Embossed Leaves Blanket

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INTERMEDIATE

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Materials:

15 skeins of Bonita Yarns Solid Colorful Dream in Light Blue, worsted weight (UK: Aran; Australia: 10 ply); 100% acrylic, 100g, 229 yds/ 210 m. You can purchase this yarn at www.bonitapatterns.com.

Yardage: Approximately 3400 yds

Size J (6.00 mm) crochet hook

Yarn needle

Gauge:

With size J (6.00 mm) crochet hook in pattern:

Row 1: Ch 9, dc in 4th ch from hook (ch does not count as dc), and across, turn. (6 sts)
Row 2: Ch 3 (does not count as st throughout for gauge swatch only), FPdc across, turn. (6 sts)
Row 3: Ch 3, BPdc across, turn. (6 sts)
Row 4 Rep Row 2. (6 sts)

6 sts and 4 rows = 2" x 2"
CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain gauge.

Abbreviations:

Beginning (beg)
Back Loops Only (BLO)
Back Post Double Crochet (BPdc)
Back Post Double Crochet Two Together (BPdc2tog)
Chain (ch)
Double Crochet (dc)
Front Post Double Crochet (FPdc)
Front Post Double Crochet Two Together (FPdc2tog)
Repeat (rep)
Slip Stitch (sl st)
Space (sp)
Stitch (st)

Finished Measurement:

42" wide X 56" long

Special Stiches:

Back Post Double Crochet (bpdc) – yo and insert hook from the back to the front around the post of the st of previous row. Complete as for a regular dc stitch.

Front Post Double Crochet (fpdc) – yo and insert hook from the front to the back around the post of the st of previous row. Complete as for a regular dc stitch.

Back Post Double Crochet Two Together (BPdc2tog) – * Yo, insert hook from back to front around post of next dc; yo and pull up a loop, yo and draw through two loops on hook, rep from * once more, yo and draw through all 3 loops on hook. – 2 bpdc decreased into 1 bpdc.

Front Post Double Crochet Two Together (FPdc2tog) – * Yo, insert hook from front to back around post of next dc; yo and pull up a loop, yo and draw through two loops on hook, rep from * once more, yo and draw through all 3 loops on hook. – 2 fpdc decreased into 1 fpdc.

V-st – dc 1, ch 1, dc 1.

Pattern Notes:

1. The beauty of knitted cable leaves has been "translated" to crochet in this ***Embossed Garden Blanket.*** The blanket is made of 12 square motifs crocheted in rounds and later joined to create the blanket. You can easily adapt the size of your blanket by increasing or decreasing the number of squares.

2. This pattern is rated as intermediate. The skills required to complete this project are: crocheting in the round (rnd), chain (ch), slip stitch (sl st), single crochet (sc), double crochet (dc), V-stitch (V-st: dc 1, ch 1, dc 1), front post double crochet (FPdc) and back post double crochet (BPdc). If you need help, please do not hesitate to contact us at patternsupport@bonitapatterns.com.

Directions for Blanket' Squares: make 12 squares following the same instructions.

Ch 4, join with sl st in first ch to form a ring or use a magic adjustable ring. You can find a great photo tutorial for the magic ring here: http://www.craftsy.com/blog/2013/09/demystifying-the-magic-ring/

Rnd 1: Ch 3 (count as dc), 15 dc in in ring, join with sl st in first dc. – (16 dc).

Rnd 2: Ch 3 (count as a BPdc), 2 BPdc in same beg ch, FPdc in next dc, 3 BPdc in next dc, (FPdc, ch 1, FPdc) in next dc, * 3 BPdc in next dc, FPdc in next dc, 3 BPdc in next dc, (FPdc, ch 1, FPdc) in next dc, rep from * around, join with sl st in first dc. – (36 sts + 4 ch-1 = 40 sts). ***See pics A and B for BPdc and FPdc tutorial (p. 9).***

Rnd 3: Ch 3 (*count as a BPdc here and throughout*), BPdc in next 2 BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, BPdc in next 3 BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, V-st in next ch 1-sp, FPdc in next FPdc, * BPdc in next 3 BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, BPdc in next 3 BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, V-st in next ch-1 sp, FPdc in next FPdc, rep from * around, join with sl st in first BPdc. – (44 sts + 4 ch-1 = 48 sts). ***See pic C for V-st (dc 1, ch 1, dc 1) tutorial (p. 10).***

