In the middle of the row

Step 1 At the forward pass, work the necessary stitches in color 1 (here, blue). In the stitch before the color change, insert the hook but do not pull up a loop. Wrap color 2 (here, teal) around the hook, leaving an approx. 5–6in (13–15cm) tail at the back of the work (**A**). Treat this as the yarn over and pull the new yarn through the stitch.

Step 2 Now work the necessary number of stitches in the forward pass in color 2 (**B**).

Step 3 At the return pass, work in color 2 until you reach the part of the crochet where the first loop on your hook is color 2, and the second loop is color 1. Drop color 2, pick up color 1 (**C**) then pull it through 2 loops. Work the rest of the return pass in color 1.

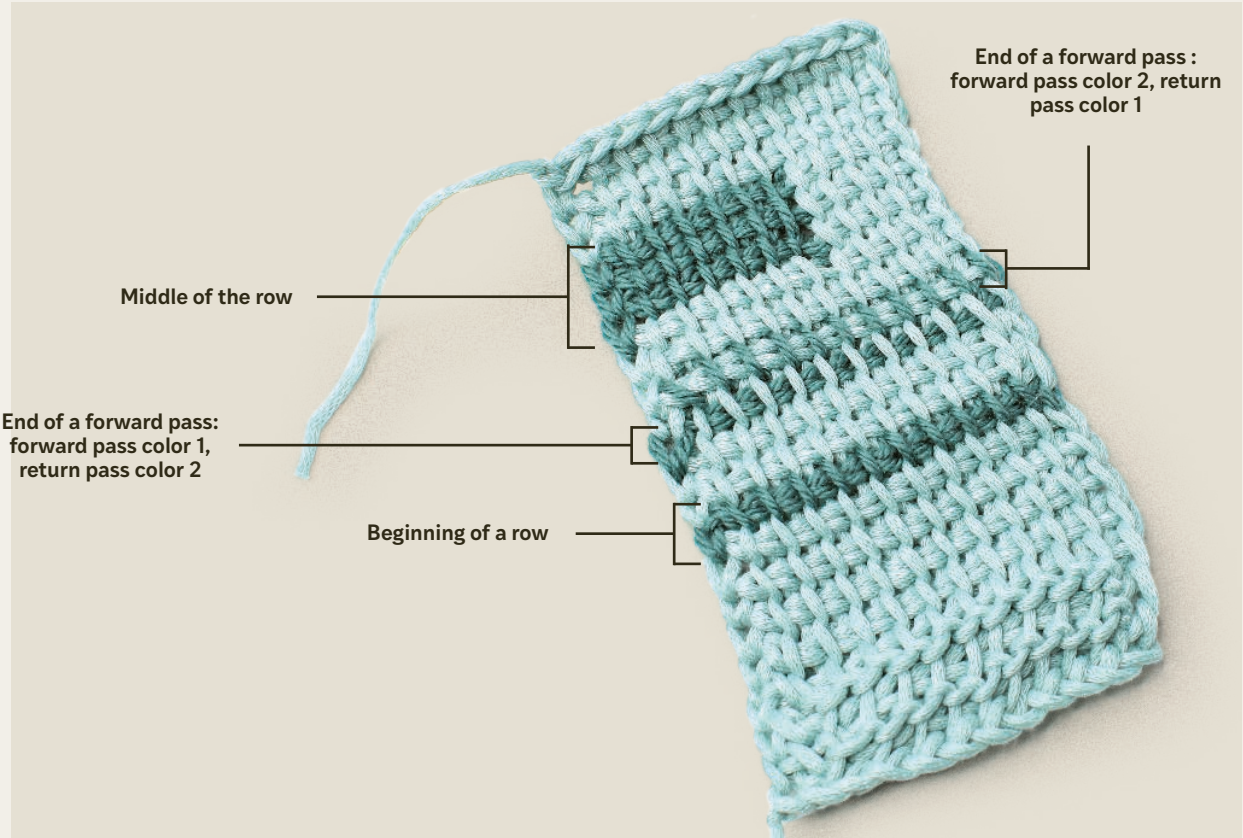
Step 4 Repeat for as many rows as needed; the effect creates a pleasing block of color (**D**).









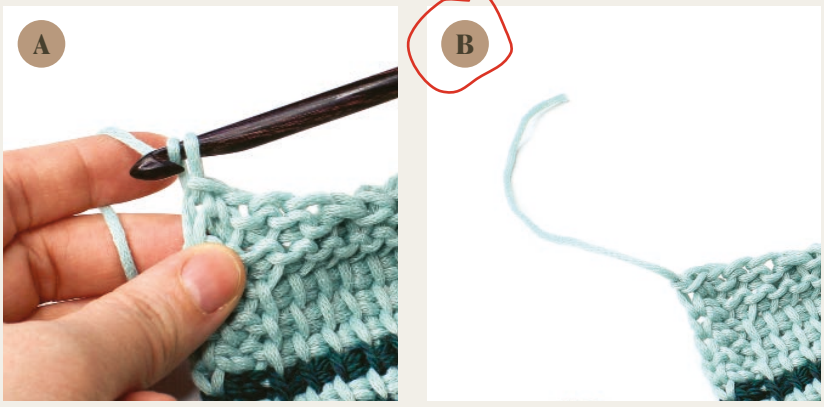


Parker Plaid blanket (see page 76).



FASTENING OFF

It's necessary to fasten off to secure the finished piece of Tunisian crochet and stop it unraveling.



Step 1 After completing the bind / cast off, or after working a crochet join, make 1 chain (**A**) then draw up the yarn by approx. 1in (2–3cm) to make one large loop.

Step 2 Cut the working yarn, leaving a 5–6in (13–15cm) tail. Continue to draw up the yarn, pulling the cut yarn through the chain, making a knot (**B**).