

Tunisian Sampler Blanket

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Individual squares of different stitches and patterns, sewn together to make a chunky blanket varied in texture and appearance, finished with a simple Double Crochet border. An ideal blanket for someone wanting to learn Tunisian Crochet or to improve upon their existing Tunisian Crochet skills.



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Materials

8.0mm Tunisian Crochet Hook
 8.0mm Cable Needle (for squares 22, 23 and 24)
 5.5mm Crochet Hook
 Stitch Marker (for Square 14)
 Needle for sewing squares together
 Approximately 2280 yards in total of chunky yarn
 (quantities in brackets are approximate amounts for
 each individual item and process)

Finished Size

Blanket width including border = 131cm/51.6 inches
 Border width = 3cm/1.2 inches
 Blanket width excluding border = 125cm/49.2 inches

Gauge

Finished squares measure 25cm/9.8 inches²

Abbreviations

Ch = chain

St = stitch(es)

Ss = slip stitch

Tss = Tunisian simple stitch

Tks = Tunisian knit stitch

Tps = Tunisian purl stitch

Tfs = Tunisian full stitch

TwTss = Twisted Tunisian simple stitch

Tbs = Tunisian bobble stitch = *yarn over, enter st as for Tss, pull up a loop* 3 times into same st, yarn over, draw through all 6 loops.

Dec = decrease

2Tsstog = 2 Tss worked together = insert hook from right to left under next 2 vertical bars, yarn over and draw through as for 1st.

3Tsstog = 3Tss worked together = insert hook from right to left under next 3 vertical bars, yarn over and draw through as for 1st.

CN = cable needle

Dc = double crochet = insert hook from front to back into the required stitch/row, yarn over, draw the yarn through the stitch/row, yarn over and draw through 2 loops to complete



The patterns are written in order of ability required. The reader can improve their skills and confidence in Tunisian Crochet by following the patterns in order they are written. Likewise, anyone who is starting out in learning Tunisian Crochet can follow each pattern once they have learnt the basic stitches and techniques required. Approximate yardage amounts are given for each process for if you are wanting to work them in different colours. Using 8.0mm Tunisian crochet hook, make the following squares (additional 8.0mm cable needle is used for squares 22, 23 and 24).

Square 1 = Tunisian Simple Stitch (68 yards)

Ch 30

Foundation row: pull up a loop in the 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end (30 stitches) Work Return = yarn over, draw through 1 loop, *yarn over, draw through 2 loops*, repeat to end.

Row 1: skip the 1st vertical bar, Tss across (30) Work Return Repeat row 1, 23 more times.

Ss across as for Tss to bind off. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Square 2 = Tunisian Knit Stitch (91 yards)

Ch 30

Foundation row: pull up a loop in the 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end (30) Work Return

Row 1: skip the 1st vertical bar, Tks across (30) Work Return Repeat row 1, 23 more times.

Ss across as for Tks to bind off. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Square 3 = Tunisian Purl Stitch (72 yards)

Ch 30

Foundation row: pull up a loop in the 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end (30) Work Return

Row 1: skip the 1st vertical bar, Tps across (30) Work Return Repeat row 1, 23 more times.

Ss across as for Tps to bind off. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Square 4 = Horizontal Stripes - Tss, Tks (78 yards)

Ch 30

Foundation row: pull up a loop in the 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end (30) Work Return

Row 1: skip the 1st vertical bar, Tss across (30) Work Return

Row 2: as for row 1

Row 3: skip the 1st vertical bar, Tks across (30) Work Return

Row 4: as for row 3

Repeat rows 1 - 4, 6 more times.

Ss across as for Tks to bind off. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Square 5 = Horizontal Stripes - Tps, Tss (72 yards)

Ch 30

Foundation row: pull up a loop in the 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end (30) Work Return

Row 1: skip the 1st vertical bar, Tps across (30) Work Return

Row 2: as for row 1

Row 3: skip the 1st vertical bar, Tss across (30) Work Return

Row 4: as for row 3

Repeat rows 1 - 4, 5 more times.

Ss across as for Tss to bind off. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Square 6 = Horizontal Stripes - Tks, Tps (72 yards)

Ch 30

Foundation row: pull up a loop in the 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end (30) Work Return**Row 1:** skip the 1st vertical bar, Tks across (30) Work Return**Row 2:** as for row 1**Row 3:** skip the 1st vertical bar, Tps across (30) Work Return**Row 4:** as for row 3

Repeat rows 1 - 4, 6 more times.

