



The Dahlia Rug

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Difficulty: Intermediate

Materials:

1 skein Caron One Pound in each color Light Grey, Medium Grey, and Azure

Size J Crochet Hook

Stitch markers

Needle to work in ends

Gauge: none

Notes:

We will be making a spiral circle, NOT joining at the round. We also will NOT be chaining two at the beginning of the new round. I find it helpful to mark the first stitch of each round so that it is easier to know when the next round starts. We also will be working all of our stitches in the BACK LOOPS ONLY for the circle and squaring it up.

The pattern is very forgiving. If you miss a stitch or a petal, you really can't tell so don't worry about being perfect and have fun with it!!



Image: showing effect of working in the back loops only.

Instructions:

Scroll Down for Full Picture Tutorial including Step-By-Step Instructions.

Making Circle

Make magic ring or ch 4 and join to make ring

Round 1: 12 HDC in ring - do not join

Round 2: HDC in the BACK LOOP of the next st and place marker. HDC in same st. 2 HDC in the back loop of the next st and in each st around to marker. (24 sts)

Round 3: HDC in the back loop of the next st, place marker. HDC in same st. 1 HDC in the back loop of the next st. *2 HDC in the back loop of the next st, 1 HDC in the back loop of the next st* Repeat from *to* around to marker (36 sts)

Round 4: HDC in the back loop of the next st, place marker. HDC in same st. 1 HDC in the back loop of the next 2 sts. *2 HDC in the back loop of the next st, 1 HDC in the back loop of the next 2 sts* Repeat from *to* around to marker (48 sts)

Round 5: HDC in the back loop of the next st, place marker. HDC in same st. 1 HDC in the back loop of the next 3 sts. *2 HDC in the back loop of the next st, 1 HDC in the back loop of the next 3 sts* Repeat from *to* around to marker (60 sts)

Square it up

HDC in the back loop of the next st and place marker. HDC in the back loops of the next 13 sts. HDC, Ch 2, HDC in the back loop of the next st. *HDC in the back loop of the next 14 sts. HDC, ch 2, HDC in the back loop of the next st* Repeat from *to* around to marker. Join at marker and fasten off.

Petals

Join yarn at first front loop in the middle of the squared up circle. Ch 1.

*Work 5 HDC in loop, sl st in next loop Repeat from *to* 5 times (5 petals completed)

Skip one loop and work 5 HDC in next loop. sk next loop and sl st in next loop. Repeat from *to* until you reach the outer edge of the square (about 43 more petals) and fasten off. (48 Petals total)

Joining

You can use your favorite joining method to join the squares.

I joined my squares with 2 sc in the corners and slip stitching together the sides.

Hold two squares with the right sides facing as if making a sandwich. Insert your hook into the first corner of both squares and work 2 single crochets. Insert your hook into the next st of both pieces and work a sl st. Repeat this st along the seam ending in the corner with 2 sc. Continue joining all 12 squares for a small bath/kitchen rug, or make more flowers for a runner or larger room size rug.

Full Picture Tutorial

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You can also add a border if you choose
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