

Victorian Ornaments Afghan

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SIMPLY SOFT

DESCRIPTION SIZING

Stay warm and cozy under this flowing afghan with festive motifs.

Abbreviations

Ch(s) = Chain(s)
Dc = double crochet

Dtr = double treble
Hdc2tog = Yoh and draw up a loop in next st) twice. Yoh and draw through all loops on hook

RS = right side
Sc2tog = Draw up a loop in next st) twice. Yoh and draw through all loops on hook

Sl st = Slip stitch
tog = together
tr = treble crochet

Details & Instructions


MEASUREMENTS

Afghan measures approximately 50"/127cm wide by 74"/188cm long.

MATERIALS

Afghan

Simply Soft (170 g/6. oz; 288 m/315 yds)

	Color 1 Pistachio (0003)	3
Shade no longer available	Color 2 ()	3
Shade no longer available	Color 3 ()	3

Shade
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Color 4 ()

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Simply Soft (170 g/6. oz; 288 m/315 yds)



Color 5 Forest Floor (9758)

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Simply Soft Paints (113 g/4. oz; 190 m/208 yds)



Color 6 Sunset (0008)

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GAUGE

One large motif measures about 9"/23cm high x 8"/20.5cm wide.

Gauge is not critical for this project.

INSTRUCTIONS

SPECIAL TECHNIQUES

Adjustable-ring method—Wrap yarn into a ring, ensuring that the tail falls behind the working yarn. Grip ring and tail firmly between middle finger and thumb. Insert hook through center of ring, yarn over (with working yarn) and draw up a loop. Work stitches of first round in the ring. After the first round of stitches is worked, pull gently, but firmly, on tail to tighten ring.

Invisible join—After last stitch in a round is made, cut yarn leaving a 6"/15cm tail. Pull tail completely through last stitch. Thread the tail onto yarn needle and weave the end under the top 2 loops of the first st of the round and then back down into the center of the top of the last stitch of the round.

Join with a stitch—Place a slip knot on hook. Yarn over number of times needed for specific stitch (e.g. do not yarn over for sc, yarn over once for dc). Hold wraps in place with finger and insert hook in indicated stitch, yarn over and draw up a loop, complete as for specific stitch.

NOTES

1. Afghan is made from 83 large motifs, 14 half large motifs, and 82 circle motifs. The motifs are arranged according to the assembly diagram and sewn together.
2. A round of slip stitches is worked after every color change. The next round of stitches will always be worked into the stitches of the previous round, not into the slip stitches.
3. Most rounds and rows begin by joining the yarn with a particular stitch and end with an invisible join. This results in a join that is almost undetectable. If preferred yarn can be joined with a sl st at the beginning of a round, and a traditional beginning chain (e.g. ch 2 for hdc, ch 3 for dc, ch 4 for tr, and ch 5 for dtr) worked instead of joining the yarn with a stitch. At the end of a round, the invisible join can be used, or the round can be joined with the more traditional slip stitch.

LARGE MOTIF (make 83 – 48 in color sequence #1 and 35 in color sequence #2)

Note: Large motifs are worked with RS facing at all times. Do not turn at end of rounds. Always join new color with RS facing.

Color Sequence #1: Work 1 round each with A, B, D, C, then E.

Color Sequence #2: Work 1 round each with D, C, A, B, then E.

With first color and larger hook, make an adjustable ring.

Round 1 (RS): Ch 3 (counts as first dc), (4 dc, 3 tr, 3 dc) in ring, place stitch marker in last dc made, (4 dc, 3 tr, 2 dc) in ring; join with sl st in top of beginning ch-3—20 sts.

Round 2: Sl st in each st around; invisible join in first sl st. Fasten off first color.

Round 3: With RS facing and working in sts of Round 1, join 2nd color with dc in marked dc, dc in same dc as join, *dc in next st, 2 dc in each of next 2 sts, 2 hdc in each of next 2 sts, hdc in next st, 2 hdc in each of next 2 sts, 2 dc in next st*, dc in next st, place marker in last dc made, dc in same st; repeat from * to *; invisible join in first dc—36 sts.

Round 4: Repeat Round 2. Fasten off 2nd color.

Round 5: With RS facing and working in sts of Round 3, join 3rd color with tr in marked dc, tr in same st as join, 2 tr in next st, *tr in next st, 2 tr in each of next 2 sts, 2 dc in each of next 2 sts, dc in next 3 sts, tr in next st, (tr, ch 1, dtr, ch 1, tr) in next st, tr in next st, dc in next 3 sts, 2 dc in each of next 2 sts*, 2 tr in next st, tr in next st, place marker in last tr made, tr in same st; repeat from * to *; invisible join in first tr—56 sts and 4 ch-1 sps.