Ss across as for Tps to bind off. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Square 7 = Ribbing - Tks, Tps (79 yards)

Ch 29

Foundation row: pull up a loop in the 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end (29) Work Return**Row 1:** skip the 1st vertical bar, Tps in next st, *Tks in next st, Tps in next st*, repeat across (29) Work Return

Repeat row 1, 25 more times.

Ss across as for: Tps in next st, *Tks in next st, Tps in next st*, repeat across. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Square 8 = Wide Ribbing (80 yards)

Ch 30

Foundation row: pull up a loop in the 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end (30) Work Return**Row 1:** skip the 1st vertical bar, Tks in the next 4st, *Tps in the next 4st, Tks in the next 4st*, repeat across (30) Work Return

Repeat row 1, 27 more times.

Ss across as for: Tks in the next 4st, *Tps in the next 4st, Tks in the next 4st*, repeat across. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Square 9 = Basket Weave (79 yards)

Ch 29

Foundation row: pull up a loop in the 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end (29) Work Return**Row 1:** skip the 1st vertical bar, Tks in the next 3st, *Tps in the next 3st, Tks in the next 3st*, repeat across (29) Work Return**Rows 2 and 3:** as for row 1**Row 4:** skip the 1st vertical bar, Tps in the next 3st, *Tks in the next 3st, Tps in the next 3st*, repeat across (29) Work Return**Rows 5 and 6:** as for row 4

Repeat rows 1 - 6, 3 more times. Repeat rows 1 - 3.

Ss across as for: Tks in the next 3st, *Tps in the next 3st, Tks in the next 3st*, repeat across. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Square 10 = Alternated Tks and Tss (83 yards)

Ch 30

Foundation row: pull up a loop in the 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end (30) Work Return**Row 1:** skip the 1st vertical bar, *Tks in next st, Tss in next st*, repeat across (30) Work Return**Row 2:** skip the 1st vertical bar, *Tss in next st, Tks in next st*, repeat across (30) Work Return

Repeat rows 1 - 2, 11 more times.

Ss across as for: *Tks in next st, Tss in next st*, repeat across. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Square 11 = Alternated Tss and Tps (72 yards)

Ch 30

Foundation row: pull up a loop in the 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end (30) Work Return**Row 1:** skip the 1st vertical bar, *Tss in next st, Tps in next st*, repeat across (30) Work Return**Row 2:** skip the 1st vertical bar, *Tps in next st, Tss in next st*, repeat across (30) Work Return

Repeat rows 1 - 2, 11 more times.

Ss across as for: *Tss in next st, Tps in next st*, repeat across. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Square 12 = Alternated Tks and Tps (77 yards)

Ch 30

Foundation row: pull up a loop in the 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end (30) Work Return**Row 1:** skip the 1st vertical bar, *Tks in next st, Tps in next st*, repeat across (30) Work Return**Row 2:** skip the 1st vertical bar, *Tps in next st, Tks in next st*, repeat across (30) Work Return

Repeat rows 1 - 2, 11 more times.

Ss across as for: *Tks in next st, Tps in next st*, repeat across. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Square 13 = Tunisian Full Stitch (82 yards)

Ch 29

Foundation row: pull up a loop in the 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end (29) Work Return**Row 1:** skip the 1st vertical bar, skip the 1st space, Tfs in every space to end, work end st (29) Work Return**Row 2:** skip the 1st vertical bar, Tfs in every space apart from last space, work end st (29) Work Return

Repeat rows 1 - 2, 15 more times.

Ss across as for: skip the 1st space, Tfs in every space to end, work end st. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Square 14 = Mitered Tss Square (67 yards)

Ch 55

Foundation row: pull up a loop in the 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end (55) Work Return

Row 1: skip the 1st vertical bar, Tss in next 25st, 3Tsstog to dec (mark st with Stitch Marker), Tss to end (53) Work Return

Row 2: skip the 1st vertical bar, Tss to 1st before marked st, 3TssTog over marked st and 2st either side (move up marker), Tss to end (51) Work Return

Repeat row 2, 23 more times ending with 5st.

Last Row: skip the 1st vertical bar, 3Tsstog to dec, work end st (3) yarn over, draw through all 3 loops on hook.

Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Square 15 = Diagonal Stripes (70 yards)

Ch 30

Foundation row: pull up a loop in the 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end (30) Work Return

Row 1: skip the 1st vertical bar, *Tss in next 2st, Tps in next 2st*, repeat across (30) Work Return

Row 2: skip the 1st vertical bar, *Tps in next st, Tss in next 2st, Tps in next st*, repeat across (30) Work Return

Row 3: skip the 1st vertical bar, *Tps in next 2st, Tss in next 2st*, repeat across (30) Work Return

Row 4: skip the 1st vertical bar, *Tss in next st, Tps in next 2st, Tss in next st*, repeat across (30) Work Return

Repeat rows 1 - 4, 5 more times.

Ss across as for: *Tss in next 2st, Tps in next 2st*, repeat across.

Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Square 16 = Crossed stitches (77 yards)

Ch 34

Foundation row: pull up a loop in the 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end (34) Work Return

Row 1: skip the 1st vertical bar, *skip next st, Tss in next st, Tss in st skipped*, repeat across (34) Work Return

Repeat row 1, 23 more times.

Ss across as for: *skip next st, Tss in next st, Tss in st skipped*, repeat across. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Square 17 = Diagonal Crossed Stitches (87 yards)

Ch 36

Foundation row: pull up a loop in the 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end (36) Work Return

Row 1: skip the 1st vertical bar, *skip next st, Tss in next st, Tss in st skipped*, repeat across (36) Work Return

Row 2: skip the 1st vertical bar, Tss in next st *skip next st, Tss in next st, Tss in st skipped*, repeat across until 2st remain, Tss next st, work end st (36) Work Return

Repeat rows 1 - 2, 11 more times.

Ss across as for: *skip next st, Tss in next st, Tss in st skipped*, repeat across. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Square 18 = Ribbing - Tss, TWTss (70 yards)

Ch 32

Foundation row: pull up a loop in the 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end (32) Work Return

Row 1: skip the 1st vertical bar, *Tss in next st, TwTss in next st*, repeat across (32) Work Return

Repeat row 1, 23 more times.

Ss across as for: *Tss in next st, TwTss in next st*, repeat across. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Square 19 = Alternated Tss and TWTss (72 yards)

Ch 32

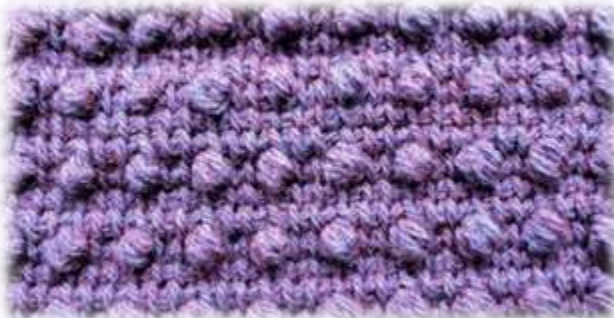
Foundation row: pull up a loop in the 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end (32) Work Return

Row 1: skip the 1st vertical bar, *Tss in next st, TwTss in next st*, repeat across (32) Work Return

Row 2: skip the 1st vertical bar, *TwTss in next st, Tss in next st*, repeat across (32) Work Return

Repeat row 1 - 2, 11 more times.

Ss across as for: *Tss in next st, TwTss in next st*, repeat across. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Square 20 = Bobble Stripes (85 yards)

Ch 30

Foundation row: pull up a loop in the 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end (30) Work Return

Row 1: skip the 1st vertical bar, Tss across (30) Work Return

Row 2: skip the 1st vertical bar, Tbs in next st, *Tss in next 2 st, Tbs in next st*, repeat across (30) Work Return

Row 3: as for row 1

Repeat rows 1 - 3, 7 more times.

Ss across as for Tss. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Square 21 = Bobble Diamonds (75 yards)

Ch 29

Foundation row: pull up a loop in the 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end (29) Work Return

Row 1: skip the 1st vertical bar, Tss in next 3st, *Tss in next 4st, Tbs in next st, Tss in next 7st*, repeat again (29) Work Return

Row 2: skip the 1st vertical bar, Tss across (29) Work Return

Row 3: skip the 1st vertical bar, Tss in next 3st, *Tss in next 2st, Tbs in next st, Tss in next 3st, Tbs in next st, Tss in next 5st*, repeat again (29) Work Return

Row 4: as for row 2

Row 5: skip the 1st vertical bar, Tss in next 3st, *Tbs in next st, Tss in next 7st, Tbs in next st, Tss in next 3st*, repeat again (29) Work Return

