Rebekah's Flower Square Motif Afghan

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st - stitch(es)

sc – single crochet

dc – double crochet

tr – treble crochet

hdc – half double crochet

Finished size: Overall 42x61 inch, using 48 – 6 ½ inch squares

Size H hook

Hobby Lobby I Love that Cotton yarn

7 skeins antique cream, 2 skeins sage, 2 skeins banana, 2 skeins aqua, 3 skeins rosey II (I'm pretty sure these are the amounts of yarn I used.)

Make 48 squares, 16 of each color

SQUARES

Beginning row: Magic Ring, ch 2 (counts as first hdc), 7hdc in magic ring, join with slip stitch in top of ch 2. (8)

Row 1: ch 3 (counts as first dc), dc in same ch 3 space, 2dc in each stitch around (16)

Row 2: First row of petals. Working in front loop only of row 1, slip stitch in front loop only of top of ch 3, ch 3, (tr, ch 1, tr, dc) in same st as ch 3, ss in next front loop only, *(dc, tr, ch, tr, dc) in next front loop only, ss in next front loop only*, 6 times. (dc,tr, ch, tr, dc) in next stitch. Slip stitch in both loops of next st. You will have 8 flower petals.

Row 3: Slip stitch into 2nd ch of ch 3 from Row 1 (behind 1st flower petal) (ex.1), ch 3, dc in same stitch, ch 2 (ex.2), Working in back loops of row 1, skip next st., *2dc in next st (you should be working in the back loop that lies between Row 2's petals), ch 2, skip next st*, repeat from *to* 7 times. Join with slip stitch in 2nd ch of ch 3. (ex.3)

Ex.1





Ex.2





Ex.3





Row 4: sc in next dc (between ch3 and dc), (2dc, tr, ch, tr, 2dc) in next ch 2 sp (ex.4), skip next st, sc in next dc which is the second dc, *(2dc, tr, ch, tr, 2dc) in next ch 2 sp, skip next st, sc in next dc*, repeat from *to* 6 times. (2dc, tr, ch, tr, 2dc) in next ch 2 sp, slip stitch in next st which is the hidden stitch of the next dc. Tie off. (8 flower petals) Change yarn color.

Ex.4





Row 5: Join yarn to top of first flower petal in the ch 1 space with a standing sc, ch 3, *(dc, ch, dc) in next sc (base of flower petals), ch 3, sc in ch at top of petal, ch 3*, repeat from *to* 7 times, (dc, ch, dc) in next sc, ch 3, slip stitch in 1st ch. Tie off. Change yarn color.



Row 6: Join yarn in any ch 1 space with a standing sc (in center of the 2 double crochet V), ch 2, hdc in same space, 4sc in next ch 3 space, ch 1, *(hdc, 2dc, 2tr) in next ch 3 space, ch 2, (2tr, 2dc, hdc) in next ch 3 space, ch 1, 4sc in next ch 3 space, 2hdc in next ch space (between 2dc), 4sc in next ch 3 space, ch 1*, repeat from *to* 3 times, (hdc, 2dc, 2tr) in next ch 3 space, ch 2, (2tr, 2dc, hdc) in next ch 3 space, ch 1, 4sc in next ch 3 space. Join with slip stitch to top of ch 2.

Row 7: [NOTE: I've changed the corner directions since making this afghan. Originally it was 3dc, however, it lays better with the new (3dc, ch, 3dc).

Ch 2, hdc in next 4 sc, dc in ch 1 space, skip next st, hdc in next 4, *(3dc, ch, 3dc) in ch 2 space, skip next st, hdc in next 4 st, dc in ch 1 space, skip next st, hdc in next 9 st, dc in ch 1 space, skip next st, hdc in next 4*, repeat from *to* 3 times, (3dc, ch, 3dc) in ch 2 space, skip next st, hdc in next 4 st, dc in ch 1 space, skip next st, hdc in next 4 st. Join with slip stitch to top of ch 2. Tie off.



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LATTICE JOIN

The squares are put together with a lattice join. I couldn't find a pattern so I came up with this. In your first square, connect your yarn with a standing single crochet in the first dc after the ch 1 corner at the beginning of any row.



Ch 3, skip next 2 stitches, sc in the next stitch, *ch 3, skip next 2 stitches, sc in next stitch.* Repeat from * to * 7 times. Ch 5, sc in the next dc skipping ch 1 corner space. (*Ch 3, skip next stitches, sc in the next stitch, repeat from * to * 7 times. Ch 5, sc in the next dc skipping the ch 1 corner space.) Repeat () 2 times skipping last sc on final side. Slip stitch to first sc. Tie off You will now have one square with chain 3's on all 4 sides.



The next square you will follow the above pattern on only 3 sides stopping before the ch 5.



To join this block to the first blocke, ch 2, slip stitch into the 3rd chain of any corner of the first square, ch 2, sc in the next dc, *ch 1, slip stitch into the 2nd ch of the first squares next ch 3 set, ch 1, sk next 2 stitches of second squares previous row, sc into next stitch.* Repeat from * to * 8 times.





Ch 2, slip stitch into the 3rd chain of the 1st squares corner 5 ch, ch 2, slip stitch into next sc. Tie off. You will connect your first row of blocks this way.



Join your first block of second row exactly like you did your first and second blocks by ch 2, slip stitch into previous rows third ch of the corner ch 5 which already has a joining stitch in it, ch 2, sc in the next dc, ch 1, slip stitch into the second ch of the above block's next ch 3 set, ch 1, sk next 2 stitches of new block's previous row, sc into next stitch. Continue to next corner, ch 2, slip stitch into third ch of ch 5 of second rows first block which already has a joining stitch in it from the previous row, ch 2, slip stitch into starting sc. Tie off.



The next block of the second row, crochet around the first 2 sides using the sc, ch 3, sc, ch 5 pattern described above. When you get to your second corner join to your previous row of blocks as follows.

To join this block to the previous row, ch 2, slip stitch into the third chain of ch 5 corner of the above block which already has 2 joining stitches in it, ch 2, sc in the next dc, ch 1, slip stitch into the second ch of the above block's next ch 3 set, ch 1, sk next 2 stitches of second block's previous row, sc into next stitch. Continue to next corner, ch 2, slip stitch into third ch of previous blocks corner ch 5, ch 2, slip stitch into starting sc. Tie off.

BORDER

Next, I single crocheted around the entire afghan and (hdc, dc, ch, dc, hdc) in the corners.

For the leaf border, I used a V stitch (dc, ch, dc in the same stitch) with a ch between. I found the prettiest little rose clump stitch on Pinterest and followed the chart directions found https://www.facebook.com/tejiendoperu/photos/a.273802103792.176155.273779483792/10153251459033793/?type=1&theater)





The final row was a scalloped border. I did not block my squares so my center petals have curled up giving a nice textured look. You may want to block them if you prefer the flatter look.



