Popcorn daisy blanket

US terms



Finished size
About 36 in (91 cm) from the left side to the right and 32¾ in (83 cm) from the top to the bottom

Skill
Intermediate
Worked in rounds, with 61 pieces, color changes and 1 special stitch.

Yarn
Medium (4), 6 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: butter yellow, round 1	**about 70 yd (64 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: white, round 2	**about 265 yd (242 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: sky blue, round 3	**about 235 yd (215 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: pale blue, round 4	**about 410 yd (375 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: cornflower, some of the hexagons	**about 135 yd (123 m), an estimate**
Yarn F: blush, some of the hexagons	**about 35 yd (32 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 580 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8). Also: a yarn needle, scissors, pins for blocking, a spray bottle and a tape measure.

Before you start

- A chain that counts as a stitch is marked so in its line and is included in the count.
- A chain 1 at the start of a round does not count as a stitch.

Gauge

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

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 3 the hexagon measures about 3 in (7.5 cm) across from one side to the opposite side. If yours is larger, use a smaller hook; if it is smaller, use a larger hook.

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Instructions

US terms.

ch chain, **sc** single crochet (UK dc), **sl st** slip stitch, **dc** double crochet (UK tr), **hdc** half double crochet (UK htr), **st** stitch.

3 sc in the same sc: **all three in that one stitch**. **ch-3 sp**: the hole under three chains. The hook goes in the hole, never into a chain.

[ ] 5 times: 5 times in all. ( ) in one place: all of it there. (6 popcorns, 6 ch-3 sps): the round now has that many; a check, not a step. **How to read a pattern**

Also: sp space, RS right side.

Every stitch, drawn: flossfield.com/crochet/stitches.

Special stitches

popcorn: Work 5 dc in the place named, take the hook out of the loop, put it through the top of the first of the 5 dc from front to back, pick up the loop again and pull it through. A popcorn is one stitch: where a later round works into it, work into its top, which is the loop pulled through the first dc, and not into the tops of its other dc.

Hexagon: make 61

Make 61 in three colorings. The lines give coloring 1 (make 42): white petals on sky blue. Coloring 2 (make 7), blush petals on sky blue: work Round 2 in F. Coloring 3 (make 12), white petals on cornflower: work Round 3 in E. Everything else is the same in all three.

☐ **Start**	With A, make a magic ring. *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.*	
☐ **Round 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 6 sc in ring, pull the tail to close it, sl st in first sc to join	(6 sc)
	Fasten off A.	
☐ **Round 2**	Join B with sl st in any st, ch 3 (does not count as a st), (popcorn, ch 3) in same st, **[**(popcorn, ch 3) in next st**] 5 times**, sl st in first popcorn to join	(6 popcorns, 6 ch-3 sps)
	Fasten off B.	
☐ **Round 3**	Join C with sl st in any ch-3 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in same sp, dc in next popcorn, **[**(2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-3 sp, dc in next popcorn**] 5 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join	(30 dc, 6 ch-2 sps)
	Stop and measure now, after round 3. The hexagon measures about 3 in (7.5 cm) across from one side to the opposite side. If yours is larger, use a smaller hook; if it is smaller, use a larger hook.	
	Fasten off C.	
☐ **Round 4**	Join D with sl st in any ch-2 sp, ch 2 (counts as hdc), (ch 1, hdc) in same sp, hdc in next 5 sts, **[**(hdc, ch 1, hdc) in next ch-2 sp, hdc in next 5 sts**] 5 times**, sl st in top of ch-2 to join	(42 hdc, 6 ch-1 sps)
☐	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.	

Assembly

1. Block every hexagon to the same size, about 3¾ in (9.5 cm) from one side to the opposite side: pin it out on a flat surface, spray it with water and let it dry.

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2. Weave in the ends of every hexagon with the yarn needle.

3. Lay the 61 hexagons out in 9 rows, right sides up, each with a corner at the top and an upright side at its left and right. The rows have 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 8, 7, 6 and 5 hexagons, and every row is centered over the next, so that the points of one row lie between those of the other and the whole is one large hexagon. The colorings from left to right: row 1: 1, 1, 3, 1, 1; row 2: 1, 2, 1, 1, 2, 1; row 3: 3, 1, 1, 3, 1, 1, 3; row 4: 1, 1, 3, 1, 1, 3, 1, 1; row 5: 1, 2, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 2, 1; row 6: 1, 1, 3, 1, 1, 3, 1, 1; row 7: 3, 1, 1, 3, 1, 1, 3; row 8: 1, 2, 1, 1, 2, 1; row 9: 1, 1, 3, 1, 1.

4. Join with slip stitch seams in D. Hold two hexagons that lie side by side with right sides together: begin with 1 slip stitch in the corner ch-1 space of both, work 1 slip stitch through both in each of the 7 hdc of the side, under both top loops on both hexagons, and end with 1 slip stitch in the next corner ch-1 space of both (9 slip stitches a side). First join the hexagons of each row by their upright sides (52 seams), and fasten off at the end of each. Then join the rows to each other with one zigzag seam each (8 seams, of 10, 12, 14, 16, 16, 14, 12 and 10 sides): begin at one end, where the two rows first meet, join one side as before, turn at the corner and go straight on along the next side, beginning it with 1 slip stitch in its own two corner spaces, until the rows no longer meet. Fasten off.

5. Border, round 1: the edge of the blanket has 54 free sides of 7 hdc, 30 corners that stand out, each the ch-1 space of one hexagon, and 24 dips, where the corner spaces of two hexagons meet. With D and the right side facing, join with a slip stitch in the ch-1 space at the top of the first hexagon of row 1 and ch 1, which does not count as a stitch; work 3 sc in every corner that stands out and 1 sc in each hdc of the free sides, and draw the two spaces of every dip together: insert the hook in the first space and pull up a loop, insert it in the second space and pull up a loop, yarn over and pull through all 3 loops, which counts as 1 sc. Slip stitch in the first sc to join (492 sc). Fasten off.

6. Border, round 2: join E with a slip stitch in the middle sc of the 3 sc at any corner that stands out, ch 1, 3 sc in the same sc; work 3 sc in the middle sc of each of the other 29 corners that stand out and 1 sc in each of the remaining sc, skipping none; at every dip draw 3 sc together, the one before the dip, the one in the dip and the one after it: [insert the hook in the next sc and pull up a loop] 3 times, yarn over and pull through all 4 loops, which counts as 1 sc. Slip stitch in the first sc to join (504 sc).

7. Border, round 3: go on with E: slip stitch in the next sc, the middle sc of the 3 sc at the corner, ch 1, 3 sc in the same sc, and work as round 2 (516 sc). Fasten off.

Finishing

- Weave in all the ends of the seams and the border with the yarn needle.

In all: 61 pieces; 616 ends to weave in.

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.

Notes

- Rounds are worked with the right side facing; do not turn.
- 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.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line count its stitches and the chain spaces between them; slip stitches are not counted.
- The size takes in the border.
- The ch 3 at the start of Round 2 only lifts the yarn to the height of the first popcorn. Slip stitch into the top of the first popcorn to join.

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