitch made.

TREBLE (TR)



1 First up, yarn round the hook.

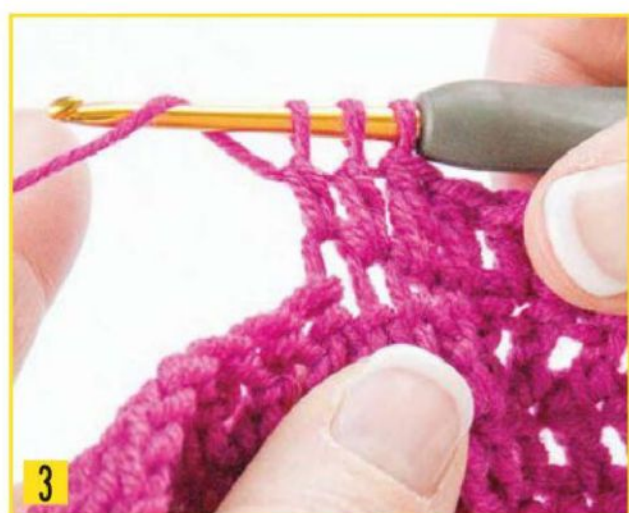
2 Insert the hook into the next stitch and pull up one loop. There are three loops on the hook.

3 Yarn round the hook and pull through two loops. There are two loops left on the hook.

4 Yarn round the hook again and pull through the remaining two loops. One treble crochet stitch made.



TREBLE 2 TOGETHER (TR2TOG)

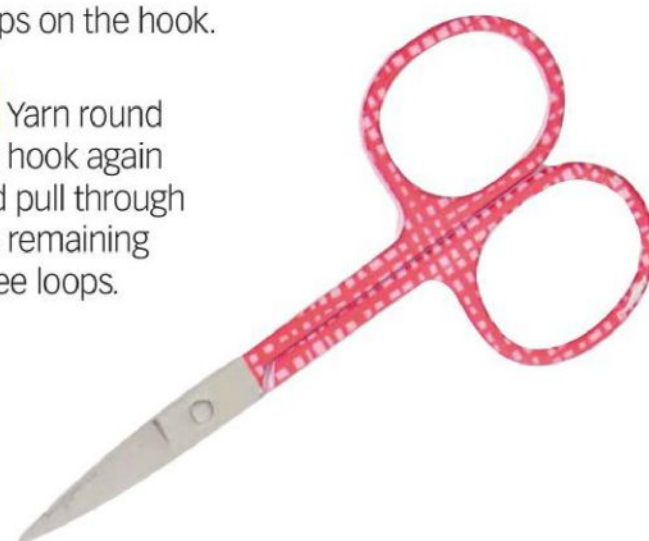


1 Work as for a treble crochet stitch up to Step 3.

2 Yarn round the hook again, insert into the next stitch and pull up one loop. There are four loops on the hook.

3 Yarn round the hook again and pull through two loops. There are now three loops on the hook.

4 Yarn round the hook again and pull through the remaining three loops.



CHANGING COLOUR



Crochet colourwork can make for some fantastic results. To change colour mid-row, first work the stitch until the penultimate step in colour 1. Yarn round the hook in the new colour.

Pull through both loops to complete the stitch and continue to work the next stitch in the next colour.

Once secured, you can either fasten off the old yarn, or keep it attached if you'll be working it in again soon – this is called stranded colourwork.

MEASURING TENSION

Tension squares are particularly important for projects where size does matter, so be sure to work up a square in pattern that's slightly larger than 10cm². Grab your ruler and count your stitches. Too many? Try a hook size up. Too few? Try a hook size down.



