

Spring Lilacs

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SKILL LEVEL

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FINISHED SIZE

42 x 52 inches

MATERIALS

- Light (light worsted) weight yarn:
15 oz/1,125 yds/
425g lilac
- Sizes F/5/3.75mm and G/6/
4mm crochet hooks or size
needed to obtain gauge

GAUGE

Size G hook: 8 dc = 2½ inches

SPECIAL STITCHES

Picot: Ch 3, sc in third ch from hook.

Puff st: [Yo, pull up a lp] 3 times in indicated st, yo, pull through all lps on hook.

Front post double crochet (fpdc): Dc from front to back around **post** (see *Stitch Guide*) of st indicated.

Back post double crochet (bpdc): Dc from back to front around **post** (see *Stitch Guide*) of st indicated.

INSTRUCTIONS

AFGHAN

Row 1: With F hook, **picot** (see *Special Stitches*) 71 times, **do not turn**. (71 picots made)

Row 2: Working into base of each picot, ch 1, 2 sc in each picot across, turn. (142 sc)

Row 3 (RS): With G hook, ch 3 (counts as first dc throughout), dc in each st across, turn. (142 dc)

Row 4: Ch 3, dc in each of next 4 sts, *ch 5, **sk next 4 sts, sc in

next st, ch 3, sk next st, sc in next st, ch 5, sk 4 sts*, dc in next st ***, ch 1, sk next st, 3 dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, rep between * *, dc in each of next 8 sts, ch 5, rep from ** across, ending last rep at ***, dc in each of last 4 sts, turn.

Row 5: Ch 3, dc in each of next 4 dc, *ch 3, **sc in next ch-5 sp, ch 1, 7 dc in next ch-3 sp, ch 1, sc in next ch-5 sp, ch 3*, **fpdc** (see *Special Stitches*) around next dc, ch 1, 3 dc in center dc of next 3-dc group, ch 1, sk next dc, fpdc around next dc, rep between * *, dc in each of next 8 dc, ch 3, rep from ** across, ending with dc in each of last 5 dc, turn.

Row 6: Ch 3, dc in each of next 4 dc, *ch 3, ****puff st** (see *Special Stitches*) in first dc of 7-dc group, [ch 3, sk next dc, puff st in next dc]

3 times, ch 3*, **bpdc** (see *Special Stitches*) around next fpdc, ch 1, 3 dc in center dc of next 3-dc group, ch 1, bpdc around next fpdc, rep between * *, dc in each of next 8 dc, ch 3, rep from ** across, ending with dc in each of last 5 dc, turn.

Row 7: Ch 3, dc in each of next 4 dc, *ch 3, **sk next ch-3 sp, [sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 3] 3 times*, fpdc around next bpdc, ch 1, 3 dc in center dc of next 3-dc group, ch 1, fpdc around next bpdc, rep between * *, dc in each of next 8 dc, ch 3, rep from ** across, ending with dc in each of last 5 dc, turn.

Row 8: Ch 3, dc in each of next 4 dc, *ch 5, **sk next ch-3 sp, sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 3, sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 5*, bpdc around next fpdc, ch 1, 3 dc in center dc of next 3-dc group, ch 1, bpdc around next fpdc, rep between * *, dc in each of next 8 dc, ch 5, rep from ** across, ending with dc in each of last 5 dc, turn.

Rows 9–95: Rep rows 5–8 consecutively, ending with row 7.

Row 96: Ch 3, dc in each of next 4 dc, *3 dc in next sp, **2 dc in next sp, dc in next sc, 2 dc in next sp, 3 dc in next sp*, dc in next fpdc, dc in each of next 3 dc, dc in next fpdc, rep between * *, dc in each of next 8 dc, 3 dc in next sp, rep from ** across, ending with dc in each of last 5 dc, turn. (142 dc)

Row 97: Ch 1, sc in each dc across, turn. (142 sc)

Row 98: With F hook, [ch 3, *hdc in third ch from hook, sk next sc, sc in next sc] across. Fasten off. □ □

