

Skipping Stones Circular Afghan
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Materials

8 skeins (48 ounces) Red Heart Chunky

Alternate yarn: Two strands of worsted weight held together

Boye crochet hook size N

Gauge: Rounds 1-3 = about 6"

Finished size: About 66" diameter

Ch 6; join with a sl st to form ring

Round 1: Ch 4 to count as the first trc, work 17 more trc in the ring; join with a sl st to the top of the beginning ch 4; ch 1, turn. (18 trc)

Round 2: Sc in the same st as joining, trd in the same st (sc in the next trc, trc in the same st) around, join with a sl st to the first sc; ch 1, turn. (36 sts)

Round 3: Sc in the same st as joining, (ch 3, skip next trc, sc in the next sc) around, ch 3, join with a sl st to the first sc. (18 ch-3 spaces)

Round 4: Sl st into the first ch 3 sp, ch 3 to count as the first dc, work 2 more dc in the same sp, (3 dc in the next ch 3 sp) around; join with a sl st to the top of the beginning ch 3; ch 1, turn. (54 dc)

Round 5: Sc in the same st as joining, trc in the next dc, (sc in the next dc,

trc in the next dc) around, join with a sl st to the first sc; ch 1, turn. (54 sts)

Round 6: Repeat round 3. (27 ch-3 spaces)

Round 7: Sl st into the first ch 3 sp, ch 3 to count as the first dc, work 2 more dc in the same sp, (3 dc in the next ch 3 sp) around; join with a sl st to the top of the beginning ch 3. (81 dc)

Round 8: Ch 3 to count as the first dc, dc in the same sp as joining, dc in each remaining dc around, join with a sl st to the top of the beginning ch 3; ch 1, turn. (82 dc)

Round 9: Repeat round 5. (82 sts)

Round 10: Repeat round 3. (41 ch-3 spaces)

Round 11: Repeat round 7. (123 dc)

Round 12: Repeat round 8. (124 dc)

Round 13: Ch 3 to count as the first dc, dc in each remaining dc around, ch 1, turn. (124 dc)

Round 14: Repeat round 5. (124 sts)

Round 15: Repeat round 3. (62 ch-3 spaces)

Round 16: Repeat round 4. (186 dc)

Rounds 17-19: Repeat round 13. (186 dc)

Round 20: Repeat round 5. (186 sts)

Round 21: Repeat round 3. (93 ch-3 spaces)

Round 22: Repeat round 7. (279 dc)

Round 23: Repeat round 8. (280 dc)

Rounds 24-26: Repeat round 13. (280 dc)

Round 27: Repeat round 5. (280 sts)

Round 28: Repeat round 3. (140 ch-3 spaces)

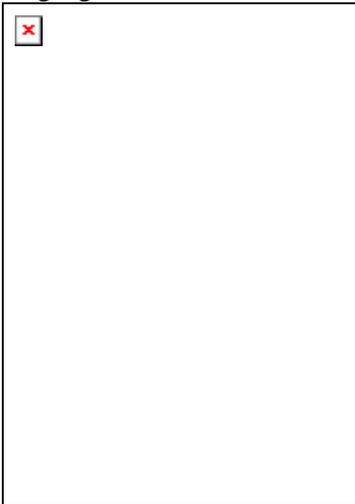
Round 29: Repeat round 7. (420 dc)

Rounds 30-34: Repeat round 13. (420 dc)

Round 35: Repeat round 5. (420 sts)

Round 36: Repeat round 3. (210 ch-3 spaces)

Edging



Round 37: Sl st into the first ch 3 sp, ch 4 to count as the first trc, work 4 more trc in the same space, sc in the next ch 3 sp, (5 trc shell in the next

ch 3 sp, sc in the next ch 3 sp) around, join with a sl st to the top of the beginning ch 4; ch 1, turn. (105 shells)

Pattern note: To work decrease (dec) over 3 stitches - insert hook in the next dc and pull up a loop, insert hook in next sc and pull up a loop, insert hook in next dc and pull up a loop, yo and pull through all 4 remaining loops on hook.

Round 38: Insert hook in same st as joining and pull up a loop, insert hook in next sc and pull up a loop, insert hook in next trc and pull up a loop, yo and pull through all 4 remaining loops on hook, (sc, trc) in the next trc, (sc, trc, sc) in the next trc, (trc, sc) in the next trc, *dec over the next 3 sts, (sc, trc) in the next trc, (sc, trc, sc) in the next trc, (trc, sc) in the next dc*

Repeat from * to * around; join with a sl st to the first st. Fasten off. Weave in ends.