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Grandmother's Zinnia Afghan

Design by Violette Kraft

FINISHED SIZE:

54" x 71".

MATERIALS:

- Worsted yarn:
 - 30 oz. off-white
 - 15 oz. green
 - 8 oz. tan
 - 6 oz. of scrap yarn in assorted colors (*you will need about 1/2 oz. of one color for each flower*)
 - 1 oz. gold
- Tapestry needle
- G hook or hook needed to obtain gauge

GAUGE:

Each Motif is 16³/₄" square.

BASIC STITCHES:

Ch, sl st, sc, dc, tr.

SPECIAL STITCHES:

For **treble crochet decrease (tr decrease)**, *yo 2 times, insert hook in next st, yo, pull through, (yo, pull through 2 lps on hook) 2 times leaving last lps on hook; repeat from * number of times needed for number of sts in decrease, yo, pull through all lps on hook.

For **treble crochet cluster (tr cl)**, yo 2 times, insert hook in sp, yo, pull through, (yo, pull through 2 lps on hook) 2 times leaving last lps on hook, *yo 2 times, insert hook in same sp, yo, pull through, (yo, pull through 2 lps on hook) 2 times leaving last lps on hook; repeat from * number of times needed for number of tr in cluster, yo, pull through all lps on hook.

MOTIF (make 12)

NOTE: Work in continuous rnds; do not join or turn unless otherwise stated. Mark first st of each rnd.

Rnd 1: For center, with gold, ch 2, 5 sc in second ch from hook. (5 sc made)

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each st around. Fasten off. (10)

Rnd 3: Working this rnd in **back lps** (see *Stitch Guide*), join flower color with sc in first st, sc in same st, 2 sc in each st around. (20)

Rnd 4: Working in **both lps**, sc in each of first 2 sts, (2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 2 sts) around. (26)

Rnd 5: Working in **back lps**, sc in each st around.

Rnd 6: Working in **both lps**, (2 sc in next st, sc in next st) around to last st, 2 sc in last st. (40)

Rnd 7: Working in **back lps**, sc in each st around.

Rnd 8: Working in **both lps**, (2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 3 sts) around. (50)

Rnd 9: Working in **back lps**, sc in each st around, join with sl st in first sc.

Rnd 10: Working in **back strands** (see *illustration*) of sts, sl st in first st, ch 5, skip next 6 sts, (sl st in next st, ch 5, skip next 5 sts) 6 times, sl st in next st, ch 5, skip last 6 sts, join with sl st in first sl st. Fasten off. (8 ch-5 sps)

Back strands of sc:
(Shown from back of sts.)



Rnd 11: Working in **remaining lps** of rnds 2, 4, 6 and 8, join same flower color with sc in first st, (ch 5, sc in next st) around. Fasten off.

Rnd 12: Join green with sl st in any ch-5 sp on rnd 10, (ch 4, 4 tr, ch 3, 5 tr) in same sp, 3 dc in next ch-5 sp, *(5 tr, ch 3, 5 tr) in next ch-5 sp, 3 dc in next ch-5 sp; repeat from * around, join with sl st in top of ch-4.

Rnd 13: Ch 4, **4-tr dec** (see *Special Stitches*), ch 3, **3-tr cl** in next ch sp, ch 3, 5 tr dec, ch 3, 3 tr dec, ch 3, (5 tr dec, ch 3, 3 tr cl in next ch sp, ch 3, 5 tr dec, ch 3, 3 tr dec, ch 3) around, join with sl st in top of ch-4. Fasten off. *Each 3-tr cl is corner st.*

Rnd 14: Join off-white with sl st in any corner st, (ch 3, 2 dc, ch 2 for corner sp, 3 dc) in same st as sl st, ch 2, (3 dc in next ch sp, ch 2) across to next corner st, *(3 dc, ch 2 for corner sp, 3 dc) in corner st, ch 2, (3 dc in next ch sp, ch 2) across to next corner st; repeat from * around, join with sl st in top of ch-3.

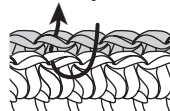
Rnds 15–19: Sl st in each of next 2 sts, (sl st, ch 3, 2 dc, ch 2 for corner sp, 3 dc) in next ch sp, ch 2, (3 dc in next ch sp, ch 2) across to next corner sp, *(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in corner sp, ch 2, (3 dc in next ch sp, ch 2) across to next corner sp; repeat from * around, join. At end of last rnd, fasten off.

Rnd 20: Join tan with sc in any corner sp, (sc, ch 1, 2 sc) in same corner sp, sc in each st and in each ch sp around with (2 sc, ch 1, 2 sc) in each corner sp, join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off.

Rnd 21: Working in **back lps**, join

green with sc in any ch-1 sp, (ch 1, sc) in same ch sp, sc in each st around with (sc, ch 1, sc) in each ch-1 sp, join. Fasten off. Holding Motifs wrong sides together, matching sts, sew together through **inside lps** (see *illustration*) in three rows of four Motifs each.

Inside lps:



BORDER

Rnd 1: Working around entire outer edge, join green with sc in any corner ch-1 sp, (ch 1, sc) in same corner sp, sc in each st around with (sc, ch 1, sc) in each ch-1 sp, join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off.

Rnd 2: Join off-white with sl st in any corner ch-1 sp, (ch 3, 4 dc) in same ch sp, dc in each st around with 5 dc in each ch-1 sp around, join with sl st in top of ch-3. Fasten off. (*Center dc of each 5-dc group is corner st.*)

Rnd 3: Working in **back lps**, join tan with sc in any corner st, 2 sc in same corner st, sc in each st around with 3 sc in each corner st, join.

Rnds 4–5: Working in **back lps**, sc in each st around with 3 sc in each corner st, join. At end of last rnd, fasten off.

Rnd 6: Working in **back lps**, join green with sc in any corner st, 2 sc in same st, sc in each st around with 3 sc in each corner st, join. Fasten off. □□