LIONS AND TIGERS AND BEARS CROCHET BLANKET

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MATERIALS

Red Heart® Super Saver® (7 oz/198 g; 364 yds/333 m)
Contrast A Cornmeal (0320) 1 ball
Contrast B Gold (0321) 1 ball
Contrast C Café Latte (0360) 1 ball
Contrast D Aran (0313) 3 balls
Contrast E Pumpkin (0254) 1 ball
Contrast F Charcoal (3950) 1 ball
Contrast G Warm Brown (0336) 1 ball
Contrast H Black (0312) 1 ball

Size U.S. H/8 [5 mm] crochet hook or sizes needed to obtain gauge. Stitch marker. Yarn needle.

MEASUREMENTS

Approx 36” (91.5 cm) square.

GAUGES

13 sc and 16 rows = 4” [10 cm].
1 square = 11” [28 cm].

INSTRUCTIONS

Notes:

• Blanket is made from 9 squares worked in joined rnds and then sewn tog.

Rep = Repeat
Rnd(s) = Round(s)
RS = Right side
Sc = Single crochet
Sc2tog = Draw up a loop in each of next 2 sc. Yoh and draw through all 3 loops on hook
Sl st = Slip stitch
Sp(s) = Space(s)
St(s) = Stitch(es)
Tog = Together
Tr = Treble crochet
Yoh = Yarn over hook

• Rnds 1–5 of each square are the base of each animal’s face and head. Work 3 squares with same color for each animal.
• Facial and head pieces are made separately and sewn to base. On all pieces, fasten off leaving a long end for sewing.
• Ch 3 at beg of rnd counts as dc.
• Ch 4 at beg of rnd counts as tr.
• Join all rnds with sl st to top of ch 3.
BLANKET

Square (make 9: 3 each with E & D, B & D, and C & D)

With first color. Ch 4. Join with sl st in first ch to form a ring.


2nd rnd: Ch 3. 1 dc in same st as join. 2 dc in each st around. Join. 24 dc.

3rd rnd: Ch 3. 2 dc in next st. *1 dc in next st. 2 dc in next st. Rep from * around. Join. 36 dc.

4th rnd: Ch 3. 1 dc in each of next 2 sts. 2 dc in next st. *1 dc in each of next 3 sts. 2 dc in next st. Rep from * around. Join. 48 dc.

5th rnd: Ch 3. 1 dc in each of next 2 sts. 2 dc in next st. *1 dc in each of next 3 sts. 2 dc in next st. Rep from * around. Join. 60 dc. Fasten off.

6th rnd: With RS facing and working in back loops only, join D with sl st in any st. Ch 4. 1 dc in next st. 1 hdc in next st. 1 sc in each of next 9 sts. 1 hdc in next st. 1 dc in next st. 1 tr in next st. *Ch 3. 1 tr in next st. 1 dc in next st. 1 hdc in next st. 1 sc in each of next 9 sts. 1 hdc in next st. 1 dc in next st. 1 tr in next st. Rep from * twice. Ch 3. Join. 8 tr, 8 dc, 8 hdc, 36 sc and 4 ch-3 sts.

7th rnd: Ch 1. 1 sc in same sp as join. 1 sc in each of next 14 sts. 5 sc in next ch-3 sp. *1 sc in each of next 15 sts. 5 sc in next ch-3 sp. Rep from * twice. Join with sl st in first sc. 80 sc.

8th rnd: Ch 3. 1 dc in each of next 16 sts. (2 dc. Ch 3. 2 dc) in next st. *1 dc in each of next 19 sts. (2 dc. Ch 3. 2 dc) in next st. Rep from * twice. 1 dc in each of last 2 sts. Join. 92 dc and 4 ch-3 sps.

9th rnd: Ch 3. 1 dc in each of next 18 sts. (2 dc. Ch 3. 2 dc) in next ch-3 sp. *1 dc in each of next 23 sts. (2 dc. Ch 3. 2 dc) in next ch-3 sp. Rep from * twice. 1 dc in each of last 4 sts. Join with sl st in top of beg ch. 108 dc and 4 ch-3 sps.

