



Hypnotic Afghan

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Yarn List

6 Balls - Caron Cakes, Red Velvet

Hook

6 mm / J Hook

Revision 1

Introduction

This afghan was designed during a live event in October 2016. It consists of 20 squares that are approximately 11" square.

For your convenience, it's done as a join as you go. So you attach the squares to each other in the final round of each. When attaching, you look at the afghan and decide where it should join to give you a great finished look.

Notes

- Ch 3 as the beg of round is counted as a dc.
- Pattern colour is as it comes out of the yarn ball. There are no doctoring or strategic planning of colour when doing this pattern.
- When joining the squares, you look to the afghan and place the square where you think it looks the best.
- The layering ladder is achieved by rounds 4, 6, 8, & 10 with using the double crochet back posts from 2 rounds below. This creates a ladder effect of pulling the next round slightly under to create the layers. Review tutorial if you need more help.

Project Size

46" x 60"



Instructions

Square - Make 20

Ch 3, sl st to the beg ch to form ring.

Rnd 1: Working inside ring, ch 3, (counts as dc), 2 dc, ch 2, *3 dc, ch 2. Rep *2 more times. Sl st to the top of the beg ch-3.

Rnd 2: Ch 1. (1 sc) in same ch-2 corner sp. *Ch 3. Miss next 3 dc. (1 sc, ch 2, 1 sc in next ch-2 corner space). Repeat * 2 more times. Final side, *Ch 3. Miss next 3 dc. (1 sc, ch 2, join with sl st to the first sc in corner).

Rnd 3: Ch 3, 1 dc in corner space. *3 dc in next ch-3 space. (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc in ch-2 corner space). Repeat * 2 more times. Final side, 3 dc in next ch-3 space. (2 dc, ch 2, sl st to top of ch-3 in ch-2 corner space).

Rnd 4: Layering ladder begins here. Ch 1. (1 sc) in corner sp. *Ch 3. 1 bpdc around sc 2 rounds below (round 2) - 2 times, ch 3 (1 sc, ch 2, 1 sc in next ch-2 space in (round 3)). Repeat * 2 more times. Final side. Ch 3. 1 bpdc around sc 2 rounds below (round 2) - 2 times, ch 3, (1 sc, ch 2, join with sl st to the begin sc in next ch-2 space in (round 3)).

Rnd 5: Ch 3, 1 dc in corner space. *3 dc in next ch-3 space - 3 times. (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc in ch-2 corner space). Repeat * 2 more times. Final side, 3 dc in next ch-3 space - 3 times. (2 dc, ch 2, sl st to top of ch-3 in ch-2 corner space).

Rnd 6: Layering Ladder: Ch 1. (1 sc) in same sp. *Ch 3. 1 bpdc around sc 2 or

bpdc rounds below (round 4) - 4 times. Ch 3 (1 sc, ch 2, 1 sc in next ch-2 corner space in round 5). Repeat * 2 more times. Final side. Ch 3. 1 bpdc around sc or bpdc 2 rounds below (round 4) - 4 times. Ch 3, (1 sc, ch 2, 1 sc in next ch-2 space in round 5.)

Rnd 7: Ch 3, 1 dc in corner space. *3 dc in next ch-3 space - 5 times. (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc in ch-2 corner space). Repeat * 2 more times. Final side, 3 dc in next ch-3 space 5 times. (2 dc, ch 2, sl st to top of ch-3 in ch-2 corner space).

Rnd 8: Layering Ladder: Ch 1. (1 sc) in corner same sp. *Ch 3. 1 bpdc around each sc or bpdc 2 rounds below (round 6) - 6 times. Ch 3 (1 sc, ch 2, 1 sc in next ch-2 space in round 6). Repeat * 2 more times. Final side. Ch 3. 1 bpdc around sc or bpdc 2 rounds below (round 6) - 6 times. Ch 3 (1 sc, ch 2, sl st to top of ch-3 in ch-2 corner space).

Rnd 9: Ch 3, 1 dc in corner space. *3 dc in next ch-3 space 7 times. (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc in ch-2 corner space). Repeat * 2 more times. Final side, 3 dc in next ch-3 space - 7 times. (2 dc, ch 2, sl st to top of ch-3 in ch-2 corner space).

Rnd 10: Layering Ladder: Ch 1. (1 sc) in same sp. *Ch 3. 1 bpdc around sc or dcbp 2 rounds below (round 8) - 8 times. Ch 3 (1 sc, ch 2, 1 sc in next ch-2 space in round 9). Repeat * 2 more times. Final side. Ch 3. 1 bpdc around sc or dcbp 2 rounds below (round 8) - 8 times. Ch 3 (1 sc, ch 2, sl

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st to join to beg sc.)

