



CROCHET  
SKILL LEVEL  
INTERMEDIATE

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## What you will need:

**RED HEART® Gumdrop®:** 2 balls each 202 Lemon A and 625 Apple B, 3 balls each 620 Cherry C and 501 Smoothie D

**Susan Bates® Crochet Hook:** 5.5mm [I-9 US].

**GAUGE:** 13 sts = 4" (10 cm) in pattern; Rounds 1–8 = 4" (10 cm).  
**CHECK YOUR GAUGE.** Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.



**RED HEART® Gumdrop®, Art. E800** available in multicolor 4 oz (113 g), 204 yd (187 m) balls

# Squares in Squares Throw

*This colorful throw is perfect for a picnic or just keeping cozy at home. Crocheted with vibrant shades of multi-color yarn, it adds a burst of brightness to your surroundings.*

Throw measures 42" x 42" (106.5 x 106.5 cm)

## Special Stitch

**Fptr (Front post treble crochet)** = [Yarn over] twice, insert hook from front side of work to back and to front again around post of the indicated stitch 3 rows below, yarn over and pull up a loop (4 loops on hook), [yarn over and draw through 2 loops] 3 times. **Note:** Do not work into the corresponding stitch in the current working row.

## Special Technique

**Adjustable-ring method**—Wrap yarn into a ring, ensuring that the tail falls behind the working yarn. Grip ring and tail firmly between middle finger and thumb. Insert hook through center of ring, yarn over (with working yarn) and draw up a loop. Work stitches of first round in the ring. After the first round of stitches is worked, pull gently, but firmly, on tail to tighten ring.

## Color Sequence

After Round 1, \*work 3 rounds with **A**, 3 rounds with **B**, 3 rounds with **C**, and 3 rounds with **D**; repeat from \* twice.

## Notes

1. Throw is worked in joined rounds with right facing at all times.
2. Following color sequence, change color at the end of every 3rd row.
3. Loosen your tension when working front post triple crochet so that throw lays flat.
4. When instructed to work into a stitch "3 rows below", work into the row numbered 3 less than the current row. For example, if you are working Row 5, a stitch "2 rows below" is in Row 5 – 3 = Row 2.

## THROW

With **A**, make an adjustable ring.

**Round 1 (right side):** Ch 3 (counts as first dc here and throughout), ([tr, 3 dc] 3 times, tr, 2 dc) in ring; join with slip st in top of beginning ch-3—4 tr and 12 dc.

**Round 2:** Ch 3, \*(dc, tr, dc) in next tr (corner made), dc in next 3 sts; repeat from \* twice, (dc, tr, dc) in next tr, dc in next 2 sts; join with slip st in top of beginning ch-3—4 tr and 20 dc.

**Rounds 3 and 4:** Ch 3, \*dc in each st across to next tr, (2 dc, tr, 2 dc) in next tr; repeat from \* around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch-3; change to next color at end of Round 4—4 tr and 52 dc.

**Round 5:** Ch 3, fptr around next st 3 rows below, dc in next 4 sts, \*(2 dc, tr, 2 dc) in next tr, dc in next 4 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below, dc in next 3 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below, dc in next 4 sts; repeat from \* twice, (2 dc, tr, 2 dc) in next tr, dc in next 4 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below, dc in next 2 sts; join with slip st in top of beginning ch-3—4 tr, 8 fptr, and 60 dc (2 fptr and 15 dc on each side).

**Rounds 6 and 7:** Repeat Rounds 3 and 4—4 tr and 100 dc.

**Round 8:** Ch 3, dc in next st, [fptr around next st 3 rows below, dc in next 4 sts] twice, \*(2 dc, tr, 2 dc) in next tr, [dc in next 4 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] twice, dc in next 5 sts, [fptr around next st 3 rows below, dc in next 4 sts] twice; repeat from \* twice, (2 dc, tr, 2 dc) in next tr, [dc in next 4 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] two times, dc in last 3 sts; join with slip st in top of beginning ch-3—4 tr, 16 fptr, and 100 dc (4 fptr and 25 dc on each side).

**Rounds 9 and 10:** Repeat Rounds 3 and 4—4 tr and 148 dc.

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**Round 11:** Ch 3, dc in next 2 sts, [fptr around next st 3 rows below, dc in next 4 sts] 3 times, \*(2 dc, tr, 2 dc) in next tr, [dc in next 4 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 3 times, dc in next 3 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below, dc in next 3 sts, [fptr around next st 3 rows below, dc in next 4 sts] 3 times; repeat from \* twice, (2 dc, tr, 2 dc) in next tr, [dc in next 4 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 3 times, dc in next 3 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below; join with slip st in top of beginning ch-3—4 tr, 28 fptr, and 136 dc (7 fptr and 34 dc on each side).

**Rounds 12 and 13:** Repeat Rounds 3 and 4—4 tr and 196 dc.

**Round 14:** Slip st in next st, ch 3, dc in next 2 sts, [fptr around next st 3 rows below, dc in next 4 sts] 4 times, \*(2 dc, tr, 2 dc) in next tr, [dc in next 4 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 4 times, dc in next 3 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below, dc in next st, fptr around next st 3 rows below; join with slip st in top of beginning ch-3—4 tr, 40 fptr, and 172 dc (10 fptr and 43 dc on each side).

**Rounds 15 and 16:** Repeat Rounds 3 and 4—4 tr and 244 dc.

**Round 17:** Slip st in next st, ch 3, dc in next 2 sts, [fptr around next st 3 rows below, dc in next 4 sts] 5 times, \*(2 dc, tr, 2 dc) in next tr, [dc in next 4 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 5 times, [dc in next 3 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 3 times, [dc in next 4 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 4 times, dc in next 4 sts; repeat from \* twice, (2 dc, tr, 2 dc) in next tr, [dc in next 4 sts, fptr around next

st 3 rows below] 5 times, [dc in next 3 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] twice; join with slip st in top of beginning ch-3—4 tr, 48 fptr, and 212 dc (12 fptr and 53 dc on each side).

