Bláíthín Blanket CAL - Week 1

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Instructions for Solid Square

Your square may be a bit wavy on completion but don't worry, it will even out beautifully after blocking

Using first colour, ch 4 and join in a ring.

Round 1: Ch 5 (counts as 1 dc, ch 2), [4 dc in ring, ch 2] 3 times, 3 dc in ring, join with a sl st to 3rd ch of beg ch 5. Fasten off yarn. *4 groups of 4 dc, 4 ch-2 sp*

Round 2: Join next colour in any ch-2 sp, ch 3, 1 dc, ch 2, 2 dc in same sp, dc in next 4 sts, * [2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc] in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 4 sts; rep from * 3 times, join with a sl st to beg ch 3 (*or join with Invisible join method – see NOTES*). Fasten off yarn. *4 groups of 8 dc, 4 ch-2 sp*

Round 3: Join next colour in any ch-2 sp, ch 3, 1 dc, ch 2, 2 dc in same sp, dc in next 8 sts, * [2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc] in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 8 sts; rep from * 3 times, join with a sl st to beg ch 3 (*or join with Invisible join method – see NOTES*). Fasten off yarn. *4 groups of 12 dc, 4 ch-2 sp*

Round 4: Join next colour in any ch-2 sp, ch 3, 1 dc, ch 2, 2 dc in same sp, dc in next 12 sts, * [2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc] in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 12 sts; rep from * 3 times, join with a sl st to beg ch 3 (*or join with Invisible join method – see NOTES*). Fasten off yarn. *4 groups of 16 dc, 4 ch-2 sp*

Round 5: Join next colour in any ch-2 sp, ch 3, 1 dc, ch 2, 2 dc in same sp, dc in next 16 sts, * [2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc] in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 16 sts; rep from * 3 times, join with a sl st to beg ch 3 (*or join with Invisible join method – see NOTES*). Fasten off yarn. *4 groups of 20 dc, 4 ch-2 sp*

Round 6: Join main colour yarn in any ch-2 sp, ch 3, 1 dc, ch 2, 2 dc in same sp, dc in next 20 sts, * [2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc] in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 20 sts; rep from * 3 times, join with a sl

st to beg ch 3 (*or join with Invisible join method – see NOTES*). Fasten off yarn. 4 groups of 24 dc, 4 ch-2 sp

Bramble Square – US Crochet Terms

Special Stitches (US Terms)

- **Beg Popcorn (beg PC)**: Ch 3, work 4 dc sts in space indicated in pattern, remove hook from the last loop and insert into the top of the beg ch3. Now insert hook back into the last loop and pull this loop through. Pull tight.
- **Popcorn (PC)**: Work 5 dc sts in space indicated in pattern, remove hook from the last loop and insert into the top of the first st. Now insert hook back into the last loop and pull this loop through. Pull tight.
- **Double crochet 3 together (dc3tog)** cluster: In indicated space or st, work (yo, insert hook in space/st, yo and pull up loop, yo and pull through 2 loops on hook) 3 times, yo and pull through all 4 loops on hook.
- **Double crochet 2 together (dc2tog)** cluster: In indicated space or st, work (yo, insert hook in space/st, yo and pull up loop, yo and pull through 2 loops on hook) twice, yo and pull through all 3 loops on hook.
- **Treble crochet 2 together (tr2tog)** cluster: In indicated space or st, work (yo hook twice, insert hook into space/st, yo and pull up loop, yo and pull through 2 loops, yo and pull through 2 loops) twice, yo and pull through all 3 loops on hook.

Instructions for Bramble Square

Using first colour, make a magic ring, or ch 4 (counts as beg ch,1 hdc, ch 1),

Round 1: Ch 3 (counts as 1 hdc, ch 1), [1 hdc, ch 1] 7 times more into ring, join with a sl st to 2nd ch of beginning ch 3. Fasten off yarn. *8 hdc, 8 ch-1* **Picture A**

Round 2: Join next colour in any ch-1 space, make a **beg PC** (see special stitches), ch 3, ***PC** in next ch-1 space, ch 3; repeat from * 6 times more. Join with a sl st to top of beg PC by inserting hook into back of popcorn (*see picture below for where to place your hook*). Do not fasten off yarn. *8 PC, 8 ch-3* **Pictures B, C, D**

Round 3: You are now working behind round 2, * ch 3, dc3tog in next ch-3 space, ch 3, sl st into top of next PC by inserting hook into back of popcorn (*see picture below*); repeat from * 7 times, ending with a sl st into top of beg PC. Fasten off yarn. *8 petals* **Pictures E, F, G**

Round 4: Join next colour in top of any dc3tog cluster, ch 1, 1 sc in same st, * ch 4, work (dc2tog, ch 2, tr2tog, ch 2, dc2tog) in top of next dc3tog cluster (corner made), ch 4, ** 1 sc in top of next cluster; repeat from * twice more, and from * to ** once. Join with a sl st to beg sc. Fasten off yarn. **Pictures H, I**

Round 5: Join next colour in top of any tr2tog cluster, ch 3, dc2tog (counts as dc3tog), ch 2, dc3tog in same st [corner made], * ch 2, 1 dc in next dc2tog cluster, [4 dc in next ch-4 sp] twice (*skip next sc*), 1 dc in next dc2tog cluster, ch 2, ** (dc3tog, ch 2, dc3tog) in next tr2tog cluster; rep from * 2 more times and from * to ** once more. Join with a sl st to beg cluster. Fasten off yarn. *8 clusters, 40 dc* **Pictures J, K, L**

Round 6 : Join next colour in any corner ch-2 space, ch 3 (counts as 1 dc), 1 dc, ch 2, 2 dc in same space (corner made), * 1 dc in next dc3tog, 2 dc in next ch-2 sp, 1 dc in each of next 10 sts, 2 dc in next ch-2 sp, 1 dc in next dc3tog, ** (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in corner ch-2 sp; rep from * 2 more times and from * to ** once more. Join with a sl st to beg ch 3 (*or join with Invisible join method* – *see NOTES*). Fasten off yarn. *20 dc in each side* **Pictures M, N, O**

Round 7: With main colour, join in any ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as 1 dc), 1 dc, ch 2, 2 dc in same space (corner made), 1 dc in each st around, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in corner ch-2 sp. Join with a sl st to beg ch 3 (*or join with Invisible join method – see NOTES*). Fasten off yarn. *24 dc in each side* **Picture P**

