

MEADOW STAR – BORDER

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A border will complete your blanket. It is also necessary because Tunisian crochet will curl and a border will help to reduce the curl. Of course, you are free to add any border you would like. I have given you 3 options, 1 in standard crochet and 2 in Tunisian crochet- one of which uses a double ended hook (you will find this border in part 2 of the borders).

TUNISIAN IN THE ROUND BORDER SNEAK PEEK:

I designed a very lovely Tunisian in the round border with a double ended hook. We will present it next week, with video tutorial. So if you want an intricate, elegant and beautiful border, be prepared!

Necessities:

A double ended hook 1.0mm smaller than you used on the blanket. You can create a hook with 2 hooks and a cable. If you don't have 2 hooks of the same size, then use a smaller hook for the return pass.

The pictured blanket was made by Tawnya, one of the testers.



Color number	My choice	Color number	Annemiek's choice
D	Green	D	Dark green
F	Salmon	G	White

STANDARD CROCHET BORDER (US TERMS)

BORDER OF ANNEMIEK

FOR THIS BORDER YOU NEED TO DOWNSIZE YOUR HOOK 0.5MM

CLOSE EVERY ROUND WITH A SLIP STITCH (SL ST).

ROUND 1 COLOR D

CORNERS: sc, ch2, sc

Right side facing, single crochet (sc) in every stitch

Fasten off

(155 sc per side plus corner)



ROUND 2 COLOR G

Right side facing, start in any corner space

CORNERS: sc, ch2, sc

Sc in every stitch

Sl st into corner space

Do not fasten off

(157 sc per side plus corner)



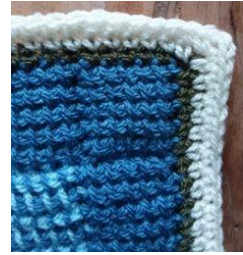
ROUND 3 COLOR G

Turn work (wrong side facing), ch 1 (does not count as a stitch)

CORNERS: sc, ch2, sc

Make corner, sc in every stitch, fasten off.

(159 sc per side plus corner)



ROUND 4 COLOR D

Turn your work (right side facing)

Start with corner stitches in any corner space

CORNERS: sc, ch2, sc

2 sc, front post double crochet (fpdc) around first sc of Round 1, skip 2 stitches

[4 sc, fpdc around the next sc of Round 1 (skip 4sc of Round 1), skip stitch behind fpdc] 30 times

3 sc, fpdc around the last stitch of Round 1

2 sc

(32 fpdc, 129 sc per side plus corner)

Fasten off

REPEAT ROUNDS 2-4 FOR A WIDER BORDER.

You may need to use fptr instead of fpdc in repeated rows.



TUNISIAN BORDER WITH MITERED CORNERS

This border incorporates the Honeycomb stitch and mitered corners.

TUNISIAN PURL STITCH (TPS)

Yarn in front of your work, insert hook as a TSS (Tunisian Simple Stitch), yarn back in normal position and pull up a loop

YOUTUBE LINK:

Right handed : <https://youtu.be/d8Yt1xrYJew>

Left handed : https://youtu.be/P4HuDve_Sml

MITERED CORNER VIDEO TUTORIAL

Please note, tutorial is an excerpt from MarKiDini CAL, stitches used and the counts are different than the stitches you will use...but the technique for the corner is the same.

Right handed : <https://youtu.be/7gz80EDIL5Y>

Left handed : <https://youtu.be/E-xEa0wrjOQ>

THE HONEYCOMB STITCH

IMPORTANT! USE A SMALLER HOOK FOR THIS STITCH! Go down 1.0mm

NOTE: Watch your tension carefully, if it pulls up a hook size or two, if it is really loose, go down another hook size

With this pattern you use 2 different stitches. TSS (Tunisian Simple Stitch) and TPS (Tunisian Purl Stitch). It is a 2 row pattern.