Round 6: Repeat Round 2. Fasten off 3rd color.

Round 7: With RS facing and working in sts of Round 5, join 4th color with dc in marked tr, dc in same st as join, 2 tr in next st, *tr in next st, 2 tr in next st, 2 dc in each of next 2 sts, dc in next 2 sts, 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 2 sts, [hdc2tog] twice, dc in next st, 2 hdc in next st, (dc, ch 1, tr, ch 1, dc) in next st, 2 hdc in next st, dc in next st, [hdc2tog] twice, hdc in next 2 sts, 2 hdc in next st, dc in next 2 sts*, 2 dc in each of next 2 sts, tr in next st, place marker in last tr made, tr in same st; repeat from * to *; 2 dc in next st; invisible join in first dc—76 sts and 4 ch-1 sps.

Round 8: Repeat Round 2. Fasten off 4th color.

Round 9: With RS facing and working in sts of Round 7, join 5th color with sc in marked tr, sc in same st as join, 2 sc in next st, *sc in next st, 2 sc in each of next 2 sts, sc in next 10 sts, [sc2tog] twice, sc in next 2 sts, (sc, hdc) in next st, (hdc, ch 1, dc, ch 1, hdc) in next st, (hdc, sc) in next st, sc in next 2 sts, [sc2tog] twice, sc in next 10 sts*, 2 sc in each of next 2 sts; repeat from * to *; invisible join in first sc—88 sts, and 4 ch-1 sps.

Round 10: Repeat Round 2. Fasten off 5th color.

HALF LARGE MOTIF (make 14)

Notes: Half large motifs are worked in same order as color sequence #2 of large motifs. Half large motifs are worked with RS facing at all times, to ensure that the stitches look the same as those in large motifs. Fasten off at end of each row, and rejoin yarn at beginning of each row.

With D and larger hook, make an adjustable ring.

Row 1 (RS): Ch 4 (counts as first tr), (tr, 7 dc, 2 tr) in ring—11 sts. Fasten off D.

Row 2: With RS facing, join D with sl st in first st, sl st in each remaining st across. Fasten off D.

Row 3: With RS facing and working in sts of Row 1, join C with hdc in first st, 2 hdc in each of next 2 sts, 2 dc in each of next 2 sts, dc in next st, 2 dc in each of next 2 sts, 2 hdc in each of next 2 sts, hdc in last st—19 sts. Fasten off C.

Row 4: With C, repeat Row 2. Fasten off C.

Row 5: With RS facing and working in sts of Row 3, join A with dtr in first st, ch 1, tr in same st as join, tr in next st, dc in next 3 sts, 2 dc in each of next 2 sts, 2 tr in each of next 2 sts, tr in next st, 2 tr in each of next 2 sts, 2 dc in each of next 2 sts, dc in next 3 sts, tr in next st, (tr, ch 1, dtr) in last st—29 sts and 2 ch-1 sps. Fasten off A.

Row 6: With A, repeat Row 2. Fasten off A.

Row 7: With RS facing and working in sts of Row 5, join B with tr in first st, ch 1, dc in same st as join, 2 hdc in next st, dc in next st, [hdc2tog] twice, hdc in next 2 sts, 2 hdc in next st, dc in next 2 sts, 2 dc in each of next 2 sts, 2 tr in next st, tr in next st, 2 tr in next st, 2 dc in each of next 2 sts, dc in next 2 sts, 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 2 sts, [hdc2tog] twice, dc in next st, 2 hdc in next st, (dc, ch 1, tr) in last st—39 sts and 2 ch-1 sps. Fasten off B.

Row 8: With B, repeat Row 2. Fasten off B.

Row 9: With RS facing and working in sts of Row 7, join E with dc in first st, ch 1, hdc in same st as join, (hdc, sc) in next st, sc in next 2 sts, [sc2tog] twice, sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in each of next 2 sts, sc in next st, 2 sc in each of next 2 sts, sc in next 10 sts, [sc2tog] twice, sc in next 2 sts, (sc, hdc) in next st, (hdc, ch 1, dc) in last st—45 sts and 2 ch-1 sps. Fasten off E.

Row 10: With E, repeat Row 2. Fasten off E.

CIRCLE MOTIF (make 82)

With smaller hook and F, ch 4; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring.

Round 1 (RS): Ch 1, 8 sc in ring; join with sl st in first sc—8 sc.

Round 2: Sl st in each st around; join with with invisible join in first sl st. Fasten off.

FINISHING

With WS facing, arrange all motifs as shown in assembly diagram. With E, and sewing on WS, whipstitch motifs together. Using yarn needle, weave in all ends.