STANDARD ABBREVIATIONS

Get your head around these abbreviations that you'll find regularly in Crochet Now patterns

alt	alternate
beg	beginning
BLO	work in back loops only
CC	contrasting colour
ch	chain
ch-sp	chain space
cont	continue
dc	double crochet
dc2tog	work two double crochet stitches together
dec	decrease
dtr	double treble crochet
fdc	foundation double crochet
FLO	work in front loops only
foll	following
htr	half treble crochet
htr2tog	work two half treble crochet stitches together
inc	increase
LH	left hand
MC	main colour
patt	pattern
pm	place marker
prev	previous
pul	pull up a loop
rem	remaining
rep	repeat
RH	right hand
rm	remove marker
rnd	round
RS	right side
RtrF	raised treble front: Yrh, insert around post of indicated st from front to back around to front again, yrh, pul, [yrh, draw through two loops] twice
RtrB	raised treble back: Yrh, insert around post of indicated st from back to front around to back again, yrh, pul, [yrh, draw through two loops] twice
Sk	skip

sl st	slip stitch
sp	space
st(s)	stitch(es)
tbl	through the back loop
tr	treble
ttr	triple treble
tr2tog	work two treble crochet stitches together
WS	wrong side
yrh	yarn round hook

US to UK crochet terms

If you come across a 'sc' instruction, it's likely to be written in US crochet terms. Crochet Now is written entirely in UK terms, but here's a guide on how to translate them.

US		UK	
Single crochet	sc	Double crochet	dc
Half double	hdc	Half treble	htr
Double	dc	Treble	tr
Treble	tr	Double treble	dtr
Double treble	dtr	Triple treble	ttr

Crochet hook conversions

UK	In mm	US
14	2mm	-
13	2.25mm	B/1
12	2.5mm	-
-	2.75mm	C/2
11	3mm	-
10	3.25mm	D/3
9	3.5mm	E/4
-	3.75mm	F/5
8	4mm	G/6
7	4.5mm	7
6	5mm	H/8
5	5.5mm	I/9
4	6mm	J/10
3	6.5mm	K/10.5
2	7mm	-
0	8mm	L/11
00	9mm	M/13
000	10mm	N/15



Meet

KRISTY VAN DIJK



We chat to talented Hooooked designer Kristy van Dijk to find out what she's working on and why she loves to crochet

Hi, Kristy how are you? What are you working on at the minute?

Hi, I'm fine thanks! At the moment it's almost all baby stuff I'm working on, since I'm pregnant and I just keep on thinking about baby blankets, toys and that sort of thing.

What's your favourite part of being a crochet designer?

My favourite part of being a crochet designer is the process of creating. It starts with thinking out an idea, sketching it into a drawing and making it into a three-dimensional crochet piece. And after that, it's so cool to make a crochet pattern so others can recreate my ideas or can be inspired by it.

When did you first learn to crochet?

In 2011 I taught myself to crochet with a Hooooked DIY kit to make a bag. And then I was Hooooked! With some leftover Zpagetti T-shirt yarn I tried to make a bunny myself without a pattern, as a baby shower gift for my friend and amazingly it turned out really cute.

What is it that you love about crocheting?

First of all crocheting is the most relaxing activity I can think of. Especially no-nonsense projects like blankets or a laptop sleeve, which can be made with only one stitch and almost no counting rows, it can be done anywhere. I love it! The other thing I like about crocheting is the challenge to make a thing I've designed myself. To think out ideas is nice, but to hold the crochet version of it in my hands is so cool!

What are your top tips for beginner crocheters?

1. Start with chunky yarn! I started with Hooooked Zpagetti, so after a few stitches I immediately saw some results. Also, learning basic stitches is much easier with a jumbo crochet needle.
2. Check the crochet pattern: is it for beginner crocheters? If you start with an advanced crochet pattern it might be demotivating.
3. Don't give up! Top tip, even for me, I've also ended projects too soon. Just keep on going to see a better result.

As the weather gets warmer, what are your favourite things to crochet?

In our webshop www.zooeyzo.nl we sell handmade rattles among other things. One of the bestselling items is the ice-cream rattle. As the weather gets warmer I would like to crochet new products in some more summery designs for kids!

Finally, what exciting things do you have planned for 2018?

After my maternity leave we'll open the webshop again with some awesome new products. And in the past six years I've made some cool crochet patterns for Hooooked, who knows what kind of fun new projects this year will bring with us collaborating in 2018?!



Find out more about Kristy and keep up with her latest designs at www.zooeyzo.nl

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