Explanation

First row

TSS, TPS, TSS, TPS repeated across

Second row

TPS, TSS, TPS, TSS repeated across

I designed a Cal Stacking Whirls. In this Cal I wrote a complete photo tutorial. The technique I used can be used for any Tunisian crochet border. In the photos of the tutorial I used 8 stitches but you can use any number you would like. I think a multiple of 5 is nice to work with. Since the tutorial uses TSS only, you will need to remember to work the honeycomb stitch.

FIRST HALF OF THE CORNER

Chain 5 (or a multiple of 5)

Row 1

Pick up 2 loops (3 loops on the hook)

Make Return Pass by pulling thru 2 loops at once! This is for all Return Passes DO NOT PULL THROUGH 1 LOOP (as is often standard)



Row 2

Pick up 3 loops (4 loops on the hook)

first one is in 2nd vertical bar,

second one is in the same chain as your second loop of row 1

third one is in the next stitch of the chain

Return Pass (see Row 1)



Row 3

Pick up 4 loops as you did in Row 2 (5 loops on the hook)

Return Pass (see Row 1)

Row 4

Pick up 5 loops as you did in Row 2 (6 loops on the hook)

Return Pass (see Row 1)

Row 5

Pick up 6 loops and make the connection with the square in the corner stitch. In the same stitch as you attached your yarn (**note:** the photo does not show that) (7 loops)

Return Pass (see Row 1)

The connection is how it is done with entrelac crochet.

Work your way until the next corner.



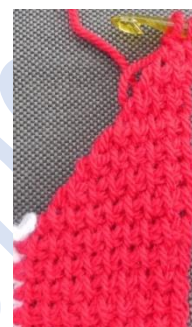
PART 1 OF THE CORNER

Decrease left side in the Return Pass. Pull through 2 stitches at once. You will not crochet the last stitch of the next row

NOTE: Marking the end of each decrease row made joining easier

I am counting from Row 1, because you do not make any connections to the square.

- Row 1** 6 loops on the hook
- Row 2** 5 loops on the hook
- Row 3** 4 loops on the hook
- Row 4** 3 loops Pull through 3 loops at once
- Row 5** 2 loops Pull through 2 loops at once



PART 2 OF THE CORNER

Increasing stitches

Row 1

Forward Pass

You have to pick up the first loop in the last vertical bar of Row 8.

The 2nd stitch you have to pick up is the border stitch of Row 7
(3 loops on the hook)

Return Pass

Row 2

Pick up 3 loops (4 loops on the hook)

1st loop is in 2nd vertical bar,

2nd loop is in the same stitch as your second loop of Row 1

3rd loop is the next border stitch

Return Pass

Continue this for the next 5 rows

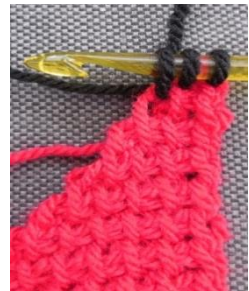
TIP

If you think that the holes are too big then when you pick up the second stitch, you can also pick up a strand of the return pass of Row 7

Row 3 pick up 4 TSS (5 loops on the hook)

Row 4 pick up 5 TSS (6 loops on the hook)

Row 5 pick up 5 TSS and make the connection with the block in the corner stitch (7 loops on the hook)



LAST HALF CORNER

We are going to decrease, but we also have to connect to the first half corner.

Forward Pass

TSS and make the connection with the block in the corresponding row

Decrease left side in the Return Pass

For the connection, insert your hook, pull up a loop and pull that loop through 2 loops on the hook.

Row 1 6 loops (this connection goes into the corner stitch, where you also did the first join)

Row 2 5 loops

Row 3 4 loops

Row 4 3 loops Pull through 3 loops at once

Row 5 2 loops Pull through 2 loops at once

Row 6 make a last connection with the corner and fasten off



Your blanket is done! Don't forget to weave in the ends.

This blanket is made by one of the many testers

