

FINISHED SIZE

Approx. 38 x 38cm (15 x 15in)

TENSION / GAUGE

Not critical for this project

YOU WILL NEED

- DK (light worsted / weight 3) 55% nylon, 45% acrylic yarn; 50g / 1½oz / 163m / 178½yd:
 - 50g of white (A)
 - 50g of variegated blue and green yarn (B)
 - small amount of denim blue (C)
- Small amount of toy stuffing
- 3.5mm (US E-4, UK 9) crochet hook

INSTRUCTIONS

MAIN BLANKET

Using yarn A, make 3 ch.

Round 1 (RS): 11 tr into third ch from hook (missed 2-ch counts as tr), join into a circle with sl st to top of first st (12 sts).

Round 2: 3 ch (counts as tr here and throughout), 1 tr into same st as 3 ch, 2 tr into each st to end, join with sl st to top of first st (24 sts).

Round 3: 3 ch, *1 tr, 1 ch, 1 tr into next st, 1 tr in next st, rep from * around ending with 1 tr, 1 ch, 1 tr in last st, join with sl st to top of first st (36 sts, twelve 1-ch sps).

Round 4: sl st in first 1-ch sp, (3 ch, 1 tr, 1 ch, 2 tr) in first 1-ch sp, *2 tr, 1 ch, 2 tr in next 1-ch sp, rep from * to end, join with sl st to top of first st (48 sts, twelve 1-ch sps).

Round 5: sl st in first st, 3 ch, (2 tr, 1 ch, 2 tr) in 1-ch sp, 1 tr in next st, *miss 2 sts, 1 tr in next st, (2 tr, 1 ch, 2 tr) in 1-ch sp, 1 tr in next st, rep from * to end, join with sl st to top of first st (72 sts, twelve 1-ch sps).

Round 6: sl st in first st, 3 ch, 1 tr in next st, (2 tr, 1 ch, 2 tr) in next 1-ch sp, 1 tr in next 2 sts, *miss 2 sts, 1 tr in next 2 sts, (2 tr, 1 ch, 2 tr in 1-ch sp), 1 tr in next 2 sts, rep from * to end, join with sl st to top of first st (96 sts, twelve 1-ch sps).

Round 7: sl st in next 2 sts, 3 ch, 1 tr in next st, (2 tr, 1 ch, 2 tr) in next 1-ch sp, 1 tr in next 2 sts, *miss 4 sts, 1 tr in next 2 sts, (2 tr, 1 ch, 2 tr in 1-ch sp), 1 tr in next 2 sts, rep from * to end, join with sl st to top of first st.

Round 8: sl st in first 2 sts, 3 ch, 1 tr in next 2 sts, (2 tr, 1 ch, 2 tr) in 1-ch sp, 1 tr in next 3 sts, miss 2 sts, *1 tr in next 3 sts, (2 tr, 1 ch, 2 tr) in next 1-ch sp, 1 tr in next 3 sts, miss 2 sts, rep from * to end, join with sl st to top of first st (120 sts, twelve 1-ch sps).

Round 9: sl st in first 2 sts, 3 ch, 1 tr in next 2 sts, (2 tr, 1 ch, 2 tr) in 1-ch sp, 1 tr in next 3 sts, miss 4 sts, *1 tr in next 3 sts, (2 tr, 1 ch, 2 tr) in next 1-ch sp, 1 tr in next 3 sts, miss 4 sts, rep from * to end, join with sl st to top of first st.

Round 10: sl st in next 2 sts, 3 ch, 1 tr in next 3 sts, (2 tr, 1 ch, 2 tr) in next 1-ch sp, 1 tr in next 4 sts, miss 2 sts, *1 tr in next 4 sts, (2 tr, 1 ch, 2 tr) in next 1-ch sp, 1 tr in next 4 sts, miss 2 sts, rep from * to end, join with sl st to top of first st (144 sts, twelve 1-ch sps).

