8-inch circle square

US terms



Finished size
About 8 in (20 cm) across

Skill
Intermediate
Worked in rounds, with color changes and 1 special stitch.

Yarn
Medium (4), 4 colors

Hook
5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge
14 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: terracotta, rounds 1, 4 and 9	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: blush, rounds 2 and 8	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: olive, rounds 3 and 7	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: cream, rounds 5 and 6	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 40 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a yarn needle, scissors, pins for blocking and a spray bottle.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. The estimate is from the stitches and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Gauge

14 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

Use any hook that gives you this. If you count more stitches than this in 4 in (10 cm), change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, to a smaller one.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 4 the piece measures about 4¾ in (12 cm) across.

Notes

- Rounds are worked with the right side facing; do not turn.
- Magic ring: wrap the yarn round two fingers, work the first round or row into the loop, then pull the tail until the ring is closed. Four chains joined into a ring with a slip stitch may be used instead.
- A chain that counts as a stitch is marked so in its line and is included in the count.

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- A chain 1 at the start of a round does not count as a stitch.
- Fasten off the old color, then join the new one with a slip stitch in the place named; the first stitch or chain of the line is worked in that same place.
- At the start of a round, same st is the stitch the round before was joined in; after a new color is joined, it is the stitch the color was joined in.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line count its stitches and the chain spaces between them; slip stitches are not counted.
- In Rnd 2 every stitch of Rnd 1 takes two stitches: first a dc in its top, then an FPdc around its post. Leave the top free for the dc and put the hook from front to back to front around the post just below it. The ch 3 at the start is the dc of the first pair.
- The FPdc of Rnd 2 is one of the 24 stitches that Rnd 3 is worked over. In Rnds 3 and 4 every FPdc goes around the post of the FPdc below, so that twelve ribs run outward in straight lines.
- The ch 3 that begins Rnd 3 is a dc and is the first dc that Rnd 4 is joined in: from it on, each group of Rnd 4 is worked over 2 dc and 1 FPdc.
- In Rnd 5 work every sc in the top of its stitch, the FPdc too. Rnd 6 has a corner in every 15th sc, and its first corner is worked in the sc Rnd 5 was joined in.
- For a throw about 48 by 56 in (122 by 142 cm), make 42 squares and join them in 7 rows of 6. Allow yarn in proportion and a little more for the seams.
- The same words in another yarn make another size, measured straight across: fine yarn (2) and a 3.25 mm hook, about 5½ in (14 cm); light yarn (3) and a 4 mm hook, about 6¼ in (16 cm); bulky yarn (5) and a 6.5 mm hook, about 10¼ in (26 cm).

Instructions

US terms.

ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **hdc** half double crochet (UK half treble), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **tr** treble crochet (UK double treble), **dtr** double treble crochet (UK triple treble), **sp** space, **st** stitch, **rnd** round.
RS right side, the one that shows.
2 dc in next st: both in one stitch. **sc in next 2 sts**: one in each. **ch-2 sp**: the gap under two chains; the hook goes in the gap.
[ ] 11 times: work what is inside 11 times in all. **( )**: all of it goes into the one place.
(12 dc): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

FPdc (Front post double crochet; UK FPtr): Yarn over, insert the hook from front to back to front round the post of the stitch named, yarn over and pull up a loop, [yarn over and pull through 2 loops] twice.

Yarns in order of use: A, terracotta; B, blush; C, olive; D, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), 11 dc in ring, pull the tail to close the ring, sl st in top of ch-3 to join Fasten off A.	(12 dc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Join B with sl st in any st, ch 3 (counts as dc), FPdc around same st, **[**dc in next st, FPdc around same st**] 11 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join	(12 dc, 12 FPdc)

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Fasten off B.

☐ **Rnd 3**	Join C with sl st in any dc, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same st, FPdc around next st, **[**2 dc in next st, FPdc around next st**] 11 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join	(24 dc, 12 FPdc)

Fasten off C.

☐ **Rnd 4**	Join A with sl st in first dc, ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in next st, FPdc around next st, **[**dc in next st, 2 dc in next st, FPdc around next st**] 11 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join	(36 dc, 12 FPdc)

Fasten off A.

☐ **Rnd 5**	Join D with sl st in any FPdc, ch 1, sc in same st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts, **[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 11 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(60 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	Ch 5 (counts as dtr), (dtr, ch 2, 2 dtr) in same st, tr in next 2 sts, dc in next 2 sts, hdc in next 2 sts, sc in next 2 sts, hdc in next 2 sts, dc in next 2 sts, tr in next 2 sts, > **[**(2 dtr, ch 2, 2 dtr) in next st, tr in next 2 sts, dc in next 2 sts, hdc in next 2 sts, sc in next 2 sts, hdc in next 2 sts, dc in next 2 sts, tr in next 2 sts**] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-5 to join	(16 dtr, 4 ch-2 sps, 16 tr, 16 dc, 16 hdc, 8 sc)

Fasten off D.

☐ **Rnd 7**	Join C with sl st in any ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in same sp, dc in next 18 sts, **[**(2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 18 sts**] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join	(88 dc, 4 ch-2 sps)

Fasten off C.

☐ **Rnd 8**	Join B with sl st in any ch-2 sp, ch 2 (counts as hdc), (hdc, ch 2, 2 hdc) in same sp, hdc in next 22 sts, **[**(2 hdc, ch 2, 2 hdc) in next ch-2 sp, hdc in next 22 sts**] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-2 to join	(104 hdc, 4 ch-2 sps)

Fasten off B.

☐ **Rnd 9**	Join A with sl st in any ch-2 sp, ch 1, (sc, ch 2, sc) in same sp, sc in next 26 sts, **[**(sc, ch 2, sc) in next ch-2 sp, sc in next 26 sts**] 3 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(112 sc, 4 ch-2 sps)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.	

Finishing

- Block: pin the square to shape on a flat surface, spray it with water and let it dry.
- To join two squares, hold them with right sides together and their edges level. Thread the yarn needle with A. Begin through the corner chain space of both, then for each stitch along the side take the needle from the back to the front through both loops of the two stitches that lie against each other, 28 pairs, and end through the next corner chain space of both. Keep the seam loose enough to lie flat.
- Weave in all the ends that are left with the yarn needle.

In all: 9 rounds.

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