



Football Love Afghan

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS:

Length: 60"

Width: 60"

MATERIALS

Premier® Yarns Anti-Pilling® Everyday®
Worsted (100% Anti-Pilling Acrylic; 3.5oz/100g,
 180yds/165m)

- MC: 100-64 Bark – 12 balls
- CC: 100-68 Aran – 4 balls

Hook: US Size J-10 (6 mm) *or size needed to obtain gauge*

Notions: Tapestry needle

GAUGE 5 blocks x 5 blocks = 4" in stitch pattern

Save time, check your gauge.

Skills/techniques used in this pattern:

- Chain, single and double crochet stitches
- Changing colors.
- Reading a graph.
- Corner-to-corner (C2C).

PATTERN NOTES

Blanket is made corner to corner following the provided chart.

The Corner-to-Corner (C2C) technique of crochet is made by starting in the lower right corner of a pixel chart and following the chart row by row diagonally to the top left corner.

How to change colors to join a new color: Pull the new color yarn through as you make your slip stitch to join over your chain-2 space. Do not fasten off the old color. Leave the strand hanging and still attached to the ball.

By not cutting the yarn each time you change colors, you'll have fewer loose ends to weave in later. Just keep the balls not being used on the

wrong side of your work. Carry the yarn strand up from the previous row and pull it up to your hook when you need to join that color back into your project.

When you begin to have a lot of color changes, it helps to divide the yarn balls by winding into multiple smaller balls.

How to read the chart: Print out the chart. Start in the lower right corner and mark off each square as you go. Each square in the C2C chart = one block. The first square in the corner is Row 1. You will work diagonally back and forth (down one row and back up the next). Row 2 of the chart will be read diagonally from left to right and Row 3 from right to left.

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Work in C2C technique, changing yarn color following chart.

Increase Section

With MC, ch 6.

Row 1: Dc in 4th ch from hook, dc in next 2 chs, turn – 1 block.

Row 2: Ch 6, dc in 4th ch from hook, dc in next 2 chs, (sl st, ch 3, 3 dc) in ch-3 sp of first block, turn – 2 blocks.

Row 3: Ch 6, dc in 4th ch from hook, dc in next 2 chs, *(sl st, ch 3, 3 dc) in ch-3 sp of next block; rep from * to end, turn – 1 block inc'd.

Rows 4-74: Rep Row 3, following color chart.
 Note: At this point, square should measure 60" along each side edge.

Decrease Section

Row 75: Sl st in first 3 dc, *(sl st, ch 3, 3 dc) in ch-3 sp of next block; rep from * to end, sl st in ch-3 sp of last block, turn – 1 block dec'd.

Row 76: Sl st in first 3 dc, *(sl st, ch 3, 3 dc) in

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ch-3 sp of next block; rep from * to end, sl st in ch-3 sp of last block, turn – 1 block dec'd.

Row 77: Sl st in first 3 dc, *(sl st, ch 3, 3 dc) in ch-3 sp of next block; rep from * to end, sl st in ch-3 sp of last block, turn – 1 block dec'd. Rep Row 77 until 1 block remains. Fasten off.

Edging

With RS facing, join MC in any corner.

Rnd 1: Ch 1, sc evenly around, at a rate of 3 sc per block, working 3 sc for each corner, join with a sl st in first sc. Fasten off, join CC2.

Rnd 2: Ch 2, dc in each st around, working 3 dc in each corner, join with a sl st in first dc. Fasten off, join MC.

Rnd 3: Ch 1, sc in each st around, working 3 sc in each corner, join with a sl st in first sc. Fasten off.

FINISHING

Weave in ends. Block lightly.

Abbreviations

CC	contrasting color
ch(s)	chain(s)
dec('d)	decrease(d)
dc	double crochet
inc('d)	increase(d)
MC	main color
rep	repeat(ing)
rnd(s)	round(s)
RS	right side
sc	single crochet
sl st	slip stitch
sp	space
st(s)	stitch(es)