Round 11: sl st in next 2 sts, 3 ch, 1 tr in next 4 sts, (2 tr, 1 ch, 2 tr) in next 1-ch sp, 1 tr in next 5 sts, miss 2 sts, *1 tr in next 5 sts, (2 tr, 1 ch, 2 tr) in next 1-ch sp, 1 tr in next 5 sts, miss 2 sts, rep from * to end, join with sl st to top of first st (168 sts, twelve 1-ch sps).

Round 12: sl st in next 2 sts, 3 ch, 1 tr in next 5 sts, (2 tr, 1 ch, 2 tr) in next 1-ch sp, 1 tr in next 6 sts, miss 2 sts, *1 tr in next 6 sts, (2 tr, 1 ch, 2 tr) in next 1-ch sp, 1 tr in next 6 sts, miss 2 sts, rep from * to end, join with sl st to top of first st (192 sts, twelve 1-ch sps). Fasten off.

Round 13: using yarn B, sl st in first 2 sts, 3 ch, 1 tr in next 6 sts, (2 tr, 1 ch, 2 tr) in next 1-ch sp, 1 tr in next 7 sts, miss 2 sts, *1 tr in next 7 sts, (2 tr, 1 ch, 2 tr) in next 1-ch sp, 1 tr in next 7 sts, miss 2 sts, rep from * to end, join with sl st to top of first st (216 sts, twelve 1-ch sps).

FINISHED SIZE

Approx. 61 x 73cm (24 x 28½in)

TENSION / GAUGE

17 tr x 8 rows measures 10cm (4in) square using a 4mm (G-6, UK 8) crochet hook

YOU WILL NEED

- DK (light worsted / weight 3) 100% acrylic yarn:
 - 100g of aqua (A)
 - 100g of bright light green (B)
 - 100g of yellow (C)
 - 100g of coral (D)
 - 100g of lilac (E)
 - 100g of pale blue (F)
 - 100g of denim blue (G)
- Crochet hooks:
 - 3.5mm (US E-4, UK 9)
 - 4mm (US G-6, UK 8)

INSTRUCTIONS

MAIN BLANKET

Using a 4mm (US G-6, UK 8) hook and yarn A, make 98 ch fairly loosely.

Row 1 (RS): 1 tr in fourth ch from hook (missed 3-ch counts as st), 1 tr in same st, miss 3 sts, 1 dc in next ch, 3 ch, 3 tr in next st, *miss 3 sts, 1 dc in next st, 3 ch, 3 tr in next st, rep from * to last 4 sts, miss 3 sts, 1 dc in last st. Turn (nineteen 3-tr groups).

Row 2: 3 ch (counts as 1 tr here and throughout), 2 tr in dc in previous row, *fpdc around third st of 3-tr group, 3 ch, 3 tr in next 3-ch sp, rep from * ending last rep with fpdc around third st of last 3-tr group. Turn (nineteen 3-tr groups).

Row 2 sets pattern.

Continue in pattern until work measures 11cm (4½in).

Using yarn B, work in pattern for 11cm (4½in), then continue as set, changing yarn shade every 11cm (4½in) and working in colour sequence C, D, E, F.

Fasten off.

BORDER

Using a 3.5mm (US 4, UK 9) hook and yarn G, and with RS facing, join yarn to top right-hand corner of blanket.

Round 1: *3 dc in first ch sp, 1 dc in top of 3-tr group, rep from * along top edge, 3 dc in last st to form corner, 2 dc in each row end along first side, 3 dc in last st, *3 dc in first ch sp, 1 dc in base of 3-tr group, rep from * along bottom of blanket, 3 dc in last st, 2 dc in each row end along second side, 3 dc in last st, join with sl st to top of first st (92 sts along top and bottom edges of blanket, 104 sts along each side).

Round 2: 3 ch (counts as 1 tr), 1 tr in each st around and 3 tr in centre st of each 3-dc corner group, join with sl st to top of first st.

Round 3: using yarn D, 1 dc in each st around and 3 dc in centre st of each 3-tr corner group, join with sl st to top of first st.

Round 4: as Round 3.

Round 5: using yarn G, as Round 2.

Fasten off.

MAKING UP

Work in any loose ends neatly on the WS of the work.