

Discover the Seasons – week 26

This is the last week of the Cal. I hope you enjoyed all the Tunisian stitches/patterns made by Manon, Carla and myself. I learned a lot during the making of the Cal and I will continue making new tunisian patterns.

Thank You

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The Blanket

This week we are going to make the border. It is necessary to make a border on Tunisian crochet because of the curling. I will give you some possibilities and the last option is mine which I will explane. It is a time taking border because there is a 'new' technique, but it is really worth it.

Option 1

This one is very simple. Just make a border of single crochet. Simple but effective. How many rows you make is your choice. (Make 3 stitches in the corners)

Option 2

You can do option one in multiple colors used in the blanket. You could also use double crochet. It is what you like.

Option 3

A border in a combination of tunisian stitches.

Honey Comb	row 1	tss/tps	row 2	tps/tss
Seedstitch	row 1	tkl/tps	row 2	tkl/tps
Double Seedstitch	row 1	2tkl/2tps	row 2	2tps/2tkl

MY CHOICE

I chose the Honey Comb, but I did it in 2 colors. I used the color change in the middle of the row. This is also used when you want to make a graphgan. The important thing about this technique that you twist the 2 colors around each other, otherwise you will get holes between the colors.

I only used 2 colors because I ran out of yarn of the other 2. But you can use all colors if you like that.

Honey Comb border in 2 colors

I started on top of block 68.

Make a chain of 6 stitches in the outside color(you can make a larger border if you like)

Make Foundation row

Row 2

Forward pass

step 1 TSS

step 2 TPS

step 3 TSS

COLOR 2

step 4 TPS

step 5 TSS

step 6 TPS

step 7 attach to the side of the blanket

return pass

step 1 pull through 2 loops 3 times.

Step 2 lay your thread **over** the other color to the right and pick up your first color

step 3 Continue the return pass as usual

Row 3

forward pass

step 1 TPS

step 2 TSS

step 3 TPS

Drop your thread

COLOR 2

Pick up your second color from the right over the first color.

step 4 TSS

step 5 TPS

step 6 TSS

step 7 attach to the side of the blanket.

return pass

step 1 pull through 2 loops 3 times.

Step 2 lay your thread **over** the other color to the right and pick up your first color

step 3 Continue the return pass as usual

Continue until you reach the corner!

The corners

Row 1

Forward pass

Crochet the pattern. You cannot attach to the blanket, but you have to make a stitch in the corner. This will be your border stitch.

Returnpass

!!!!pull through 1 loop!!!!!! And the rest pull through 2 loops

Row 2 and 3

Just repeat the pattern but now you pull through 1 loop at the beginning of the return pass

Row 4

BE CAREFULL!!!!

Crochet the pattern in color 1

WITH COLOR 2, MAKE A CLOSING PASS OF SLIPSTITCHES AND LET THE YARN REST. DO NOT CUT THE YARN!!!

Make the return pass for the stitches in color 1.

Row 5 thru 7

Only Color 1 stitches!!!!!!!!!!

Crochet the pattern and for the first border stitch you pick up a loop in the corner stitch of color 2

Normal return pass(first pull through 1 loop)

Row 8

Closing pass with slipstitches

TURN YOU BLANKET

Row 9

Make a foundation row on the stitches of color 1

ATTENTION pick up only 3 stitches and make the connection with color 2(5 loops on the hook)

Row 10 and 11

Repeat the pattern

Row 12

Start the pattern with color 1.

Pick up color 2

Make for color 2 a foundation row.

Return pass

From here on you work the pattern as normal until you reach the next corner.

Succes on the last part of the blankets!!!! And don't forget to upload your picture to the page. I love to see all the result!!