

MADISON'S RAINBOW



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Part 5...



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Round 43

Helpful hint: even though we are using the same colour for this round, I prefer to start the puff stitch in this round with a new strand of the same colour yarn as it looks neater.

Helpful hint: please note that the sides do not mirror each other. There are two chains after the first puff, and only one chain after the last puff in the row.

Using colour (CW 1 LIME)/(CW 2 DAFFODIL)/(CW 3 PEWTER), start in any ch 2 corner.

*[Puff, ch 2 (corner), puff] into ch 2, ch 2, sk next 2 sts, puff into next st, ch 1, **sk next st, [2 hdc cl, ch 1, 2 hdc cl] into next st, sk next st** rep **.**. 35 more times, puff into next st, ch 1, sk next 2 sts* rep *.* 3 more times, ss into 1st st (38 ch 1, 2 ch 2, 72 x 2 hdc cl, 2 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: 304 (excluding chains)

Round 44

Using colour (CW 1 LEMON)/(CW 2 APRICOT)/(CW 3 IRON), start in any ch 2 corner.

*[Puff, ch 2 (corner), puff] into ch 2, ch 1, fpdc around puff, puff into ch 2, ch 1, fpdc around puff, hdc into ch 1, **sk cl, [2 hdc cl, ch 1, 2 hdc cl] into ch 1, sk ch 1** rep **.**. 35 more times, hdc into the space between the cl and puff sts, ch 1, fpdc around puff, puff into ch 1, ch 1, fpdc around puff* rep *.* 3 more times, ss into 1st st (39 ch 1, 2 hdc, 72 x 2 hdc cl, 4 fpdc, 2 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: 328 (excluding chains)

Round 45

Using colour (CW 1 TANGERINE)/(CW 2 CHERRY BLOSSOM)/(CW 3 GREY GRANITE), start in any ch 2 corner.

*[Puff, ch 2 (corner), puff] into ch 2, ch 1, fpdc around next puff, puff into fpdc, ch 1, fpdc around next puff, puff into fpdc, ch 1, fpdc around hdc, **sk cl, [2 hdc cl, ch 1, 2 hdc cl] into ch 1, sk cl** rep **.**. 35 more times, fpdc around hdc, puff into fpdc, ch 1, fpdc around next puff, puff into fpdc, ch 1, fpdc around next puff* rep *.* 3 more times, ss into 1st st (41 ch 1, 72 x 2 hdc cl, 6 fpdc, 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: 336 (excluding chains)

Round 46

Using colour (CW 1 RED TOPAZ)/(CW 2 APRICOT)/(CW 3 CHARCOAL GREY), start in any ch 2 corner.

*[Puff, ch 2 (**corner**), puff] into ch 2, ch 1, fpdc around puff, puff into next st, ch 1, fpdc around puff, puff into next st, ch 1, fpdc around puff, fpdc around next st**, sk cl, [2 hdc cl, ch 1, 2 hdc cl] into ch 1, sk cl** rep **. ** 35 more times, fpdc around next st, fpdc around puff, puff into next st, ch 1, fpdc around puff, puff into next st, ch 1, fpdc around puff* rep *.* 3 more times, ss into 1st st (41 ch 1, 72 x 2 hdc cl, 8 fpdc, 4 puffs per side)(2 puffs, ch 2 per corner), cut yarn and weave in ends for CW 1 and CW 2. Do NOT cut yarn for CW 3, ss to ch 2 corner.

Total stitch count: 344 (excluding chains)

Round 47

Using colour (CW 1 TANZANITE)/(CW 2 DAFFODIL)/(CW 3 CHARCOAL GREY), start in any ch 2 corner.

*[Puff, ch 2 (**corner**), puff] into ch 2, ch 1, fpdc around puff, puff into next st, ch 1, fpdc around puff, puff into next st, ch 1, fpdc around puff, fpdc around next 2 sts, **sk cl, [2 hdc cl, ch 1, 2 hdc cl] into ch 1, sk cl** rep **. ** 35 more times, fpdc around next 2 sts, fpdc around puff, puff into next st, ch 1, fpdc around puff, puff into next st, ch 1, fpdc around puff* rep *.* 3 more times, ss into 1st st (41 ch 1, 72 x 2 hdc cl, 10 fpdc, 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: 352 (excluding chains)

Round 48

Using colour (CW 1 BLUEBERRY)/(CW 2 HONEYDEW MELON)/(CW 3 GREY GRANITE), start in any ch 2 corner.

*[Dc 2, ch 2 (**corner**), dc 2] into ch 2, fpdc around next 8 sts, **hdc into cl, hdc into ch 1, hdc into cl** rep **. ** 35 more times, fpdc around next 8 sts* rep *.* 3 more times, ss into 1st st (108 hdc, 16 fpdc per side)(4 dc, ch 2 per corner), DO not cut yarn for CW1 and CW 3. Cut yarn and weave in ends for CW2.

Total stitch count: 512 (excluding chains)

Round 49

Using colour (CW 1 BLUEBERRY)/(CW 2 FORGET-ME-NOT)/(CW 3 GREY GRANITE), start in any ch 2 corner.

Helpful hint: because we did not cut the yarn in the last round but slip stitched to the corner chains you will make two chains to replace the starting half double crochet stitch, but only for the first corner, for the rest of the corners you make a normal half double crochet.

Ss into ch sp, *[ch 2 (counts as 1st hdc, hdc, ch 2 (corner), hdc 2] into ch 2, sk next st (hidden), hdc into next 127 sts* rep *.* 3 more times, ss into 1st st (127 hdc per side)(4 hdc, ch 2 per corner), cut yarn and weave in ends for CW 1, CW 2 and CW3.

Total stitch count: 524 (excluding chains and slip stitches)

Round 50

Using colour (CW 1 PERIWINKLE)/(CW 2 SWEET PEA)/(CW 3 IRON), start in any ch 2 corner.

[Hdc 2, ch 2 (corner), hdc 2] into ch 2, bpdcc around next 131 sts rep *.* 3 more times, ss into 1st st (131 bpdcc per side)(4 hdc, ch 2 per corner), cut yarn and weave in ends for CW 1, CW 2 and CW3.

Total stitch count: 540 (excluding chains)

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I hope that you enjoy making this pattern as much as I did during the design process.

Melanie

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