

Final Border

I changed to a 3.5mm hook at this point (to the end), I found it gave the blanket a firmer edge and helped keep its shape, you should try both the 4mm hook and 3.5mm hook and see which you prefer.

Notes:

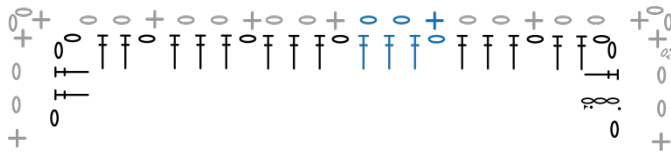
Corner treble clusters contain 2tr and edge treble clusters contain 3tr.

Where two squares meet (the corners join) to form the edge of the blanket, treat each 'inner corner' as a chain space.

Round 1: Join yarn G to any 2ch-sp corner, ch1 (does not count as st), *(1dc, ch2, 1dc) into corner space, (ch2, skip treble cluster, 1dc in next ch-sp) rep to first inner corner, ch2, 1dc in first inner corner, ch2, 1dc in next inner corner, ch2 (skip treble cluster, 1dc in next ch-sp, ch2) to end of side. Rep from * along each side, ss to join into top of beg ch1. 264 2ch-sp including the corners.

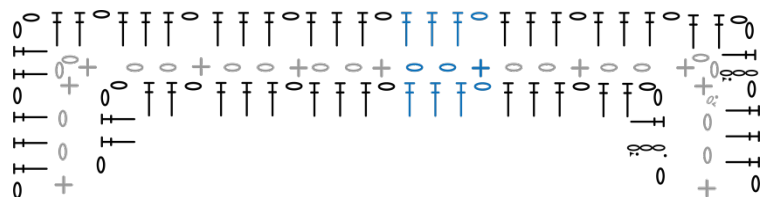
Check you have 65 2ch-sp between the 2ch corner spaces.

Break yarn G.



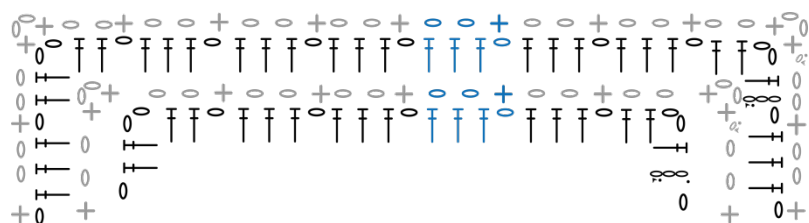
Round 2: Join yarn B to any 2ch-sp corner, ch3 (counts as tr), (1tr, ch2, 2tr) into same space, *(ch1, skip dc, 3tr into 2ch-sp) rep to corner, ch1, (2tr, ch2, 2tr) into 2ch-sp corner; rep from * to last side, (ch1, skip dc, 3tr into 2ch-sp) rep to corner, 1ch, ss to join into top of beg ch3.

Break yarn B.



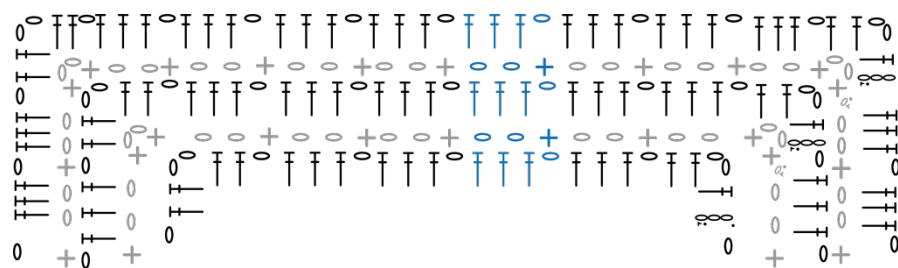
Round 3: Join yarn G to any 2ch-sp corner, ch1 (does not count as st), *(1dc, ch2, 1dc) into corner space, (ch2, skip treble cluster, 1dc in next ch-sp) rep to corner, 2ch, rep from * to end of round, ss to join into top of beg ch1.

Break yarn G.



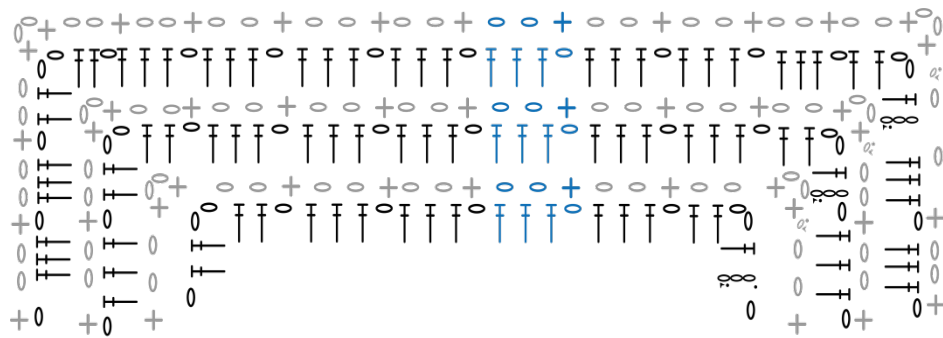
Round 4: Join yarn C to any 2ch-sp corner. Work as Round 2.

