

# MADISON'S RAINBOW



**BABY  
BLANKET**

*Part 2...*

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## Round 13

Helpful hint: the puff stitch is not closed with a chain, so there will be one chain before and after each puff stitch in this round.

Helpful hint: you can ignore the stitch markers, and once done with this round you can push them to the back so that they are out of the way for the next round.

Using colour (CW 1 LEMON)/(CW 2 DAFFODIL)/(CW 3 IRON), start in any ch 2 sp between the two puffs from round 10 (fold the sts from previous round towards you, the ch 2 is at the back of your work).

\*Tr 9 into ch 2 sp (between two puffs from round 10), ch 1, [puff, ch 1] into 4<sup>th</sup> dc (from round 11 and working in front of round 12)\* rep \*.\* 11 more times, ss into 1<sup>st</sup> st (24 ch 1, 12 puffs, 108 tr), cut yarn and weave in ends for CW 1, CW 2 and CW3.

Total stitch count: 120 (excluding chains)

## Round 14

Helpful hint: when you make the back loop only single crochet, make the stitch into the 3<sup>rd</sup> loop as well to anchor it. If you do not know how to work into the 3<sup>rd</sup> loop, please refer to the abbreviations which are in the pattern preamble.

Helpful hint: keep the loops on your hook close together when making the front post treble stitches so that they do not "pull" loose.

Using colour (CW 1 TANGERINE)/(CW 2 APRICOT)/(CW 3 GREY GRANITE), start around any 1<sup>st</sup> puff from round 10.

\*Fptr around 1<sup>st</sup> puff (from round 10), sc into BLO (and 3<sup>rd</sup> loop) of next 9 tr sts (from round 13), sk ch 1, turn your work slightly towards your left-hand side so that you can fptr around 2<sup>nd</sup> puff (from round 10), sk ch 1, fpssc around puff (from round 13)\* rep \*.\* 11 more times, ss into 1<sup>st</sup> st (108 BLO sc, 12 fpssc, 24 fptr), cut yarn and weave in ends for CW 1, CW 2 and CW3.

Total stitch count: 144

## Round 15

Helpful hint: you can remove the stitch marker as you get to each stitch marker.

Helpful hint: you want this round to lie flat behind round 14, if you feel it is cupping then just make 4 chains instead of 3 chains between the treble stitches, or you can make the chains loosely.

Using colour (CW 1 RED TOPAZ)/(CW 2 CHERRY BLOSSOM)/(CW 3 CHARCOAL GREY), start in any st from round 12 that has a SM in it, and working behind round 14.

\*Tr 7 into 5<sup>th</sup> dc (of 9 dc from round 12 - where you placed the SM), ch 3\* rep \*.\* 11 more times, ss into 1<sup>st</sup> st (12 ch 3, 84 tr), cut yarn and weave in ends for CW 1. Do NOT cut yarn for CW 2 and CW3.

Total stitch count: 84 (excluding chains)

## Round 16

Helpful hint: the puff stitch is not closed with a chain, so there will be one chain before and after each puff stitch, and two chains between the puff stitches in this round.

Helpful hint: be careful to remember to work into round 14 AND over chains from round 15 for this round.

Using colour (CW 1 TANZANITE)/(CW 2 CHERRY BLOSSOM)/(CW 3 CHARCOAL GREY), start in any 5<sup>th</sup> BLO sc from round 14.

\*[Puff, ch 2, puff] into 5<sup>th</sup> BLO sc (from round 14) AND at the same time work over ch 3 (from round 15), ch 1, bpsc around 1<sup>st</sup> tr (from round 15), ch 5, sk next 5 sts, bpsc around 7<sup>th</sup> tr (from round 15), ch 1\* rep \*.\* 11 more times, ss into 1<sup>st</sup> st (24 ch 1, 12 ch 2, 12 ch 5, 24 puffs, 24 bpsc), cut yarn and weave in ends for CW 1, CW 2 and CW3.

Total stitch count: 48 (excluding chains)

## Round 17

Using colour (CW 1 BLUE BERRY)/(CW 2 APRICOT)/(CW 3 GRANITE GREY), start in any ch 5 sp from round 16 .

\*Dc 9 into ch 5 (from round 16), sk bpsc, sk ch 1, fpdc around puff, ch 3, sk ch 2, fpdc around next puff, sk ch 1, sk bpsc\* rep \*.\* 11 more times, ss into 1<sup>st</sup> st (12 ch 3, 108 dc, 24 fpdc), cut yarn and weave in ends for CW 1, CW 2 and CW3.

Total stitch count: 132 (excluding chains)

## Round 18

Helpful hint: the chain two that you will work into for this round will be found behind the chain three, from round 17. It is the chain two between the two puff stitches from round 16.

Using colour (CW 1 BLUE BERRY)/(CW 2 DAFFODIL)/(CW 3 IRON), start in any ch 2 between the puffs from round 16 (fold the sts from previous round towards you, the ch 2 is at the back of your work).

\*[3 tr cl, ch 2, 3 tr cl, ch 2, 3 tr cl, ch 2, 3 tr cl] into ch 2 (from round 16), ch 3\* rep \*.\* 11 more times, ss into 1<sup>st</sup> st (36 ch 2, 12 ch 3, 48 x 3 tr cl), cut yarn and weave in ends for CW 1, CW 2 and CW3.