Rnd 4: Ch 3, BPdc in same BPdc as beg ch, BPdc in next BPdc, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, FPdc in FPdc, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc in next BPdc, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, FPdc in next 2 sts, V-st in next ch-1 sp, FPdc in next 2 sts, * 2 BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc in next BPdc, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, FPdc in FPdc, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc in next BPdc, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, FPdc in next 2 sts, V-st in next ch-1 sp, FPdc in next 2 sts, rep from * around, join with sl st in first BPdc. – (68 sts + 4 ch-1 = 72 sts).

Rnd 5: Ch 3, BPdc in next 4 BPdc, FPdc in next dc, BPdc in next 5 BPdc, FPdc in next 3 sts, V-st in next ch 1-sp, FPdc in next 3 sts, * BPdc in next 5 BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, BPdc in next 5 BPdc, FPdc in next 3 sts, V-st in next ch-1 sp, FPdc in next 3 sts,* around, join with sl st in first BPdc. rep from * around, join with sl st in first BPdc, – (76 sts + 4 ch-1 = 80 sts).

Rnd 6: Ch 3, BPdc in same BPdc as beg ch, BPdc in next 3 BPdc, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, FPdc in FPdc, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc in next 3 BPdc, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, FPdc in next 4 sts, V-st in next ch-1 sp, FPdc in next 4 sts, * 2 BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc in next 3 BPdc, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, FPdc in FPdc, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc in next 3 BPdc, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, FPdc in next 4 sts, V-st in next ch-1 sp, FPdc in next 4 sts, rep from * around, join with sl st in first BPdc – (100 sts + 4 ch-1 = 104 sts).

Rnd 7: Ch 3, BPdc in next 6 BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, BPdc in next 7 BPdc, FPdc in next 5 sts, V-st in next ch 1-sp, FPdc in next 5 sts, * BPdc in next 7 BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, BPdc in next 7 BPdc, FPdc in next 5 sts, V-st in next ch-1 sp, FPdc in next 5 sts,* around, join with sl st in first BPdc, rep from * around, join with sl st in first BPdc – (108 sts + 4 ch-1 = 112 sts).

Rnd 8: Sl st in second BPdc, ch 3 (counts as a BPdc2tog = 1 decrease), BPdc in next 3 BPdc, BPdc2tog over next 2 BPdc, (FPdc, ch 1, 5 FPdc, ch1, FPdc) in next FPdc, BPdc2tog over next 2 BPdc, BPdc in next 3 BPdc, BPdc2tog over next 2 BPdc, FPdc2tog over next 2 FPdc, FPdc in next 2 FPdc, (FPdc2tog over next 2 FPdc) twice, FPdc in next 2 FPdc, FPdc2tog over next 2 FPdc, * BPdc2tog over next 2 BPdc, BPdc in next 3 BPdc, BPdc2tog over next 2 BPdc, (FPdc, ch 1, 5 FPdc, ch1, FPdc) in next FBdc, BPdc2tog over next 2 BPdc, BPdc in next 3 BPdc, BPdc2tog over next 2 BPdc, FPdc2tog over next 2 FPdc, FPdc in next 2 FPdc, (FPdc2tog over next 2 FPdc) twice, FPdc in next 2 FPdc, FPdc2tog over next 2 FPdc, rep from * around, join with sl st in first BPdc – (100 sts + 8 ch-1 = 108 sts). ***See pic D and E BPdc2tog and FPdc2tog tutorial (p. 10).***

Rnd 9: Ch 3, BPdc in next 4 BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, V-st in next ch-1 sp, FPdc in next FPdc, 3 BPdc in next FPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, 3 BPdc in next FPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, V-st in next ch-1 sp, FPdc in next FPdc, BPdc in next 5 BPdc, (FPdc2tog over next 2 FPdc) 4 times, * BPdc in next 5 BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, V-st in next ch-1 sp, FPdc in next FPdc, 3 BPdc in next FPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, 3 BPdc in next FPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, V-st in next ch-1 sp, FPdc in next FPdc, BPdc in next 5 BPdc, (FPdc2tog over next 2 FPdc) 4 times – (116 sts + 8 ch-1 = 124 sts).

