## **CROCHET MITERED SQUARE AFGHAN**

### **Materials:**

- 1770 yds. of DK or light worsted yarn
- US H hook
- Scissors and tapestry needle

#### **Notes:**

- Work in back loops only throughout
- Work continuously without fastening off between squares/rows
- Square = 4.75"
- As written Afghan measures 52" x 40"
- Front Bottom Loop HDC (FBLHDC): Yarn over, insert hook underneath the front bottom loop of the half
  double crochet from the previous row. Yarn over and pull a loop back through, yarn over and pull
  through all three loops on the hook.

#### Pattern: ROW 1

Chain 34

Row 1: Work 1 sc in 2<sup>nd</sup> ch from hook and in each of the next 14 ch, sc3tog, work 1 sc in each of the remaining 15 ch, turn (31 sts)

Row 2: Ch 1 (does not count as st), work 1 sc in each of next 14 sts, sc3tog, 1 sc in each of the last 14 sts, turn (29 sts)

Rows 3-14: Continue to decrease 2 stitches per row until 5 stitches are left.

Row 15: Ch 1, work 1 sc in next 1 st, sc3tog, 1 sc in last 1 st (3 sts)

Row 16: Ch1, sc3 tog, do not turn (1 st)

## **NEW SQUARE:**

Setup Row: Ch 1, working along left edge of previously made square, work 17 sc evenly spaced along edge making sure to work last sc in bottom corner. Ch 17, turn.

Rows 1-16: same as above. Repeat for each square across for a total of 8 squares or until desired width is reached, turn work.

# STRIP 2 – SQUARE 1

Setup Row: Ch 17, work 1 sc in 2<sup>nd</sup> ch from hook and each of next 15 ch. Work 1 sc in top corner of square below. Work 16 sc along top edge of square below. Make last st in corner below. Turn.

Row 1: Work 1 sc in 2<sup>nd</sup> ch from hook and in each of the next 15 sts, sc3tog, work 1 sc in each of the remaining 15 sts, turn (31 sts)

Rows 2-15: work in pattern of Row 1 decreasing 2 sts per row until 3 sts remain.

Row 16: Ch1, sc3 tog, do not turn (1 st)

## **SQUARES 2-8:**

Setup Row: Ch 1, working along left edge of previous square, work 16 sc evenly along edge. Work 1 sc in top corner of square below, work 16 sc evenly along top edge of square below. Make sure to work last st in corner of square below, turn.

Row 1: Ch 1, work 1 sc in each of the next 15 sts, sc3tog, work 1 sc in each of remaining 15 sts, turn (31 sts)

Rows 2-15: work in pattern of Row 1 decreasing 2 sts per row until 3 sts remain.

Row 16: Ch1, sc3 tog, do not turn (1 st)

Repeat for each square across.

STRIPS 3 -11: (or to desired length) Repeat pattern for Strip 2. DO NOT FASTEN OFF.

**BORDER:** <u>Crochet Front Bottom Loop Half Double Crochet Border - Daisy Farm Crafts</u>

**ROUND 1**: Begin in any corner by pulling up a loop and work 1 sc into that same space. Work 1 sc into each stitch or as evenly as possible around the blanket. Work 3 sc into each corner space. At the end of the round, slip stitch to the beginning SC.

**SIDES**: Chain 10. (or you can chain as many as you like to make the border as thin or as thick as you want.) In the third chain from the hook, work 1 hdc. Work 1 hdc into each chain for a total of 8 hdc. Slip stitch (sl st) into the top of the next single crochet on the blanket, and into the next. \*Turn the blanket toward you so the row of hdc is facing you. Work 1 fblhdc (see notes above) into each of the next 7 stitches. In the last stitch, work under both front loops. CH 2 and turn.

Work 1 fblhdc into each of the next 8 stitches. (Tip: the 8th stitch tightens and is sometimes hard to find, be careful not to miss it.) SI st to the next sc on the blanket and the next. Repeat from \* down the first side.

**CORNERS**: When approaching the 3 single crochet stitches that make the corner, sl st once into the first of those single crochets, then turn and work a row of fblhdc. Then turn and work fblhdc back toward the middle single crochet. Sl st once into the middle sc and then turn and work fblhdc. Upon returning to the middle sc, sl st into the middle sc one more time. Upon returning to the third sc that makes the corner, sl st once. Upon returning after working all the corner sc, return to sl st two times between each row.

Continue repeating the instructions for the sides and corners. Upon returning to the starting row, tie off and use a tapestry needle to sew the ends together and then weave in the end.