Total stitch count: 48 (excluding chains)

## Round 19

Helpful hint: the puff stitch is not closed with a chain, so just keep an eye on the pattern instructions.  
Helpful hint: work in front of the chain three from round 18. You can add a stitch marker into the 5<sup>th</sup> stitch before you start this round if you feel it would help you find it when we make the popcorns.  
Using colour (CW 1 LIME)/(CW 2 HONEYDEW MELON)/(CW 3 PEWTER), start in any 5<sup>th</sup> dc from round 17.

\*Working in front of ch 3 (from round 18), popcorn into 5<sup>th</sup> dc (of 9 dc from round 17), ch 1, fphdc around tr cl, ch 1, [puff, ch 2, puff, ch 1] into ch 2 (from round 18), sk tr cl, [puff, ch 2, puff, ch 1] into next ch 2, sk tr cl, [puff, ch 2, puff, ch 1] into next ch 2, fphdc around tr cl, ch 1 \*rep \*.\* 11 more times, ss into 1<sup>st</sup> st (72 ch 1, 36 ch 2, 24 fphdc, 12 popcorn, 72 puffs), cut yarn and weave in ends for CW 1, CW 2 and CW3.

Total stitch count: 108 (excluding chains)

## Round 20

Using colour (CW 1 LEMON)/(CW 2 FORGET-ME-NOT)/(CW 3 PLATINUM), start around the fphdc before the popcorn from round 19.

\*Fpdc2tog (1<sup>st</sup> part of this st is done around the fphdc before the popcorn, sk [ch, popcorn, ch] and 2<sup>nd</sup> part of this st is done around the fphdc after the popcorn), fpdc around puff, hdc 2 into ch 2, fpdc around puff, sk ch 1, fpdc around puff, hdc 3 into ch 2, fpdc around puff, sk ch 1, fpdc around puff, hdc 2 into ch 2, fpdc around puff\* rep \*.\* 11 more times (12 fpdc2tog, 84 hdc, 72 fpdc), cut yarn and weave in ends for CW 1, CW 2 and CW3.

Total stitch count: 168

## Round 21

Helpful hint: when you make the back loop only single crochet, make the stitch into the 3<sup>rd</sup> loop as well to anchor it. If you do not know how to work into the 3<sup>rd</sup> loop, please refer to the abbreviations which are in the pattern preamble.

Using colour (CW 1 TANGERINE)/(CW 2 SWEET PEA)/(CW 3 SILVER), start around the popcorn from round 19.

\*Fpdc around popcorn, sk (1<sup>st</sup> part of) fpdc2tog, BLO sc into next 13 sts, sk (2<sup>nd</sup> part of) fpdc2tog\* rep \*.\* 11 more times (12 fpdc, 156 BLO sc), cut yarn and weave in ends for CW 1, CW 2 and CW3.

Total stitch count: 168



## IMPORTANT PATTERN NOTE:

We are now going to square our little mandala, so take note that the pattern instructions will change slightly as we now work with four corners and four sides. You will now repeat each set of instructions four times, and I note the number and type of stitches for each side AND per corner, and then a total stitch count excluding any chains and/or slip stitches made in that round. You will have 12 front post double crochet stitches from round 21. Place a stitch marker into any one of these, then skip two front post double crochet stitches and place another stitch marker into the next front post double crochet, repeat two more times – the stitch markers mark out where your four corners will be.

### Round 22

Using colour (CW 1 RED TOPAZ)/(CW 2 PURPLE HYDRANGEA)/(CW 3 PORCELAIN), start in any fpdc that has a SM in it.

\*[3 tr cl, ch 2, 3 tr cl, ch 2 (**corner**), 3 tr cl, ch 2, 3 tr cl, ch 2] into fpdc, sk next 5 sts, hdc into next 6 sts, dc into next 2 sts, dc 2 into next st, dc into next 2 sts, hdc into next 9 sts, dc into next 2 sts, dc 2 into next st, dc into next 2 sts, hdc into next 6 sts, ch 2, sk next 5 sts\* rep \*.\* 3 more times, ss into 1<sup>st</sup> st (4 ch 2, 21 hdc, 12 dc per side)(4 x 3 tr cl, 3 ch 2 per corner), cut yarn and weave in ends for CW 1. Do NOT cut yarn for CW 2 and CW3.

Total stitch count: 148 (excluding chains)

### Round 23

Helpful hint: remember that you do not close the puff with a chain, finish the puff and then only make the number of chains noted in the instructions.

Using colour (CW 1 TANZANITE)/(CW 2 PURPLE HYDRANGEA)/(CW 3 PORCELAIN), start in any ch 2 corner.

\*[Puff, ch 2 (**corner**), puff, ch 1] into ch 2, sk 3 cl, [puff, ch 1, puff, ch 1] into ch 2, fpdc around cl, work behind ch 2 (**from round 22**), sk next 2 sts (**from round 21**), dc into next 3 sts (**from round 21**), continue to work (**into round 22**), bpdc around next 10 sts, bphdc around next 13 sts, bpdc around next 10 sts, work behind ch 2 (**from round 22**), dc into next 3 sts (**from round 21**), sk next 2 sts (**from round 21**), fpdc around cl, [ch 1, puff, ch 1, puff, ch 1] into ch 2, sk cl \* rep \*.\* 3 more times, ss into 1<sup>st</sup> st (6 ch 1, 13 bphdc, 6 dc, 2 fpdc, 20 bpdc, 4 puffs per side)(2 puffs, ch 2 per corner), cut yarn and weave in ends for CW 1, CW 2 and CW3.

Total stitch count: 188 (excluding chains)

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