## CARON

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## Kitty Blanket

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## Abbreviations

hdc $=$ half double crochet $\quad \mathbf{s c}=$ single crochet
Sc2tog = Draw up a loop st(s) = stitch(es)
in next st) twice. Yoh and draw through all loops on hook

Details \& Instructions

## MEASUREMENTS

## Finished

Measurements
Approx. 32"/81.5cm
wide $\times 43$ " $/ 109 \mathrm{~cm}$
long, including
edging

## MATERIALS

## Kitty Blanket

Contrast D Sunshine (9755) 1

Contrast E Soft Green (9739) 1

Contrast F Sage (9705) 1

Contrast G Light Country Blue (9709) 1

One size US J-10 (6mm), or size to obtain gauge. Stitch markers. Yarn needle.

## GAUGE

One Square measures approximately $51 / 2 \times 5$ 1/2"/14 x 14cm

## INSTRUCTIONS

## NOTES

1. Squares are worked in continuous rounds with RS facing throughout. Do not join and do not turn at the end of a round. Place a marker to indicate the beginning of the round and move the marker up as work progresses.
2. To change color, sl st in next st and fasten off old color. Join new color in indicated st and work next round as instructed. When working next round, do not work into the sl st, instead work over the sl st and directly into the same st as the sl st.
SQUARE 1 (make 6)
With C, ch 2.
Round 1: Work 8 hdc in 2nd ch from hook; do not join-8 hdc.
Round 2: [Sc in next hdc, (sc, hdc, sc) in next hdc (corner made)] 4 times- 16 sts.
Round 3: Hdc in next 2 sts, [(hdc, dc, hdc) in next st, hdc in next 3 sts] 3 times, (hdc, dc, hdc) in next st, hdc in next st-24 sts.
Round 4: Sc in next 3 sts, [(sc, hdc, sc) in next st, sc in next 5 sts] 3 times, (sc, hdc, sc) in next st, sc in next 2 sts- 32 sts. Sl st in next st. Fasten off C. Note: When working next round, do not work into the sl st, instead work over the sl st and directly into the st immediately below.
Round 5: Join D with sl st in center hdc of any corner, ch 2 (counts as first hdc), (dc, hdc) in same st, hdc in next 7 sts, [(hdc, dc, hdc) in next st, hdc in next 7 sts] 3 times- 40 sts.
Round 6: Sc in next st, [(sc, hdc, sc) in next st, sc in next 9 sts] 3 times, (sc, hdc, sc) in next st, sc in next 8 sts48 sts.
Round 7: Hdc in next 2 sts, [(2 hdc, dc, 2 hdc) in next st, hdc in next 11 sts] 3 times, ( 2 hdc, dc, 2 hdc) in next st, hdc in next 9 sts-64 sts.
Round 8: Sc in next 4 sts, [(sc, hdc, sc) in next st, sc in next 15 sts$] 3$ times, (sc, hdc, sc) in next st, sc in next 11 sts-72 sts.
Sl st in next st. Fasten off $D$, leaving a long tail for sewing.

## SQUARE 2 (make 4)

Make same as square 1, working Rounds $1-4$ with $B$ and Rounds $5-8$ with $E$.

