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Primarily Country Afghan

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FINISHED SIZE:

Approximately 39" x 55".

MATERIALS:

- Worsted yarn:
 - 25 oz. blue
 - 11 oz. red
 - 7 oz. yellow
- J hook or hook needed to obtain gauge

GAUGE:

Motif = 5¼" square.

BASIC STITCHES:

Ch, sl st, sc, hdc, dc.

SPECIAL STITCHES:

For **beginning shell (beg shell)**, (ch 3, 2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same ch sp as sl st.

For **shell**, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp.

For **joined shell**, 3 dc in next ch-2 sp at corner, ch 1, hdc in corresponding ch-2 sp at corner of previous Motif, 3 dc in same ch-2 sp at corner of this Motif.

AFGHAN

- 1: Make 70 Motif Centers—35 with yellow for rnd 1 and blue for rnd 2; 35 with blue for rnd 1 and yellow for rnd 2.
- 2: For **first row** of Motifs, make one First Motif; alternating colors of Motif Centers, make nine Second Motifs forming a strip ten Motifs long.
- 3: For **second—seventh** rows of Motifs, alternating colors of Motif Centers and joining to last row, make one Second Motif and nine Third Motifs.

MOTIF CENTER

Rnd 1: With first color, ch 4, sl st in first ch to form ring, ch 3 (*counts as dc*), 2 dc in ring, ch 2, (3 dc in

ring, ch 2) 3 times, join with sl st in top of ch-3. Fasten off. (*12 dc, 4 ch sps made*)

Rnd 2: Join second color with sl st in any ch-2 sp, **beg shell** (*see Special Stitches*), ch 1, (**shell**, ch 1) around, join. Fasten off.

FIRST MOTIF

Rnd 1: Join red with sl st in any corner ch-2 sp on one Motif Center, beg shell, ch 1, (3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1, shell, ch 1) 3 times, 3 dc in last ch-1 sp, ch 1, join with sl st in top of ch-3. Fasten off.

Rnd 2: Join blue with sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, beg shell, ch 1, (3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1, shell, ch 1) 3 times, (3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1) 2 times, join. Fasten off.

SECOND MOTIF

(*joined on one side*)

Rnd 1: Repeat rnd 1 of First Motif.

Rnd 2: Join blue with sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, beg shell, ch 1, (3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1) 2 times, work **joined shell** (*see Special Stitches*), (hdc in next ch-1 sp of previous Motif, 3 dc in next ch-1 sp on this Motif) 2 times, hdc in next ch-1 sp of previous Motif, work joined shell, ch 1, (3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1) 2 times, shell, ch 1, (3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1) 2 times, join. Fasten off.

THIRD MOTIF

(*joined on two sides*)

Rnd 1: Repeat rnd 1 of First Motif.

Rnd 2: Join blue with sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, beg shell, ch 1, (3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1) 2 times; working on last row of Motifs, work joined shell, (hdc in next ch-1 sp of previous Motif, 3 dc in next ch-1 sp on this Motif) 2 times, hdc in next ch-1 sp of previous Motif, 3 dc in next ch-2 sp at corner of this Motif, ch 1, hdc in

ch-2 sp at corner of previous Motif, ch 1, hdc in ch-2 sp at corner of last Motif on this row, ch 1, 3 dc in same ch-2 sp at corner of this Motif, (hdc in next ch-1 sp of last Motif, 3 dc in next ch-1 sp on this Motif) 2 times, work joined shell, ch 1, (3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1) 2 times, join. Fasten off.

BORDER

Rnd 1: Join blue with sc in any ch-2 sp at corner of Afghan, (ch 2, sc) in same ch sp, (sc, ch 1) in center dc of each 3-dc group and in each ch sp (including joined ch sps) around with (sc, ch 2, sc, ch 1) in each corner ch-2 sp, join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off.

Rnd 2: Join red with sc in any ch-2 sp at corner, (ch 1, sc, ch 1) in

same corner sp, (sc, ch 1) in each ch sp around with (sc, ch 1, sc, ch 1, sc) in each corner ch sp, join. Fasten off.

Rnd 3: Join blue with sc in any ch sp at corner, (ch 1, sc, ch 1) in same ch sp, (sc, ch 1) in each ch sp around with (sc, ch 1, sc, ch 1) in each corner ch sp, join.

Rnd 4: Ch 1; for **reverse sc** (*see illustration*), working from left to right, insert hook in next ch sp to the right, complete as sc; ch 1, (reverse sc in next ch sp, ch 1) around, join. Fasten off. □□

