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Afghan or Tunisian Crochet – Waffle Stitch Panel

Materials List:

Yarn

1 skein Sensations (100% acrylic, 8oz [227g], 447yd [409m]) in color #69 Green/White Stripe Rainbow Classic Pattern

Hooks & Notions Gauge Finished Measurement

US I-9 (5.5mm) 3 sts = 1" (2.5cm) 10" x 29"

US J-10 (6mm) Afghan/Tunisian Hook (25.5cm x 73.5cm)

Tapestry Needle



Foundation Row:

Begin with a regular I-9 (5.5mm) crochet hook and loosely chain 36.

Cast-on: Switch to the Afghan/Tunisian crochet hook. For a nice chain bottom edge, work through the back loop of your foundation chain only. *Insert hook under the next back loop, yo, pull through adding a loop to your hook; repeat from * across row.

NOTE: <u>Foundation Row only</u>. To create a chain stitch up the non-dominate hand edge, yo on hook before the final loop cast on. You can begin with the Purl Stitch for the foundation row, but it can be a little awkward if you are not used to the stitch.

Cast-off: *Yo, pull through 2 loops on hook; repeat from * across row, ending with one loop on hook.

Waffle Stitch Rows:

Note: The waffle pattern will "grow" towards the dominate hand so one row adds the waffle at the beginning of the row and not the end of the row. The other row skips the first waffle and adds it at the end of the row. It helps to use a marker at the beginning of Row 1 so you always know which type of row you are working in. I move the marker up every time I begin Row 1 so I know the next row is a Row 2, especially when I have to put my panel down. It also helps to count the loops on your hook to be sure you are not missing a stitch. For this panel there will be 36 loops on your hook.

Cast on Row 1: Insert hook in space after 2 loops of chain stitch edge (dominate side), yo, pull through adding loop to your hook, *skip 2 vertical bars (1 front, 1 back) insert hook in next space, yo, pull through adding a loop to your hook; repeat from * across, ending by inserting hook under final 2 loops of chain stitch edge (non-dominate side). Do not pick up a loop in the space in front of the final 2 loops of the chain stitch edge.

Cast-off Row 1: *Yo, pull through 2 loops on hook; repeat from * across row, ending with one loop on hook.

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Cast on Row 2: Skip first waffle space, *skip 2 vertical bars (1 front, 1 back), insert hook in next space, yo, pull through adding a loop to your hook; repeat from * across, ending by inserting hook under final 2 loops of chain stitch edge. Be sure to add waffle in space before final 2 loops of chain stitch edge.

Cast-off Row 2: *Yo, pull through 2 loops on hook; repeat from * across row, ending with one loop on hook.

Alternate Rows 1 and 2 until piece measures 29" (73.5cm) or desired length.

Binding off:

After you have reached 29" (73.5cm) or desired length and you have cast-off your final row, place the final single loop over the I-9 (5.5mm) regular crochet hook. *Insert hook in waffle space, yo, pull through loop on hook (slip stitch); repeat from * across row, ending with final slip stitch under last 2 loops of chain stitch edge. End off. Weave in ends.

Join Panels:

You can use one of the joining Granny Square techniques from my blogs or demonstrated in the videos. For these panels I'm using:

Dc2tog - With right sides of panels facing up and lying next to each other, attach yarn in corner st, yo, insert hook in same st, *yo, pull through, yo, pull through 2 loops on hook, yo, insert hook in corresponding st on other panel, yo, pull through, yo, pull through 2 loops on hook, yo, pull through 3 loops on hook, skip 1 st on the 1st panel, yo, insert hook in next st; repeat from * across edge. You are making a half dc on one panel, a half dc on the other panel and uniting them when the 2nd dc is completed.

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Afghan or Tunisian Crochet - Create a Finished Edge on All Sides
#4 Join Granny Squares with Chain Seam and Dc2tog

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