Rnd 11: Ch 3, 1 dc in corner space. *3 dc in next ch-3 space – 9 times. (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc in ch-2 corner space). Repeat from* 2 more times. Final side, 3 dc in next ch-3 space – 9 times. (2 dc, ch 2, dc then sl st to top of ch-3 in ch-2 corner space).

Rnd 12: Do not fasten off. **Proceed to Join As You Go.**

Join As You Go

I decided to do join as you go to eliminate a sewing string from being obvious. The squares can have different colours for the final colour and therefore one string to sew multiple squares together will not match the colour of all of the squares. It's best to join as you go to keep the colour consistent throughout the afghan.

The first square, there isn't anything to attach to. The first square is the only square you completely go around without consideration of joining to anything else.

Once you begin to build your afghan. You are looking to complete 20 squares in a 5 x 4 square configuration. Look at the squares prior to attaching and make decisions on where it should go. Once you proceed to join them, it's pretty much permanent. Removing out a square to change your mind isn't impossible but it's not a happy experience. So be strategic when attaching. You can see in my example, I had squares similar in colour shades and positioned them in a way that other colour options that do come from this pattern can be positioned without making the afghan being unbalanced in appearance.

First Square

Rnd 12: Ch 1, sc in same ch-2 space. Ch 3, * sc in space between groups of 2 or 3-dc, ch 3. Repeat * across side. Corner to receive 1 sc, ch 3, 1 sc. *Begin next side with ch 3, then repeat * across to next corner. Repeat steps around. Final corner to receive 1 sc, ch 3, join with sl st to beginning sc. Fasten off.

All Other Squares

This method will allow you to join to up to four sides but would recommend a maximum of 3 sides. Most are joined with just 1 or 2 sides when doing this afghan.

To join, the squares that are joining to the one you are finishing need to be right side up, good side up. The squares that are waiting to be joined already have their ch-3 gap spaces. The one you are about to attach does not.

Begin by doing 1 side but don't finish the first corner you pass. We will begin the joins from that point.

Rnd 12

Step 1: Ch 1, sc in same ch-2 space. Ch 3, * sc in space between groups of 3-dc, ch 3. Repeat * across side. Do not start the corner.

Step 2: *We will begin the joins from this point.*

Step 3: Sc in ch-2 corner, ch 1, sl st around ch-3 space of neighbours square. If joining where 3 or more squares are already attached, join the sl st where they are joining each other. ch 1 and sc in the same ch-2 space.

Step 4: You will work down the edge matching the ch-3 spaces of the neighbour square.

Step 5: *Ch 1, join with sl st to neighbour ch-3 space, ch 1, sc in next space between 3-dc. Repeat * to next corner. Go back to Step 3 to do another corner.

Step 6: You will either continue joining the squares together or have a side that has no neighbour. So you will either do Step 5 or do as a First Square for the remaining of the square.

Step 7: Corner to receive 1 sc, ch 3, 1 sc. *Begin next side with ch 3, then repeat * across to next corner. Repeat steps around. Final corner to receive 1 sc, ch 3, join with sl st to beginning sc. Fasten off.



Close up shots of the joining methods.

Crochet Hypnotic Tiles Border

Now that all of your squares are joined together, we will begin the final border. Begin at any corner. This pattern will compensate if you have opted for more or less squares.

Note: To prevent the outside border from ruffling, be sure to pay attention to the ch-3 spaces where the squares are joined together on the first revolution of your afghan.

Rnd 1: Fasten on to any corner. Ch 3, 1 dc in corner space. *3 dc in next ch-3 space. Repeat * to where the ch-3 spaces are joined to the neighbour. Place only 1 dc in each ch-3 space and then continue with *. At the corner, place 2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc in the ch-3 space. Continue around as directed. Final corner will have 2 dc, ch 2 and then sl st to the top of the begin ch-3.

Rnd 2: Ch 1, sc in same ch-2 space. *1 sc in each dc across to next corner. Corner to receive 1 sc, ch 2, 1 sc. Continue around as *. Final corner to receive 1 sc, ch 2 and join with a sl st to beg sc.

Rnd 3: Ch 3, 1 dc in corner space. *1 dc in each sc across to corner. Corner to receive 2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc. Continue as * around. Final corner to receive 2 dc, ch 2 and join with sl st to top of beg ch-3.

Rnd 4: Repeat Step 2

Rnd 5: Repeat Step 3

Rnd 6: Repeat Step 2 and fasten off.