**Rounds 18 and 19:** Repeat Rounds 3 and 4—4 tr and 292 dc.

**Round 20:** Slip st in next st, ch 3, dc in next 2 sts, [fptr around next st 3 rows below, dc in next 4 sts] 6 times, \*(2 dc, tr, 2 dc) in next tr, [dc in next 4 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 6 times, dc in next 3 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below, dc in next 5 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below, dc in next 3 sts, [fptr around next st 3 rows below, dc in 4 sts] 6 times; repeat from \* twice, (2 dc, tr, 2 dc) in next tr, [dc in next 4 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 6 times, dc in next 3 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below; join with slip st in top of beginning ch-3—4 tr, 56 fptr, and 252 dc (14 fptr and 63 dc on each side).

**Rounds 21 and 22:** Repeat Rounds 3 and 4—4 tr and 340 dc.

**Round 23:** Slip st in next st, ch 3, dc in next 2 sts, [fptr around next st 3 rows below, dc in next 4 sts] 7 times, \*(2 dc, tr, 2 dc) in next tr, [dc in next 4 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 7 times, [dc in next 3 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 4 times, [dc in next 4 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 6 times, dc in next 4 sts; repeat from \* twice, (2 dc, tr, 2 dc) in next tr, [dc in next 4 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 7 times, [dc in next 3 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 3 times; join with slip st in top of beginning ch-3—4 tr, 68 fptr, and 288 dc (17 fptr and 72 dc on each side).

**Rounds 24 and 25:** Repeat Rounds 3 and 4—4 tr and 388 dc.

**Round 26:** Slip st in next st, ch 3, dc in next 2 sts, [fptr around next st 3 rows below, dc in next 4 sts] 8 times, \*(2 dc, tr, 2 dc) in next tr, [dc in next 4 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 8 times, [dc in next 3 sts, fptr around

next st 3 rows below] twice, dc in next st, [fptr around next st 3 rows below, dc in next 3 sts] twice, [fptr around next st 3 rows below, dc in next 4 sts] 8 times; repeat from \* twice, (2 dc, tr, 2 dc) in next tr, [dc in next 4 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 8 times, [dc in next 3 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] twice, dc in next st, fptr around next st 3 rows below, dc in next 3 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below; join with slip st in top of beginning ch-3—4 tr, 80 fptr, and 324 dc (20 fptr and 81 dc on each side).

**Rounds 27 and 28:** Repeat Rounds 3 and 4—4 tr and 436 dc.

**Round 29:** Slip st in next st, ch 3, dc in next 2 sts, [fptr around next st 3 rows below, dc in next 4 sts] 9 times, \*(2 dc, tr, 2 dc) in next tr, [dc in next 4 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 9 times, [dc in next 3 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 5 times, [dc in next 4 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 8 times, dc in next 4 sts; repeat from \* twice, (2 dc, tr, 2 dc) in next tr, [dc in next 4 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 9 times, [dc in next 3 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 4 times; join with slip st in top of beginning ch-3—4 tr, 88 fptr, and 364 dc (22 fptr and 91 dc on each side).

**Rounds 30 and 31:** Repeat Rounds 3 and 4—4 tr and 484 dc.

**Round 32:** Slip st in next st, ch 3, dc in next 2 sts, [fptr around next st 3 rows below, dc in next 4 sts] 10 times, \*(2 dc, tr, 2 dc) in next tr, [dc in next 4 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 10 times, [dc in next 3 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] twice, dc in next 5 sts, [fptr around next st 3 rows below, dc in next 4 sts] 10 times; repeat from \* twice, (2 dc, tr, 2 dc) in next tr, [dc in next 4 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 10 times, [dc in next 3 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] twice, dc in next 5 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below, dc in next 3 sts, fptr around next

st 3 rows below, slip st to beg ch—4 tr, 96 fptr, and 404 dc (24 fptr and 101 dc on each side).

**Rounds 33 and 34:** Repeat Rounds 3 and 4—4 tr and 532 dc.

**Round 35:** Slip st in next st, ch 3, dc in next 2 sts, [fptr around next st 3 rows below, dc in next 4 sts] 11 times, \*(2 dc, tr, 2 dc) in next tr, [dc in next 4 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 11 times, [dc in next 3 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 6 times, [dc in next 4 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 10 times, dc in next 4 sts; repeat from \* twice, (2 dc, tr, 2 dc) in next tr, [dc in next 4 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 11 times, [dc in next 3 sts, fptr around next st 3 rows below] 5 times; join with slip st in top of beginning ch-3—4 tr, 108 fptr, and 440 dc (27 fptr and 110 dc on each side).

**Rounds 36 and 37:** Repeat Rounds 3 and 4; do not change to next color at end of Round 37—4 tr and 580 dc.

**Round 38:** Ch 1, \*sc in each st to next tr, 3 sc in next tr; repeat from \* 3 times, sc in each remaining st; join with slip st in first sc, turn.

**Round 39:** Ch 1, \*sc in each st to next 3-sc group, sc in next sc, 3 sc in next st; repeat from \* 3 times, sc in each remaining st; join with slip st in first sc. Fasten off.

## FINISHING

Weave in ends.

## ABBREVIATIONS

**A, B, C** = Color A, Color B, Color C, etc.; **ch** = chain; **dc** = double crochet; **sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **tr** = treble (triple) crochet; **( )** = work directions in parentheses into same st; **[ ]** = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; **\*** = repeat whatever follows the \* as indicated.