AMANDA'S CROCHET BLANKET - VIP TUTORIAL

Information

This pattern is very easy and made up of one row which is repeated throughout the blanket. It is made using 10 x 100g balls of Stylecraft DK. My finished blanket was approx 40 x 42 inches. If you wish to alter the size of the blanket and/or the yarn used, your starting chain must be in a multiple of 3 (ie 3,6,9,12,15 etc) Please also take into consideration the amount of yarn you would need.

PLEASE READ THROUGH THE WHOLE PATTERN BEFORE STARTING YOUR WORK

EXPERIENCE LEVEL : Beginner
TERMINOLOGY: UK
TECHNIQUES: Chains, double crochet & treble crochet stitches

In my initial chain row, I placed a stitch marker (SM) every 20 chains to help me keep count. Leave them in as this will help if you want to edge with a border. I then only used my stitch markers to help me identify the 1st and last stitches. Move them up with each row. I finished it off with 2 rows of double crochet for a border, this is optional.

STITCHES AND ABBREVIATIONS

Ch\Chs - chain\chains
St\Sts - stitch\stitches
Sk - Skip
R/Rs - row\rows
SM - stitch marker
YO - yarn over
Tr - treble crochet
Dc - double crochet
Rep - repeat

WHAT YOU WILL NEED TO RECREATE THIS BLANKET IN THIS COLOUR WAY AND SIZE

Essentials
Crochet hook - 5mm
Yarn - 2 x 100g balls of White and 1 x 100g ball of each colour of Stylecraft DK yarn in Powder Pink, Sherbert, Aster, Magenta, Lavender, Spearmint, Clematis & Turquoise
Sewing up needle
Scissors

Recommended and optional extras
Stitch markers - recommended
Needle threader - optional

PATTERN

Make a slipknot and starting with White Ch150

ROW 1
Put a SM in 2nd Ch from your hook (this will indicate your last St on the next row).
2Tr in 3rd Ch from your hook, Sk 2 Chs, **work (dc, 2 trs) all in next Ch, Sk2 Sts *** repeat * to * sequence until you have 3 Sts remaining, Dc in the last Ch. Ch2 (placing a SM in the 2nd Ch. Turn

ROW 2
2Tr in the 1st St (where your Ch is coming from), Sk2 Sts **(dc, 2Tr) all in the same St, Sk2 Sts *** repeat * to * sequence until you have 3 Sts remaining, Dc in the last St (where your SM is) Ch2 (place SM in 2nd Ch) Turn

ROW 3
Repeat ROW 2 but when you come to work your last DC, stop before the final yarn over and introduce Powder Pink for the final yarn over.

Repeat **ROW 2** in this colour sequence:-

7 rows - Powder Pink (1843)

1 row - White
7 rows - Sherbert (1034)
1 row - White
7 rows - Aster (1003)
1 row - White
7 rows - Magenta (1084)
1 row - White
7 rows - Lavender (1188)
1 row - White
7 rows - Spearmint (1842)
1 row - White
7 rows - Clematis (1390)
1 row - White
7 rows - Turquoise (1068)
Reverse back down the sequence 1 x white, 7 x clematis, 1 x white, 7 x spearmint,
1 x white, 7 x lavender, 1 x white, 7 x magenta, 1 x white, 7 x aster, 1 x white, 7 x sherbert , 1 x white, 7 x powder pink and ending with 3 x white rows

Weave in your ends.

You can now stop and your blanket is finished or alternatively crochet 2 rows of Dc to form a border, I used White.

BORDER
Along the top edge where you have just finished you can easily see where to crochet your Dc stitches. To help to space out the Dc stitches along the side edges and to make sure my sides were even, I put the same number of Dc stitches in each block of colour and the same number in the white. (I did 9 Dcs in the coloured blocks and 2 Dcs in the white). Your stitch markers from the beginning chains will help you count your Dcs along this edge. (Remember to place 3 Dcs in each of the corner stitches so that your edge doesn't curl inwards)

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