Rnd 10: Sl st in second BPdc, ch 3 (counts as a BPdc2tog = 1 decrease), BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc2tog over next 2 BPdc, FPdc in next 2 sts, V-st in next ch-1 sp, FPdc in next 2 sts, BPdc in next 3 BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, BPdc in next 3 BPdc, FPdc in next 2 sts, V-st in next ch-1 sp, FPdc in next 2 sts, BPdc2tog over next 2 sts, BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc2tog over next 2 sts, (FPdc2tog over next) twice, * BPdc2tog over next 2 BPdc, BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc2tog over next 2 BPdc, FPdc in next 2 sts, V-st in next ch-1 sp, FPdc in next 2 sts, BPdc in next 3 BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, BPdc in next 3 BPdc, FPdc in next 2 sts, V-st in next ch-1 sp, FPdc in next 2 sts, BPdc2tog over next 2 sts, BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc2tog over next 2 sts, (FPdc2tog over next 2 sts) twice, rep from * around, join with sl st in first BPdc. – (108 sts + 8 ch-1 = 116 sts).

Rnd 11: Ch 3, BPdc in next 2 BPdc, FPdc in next 3 sts, V-st in next ch-1 sp, FPdc in next 3 sts, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc in next BPdc, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc in next BPdc, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, FPdc in next 3 sts, V-st in next ch-1 sp, FPdc in next 3 sts, BPdc in next 3 BPdc, FPdc2tog over next 2 sts, * BPdc in next 3 BPdc, FPdc in next 3 sts, V-st in next ch-1 sp, FPdc in next 3 sts, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc in next BPdc, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc in next BPdc, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, FPdc in next 3 sts, V-st in next ch-1 sp, FPdc in next 3 sts, BPdc in next 3 BPdc, FPdc2tog over next 2 sts, rep from * around. – (136 sts + 8 ch-1 = 144 sts).

Rnd 12: Ch 3, BPdc in same BPdc as beg ch, BPdc in next BPdc, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, (FPdc2tog over next 2 FPdc) 4 times, BPdc in next 5 BPdc, (FPdc, Ch1, FPdc) in next FPdc, BPdc in next 5 sts, (FP2tog over next 2 FPdc) 4 times, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc in next BPdc, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, *2 BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc in next BPdc, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, (FPdc 2 tog over next 2 FPdc) 4 times, BPdc in next 5 BPdc, (FPdc, ch 1, FPdc) in next FPdc, BPdc in next 5 BPdc, (FPdc2tog over next 2 FBdc) 4 times, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc in next BPdc, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, rep from * around, join with sl st in first BPdc. – (124 sts+ 4 ch-1 = 128 sts).

Rnd 13: Ch 3, BPdc in next 4 BPdc, (FPdc2tog over next 2 FPdc) twice, BPdc2tog over next 2 BPdc, BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc2tog over next 2 BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, V-st in next ch-1 sp, FPdc in next FPdc, BPdc2tog over next 2 BPdc, BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc2tog over next 2 BPdc, (FPdc2tog over next 2 FPdc) twice, BPdc in next 5 BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, * BPdc in next 5 BPdc, (FPdc2tog over next 2 FPdc) twice, BPdc2tog over next 2 BPdc, BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc2tog over next 2 BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, V-st in next ch-1 sp, FPdc in next FPdc, BPdc2tog over next 2 BPdc, BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc2tog over next 2 BPdc, (FPdc2tog over next 2 FPdc) twice, BPdc in next 5 BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, rep from * around, join with sl st in first BPdc.. – (100 sts+ 4 ch-1 = 104 sts).