## SQUARE 3 (make 12)

With D, ch 2.
Rounds 1 and 2: Work Rounds 1 and 2 of square 1-16 sts. Sl st in next st. Fasten off D.
Round 3: Join $E$ with sl st in center st of any corner, ch 2 (counts as hdc), (dc, hdc) in same st, hdc in next 3 sts, [(hdc, dc, hdc) in next st, hdc in next 3 sts] 3 times- 24 sts.
Round 4: Sc in next st, [(sc, hdc, sc) in next st, sc in next 5 sts] 3 times, (sc, hdc, sc) in next st, sc in next 4 sts32 sts. Sl st in next st. Fasten off E.
Round 5: Join B with sl st in center st of any corner, ch 2 (counts as hdc), (dc, hdc) in same st, hdc in next 7 sts, [(hdc, dc, hdc) in next st, hdc in next 7 sts ] 3 times- 40 sts.
Round 6: Sc in next st, [(sc, hdc, sc) in next st, sc in next 9 sts] 3 times, (sc, hdc, sc) in next st, sc in next 8 sts48 sts. SI st in next st. Fasten off B.
Round 7: Join C with sl st in center st of any corner, ch 2 (counts as hdc), (hdc, dc, 2 hdc) in same st, hdc in next 11 sts, [( $2 \mathrm{hdc}, \mathrm{dc}, 2 \mathrm{hdc}$ ) in next st, hdc in next 11 sts$] 3$ times- 64 sts.
Round 8: Sc in next 2 sts, [(sc, hdc, sc) in next st, sc in next 15 sts] 3 times, (sc, hdc, sc) in next st, sc in next 13 sts-72 sts. Sl st in next st.
Fasten off C, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Rounds 1 and 2: Work Rounds 1 and 2 of square $1-16$ sts. SI st in next st. Fasten off C.
Rounds 3 and 4: With B, work Rounds 3 and 4 of square $3-32$ sts. Do not fasten off at the end of Round 4. Round 5: Hdc in next 2 sts, [(hdc, dc, hdc) in next st, hdc in next 7 sts] 3 times, (hdc, dc, hdc) in next st, hdc in next 5 sts- 40 sts.
Round 6: Sc in next 3 sts, [(sc, hdc, sc) in next st, sc in next 9 sts] 3 times, (sc, hdc, sc) in next st, sc in next 6 sts-48 sts.
Round 7: Hdc in next 4 sts, [(2 hdc, dc, 2 hdc) in next st, hdc in next 11 sts] 3 times, ( 2 hdc , dc, 2 hdc) in next st, hdc in next 7 sts-64 sts.
Round 8: Sc in next 6 sts, [(sc, hdc, sc) in next st, sc in next 15 sts] 3 times, ( $s c, h d c, s c$ ) in next st, sc in next 9 sts- 72 sts.
Sl st in next st. Fasten off B, leaving a long tail for sewing.

## KITTY SQUARE (make 9)

With A, ch 2.
Round 1 (RS): Work 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook; do not join-6 sc.
Round 2: Work 2 sc in each sc around-12 sc.
Round 3: [Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] 6 times- 18 sc.
Round 4: 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 2 scl 6 times- 24 sc .
Round 5: Sc in next $3 \mathrm{sc}, 2 \mathrm{sc}$ in next sc 6 times- 30 sc .
Round 6: Sc in next $4 \mathrm{sc}, 2 \mathrm{sc}$ in next sc 6 times- 36 sc .
Round 7: Sc in next $5 \mathrm{sc}, 2 \mathrm{sc}$ in next sc 6 times- 42 sc .
Round 8: Sc in next $6 \mathrm{sc}, 2 \mathrm{sc}$ in next sc] 6 times- 48 sc .
Round 9: [Hdc in next 5 sc , dc in next $3 \mathrm{sc}, 5$ tr in next sc (corner made), dc in next 3 sc$] 4$ times- 64 sts.
Round 10: Sc in next 10 sts, [(sc, hdc, sc) in next st, sc in next 15 sts] 3 times, (sc, hdc, sc) in next st, sc in last 5 sts-72 sts.
Sl st in next st. Fasten off.
EAR (make 18-2 per kitty)
Inner Ear (make 18-1 per ear)
Beginning at tip of ear, with B , ch 3 .
Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next ch, turn-2 sc.
Row 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in each sc across, turn-4 sc.
Row 3: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.
Row 4: Ch 1, 2 sc in first Sc , sc in next $2 \mathrm{sc}, 2 \mathrm{sc}$ in last sc , turn-6 sc.
Row 5: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.
Fasten off.
Outer Ear (make 18-1 per ear)
Beginning at tip of ear, with A, ch 3.
Rows 1-5: Work Rows 1-5 of inner ear-6 sc. Do not fasten off.
Note: The outer ear and an inner ear are now joined together by working through both pieces, while working all the way around the outer edges.
Round 6: Ch 1, place an inner ear on top of outer ear, working through both thicknesses, (sc, hdc, sc) in first sc, sc in next 4 sc , (sc, hdc, sc) in last sc, do not turn; work 4 sc evenly spaced across side edge of ear; working across opposite side of foundation chains, (sc, hdc, dc) in first ch, (dc, hdc, sc) in next ch; work 4 sc evenly spaced across other side edge of ear; join with sl st in first sc.
Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