Break yarn C.



Round 5: Work as round 3.

Break yarn G.



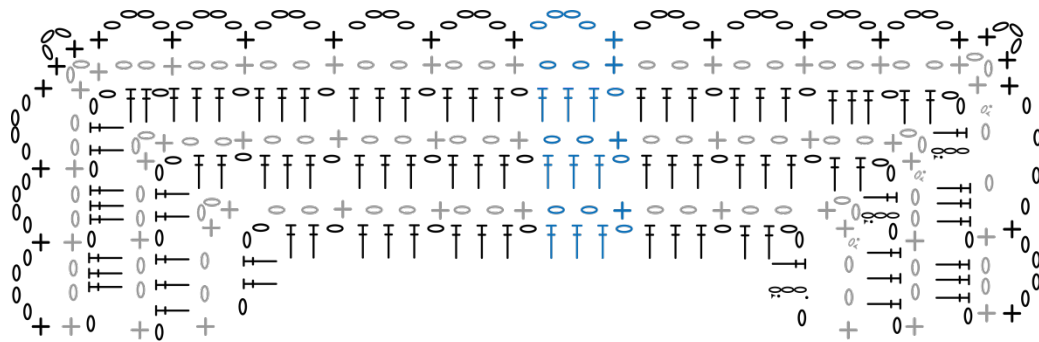
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Round 6: Join yarn A to any 2ch-sp corner, ch1 (does not count as st), *1dc into dc of corner of previous round, (ch4, 1dc into next dc of previous round) rep to end of side, (1dc, ch3, 1dc) into corner, rep from * to end. Join with ss to top of beg ch1.

Do not break yarn.



Round 7: Ss into first 4ch-sp, work 7 dc into same 4ch-sp, *work 7dc into each 4ch-sp across to corner, 5dc into corner 3ch-sp; rep from * to end. Join with ss into ss at beg of round.

Break yarn A.

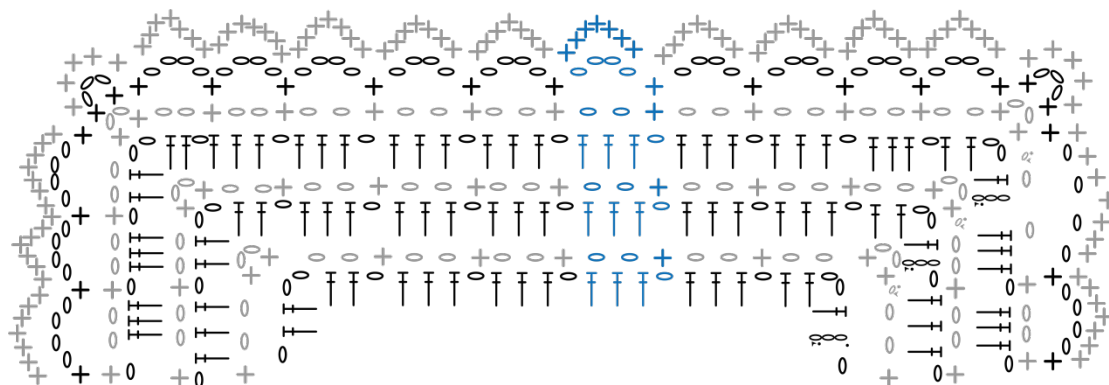




Image shows smaller corner scallop

Darn in ends and block.

FINISHING

To block or not to block? It is true that wet blocking acrylic yarn is not as effective as wet blocking wool. But it will be worth the effort and of course after all those hours of work, it probably needs a little soak and gently pulling into shape. Don't be tempted to apply steam to your blanket, it would be shame to accidentally melt your stitches!

To block your finished blanket

Soak the blanket in hand warm water and a few drops of wool wash (if you have some), leave it for at least 30 mins. Gently agitate it and lift from the water supporting the weight carefully (so not to pull the blanket out of shape). Gently squeeze out excess yarn (do not wring). Fold carefully in the centre of a large bath towel. Roll the blanket up in the towel and walk up and down on the towel / blanket roll. The towel will soak up the water and the blanket will feel quite dry.

Pin the blanket out (taking care to keep the outer edges straight and pull the loops on the outer border into shape. Make sure all the petals are to the front) on a carpeted floor, or double bed. You can lay towels down first and leave to dry.

Launder your blanket in the same way as you blocked it.