2013 Designer Contest Finalist

CRYSTAL ICE

Size 18%" [47 cm] circumference. 8" [20.5 cm] tall.

Materials

Schachenmayr original Boston. 1 ball [50g] each of #00092 storm grey heather, #00137 cardinal, #00049 purple. US K-10½ [6.5 mm] crochet hook, or size needed to obtain gauge. Tapestry needle.

Gauge

13 stitches and 11 rounds = 4" (10 cm) in pattern using US K-10 (6 mm) crochet hook

Camel Stitch

Yarn over, insert hook into the extra back loop of the next stitch, yarn over and pull through a loop (3 loops on the hook), yarn over and pull through all loops on the hook (1 loop remains).

Front Loop Triple Crochet Below

(Yarn over) twice, insert hook into the front loop only of the next stitch 3 rows below, yarn over and draw through a loop (4 loops on the hook), (yarn over and draw through 2 loops on the hook) 3 times (1 loop remains). The color used for each front loop triple crochet should be worked in the same color three rows below to create a stepped effect.

Back Loop Single Crochet

Work single crochet through the back loop only of each stitch.

Back Loop Single Crochet Decrease (Insert the hook into the back loop of the next stitch and draw through a loop) twice (3 loops on the hook), yarn over and draw through all loops on the hook (1 stitch decreased).

Notes

This pattern uses US/Canadian crochet terms.

Work the first stitch of every round in the same stitch as the beginning-chain and join the round with a slip stitch in the first stitch of the round. When working each front loop triple crochet, make sure to adjust the length of the stitch so the work lies flat.

For ease in working, do not cut the yarn in work when changing colors. Drop the color in work on the wrong side and pick up the new color to work the join in the new color for a color smooth transition. Carry the unused colors up the wrong side of the work.



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INSTRUCTIONS

Foundation: With US K-10 [6 mm] crochet hook and storm grey heather, chain 50, join with a slip stitch in the first chain being careful not to twist the chain.

Round 1:. Chain 2, half double crochet in each chain around, join with a slip stitch in the first stitch – 50 stitches.

Rounds 2 - 4: Chain 2, work camel stitch in each stitch around, join with a slip stitch in the first stitch.

Round 5: Chain 1, back loop single crochet in each stitch around, change to cardinal and join with a slip stitch in the first stitch.

Round 6: Chain 1, back loop single crochet in each stitch around, change to purple and join with a slip stitch in the first stitch.

Round 7: Chain 1, back loop single crochet in each stitch around, change to storm grey heather and join with a slip stitch in the first stitch. **Round 8:** Chain 1, *back loop single crochet in each of the next 4 stitches, front loop triple crochet below, skip the next stitch; repeat from* around, change to cardinal and join with a slip stitch in the first stitch.

Round 9: Chain 1, *front loop triple crochet below, skip the next stitch, back loop single crochet in each of the next 4 stitches; repeat from * around, change to purple and join with a slip stitch in the top of the first stitch. **Round 10**: Chain 1, back loop single crochet in the first stitch, front loop triple crochet below, skip the next stitch, *back loop single crochet in each of the next 4 stiches, front loop triple crochet below, skip the next stitch; repeat from * to the last 3 stitches, back loop single crochet in each of the last 3 stitches, change to storm grey heather and join with a slip stitch in the first stitch. **Round 11:** Chain 1, back loop single crochet in each of the first 2 stitches, front loop triple crochet below, skip the next stitch, *back loop single crochet in each of the next 4 stitches, front loop triple crochet below, skip the next stitch; repeat from * to the last 2 stitches, back loop single crochet in each of the last 2 stitches, change to cardinal and join with a slip stitch in the first stitch.

Round 12: Chain 1, back loop single crochet in each of the first 3 stitches, front loop triple crochet below, skip the next stitch, *back loop single crochet in each of the next 4 stiches, front loop triple crochet below, skip the next stitch; repeat from * to the last stitch, back loop single crochet in the last stitch, change to purple and join with a slip stitch in the first stitch.

Round 13: Repeat Round 8, change to storm grey heather and join with a slip stitch in the first stitch.

Round 14: Repeat Round 9, change to cardinal and join with a slip stitch in the top of the first stitch.

Round 15: Repeat Round 10, change to purple and join with a slip stitch in the first stitch.

Round 16: Repeat Round 11, change to storm grey heather and join with a slip stitch in the first stitch.

Round 17: Repeat Round 12, change to cardinal and join with a slip stitch in the first stitch. Round 18: Repeat Round 8, change to purple and join with a slip stitch in the first stitch. Round 19: Repeat Round 9, change to storm grey heather and join with a slip stitch in the top of the first stitch.

Shape top

Round 20 (decrease): Chain 1, back loop single crochet in the first stitch, *front loop triple crochet below, skip the next stitch, back loop single crochet in the next stitch, back loop single crochet decrease, back loop single crochet in the next stitch; repeat from * to the last 4 stitches, front loop triple crochet below, skip the next stitch, back loop single crochet in the next stitch, back loop single crochet decrease, change to cardinal and join with a slip stitch in the first stitch – 40 stitches remain. Cut storm grey heather.

Round 21 (decrease): Chain 1, back loop single crochet in the first stitch, *front loop triple crochet below, skip the next stitch, back loop single crochet decrease, back loop single crochet in the next stitch; repeat from * around to the last 3 stitches, front loop triple crochet below, skip the next stitch, back loop single crochet decrease, change to purple and join with a slip stitch in the first stitch – 3D stitches remain. Cut cardinal. **Round 22 (decrease):** Chain 1, *Back loop single crochet decrease, front loop triple crochet below, skip the next stitch; repeat from * around, join with a slip stitch in the first stitch – 2D stitches remain. Fasten off, leaving an 8" [20.5 cm] long tail.

Finishing

Thread the tail end through a tapestry needle and weave it through the remaining stitches. Pull tight to close the top of the hat. Weave in ends. Block to measurements.