Row 6: as for row 2

Row 7: skip the 1st vertical bar, Tss in next st, Tbs in next st, Tss in next st *Tss in next 10st, Tbs in next st, Tss in next st*, repeat again (29) Work Return

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Square 21 = Bobble Diamonds Continued**Row 8:** as for row 2**Row 9:** skip the 1st vertical bar, Tss in next 3st, *Tbs in next st, Tss in next 7st, Tbs in next st, Tss in next 3st*, repeat again (29) Work Return**Row 10:** as for row 2**Row 11:** skip the 1st vertical bar, Tss in next 3st, *Tss in next 2st, Tbs in next st, Tss in next 3st, Tbs in next st, Tss in next 5st*, repeat again (29) Work Return**Row 12:** as for row 2

Repeat rows 1 – 12. Repeat row 1.

Ss across as for Tss. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Square 22 = Left Leaning Cable (88 yards)

Ch 30

Foundation row: pull up a loop in the 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end (30) Work Return**Row 1:** skip the 1st vertical bar, *Tks in next 2st, Tps in next 2st, Tks in next 6st, Tps in next 2st, Tks in next 2st* repeat again (30) Work Return**Row 2:** skip the 1st vertical bar, *Tks in next 2st, Tps in next 2st, Tks in next 3st, hold 3 loops at front of work on CN, Tks in next 3st, replace 3 loops from CN onto hook, Tps in next 2st, Tks in next 2st* repeat again (30) Work Return**Rows 3 and 4:** as for row 1

Repeat rows 1 – 4, 6 more times.

Ss across as for: *Tks in next 2st, Tps in next 2st, Tks in next 6st, Tps in next 2st, Tks in next 2st* repeat again.

Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Square 23 = Right Leaning Cable (88 yards)

Ch 30

Foundation row: pull up a loop in the 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end (30) Work Return**Row 1:** skip the 1st vertical bar, *Tks in next 2st, Tps in next 2st, Tks in next 6st, Tps in next 2st, Tks in next 2st* repeat again (30) Work Return**Row 2:** skip the 1st vertical bar, *Tks in next 2st, Tps in next 2st, Tks in next 3st, hold 3 loops at back of work on CN, Tks in next 3st, replace 3 loops from CN onto hook, Tps in next 2st, Tks in next 2st* repeat again (30) Work Return**Rows 3 and 4:** as for row 1

Repeat rows 1 – 4, 6 more times.

Ss across as for: *Tks in next 2st, Tps in next 2st, Tks in next 6st, Tps in next 2st, Tks in next 2st* repeat again.

Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Square 24 = Plait Cable (95 yards)

Ch 31

Foundation row: pull up a loop in the 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end (31) Work Return**Row 1:** skip the 1st vertical bar, Tks in next st, *Tps in next 2st, Tks in next 9st, Tps in next 2st, Tks in next st* repeat again (31) Work Return**Row 2:** skip the 1st vertical bar, Tks in next st, *Tps in next 2st, Tks in next 6st, hold 3 loops at front of work on CN, Tks in next 3st, replace 3 loops from CN onto hook, Tps in next 2st, Tks in next st* repeat again (31) Work Return**Rows 3 and 4:** as for row 1

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Square 24 = Plait Cable Continued

Row 5: skip the 1st vertical bar, Tks in next st, *Tps in next 2st, Tks in next 3st, hold 3 loops at back of work on CN, Tks in next 3st, replace 3 loops from CN onto hook, Tks in next 3st, Tps in next 2st, Tks in next st* repeat again (31) Work Return

Row 6: as for row 1

Repeat rows 1 – 6, 4 more times.

Ss across as for: Tks in next st, *Tps in next 2st, Tks in next 9st, Tps in next 2st, Tks in next st* repeat again.

Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Square 25 = Diamond Cable (90 yards)

Ch 31

Foundation row: pull up a loop in the 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end (31) Work Return

Row 1: skip the 1st vertical bar, Tps in the next 8 st, Tps in next st followed by 5ch, Tss in next st, *Tps in next st, Tss in next st* repeat 4 more times, Tps in the next st followed by 5ch, Tps to end (31) Work Return

Row 2: skip the 1st vertical bar, Tps in the next 9 st, Tps in next st followed by 5ch, Tss in next st, *Tps in next st, Tss in next st* repeat 3 more times, Tps in the next st followed by 5ch, Tps to end (31) Work Return

Row 3: skip the 1st vertical bar, Tps in the next 10 st, Tps in next st followed by 5ch, Tss in next st, *Tps in next st, Tss in next st* repeat 2 more times, Tps in the next st followed by 5ch, Tps to end (31) Work Return

Row 4: skip the 1st vertical bar, Tps in the next 11 st, Tps in next st followed by 5ch, Tss in next st, *Tps in next st,

Tss in next st* repeat 1 more time, Tps in the next st followed by 5ch, Tps to end (31) Work Return

Row 5: skip the 1st vertical bar, Tps in the next 12 st, Tps in next st followed by 5ch, Tss in next st, Tps in next st, Tss in next st, Tps in the next st followed by 5ch, Tps to end (31) Work Return

Row 6: skip the 1st vertical bar, Tps in the next 13 st, Tps in next st followed by 5ch, Tss in next st, Tps in the next st followed by 5ch, Tps to end (31) Work Return

Row 7: skip the 1st vertical bar, Tps in the next 14 st, Tps in next st followed by 5ch, Tfs in next space followed by 5ch, Tps to end (32) Work Return

Row 8: skip the 1st vertical bar, Tps in the next 13 st, Tps in next st followed by 5ch, 2Tsstog to dec, Tps in the next st followed by 5ch, Tps to end (31) Work Return

Row 9: as for row 5

Row 10: as for row 4

Row 11: as for row 3

Row 12: as for row 2

Repeat rows 1 - 12.

Repeat row 1.

Assemble braids: starting with the left side of row 2, ss the ch loops up to row 8, ss the left ch loop of row 8 as the continuation of the braid. Continue ss the ch loops up to the right side of row 13. Return back to the right side of row 2, ss the ch loops up to row 8. Ss the right ch loop of row 8 as the continuation of the braid. Continue ss the ch loops up to the left side of row 13. Repeat again for the 2nd half of the square. The right braid will cross over the left braid at row 8 and at the repeat.

Ss across as for: Tps in the next 8 st, ss ch loop, skip next st, Tps *Tss, Tps*, rep 4 more times, ss ch loop, skip next st, tps to end. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

You may want to block your squares to the finished measurements before sewing them together.

Sewing Together (100 yards)

Following the diagram below, sew the squares together using whip stitch, or any other suitable sewing technique. You will find that the squares are all different in their number of stitches in width and/or number of rows in length. When joining two squares together that are different in this way, they can be eased together by going into the same stitch or row twice when sewing together. This can be done at any point along any side of the squares when needed.

14	16	4	23	3
22	13	11	17	21
12	1	9	6	18
20	5	19	8	10
7	25	2	15	24

Border (170 yards)

A simple double crochet border made by working one dc into each stitch/row. Make sure that the correct gauge is used, to ensure that the border sits flat and does not distort the shape of the blanket.

Round 1: With right side facing, using 5.5mm crochet hook, join yarn into the top right of the blanket, ch 1 (does not count as a stitch). Work a dc into the same st. Work a dc into each st along the top of the blanket. Ch 2 for the corner. Work a dc into each row down the left side of the blanket. Ch 2 for the corner. Work a dc into each st along the bottom of the blanket. Ch 2 for the corner. Work a dc into each row up the right side of the blanket. Ch 2 for the corner. Ss into the 1st dc to join.
151 dc along top and bottom, 133 dc down left side, 132 dc up right side. 567 dc in total, 4 ch spaces.

Round 2: Ch 1, work 1dc into the same st. Work 1dc into each dc along the top of the blanket. Work 3dc into ch space for corner. Work 1dc into each dc down the left side of the blanket. Work 3dc into ch space for the corner. Work 1dc into each dc along the bottom of the blanket. Work 3dc into ch space for the corner. Work 1dc into each dc up the right side of the blanket. Work 3dc into ch space for the corner. Ss into the 1st dc to join.
151 dc along top and bottom, 133 dc down left side, 132 dc up right side, four 3dc corners. 579 dc in total.

Round 3: Same as Round 2
153 dc along top and bottom, 135 dc down left side, 134 dc up right side, four 3dc corners. 587 dc in total.

Round 4: Same as Round 2
155 dc along top and bottom, 137 dc down left side, 136 dc up right side, four 3dc corners. 595 dc in total. Fasten off.

To finish, weave in ends.