10th rnd: Ch 3. 1 dc in each of next 20 sts. (2 dc. Ch 3. 2 dc) in next ch-3 sp. *1 dc in each of next 27 sts. (2 dc. Ch 3. 2 dc) in next ch-3 sp. Rep from * twice. 1 dc in each of last 6 sts. Join with sl st in top of beg ch. 124 dc and 4 ch-3 sts. Fasten off.

LION (make 3)

Mane: 1st rnd: With RS of square facing, join A with sl st in any unworked front loop of Round 6. Ch 3. 2 dc in next st. Join. 3 dc in each front loop around. Join. Fasten off, leaving a long end for sewing on this and all facial pieces.

Ear (make 2)

1st row: 1 sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across. Turn. 5 sc.

2nd row: Ch 1. 1 sc in each of first 2 sc. 2 sc in next sc. 1 sc in each of last 2 sc. Fasten off.

Top of Nose

With D, ch 6.

1st rnd: 1 dc in 3rd ch from hook. 1 hdc in next ch. 1 sc in next ch. 3 sc in last ch. Working in opposite side of foundation ch, skip first ch. 1 sc in next ch. 1 hdc in next ch. 1 dc in next ch. Ch 2. Join with sl st in last ch. Fasten off.

Bottom of Nose

With C, ch 6.

1st row: 1 sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across. Turn. 5 sc.

2nd row: Ch 1. 1 sc in each of first 2 sc. 2 sc in next sc. 1 sc in each of last 2 sc. Fasten off.
**TIGER** (make 3)

- **Ears** (make 2)
  With E, work same as Lion’s ear.

- **Stripes** (make 3)
  With F, ch 6.
  1st row: Working in back bumps only, 1 sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch to end of chain 5 sts.
  2nd row: Ch 1. 1 hdc in each of first 2 sts. 1 sc in each of next 2 sts. Sl st in last st.
  Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

- **Cheek** (make 2)
  With A, work same as Rnds 1–3 of Lion’s ear. 18 sc. Fasten off.

**BEAR** (make 3)

**Nose**
With F, ch 2.
1st rnd: 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook. 6 sc. Do not join.
2nd rnd: *1 sc in next sc. 2 sc in next sc. Rep from * around. 9 sc.
Fasten off.

**ASSEMBLY**
Use photograph as a guide for placement of all pieces.

**Lion**:
Sew ears in place as shown slightly overlapping edge of head. Sew top and bottom of nose tog, center on base of face and sew in place. With H, embroider satin stitches for eyes and straight stitches for mouth.

**FINISHING**

**Border**:

1st rnd: With RS facing, join D with sc in any st. 1 sc in each st and ch-3 sps between squares and working 5 sc in each ch-3 sp at outer corners (corner made). Join with sl st in first sc. 408 sc.

2nd rnd: With RS facing, join A with sl st in center sc of any 5-sc corner. Ch 3. 4 dc in same sp as sl st (corner made). *1 dc in each st to center st of next 5-sc corner. 5 dc in center st (corner made). Rep from * twice more. 1 dc in each st to end of rnd. Join. 424 sc.

3rd rnd:
Ch 2 (counts as first hdc). 1 hdc next st. 3 hdc in next st. *1 hdc in each st to center st of next 5-dc corner. 3 hdc in center st. Rep from * twice. 1 hdc in each st to end of rnd. Join. 432 hdc. Fasten off.

4th rnd: Join D with sc in any st. 1 hdc in next st. 2 dc in next st. 1 hdc in next st. 1 sc in next st. 1 hdc in next st. 1 sc in next st. 1 sc in next st. 1 hdc in next st. 1 sc in next st. 1 sc in next st. 1 hdc in next st. Rep from * around. Join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off.