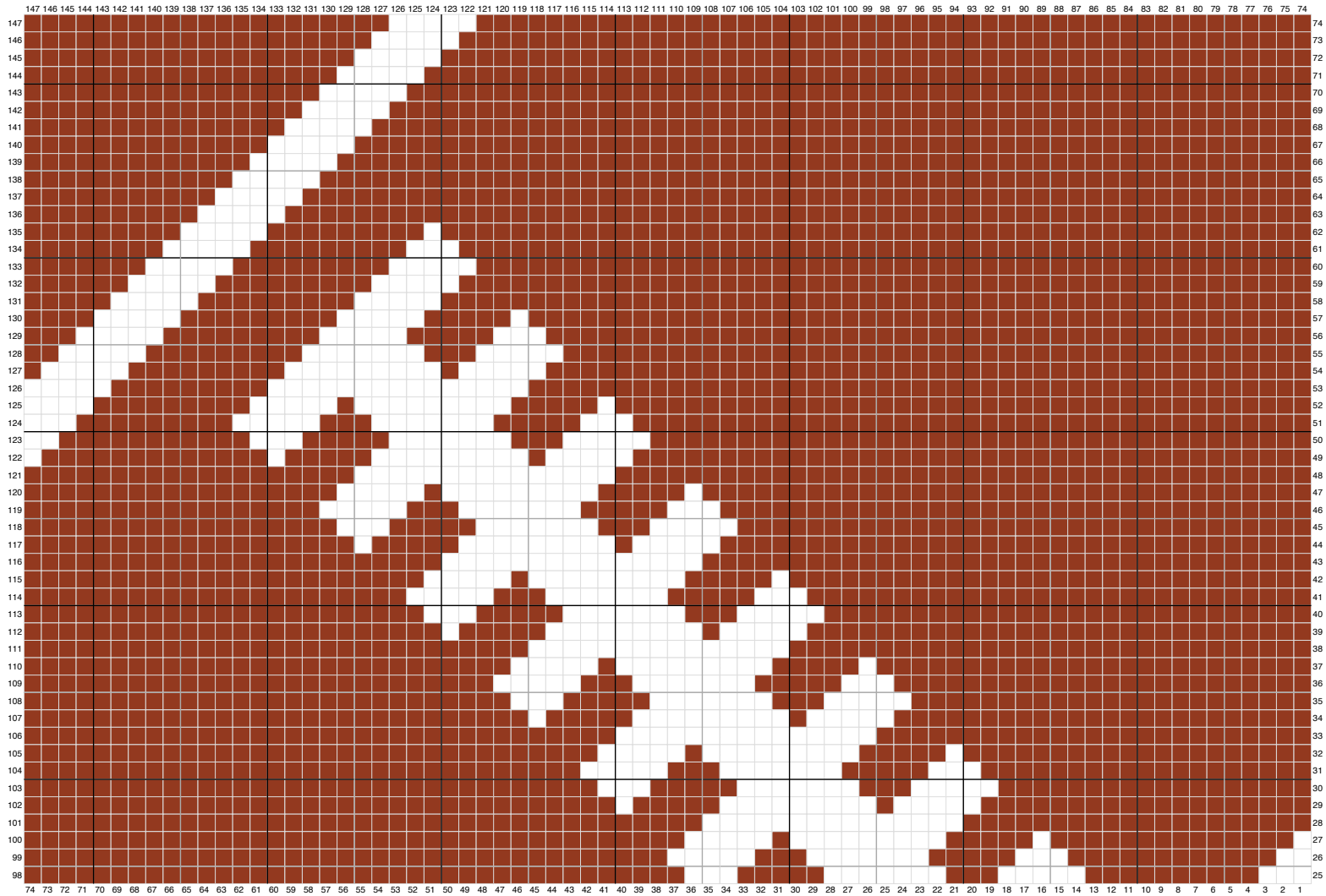
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Note: The chart is divided into 2 sections.

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- MC
- CC1

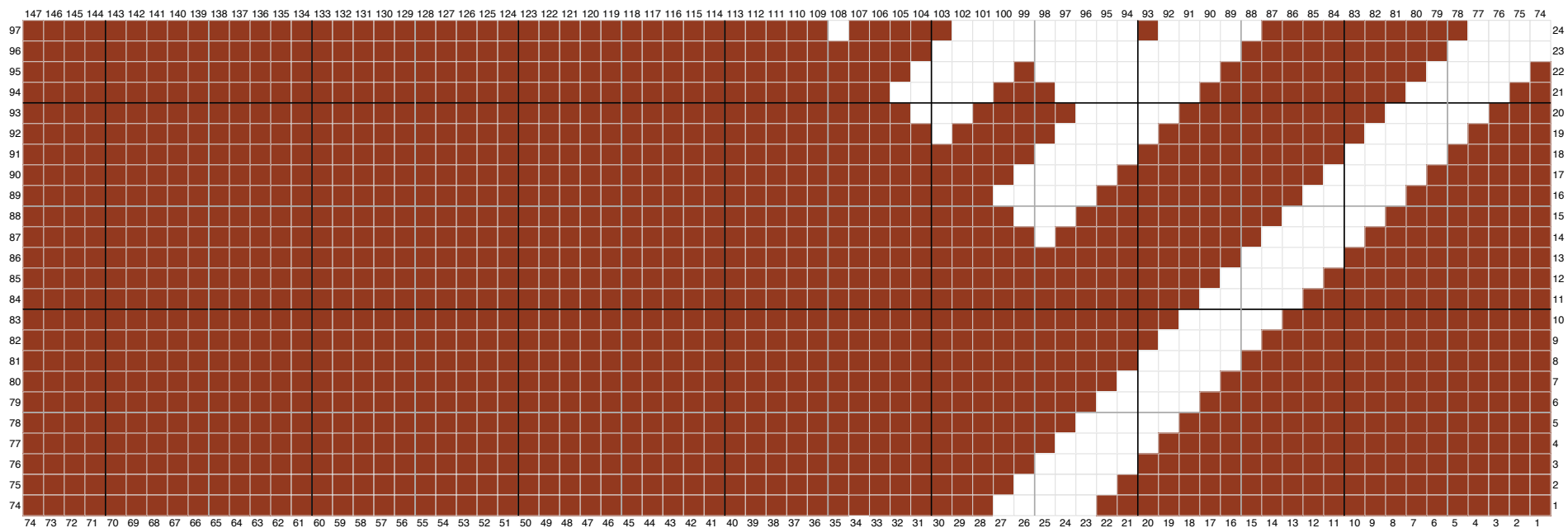
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