## EYE (make 18-2 per kitty)

With F, ch 5.
Row 1'(RS): Sc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in next 2 ch, sl st in last ch.
Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

## NOSE (make 9-1 per kitty) <br> With G, ch 5 .

Row 1: Sc in 2 nd ch from hook, sc in each remaining ch across, turn-4 sc.
Row 2: Ch 1, [sc2tog] twice, turn-2 sc.
Row 3: Ch 1, sc2tog-1 sc.
Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

## FINISHING

With RS facing, arrange squares as shown in assembly diagram and whipstitch together. Sew ears to top corners of kitty squares. Sew eyes onto kitty squares. With G, embroider whiskers and sew noses onto the kitty squares, centered under the eyes.

## Edging

Join E with sl st in any corner.
Round 1: Ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), 4 dc in same corner, work 15 dc evenly spaced across side of first square, work 16 dc evenly spaced across side of each square to last square on this side of blanket, work 15 dc evenly spaced across side of last square on this side of blanket, *5 dc in corner, work 15 dc evenly spaced across side of next square, work 16 dc evenly spaced across side of each square to last square on this side of blanket, work 15 dc evenly spaced across side of last square; repeat from * across remaining 2 sides of blanket; join with sl st in top of beginning ch-396 sts.
Rounds 2 and 3: Ch 3, dc in each dc around, working 5 dc in center dc of each 5-dc corner; join with sl st in top of beginning ch.
Fasten off.
Round 4: Join B with sl st in center dc of any 5 -dc corner, ch $3,4 \mathrm{dc}$ in same corner, dc in each dc around, working 5 dc in center dc of each 5 -dc corner; join with sl'st in top of beginning ch.
Rounds 5 and 6: Repeat Rounds 2 and 3.
Fasten off B.
Round 7: With D, repeat Round 4.
Round 8: Ch 1, sc in same st as join, sk next st, (hdc, 2 dc, hdc) in next st, sk next st, *sc in next st, sk next st, (hdc, 2 dc, hdc) in next st, sk next st; repeat from * around; join with sl st in first sc.
Fasten off.

Using yarn needle, weave in all ends.

| Kitty Square |  | Square 1 |  | Kitty Square |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Square 2 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Kitty } \\ & \text { Square } \end{aligned}$ | Square 2 |  |
| Square 1 | $\square$ <br> Square 4 |  | $\square$ <br> Square 4 | Square 1 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Kitty } \\ & \text { Square } \end{aligned}$ |  | $\underset{\text { Kitty }}{\substack{\text { Kaur }}}$ Square |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Kitty } \\ & \text { Square } \end{aligned}$ |
| Square 1 | Square 4 |  | Square 4 | Square 1 |
|  | Square 2 | Kitty <br> Square | Square 2 |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Kitty } \\ & \text { Square } \end{aligned}$ |  | Square 1 |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Kitty } \\ & \text { Square } \end{aligned}$ |

$\square$ a9701 White (A)
$\square$ a9719 Soft Pink (B)
$\square$ n9712 Soft Blue (C)
$\square$ 9755 Sunshine (D)
$\square 99739$ Soft Green (E)

