



Circles in Rectangles Afghan

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Skill Level



EASY

Finished measurement

Afghan measures approximately 40" x 56", excluding border.

Materials



Dream – 7 balls 233 Smoke(MC), 1 ball each of 9 circle colors (CC)
202 Cream, 205 Rose Red, 211 Garnet, 216 Baby Fern, 219 Tucson
Teal, 223 Carolina Sky, 225 Navy, 227 Heather and 228 Eggplant

Crochet hook: US-H/8 (5mm)

Extras: Large-eye yarn needle

Gauge

Motif = 5" x 8". Use any size hook necessary to obtain the specified gauge.

Abbreviations

beg – beginning

CC – Contrasting Color

ch(s) – chain(s)

dc – double crochet

hdc – half double crochet

MC – Main Color

mm – millimeters

rep – repeat

rnd – round

RS – right side

sc – single crochet

sk – skip

sl st – slip stitch

st(s) – stitch(es)

tog – together

tr – treble crochet

WS – wrong side

* – repeat instructions after asterisk as specified

[] – repeat



Motif

Make 56, working Rnds 1-3 seven times in two CCs and six times in seven CCs.

Rnd 1 (WS): With any CC, ch 4; join with a sl st to form a ring; ch 3 (counts as first dc), 14 dc in ring; join with sl st in top ch of beg ch-5 – 15 dc.

Rnd 2: Ch 3, dc in same st as joining, 2 dc in next dc, ch 2, sk next dc, * 2 dc in each of next 2 dc, ch 2, sk next dc; rep from * around, join with a sl st in third ch of beg ch-3 – 20 dc, 5 ch-2 sps.

Rnd 3: Ch 3, dc in same st as joining, 2 dc in each of next 3 dc, * ch 1, sk ch-2 sp, 2 dc in each of next 4 dc; rep from * around, ch 1, join with a sl st in third ch of beg ch-3 – 40 dc, 5 ch-1 sps; fasten off CC.

Rnd 4: With RS facing, join MC with a sl st in any ch-1 sp, ch 1, working in sts and in chs, * sc in next 5 sts, hdc in next st, dc in next st, tr in next st, ch 4, tr in next st, dc in next st, hdc in next st; rep from * around; join with sl st in first sc; fasten off.

Ends—Row 1: With WS facing, join MC with a sl st in any ch-4 sp, ch 3, dc in same sp, dc in each st across to next ch-4 sp, 2 dc in ch-4 sp; turn - 15 dc.

Rows 2 and 3: Ch 3, dc in next dc and in each dc across; turn.

Rep Rows 1- 3 on opposite side of Motif.

Assembly

With RS facing, whipstitch rectangles tog along short ends, making 8 columns of 7 rectangles each.

With RS facing, join MC with a sl st in side of last row at bottom corner, ch 1, work 2 sc in side of each dc row, 2 sc in each ch-sp and 1 sc in each st across to next corner; fasten off – 189 sc.

Rep along second long edge of strip.

With RS of two strips facing and working through inside loops of thicknesses, with MC sc strips together; fasten off.

Edging—Rnd 1: With RS facing, join MC with a sl st in any corner, ch 1, sc in each sc around, working 1 extra sc in each sc seam, and (sc, ch 3, sc) in each corner; join with 1 sl st in first sc; fasten off.



Rnd 2: With RS facing, join any CC with a sl st in any corner ch-3 sp, * (sc, ch 3, sc) in corner ch-3 sp, [ch 1, sk next sc, sc in next sc] across to next corner; rep from * around; join with a sl st in first sc; fasten off.

Rnd 3: With RS facing, join MC with a sl st in any corner ch-3 sp, * (sc, ch 1, sc) in corner ch-3 sp, sc in each sc and ch-1 sp to next corner; rep from * around; join with a sl st in first sc; fasten off.

Finishing

Weave in ends.

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