Rnd 14: Ch 3, BPdc in same BPdc as beg ch, BPdc in next 3 BPdc, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, FPdc2tog over next 2 sts, BPdc in next 3 BPdc, FPdc in next 2 FPdc, V-st in next ch-1 sp, FPdc in next 2 FPdc, BPdc in next 3 BPdc, FPdc2tog over next 2 sts, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc in next 3 BPdc, 2BPdc in next BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, * 2 BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc in next 3 BPdc, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, FPdc2tog over next 2 sts, BPdc in next 3 BPdc, FPdc in next 2 FPdc, V-st in next ch-1 sp, FPdc in next 2 FPdc, BPdc in next 3 BPdc, FPdc2tog over next 2 sts, 2 BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc in next 3 BPdc, 2BPdc in next BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, – rep from * around, join with sl st in first BPdc. (116 sts+ 4 ch-1 = 120 sts).

Rnd 15: Ch 3, BPdc in next 6 BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, 2BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc in next BPdc, 2BPdc in next BPdc, FPdc in next 3 FPdc, V-st in next ch-1 sp, FPdc in next 3 FPdc, 2BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc in next BPdc, 2BPdc in next BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, BPdc in next 7 BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, * BPdc in next 7 BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, 2BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc in next BPdc, 2BPdc in next BPdc, FPdc in next 3 FPdc, V-st in next ch-1 sp, FPdc in next 3 FPdc, 2BPdc in next BPdc, BPdc in next BPdc, 2BPdc in next BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, BPdc in next 7 BPdc, FPdc in next FPdc, rep from * around, join with sl st in first BPdc. – (140 sts+ 4 ch-1 = 144 sts).

Rnd 16: Ch 3 (count as BPdc), BPdc in next 16 sts, 3 dc in next ch-1 sp, (BPdc in next 35 sts, 3 dc in next ch-1 sp) 3 times, BPdc in next 18 sts, join with sl st in first BPdc. – (152 sts)

Rnd 17: Ch 3 (count as FPdc), FPdc in next 17 sts, 3 FPdc in next st, (FPdc in next 37 sts, 3 FPdc in next st) 3 times, FPdc in next 19 sts, join with sl st in first FPdc. – (160 sts)
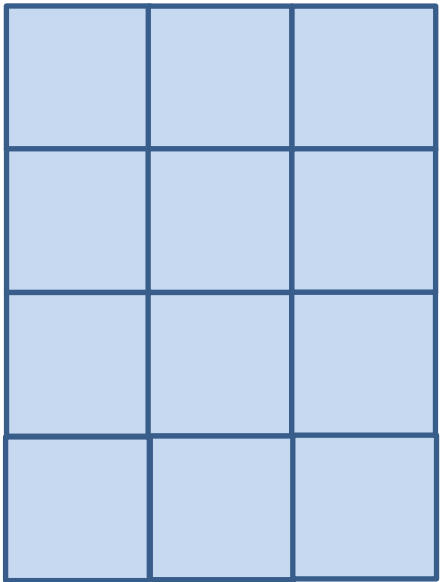
Rnd 18: Ch 3 (count as FPdc), FPdc in next 18 sts, 3 FPdc in next st, (FPdc in next 39 sts, 3 FPdc in next st) 3 times, FPdc in next 20 sts, join with sl st in first FPdc. **Fasten off.** – (168 sts)

Joining Motifs

Using your favorite joining method, sew on squares together as shown below. The method used to join the blanket showcased in pattern pictures was aligning squares and slip stitching through both stitches. This created a decorative edging on the blanket. We suggest you block the squares before joining them together.

Decorative edge by joining with slip stitches.

Joining Schematic

Note: Yarn weight and hook size were changed for better visualization of stitches on photos.

Pic A (BPdc) : yo and insert hook from the back to the front around the post of the st of previous row.	Complete as for a regular dc stitch.
Pic B (FPdc): yo and insert hook from the front to the back around the post of the st of previous row.	Complete as for a regular dc stitch.

Pic C (V-st): dc 1, ch, dc 1 in same st.

Pic D (BPdc2tog) – * Yo, insert hook from back to front around post of next dc; yo and pull up a loop, yo and draw through two loops on hook, rep from * once more, yo and draw through all 3 loops on hook. – 2 bpdc decreased into 1 bpdc.

Pic E (FPdc2tog) – * Yo, insert hook from front to back around post of next dc; yo and pull up a loop, yo and draw through two loops on hook, rep from * once more, yo and draw through all 3 loops on hook. – 2 fpdc decreased into 1 fpdc.

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